

**DELAWARE VALLEY MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
**"Where Dreams Become Reality"**

**START WITH HELLO WEEK:** DVMS celebrated **Start with Hello** by sharing their organizational video in all homeroom classes. Students, faculty, and staff wore green to support inclusion, friendship, and camaraderie with all. DVMS joined the national initiative that remembers The Sandy Hook Promise.



**A VERY SPIRITED GROUP:** The Delaware Valley Middle School, in support of the **DV1 school district initiative**, held a building wide school spirit poster contest for all students! The theme was **"What does it mean to be a WARRIOR?"** While many students participated in the contest and had their posters hung around the school, **three** students were selected as poster **winners**. Congratulations to all those that participated, as it was wonderful seeing the amount of school spirit being generated. Congratulations to **Skylar Chin, Olivia Pitrelli, and Devyn Jahrling** for their winning submissions.



**Skylar Shin, Olivia Pitrelli, Devyn Jahrling**

Warriors	Mono-Chromatic Monday	Tie-Dye Tuesday	Western Wednesday	Crocs + Black Socks Thursday	White Friday
6th Total: 38.2%	22%	31%	23%	54%	61%
7th 38.2%	11%	43%	23%	56%	68%
8th 38.2%	21%	17%	23%	47%	60%

**The results of our school spirit theme based days! Great job DVMS!  
Congratulations Grade Students 7!!!!**

**SEPTEMBER IS SUICIDE AWARENESS and PREVENTION MONTH:** DVMS has shared educational announcements as well as yellow resource cards for all students. DVMS has worn yellow on Thursdays to join the national initiative for awareness and prevention. We hope to promote communication, reduce stigma, and get help to those that need it.

**ATTENDANCE AWARENESS MONTH:** DVSD adheres to attendance policies that are state-mandated. Please look in your student handbook to see what the protocols for attendance are. In the meantime, let's make sure your child is engaged in school by joining clubs or sports, connecting to a teacher, administrator, or counselor. These connections decrease absenteeism as well as promote consistency and structure for academic success. We, at DVMS, are all glad to be here. Stay in communication with the school so that we can all work together to promote the importance of attendance!

**LET'S GET PHYSICAL:** Winter season sports tryouts will begin November 17th! We are offering our pre-winter sports physicals at our DVHS nurse's office on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. To sign up for a physical you need to bring the 2 forms (health history & Phys exam) filled out with \$20.00 to the office. Cut off for the physicals will be Oct 23rd.

If you have already participated in a fall sport with a clear physical, you DO NOT need another physical for winter or spring sports.

## OCTOBER NEW STAFF MEMBER HIGHLIGHT



**Ms. Ripa, Math Teacher**

### **What made you decide to become a teacher?**

I had some amazing teachers that inspired me to pursue a career that would allow me to make a positive impact on society.

### **What do you love most about teaching?**

Interacting with my students, seeing them reach their goals.

### **What do you enjoy doing in your leisure time?**

Being outside- hiking, going for a walk, sitting by the lake, etc.

### **Who is your best role model and why?**

Mary Anderson- a retired teacher and principal. She was a true exemplar of a professional in education that always advocated for students and the importance of empowering the entire school community.

## SEPTEMBER STAFF MEMBER OF THE MONTH



**Mrs. Gandolfo, Art Teacher**



## SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH NOMINEES

Dylan Aguire  
Huter Cayot  
Colton Erkert  
Jacob Kutschera  
Connor Stewart  
Camryn Yakupcin

Annabelle Babb  
Isabella DeMeo  
Kayla Gamer  
Javian Quinones-Nathan  
Chloe Sybrandy  
Karson Young

Fallyn Brockway  
Regan Donnelly  
Landon Gregory  
Acela Roberts  
Isabella Waldron

Maya Burke  
Sydney Dutkus  
William Kent  
Zachary Spak  
Konnor Young

## SEPTEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



**Kiera Snyder, Rayvon Carr, Jake Ertola, Bryce Kingston**  
**Absent From Photo: Elizabeth Hopper, Maryah Nuhn**

## OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

October 9	School Closed, Teacher In-Service Day
October 11	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Career Day
October 25	Life Touch, Student Picture Make-Up Day
October 26	Halloween Costume Dance 2:50 - 4:30, DVMS Cafeteria

This school year has started off extremely well. It has been a pleasure meeting so many of our new sixth grade students while rekindling relationships with many of our upper-class students. Before getting too far into the school year, if your child is having difficulty adjusting to increased workloads, please remind him/her to take part in our after-school tutoring opportunities. If students are struggling with mental health issues, please direct those students to our school counselors and our school social worker.

It is always important to recognize our secretaries, custodians, bus drivers, and food service staff for all the work they did behind the scenes to ensure all the children got off to a great start to the school year. I also would like to thank our parents for the work you are doing in your homes. As we approach the middle of quarter 1, please review your child's academic standing to ensure he/she is performing at their best. Do not hesitate to reach out to a teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Have a fantastic fall season enjoying family and friends!

Sincerely,

Pete Ioppolo, Ed. D.  
Principal