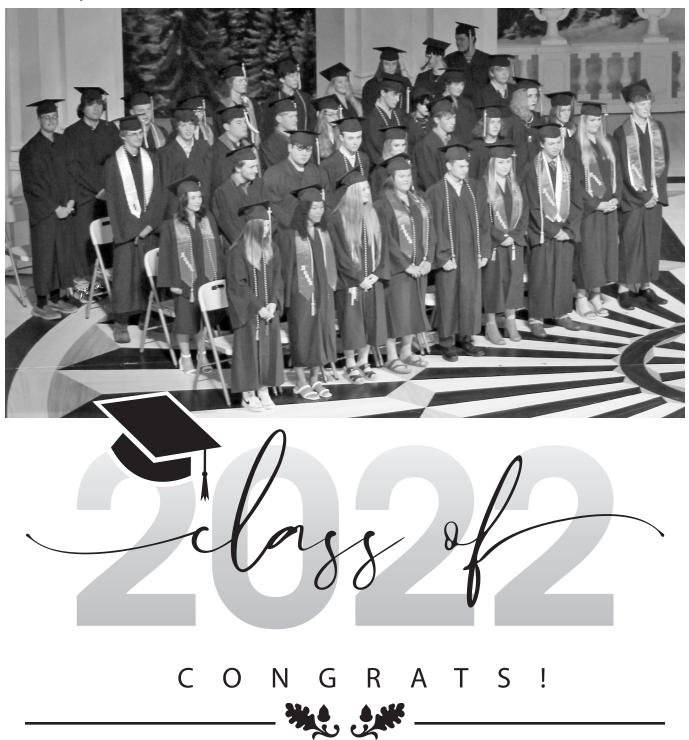




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# Superintendent's MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Community members,

The month of June was a busy month at CVS! We had many celebrations. PK Graduation, 6th Grade Graduation, BOCES Graduation, Honor Society Inductions, Field trips, Elementary Community Meeting, PK/Sr. Walk, Patriot Dash at Glimmerglass State Park, Moving Up Day in the elementary, Class Night, and our culminating event Graduation at the Alice Busch Opera Theater. The best part of all of this was that parents and families were able to be in-person to join in the celebrations! The Class of 2022 graduated 38 students. We wish our Graduates all the best and success in whatever the next chapter in their lives may be. Our PK class that graduated will be the Class of 2035.

We are excited to be offering a summer program for our PK-6 students during the month of July. We have 120 students enrolled. Many of the students will attend the Cherry Valley or Springfield swim summer programs after our noon dismissal. We are also offering a grade 7/8 program in July to reinforce skills and provide hands-on learning activities. We had multiple retirements this year. Annie Ostrander will be retiring from the cafeteria. We have four teachers retiring in the secondary. Linda and Blaise Drugatz (special education teachers), Melissa Jaquay (social studies teacher) and Dave Lamouret (math teacher).

All of our retirees have spent the majority of their careers here at CVS. We wish them all the best . . . good health and happiness! I would like to take this time to thank the CVS faculty and staff. Teachers, LTAs, aides, maintenance and transportation departments, cafeteria staff, secretaries and administrative team for their dedication to our students. It was a challenging year but we persevered. Thank you!

Have a wonderful summer. Enjoy the nice weather. Be active and do something that makes you happy!

TheriJo Snyder Superintendent



## **Congratulations** GRADUATES!

#### Valedictorian: Oskar Webster



**Oskar Webster**, this year's valedictorian, has proven to be an extraordinary student whose academic prowess is one that most educators only see a few times in their career. He is wise beyond his years and a true leader. He has always embraced every opportunity to challenge himself both in and outside the

classroom. This past school year Oskar participated in the selective New Visions Engineering Program at the Otsego Area Occupational Center. Through this innovative program, Oskar further enhanced his professional and personal skills.

Oskar is also a student-athlete at Cherry Valley-Springfield (CV-S) and has shared his talents, as a three sport athlete, on our courts and fields. His participation in sports and many student organizations at CV-S has enriched our school community. Oskar's coaches have described him as a respectful, quiet leader who is dedicated to his teammates. Oskar's humble and diligent nature make him someone his peers can look up to, and he is a leader in our school community.

