



Minnesota Valley Education District



Quarter Newsletter

November 12, 2025

Principal Update



Hello MVED Families,

It's hard to believe we're already at the start of **Quarter 2** and that the holiday season is just around the corner! With the close of Quarter 1, I wanted to take a moment to share some updates, celebrations, and important reminders from MVED.

Celebrations and Updates

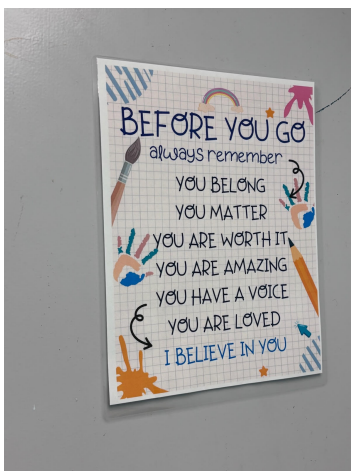
We have so much to celebrate already this school year! I couldn't be more proud of the effort and growth we're seeing from our students. Many have made significant academic and behavioral progress, and the positive energy in our building is noticeable every day. Do we have up and down days? Absolutely. Do we expect perfection from our students? No. This is why it is so fun to see the small steps and areas of growth in our students from week to week.

Our renovated learning spaces have contributed to a great atmosphere, and our staff continue to work tirelessly to provide students with the resources and support they need to succeed.

A few highlights so far:

- Several students have begun work experience placements in the community during the afternoons.
- Some students have started transitioning back to their home districts, showing great readiness and growth.
- Many students continue to make progress through the Boys Town program, earning daily rewards for their effort and positive behavior.

It's truly exciting to see the success stories taking shape already this year!





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Safety and Security

The safety and well-being of our students and staff, both physically and emotionally, remain a top priority at MVED.

In 2023, the Minnesota Legislature updated school emergency drill requirements. As part of these state mandates, schools are required to hold five lockdown drills, 5 fire drills, and 1 tornado drill throughout the year. So far this school year, we have completed: Two fire drills and one lockdown drill.

We will continue to work closely with Officer Hughes, St. Peter's School Resource Officer, to ensure our drills and safety procedures are effective and supportive for everyone involved.

Tidbits & Reminders

As we move into the winter months, please make sure students are dressed appropriately for the changing weather. Our elementary students go outside for both recess and physical education, so hats, gloves, and warm jackets are important.

This also applies to our secondary students who walk home or spend time outside after school. If your family needs assistance with winter clothing, please don't hesitate to reach out — we're happy to help gather what's needed.

Students (K-12th grade) have completed the first round of FastBridge testing which is used as universal screening and progress monitoring for both Math and Reading. The goal is to provide educators with data to identify students who need extra support, track their growth, and make informed instructional decisions from year to year.

The team has been working on getting our new sensory room up and running soon! This is exciting for the staff because it will provide another space for students to utilize!

MVED has a new Facebook and Instagram Page called MVED Connect! Please join these pages so you can stay connected and up to date on fun things happening at school.

Key Dates for Quarter 2

- **November 21:** Early Release
- **November 27–28:** No School – Thanksgiving Break
- **December 20–January 4:** No School – Winter Break
- **January 16:** Early Release



Please feel free to reach out at any time if you have any questions!

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