

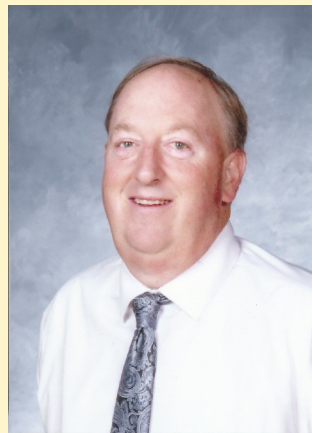


Hawk Talk

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 12th-2 Hour Early Release
- Oct 12th/19th Parent-Teacher Conferences 1:30—7:00 pm
- Oct 13th-No school
- Oct 19th 2 Hour Early Release
- Oct 27th End of 1st Quarter
- Nov 22-24 No School
- Dec 21st 2 Hour Early Release
- Dec 22, 2017- January 2, 2018 No School
- Jan 3, 2018 Return from Break



I would like to welcome everyone back to the 2017-2018 school year.

My name is Doug Dunham, and I will be entering my second year as the Superintendent for Mississinawa Valley.

Staff Members who joined Mississinawa Valley last year are:

Mike Griffin is the new Athletic Director/Director of Transportation/Dean of Students. He previously taught Math last year at Mississinawa Valley. Mr. Griffin is also our Head Football Coach.

The Cafeteria Manager is Katie Walters. Katie is a 2010 graduate of

Mississinawa Valley. She graduated from Ball State in 2014 with a degree in Hospitality and Food Management. After living in Indianapolis for two years, she and her husband moved back to the area.

Our School Nurse is Jamie Wisner. Jamie graduated from Mississinawa Valley in 1993. She received her Associates Degree as a Registered Nurse in 2013. Jamie is married and has two children.

Mississinawa Valley's full-time School Psychologist is Lindsay Peltz. Lindsay has been working part-time as the School Psychologist through the Darke County Educational Service Center at Mississinawa Valley, but this school year she will be full-time dedicated team.

Zack Evers teaches Math for Mississinawa Valley. Zach taught at Randolph Eastern School the last few years. He has a Bachelors and Masters Degree from Wright State University. Zack resides in Ansonia and will be helping out coaching football, too.

Kaitlin Edwards was another new Math teacher for Mississinawa Valley hired last year. This will be Kaitlin's first full-time teaching position, and she has her Bachelors and Masters Degree from Wright State. She resides in Greenville. Kaitlin last name is now Quellhorst for she got married over the summer!

Max Kindell is an Elementary teacher for Mississinawa Valley. Mr. Kindell received his Early Childhood Degree in 2016 from Wright State University Lake Campus. Mr. Kindell was a Reading Recovery teacher last school year. He teaches first grade this year.

Our new teachers for 2017-2018 school year are:

Stephan Novak-Band/ Music teacher. Mr. Novak graduated from Bowling Green University, and he will be residing in Greenville.

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Mississinawa Valley to have Full-Time School Resource Officer

Mississinawa Valley Local Schools and the Darke County Sheriff's Office will be working together to provide Mississinawa Valley with a School Resource Officer (SRO). The SRO will be Deputy Josh Brinley. Deputy Brinley resides in Greenville. Last school year, Deputy Brinley worked part-time, but this year, Deputy Brinley will be full-time at Mississinawa Valley. Deputy Brinley will be a great asset for Mississinawa Valley students, staff, parents, and community members. Deputy Brinley will assist in improving safety and improve police/community relations.

Attendance:

If your child is absent from school, please call as soon as possible to let us know they will not be at school. For the elementary, please call: 937-968-4111; for the Junior/High School please call 937-968-4464. For this school year, House Bill 410 requires school districts to monitor student absences in hours instead of days. So please make sure your child is present at school!

Mississinawa Valley Partners with Wayne HealthCare

Mississinawa Valley Local Schools and Wayne HealthCare have once again partnered up to provide Sports Medicine for the 2017-2018 school year. Mississinawa Valley will have a full-time trainer at school each day for practices and at games to assist our student athletes. Our full-time trainer is Brian Cheney. Brian worked at Greenville High School last year, and we welcome him to Mississinawa Valley this school year.

New Websites

The Mississinawa Valley Local Schools have launched a new website. You can view the webpage by going to www.mississinawa.k12.oh.us. We hope to provide information on our site which will help students, staff, parents, and community members.

The New Mississinawa Valley Sports Web Page is up and running and there is a link to that page on the home page. Updated information on schedules, rosters, and other information dealing with Mississinawa Valley Athletics on are on that site.

Social Media:

Twitter:

Mississinawa Valley Schools
Mr. Doug Dunham, Superintendent
@MV1

Mr. Jeff Winchester, JH/HS Principal
@MVHS_Principal

Facebook:

Mississinawa Valley Elementary

Mississinawa Valley MVCTC FFA

Amazing MV Alumni

Hello Everyone!

My name is Leslie Doppler (Breymier). I graduated from Mississinawa Valley High School in 2011. After graduating high school, I attended Indiana University East for four years. While there, I obtained a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education with a Minor in Mild Intervention.

I have had the privilege to be a part of Tri-Village Local Schools where I teach Kindergarten. I am currently in my second year of teaching. I always strive to create a safe, caring, and engaging learning environment for my students!

Dallas and I reside in Union City, Ohio. Union City has always been our home. I enjoy being outdoors. During the summer I spend my free time reading, taking family trips to Brookville Lake, and planning activities for the upcoming school year.



**MISSISSINAWA VALLEY LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
REPORT CARD DATA**

For the 2016-2017 school year, Mississinawa Valley participated in the AIR testing through the Ohio Department of Education. These tests were at the end-of-the year for different grade levels and subject areas. Listed below are the letter grades which Mississinawa Valley received on these tests and other areas set up by the Ohio Department of Education. The Report Card Scores are just one measure of how a school district is performing. For the 2017-2018 school year, we are focusing our efforts on improving our test scores. We were one of 12 schools in the Miami Valley to improve in our overall Index Score for the district in the 2016-2017 school year. Listed below are the scores Mississinawa Valley received.

Category	Grade	Category	Grade
Indicators Met	F	Graduation Achievement	A
Performance Score Index	C	Progress Component Grade	C
4 year Graduation Rate	A	Gap Closing Component Grade	F
5 year Graduation Rate	A	K-3 Literacy Component Grade	D
Overall Value-Added	F	Prepared for Success Grade	D
Gifted Value-Added	NR		
Lowest 20% Value-Added	A		
SWD Value-added	NR		
AMO Grade	F		
K-3 Literacy Improvement	D		
Achievement Component	D		

Student Successes

The Class of 2017 received \$293,950.00 in scholarships from Colleges/Universities throughout the United States. The Valedictorian for the class of 2017 was Spencer Warren. The Salutatorian was Kelsey Hunt. Paige Flory was recognized as the Valedictorian of the Miami Valley Career Technology Center. Congratulations to all of the graduates of Mississinawa Valley Class of 2017!

VISION

Mississinawa Valley School District is an innovative and passionate community of learners where excellence and leadership create an inviting and engaging student and family experience.
Pride is being a Blackhawk!

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