There is no doubt that Oskar will continue to excel after he leaves CV-S and will certainly do amazing things. Oskar plans to attend Williams College in the fall where he will begin his post secondary studies.

#### Salutatorian: Marijke Kroon



Marijke Kroon is a highly motivated student who is devoted to learning and has consistently challenged herself academically. Her innate intellectual curiosity, and goal oriented nature, has led her to take the most rigorous courses that Cherry Valley-Springfield has to offer. Whether in her

AP, college, or Senior High Band courses, Marijke has always set the highest standards for herself and has achieved her ambitious goals with determination and tenacity. Her exceptional intellectual energy and her unwavering commitment to academic excellence, makes her a natural leader in our school.

Marijke is also a leader on our sports teams. She has been a three sport athlete for the entirety of her high school career. Whether on the field, or on the sidelines, she is known as a supportive, attentive and approachable leader. This was most evident during her time as Captain of the Varsity Girls Basketball team for the 2021-2022 season. Furthermore, Marijke participates in many of our clubs and organizations including Foreign Language Club, Varsity Club, and Iridescence, the school's art and literary magazine.

It is clear that Marijke will continue to reach her goals in college and beyond. She plans to study Veterinary Science at the State University of New York at Canton next fall.



#### **REMEMBER BUS SAFETY**

even during the summer months our students are encouraged to practice bus safety! Please watch out for the school buses and please be careful as we are still transporting students for summer programs!

# Principal's

Student	Grade
Bard, Liliana	7
Canary, Ava	7
Gray, Destiny	7
Jurutka, Jackilyn-Grace	7
Laymon, Caden	7
Lusk Jr., Brian J	7
O'Leary, Landin	7
Rockwell, Savanah	7
West, Macie E	7
Tracy, Jazmin M	7
West, Macie E	7
All, Ethan	8
Baker, Anna	8
Barnes, Trace M	8
Barown, Graham	8
Glowicki, Raymond A.	8
Lusk, Andrew J	8
Lusk, Caraline A	8
Sheldon, Hannah B	8
Ward, Madison A	8
Buck, Sydney M	9
Canary, Charlise	9
Carley, Katelyn	9
Dygert, Lexi	9
Meade, Karsin C	9
Munson, Matthew	9
O'Neill, Faustin M	9
Oram, Abigail B	9
Rockwell, Caleb	9

Student	Grade
Rockwell, Hailey	9
Rockwell, Liam	9
Spaulding, Carly	9
Aramini, Mina	10
Barnes, Kailey	10
Brodie, Karis	10
DeLade, Gianna	10
Dubben, Amelia	10
Gallup, Evelyn	10
Horvath, Max	10
Huff, Morgan	10
Morrison, Hope M	10
Rockwell, Bryent	10
Stocking, Dalton	10
Sturtevant, Anjelia	10
Thalheimer, Mason K	10
West, Daphnee	10
Bosc, Ariana	11
Carley, Trevor I	11
Estrada, Lilia	11
Gallup, Lillian B	11
Hillhouse, Jeremiah	11
Abbruzzese, Julianna F	11
Barnes, Ryan P	11
Benson, Chase A	11
Bosc, Ariana	11
Cornelia, Kyra	11
Estrada, Lilia	11
Gallup, Lillian B	11

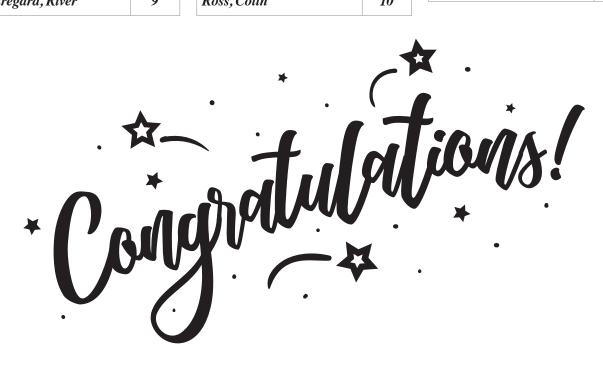
Student	Grade
Hillhouse, Jeremiah	11
Lusk, Joleen	11
Lusk, Lydia V	11
McAdams, Jacob	11
Thalheimer, Jade	11
West, Cheney	11
Wilson, Meredith	11
Bresee-Kelsey, Arianna L	12
Crawford, Cendra R	12
Ellis III, Barry K	12
Erkson, Vanessa L	12
Fink, Jesse M	12
France, Kyle J	12
Hamilton, Landon B	12
Hastings, Madison L	12
Huff, Dylan G	12
Kroon, Marijke E	12
Morrison, Conner J	12
Oakley, Gabriel H	12
Pressly, Joseph R	12
Preston, Brandon R	12
Reyome, Madisyn D	12
Rockwell, Alyssa M	12
Rockwell, Andrew J	12
Seeley, Jack	12
Tabor, Camilla H	12
Webster, Oskar F	12
Whiteman, Emma R	12

