

# Elementary Education: An Introduction



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# Welcome to Cumberland Valley!

*The Elementary Administrative Team would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Cumberland Valley School District! We hope this brochure provides you with useful information about our elementary program and our school district. Should you have questions about our programs, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher, the school counselor, or your building principal. Our goal is to ensure the highest level of communication with families as we partner together to ensure all students achieve success!*



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# About CV

*105 square miles*

*Approximately 42,000 residents*

*More than 9,000 students*

*8 elementary schools*

*2 middle schools*

*1 high school*

*Cumberland Valley School District is located within Cumberland County and is comprised of the following municipalities:*

- Hampden Township*
- Middlesex Township*
- Monroe Township*
- Silver Spring Township*

## *Our Mission Statement ...*

The Cumberland Valley School District, in collaboration with students, educators, parents and the community, is committed to developing 21st century learning and thinking skills through a rigorous, relevant, and comprehensive curriculum, while preparing students to be innovative, productive citizens in an interconnected world.



# Let's take a tour!



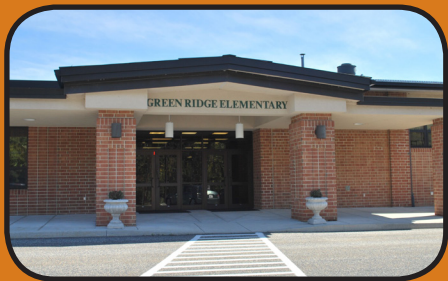
Cumberland Valley High School  
6746 Carlisle Pike  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-766-0217



Eagle View Middle School  
6746 Carlisle Pike  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-506-3805



Good Hope Middle School  
451 Skyport Road  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-761-1865



Green Ridge Elementary School  
1 Green Ridge Road  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-766-4911



Hampden Elementary School  
441 Skyport Road  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-737-4513



Middlesex Elementary School  
250 North Middlesex Road  
Carlisle, PA 17013  
Phone: 717-249-5586 or 717-697-2362





Monroe Elementary School  
1240 Boiling Springs Road  
Boiling Springs, PA 17007  
Phone: 717-258-6208



Shaull Elementary School  
1 Shaull Drive  
Enola, PA 17025  
Phone: 717-732-2460



Silver Spring Elementary School  
6746 Carlisle Pike  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-506-3755



Sporting Hill Elementary School  
210 S. Sporting Hill Rd.  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: 717-761-5052



Winding Creek Elementary School  
(Opening Fall 2018)  
32 Bali Hai Road  
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050  
Phone: TBA





*Did You Know?*

*You can visit the Elementary Education website for the following information:*

- *Elementary Calendar*
- *Curriculum & Instruction*
- *Elementary Handbook*
- *Links to More Websites*
- *Volunteer Information*
- *Report Card Information*

[www.cvschools.org/  
elementary](http://www.cvschools.org/elementary)



# Curriculum & Instruction

*Cycle Days:  
We follow a six-day cycle  
notation for specials: art,  
computer, library, music, and  
physical education.*

*Cycle days are listed on the  
lunch menu, which can be found  
on our food service webpage:  
[www.cvschools.org/foodservice](http://www.cvschools.org/foodservice)*

The Curriculum Framework at Cumberland Valley consists of five main components: priority standards, scope and sequence, curriculum maps, assessments, and unit maps. Curriculum information by grade-level can be found on the elementary webpage.

Resources can be found on the elementary  
webpage at:  
[www.cvschools.org/elementary](http://www.cvschools.org/elementary)





*To learn more about Mastery Connect, follow updates on our Elementary Education webpage.*

- *Click on Curriculum & Instruction to view grade level standards, scope and sequence, and curriculum maps.*
- *Click on Report Card to view a sample report card, demonstration videos, and informational presentations.*

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# Mastery Connect

Mastery Connect provides our families full access to their child's progress anytime from anywhere. Additionally, your child's report card in Mastery Connect will provide a summary of your child's achievement of standards taught and assessed by trimester. You will have access to current, real-time progress for your child's growth in all academic areas. Your initial view may contain red or yellow, especially if a pre-assessment is entered. The opportunity is for everyone to notice where a student needs help and how we can all support the student to grow. We will strive to give you precise feedback of what your child knows and still needs to learn.

*"The primary goal of mastery-based grading is to better communicate what each student knows and is able to do according to our standards."*

## Benefits of a standards based system:

- Helps teachers and students focus and adjust instruction and learning.
- Leads to higher learning through improved accountability and engagement as students have multiple opportunities to demonstrate mastery.
- Reports most recent evidence and trends of students learning.
- Gives students, parents and teachers a clear picture of learning and mastery.