Honor ROLL
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Student	Grade
Bennett, Maddox	7
Dowd, Alex	7
Duncan, Brian	7
Frasier, Hunter	7
Hurley, Vincent	7
Iglesias, Julieanna	7
Rathbun, Jossalynn	7
Sitterly, Parker	7
Tracy, Jazmin M	7
Williams, Annabelle L	7
Aramini, Gianna	8
Borne, Kira	8
Jorgensen, Ashton	8
Sheldon, Rilynn	8
Tripple, Adrianna	8
Bard, Hayden	9
Beauregard, River	9

Student	Grade
Cade, Kristopher	9
Cortese, Sara	9
Dixon, Julissa	9
Falkowski IV, John	9
Frasier, Jacob	9
Gomez, Andan	9
Gridley, Jonathan	9
Heinrich, Elizabeth	9
Rockwell, Alexander	9
Rood, Maddison L	9
Ruggiero, Aiden	9
Whiteman, Brin	9
Delaney, Declan	10
Grimm, Markel	10
Johnson, Jacob V	10
Lefevre, Duane R	10
Ross, Colin	10

Student	Grade
Voght, Allison	10
Williams, Erin G	10
Carley, Trevor I	11
Dewey, Trynity	11
Johnson, Jillian S	11
Kukulech, Sydney	11
Latella-Chicaiza, Ivan Anthony	11
Lefevre, Cadence M	11
Meade, Brendon J	11
Prime, Oren D	11
Earl, Ian J	12
Flint, Cameran E	12
Houk, Bryden J	12
Parker, Allan C	12
Rauscher, Maeve G	12
Whiteman, Adam J	12



Honor Society INDUCTIONS

On Wednesday, June 8, we celebrated the academic accomplishments of our high-achieving students at the induction ceremonies for our History Honor Society, National English Honor Society, and the National Math Honor Society. The theme of the inductions was the 100th anniversary of Technicolor, its bright, bold visuals, and its transformation of the movie industry. The evening began with the pledge of allegiance, led by valedictorian, *Oskar Webster*. Opening remarks were made by our superintendent, Ms. Snyder, who spoke about the diversity of the color wheel and its metaphorical connection to our diverse course offerings at CV-S.

The History Honor society was introduced by senior members, *Brandon Preston* and *Kyle France*, who spoke about the history of Technicolor. Afterwards, the chapter advisors, Ms. Schecter and Ms. Waterman, inducted new members: *Julianna Abbruzzese*, *Ariana Bosc, Chase Benson, Cendra Crawford, Lilia Estrada, Jeremiah Hillhouse, Joleen Lusk, Lydia Lusk, Jade Thalheimer, Cheney West*, and *Meredith Wilson*.

The Cherry Valley-Springfield chapter of the National Math Honor Society followed history, and was introduced by members *Chase Benson, Joleen Lusk*, and *Lydia Lusk*. They each gave enlightening remarks about the history of Math Honor Society, Greek mathematicians, and the importance of sinusoidal waves in the use of Technicolor. Afterwards, chapter advisor Ms. Kilpeck, joined by Mr. Lamouret and Mrs. Cashing, inducted new members: *Mina Aramini, Karis Brodie, Max Horvath, Morgan Huff, Ariana Bosc, Marijke E. Kroon*, and *Alyssa Rockwell*.

Senior *Gabriel Oakley* introduced the National English Honor Society and gave an insightful speech about the Technicolor classic: The Wizard of Oz. In the speech he related the film's iconic characters to the values of the National English Honor Society, in particular, an obligation to foster literacy in the school community. Chapter advisor Mr. Rhodes was joined by Ms. McAvoy, and they inducted new members: *Mina Aramini, Arianna Bresee, Karis Brodie, Jeremiah Hillhouse, Max Horvath, Hope Morrison, Alyssa Rockwell*, and *Daphnee West*.

Our principal, Mr. Keane, congratulated the students at the end of the induction, and also recognized parents and guardians for their support. The inductions were followed by refreshments in the atrium. It was a stellar event that celebrated the academic achievements of our students. Congratulations to both new and current members of the History, Math, and English Honor Societies!



History: Marijke Kroon, Cameron Flint, Dylan Huff, Joseph Pressly, Gabriel Oakley, Jack Seeley, Gavin Valenta, Oskar Webster, Vanessa Erkson, Kyle France, Madison Hastings, Brandon Preston, Alyssa Rockwell, Camilla Tabor (not pictured), Emma Whiteman



Math: Chase Benson, Joleen Lusk, Lydia Lusk, Camilla Tabor (not pictured), Gavin Valenta (not pictured), Oksar Webster, Max Horvath, Morgan Huff, Karis Brodie, Mina Aramini, Ariana Bosc, Alyssa Rockwell, Marjke Kroon



English: Mina Aramini, Arianna Bresee, Karis Brodie, Jeremiah Hillhouse, Alyssa Rockwell, Max Horvath, Daphnee West, Hope Morrison, Chase Benson, Ariana Bosc, Lilia Estrada, Marijke Kroon, Joleen Lusk, Lydia Lusk, Gabriel Oakley, Madisyn Reyome, Camilla Tabor, Oskar Webster, Cheney West

# **Student Government visits the State Capitol Building**



From inside the Assembly Chamber. Assemblymen Tague and Miller are pictured from the far left respectively.

The newly reorganized Cherry Valley – Springfield Student Government lead by President *Lydia Lusk* was invited to the Albany by Assemblymen Brian Miller and Chris Tague. After a tour of the Capitol Building they were invited into the Assembly Chamber where they were welcomed and officially logged into the Assembly register. We were the first student visitors since March of 2020 due the COVID pandemic. Everyone watched and listened to the body debate and vote on a bill before we left.

The members of Student Government learned a lot about how the Democratic process works and enjoyed their day at the Capitol.

Dave Lamouret, Advisor



#### Law Day

Law Day, hosted by the Otsego County Bar Association. Vanessa Erkson was selected to represent CVS at the event, the one photo is her and her mom, Mrs. April Erkson Principal at OAOC BOCES.







#### The Diary of Anne Frank

Ms. Waterman, Ms. September & Mrs. Drugatz took a group of students in 10-12th grade to see a performance of Anne Frank in Oneonta which featured our very own 11th grader—*Julianna Abbruzzese* as Anne Frank.

We also want to wish Julianna the best of luck as she spends time in Los Angeles to be a part of a National Production for the month of June.

#### News from the Art room:

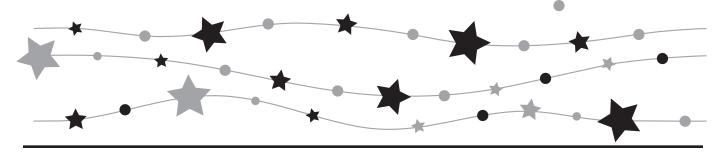
We are wrapping up another great year of art making! The annual art show was a smashing success. Thank you for coming out to support our student artists and their awesome creativity!





#### **The School of Distinction Award**

CVS has earned The School of Distinction award. All Varsity level teams this school year earned Scholar-Athlete status: Varsity Girls and Boys soccer, Varsity Girls and Boys basketball, Varsity softball, Varsity baseball, Varsity Girls and Boys track and field. The School of Distinction is awarded to schools who had 100% of their varsity programs qualify for and receive the NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Team Award during the 2021-22 school year. Congratulations to our Varsity student-athletes!



## **Positive Traits for Achieving Your Goals**

"What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals." ~Zig Ziglar

Using positive traits will help shape you into a better person. Positive traits can help you achieve your goals. Kindness, teamwork, and prudence are some of the crucial keys to accomplishing this.