## Levels of Mastery:

M = Mastery of Standards  
(GREEN)

NM = Near Mastery of Standards  
(YELLOW)

R = Remedial Level of Understanding  
(RED)



*Cumberland Valley School District has taken a multi-tiered approach to bullying prevention. Through the Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support program (SWPBS), teams have educated students on bullying prevention through classroom meetings and lessons. Reminders of school expectations and SWPBS rules are posted throughout the buildings, and staff have participated in bullying prevention inservice programs. To continue and build upon these efforts, the district has also implemented the Olweus Bullying Prevention Program (OBPP) in our schools.*

# We are #CVProud!

*Cumberland Valley Pride:* **BE... Respectful, Responsible, Ready & Safe**



## Bullying Prevention Rules

*We will not bully others.*

*We will try to help students who are bullied.*

*We will try to include students who are left out.*

*If we know that somebody is being bullied, we will tell an adult at school and at home.*

*How are delays, cancellations, and emergency notifications issued?*

- *Telephone alert system*
- *District Web site & accompanying tools as available, social media. Whenever possible, television stations such as WGAL-TV (Channel 8) and WHTM-TV (Channel 27).*

*\* If there is ever a time that you do not receive a telephone alert call and believe school should be delayed or canceled, please check the district's website and selected TV stations for confirmation. Barring no major power and/or Internet outages, the district website will have the most up-to-date information.*





# Schedules & Buses

## *Daily Elementary Schedule:*

Grades 1-5:  
8:45 AM – 3:35 PM

Kindergarten:  
AM – 8:45-11:30  
Extended Day – 8:45-2:15  
PM – 1:00-3:35

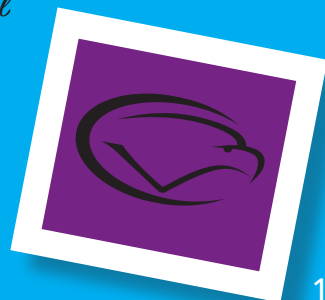


*How do I know where my child's bus will stop?* Bus stop information can be obtained through our online transportation tool, Infofinder. The link is available at the web address below. This tool will provide bus stop locations and times.

[www.cvschools.org/transportation](http://www.cvschools.org/transportation)

*2-Hour Delay Schedule - On days of inclement weather, the district may announce operations on a two-hour delay with modified kindergarten. In those instances, the elementary school will operate on the following modified schedule:*

Gr. 1-5: Begin: 10:45 AM End: 3:35 PM  
Kdg. Morning Session: Begin: 10:45 AM End: 12:30 PM  
Extended Kdg.: Begin: 10:45 AM End: 2:15 PM  
Kdg. Afternoon Session: Begin: 2:00 PM End: 3:35 PM





# It's time to eat!

*Cumberland Valley offers both a nutritious breakfast and lunch program. Menus for these well balanced meals are posted monthly on our Food Service website - [www.cvschools.org/foodservice](http://www.cvschools.org/foodservice) - and are also available through our district app (available for smartphones and tablets).*

*Questions about menus or our Food Service Department?*

*Phone: 717-506-3318*

## **Meal payments:**

You may pay for your child's breakfast and/or lunch by using:

- [www.schoolcafe.com](http://www.schoolcafe.com) - our online system to prepay your child's account with a credit/debit card or e-check.
- check (please include your child's student number with payment).





## Characteristics of a Kindergarten student:

- Very active and curious - a "bundle of excitement and energy."
- Eager to learn and experiment with the world around them in which they are the center.
- Has a short attention span and needs structure and guidance.
- Needs approval and acceptance from teachers and peers.
- Learns best through using manipulatives and games.
- Begins to develop fine motor skills.





# All About Kindergarten

Welcome to Kindergarten! We are committed to creating a positive transition to Kindergarten to ensure a successful year for your child and family. Helpful suggestions include:

- Model a positive “I can do it” attitude about school learning. Set study and behavior goals.
- Go through your child’s backpack daily. Check to see if there is anything that requires a parent signature.
- Ask your child specific questions about his/her day at school (i.e. “Tell me something new you learned.”)
- Label coats, sweaters, and jackets with your child’s name.
- Dress your child for the weather – we try to go outdoors daily.
- Set aside regular homework/study time. Make sure this time is free of distraction.
- Recognize and accept differences in children. Not all children learn in the same manner or at the same pace.



*“Home is your child’s first classroom and you are your child’s most important teacher - you can ignite your child’s desire to learn.”*

- Parent Institute



Elementary Education Office:  
717-506-3328

Food Service Department:  
717-506-3305

District Athletic Office:  
717-506-3903

Central Registration:  
717-506-3399

Eagle Foundation:  
717-506-3351

CV Main Switchboard:  
717-697-8261

Transportation Department:  
717-506-3310



# Let's stay in touch!



*CV E-News (email blast):* By visiting [www.cvschools.org](http://www.cvschools.org) and clicking on "CV E-News Signup" in the lower right corner, you can sign up to have information delivered to your email. Examples would be school and district news, athletic information, and special alerts such as weather-related closings, unscheduled early dismissals, and emergencies.



*Download the app!:* The mobile app provides instant access to the most recent district headlines; school, staff, and school board contact information; building and sports event information; lunch menus and a link to My School Bucks; academic and transportation department information; and Eagle Foundation updates. Users may elect to receive push notifications, which may be used to share emergency information and building news. Anyone who downloads the app and opts to accept push notifications will automatically receive district-wide notifications, but users also can customize the app so they'll get notifications specific to their child's school(s). *Coming Fall 2018.*



*Social Media:* (Check with your child's school for building Twitter accounts)  
District Twitter: @CVSDnews for district information  
Elementary Twitter: @CVSDElementary for elementary education information  
District Facebook: [www.facebook.com/CVschoools](http://www.facebook.com/CVschoools)



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