Kindness builds positive traits. It is the quality of being friendly, generous, and considerate. You're never too busy to stop doing kind things. According to the doctors at the Mayo Clinic, "Kindness is good for the body because it lowers blood pressure and stress." If you are kind to someone you will feel good, and the person you are being kind to will also feel good. Kindness changes the brain to make it stronger and happier. It goes beyond merely being nice. If you want to be kind, send a positive message to another student or person. Another way to be kind is to compliment them, say hello, or say thank you and mean it. Kindness is a base trait, it is a trait everyone should have. Kindness is important for teamwork.

Another awesome positivity trait is teamwork because in teamwork you work well as a member of a group or team. You are loyal, reliable, and dedicated to helping your

team achieve its goals. Also, teamwork will help you with school, sports, and businesses. Another

reason why you should use teamwork is to maintain the idea of "Other People Matter." It is an essential part of any successful team environment. Teamwork is also a good positivity trait because the commitment to teamwork and the "greater good" will help further learning and achievements for all group members. Furthermore, we learned from the Positivity Project, "If you don't have teamwork it is not only going to affect you, it will affect you and your team so it will make it harder to succeed." Sue Bird once said, "When I put my team first, all the good things happen. I try to be as smart and selfless as I can, and in the end, I get a lot more in return."

Amos Bronson Alcott once said, "Prudence is the footprint of wisdom." Prudence is similar to judgement, it helps you weigh out your goals. If you have prudence you will most likely have teamwork because you learn to discipline yourself. Clearly, it is self-control. As we said in the beginning, it builds good teamwork characteristics. Prudence is known as "The Mother of all Virtues." A person who has prudence can make better decisions that grow into other useful traits like courage and leadership because as a strong leader you need to know your goals.

By being kind, working as a team, and keeping your eye on the prize, a person can reach their goals easier. As a result, when you have positive traits, you can achieve your goals. As Mahatma Gandhi once said, "The future depends on what you do today."

Written by students in Mrs. Loucks Fifth Grade Class

During the summer the main office will be open 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. except on Fridays in July, 7:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. During the month of August the main office will be closed on Fridays. The guidance office will be open throughout the summer, Monday - Thursday, 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

### Leadership! It Makes the World a Better Place!

Are you a leader? Are you a strong and effective leader? Think about a good example of a leader– What did that leader do to help your team or group be successful? Three traits that guide leadership are teamwork, self-control, and open-mindedness. To make our world a better place, show leadership skills.

Open-Mindedness is a great trait to have for leadership. It means having the ability to consider other points of view and trying new things even if someone or you disagree. Leaders are creative and help others be creative. They have to demonstrate creative ideas to help the team solve problems. Open-minded leaders actively seek advice and feedback from the team without feeling that their ideas are being criticized. Leaders think of others and don't let anyone down. They know what is best for the team, make the right decision, and use self-control.



Merriam-Webster dictionary defines self-control as "resisting one's own impulses, emotions, or desires." Self-control can help you resist things that are not good for you

or your team. An antonym for self-control is self-indulgence. If you have self-indulgence, you don't

have self-control, strength of character, self-discipline, or willpower. It also allows leaders to give their full attention to the task at hand. Self-control can help you pay attention, and do more things to keep you safe or out of trouble. One of the benefits of self-control is to make decision-making easier. For instance, if you are the team captain playing soccer, and you want to shoot the ball, but your teammate is closer, you have to use self- control and pass it to your teammate. Selfcontrol leads to better team success.

Most importantly, teamwork is a required skill for leadership. In our opinion, teamwork means working together; you can't do something alone, you are stronger as a team. Anwar Shaikh said "A good leader is one who believes in his ability and uses it to help and support his team members." When not everyone helps, teamwork gets weaker. It is everyone's responsibility to work together and help the team solve problems. A great leader does not just give solutions, they let the group



problem solve and find their own solutions. Teamwork is a way to cooperate and work together.

In conclusion, open mindedness, self-control, and teamwork can make us better leaders. If we want to make our world a better place, we need strong and effective leaders. Help our school, help our society, help our world– be a leader. Written by students in Mrs. Fassett's Fifth Grade Class Cherry Valley-Springfield Central School PO Box 485 Cherry Valley, NY 13320

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