October - November 2026

The Aggie Report

Velva High School Newsletter

Smile: Picture Day Information

School pictures were taken on Friday, September 11, for grades K-11. If your child was not in school OR you do not like the look of this photo, RETAKES will be taken on Friday, October 16.

To see your child's picture, you will need to create an account at the following site: https://shop.jostenspix.com/login. You may use the QR code below to get to the page.

If you do not like the picture of your child, click "Sign Up for Retakes" on the top of the home page.

If you have any questions about your child's picture, please contact Jostens Pix at 1-877-515-1447.

QR Code for Jostens Pix

Message from the PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Students,

We are off to a great fall at Velva High School. As most of you know, North Dakota has moved away from PowerSchool and is now using Infinite Campus to track grades, attendance, and student data. We know there will be a "learning curve" to using a new platform, but we feel there will be great benefits when the whole system is implemented.

To create an account, go to the website: https://www.infinitecampus.com/parents-and-students/. Here you will click LOGIN. You will then select your state and district (Type Velva. Select Velva 1). Click "Parents & Students" and complete the process.

Mrs. Mogen, Principal

Velva Public Schools

Counselor Corner

Mrs. Howe took the juniors and seniors to Minot State University to a career fair in September. Students were able to network with businesses and different colleges while there. Mrs. Howe has a busy October with College Application Day, the ASVAB, and ASVAB interpretation.

(Pictured below: Chloe, Cadence, and Madaket)



EVENTS

NO School:

Thursday & Friday, October 22-23

Wednesday, November 11 (Veterans Day)

Thursday & Friday, November 26-27 (Thanksgiving)

Parent Teacher Conferences: Wednesday, October 21

- Early OUT (1:00) on October 21
- Conference Times: 1:15 - 7:00 PM

This is a "mid-term" check for the semester.

Tuesday, October 21: Flu Shot Day (Your child was given a hot pink piece of paper to take home.)

There are so many sporting events. Please check the school calendar.

Please scan to access full school calendar.

New and Exciting!

This year, we welcome a new science teacher to the high school: Levi Lemer. Mr. Lemer is teaching Grade 8 Earth Science, Physics, Physical Science 10, and Chemistry. He is also coaching junior high football, track and field, as well as working with Science Olympiad.

For the past 6 years, Mr. Lemer taught and coached for the Panthers in Rugby. He and his fiancée Alyssa, a Trinity nurse, moved to Velva in June and spent the summer remodeling their newly purchased home. When he has free time, Mr. Lemer is an avid hunter and sports' card collector. He's also a die-hard Indianapolis Colts fan.



We are excited to have Mr. Lemer join the VHS staff!

Student News

Student Spotlight



Elizabeth Hansen (Lizzy) recently had the opportunity to travel to Kansas City to attend the National FFA Next Gen Animal Systems Conference! Seventy-five FFA members from across the nation were selected to participate in this conference, and 10 of those members at this conference are from North Dakota! During the week, students toured Smithfield Hog Farm, Cargill Feed & pet facilities, the New American Royal Facility, and heard from industry professionals. According to Elizabeth, she "gained insight into animal systems careers and had an excellent time overall." After graduation, Elizabeth plans to attend NDSU where she will major in Agricultural Education.

Learning about History - September 11

September 11, 2001, was the 25th anniversary of the deadliest terrorist attack on U.S. soil. To honor this day, our juniors and seniors, alongside Mr. Nagel and Mrs. Peterson, were invited to the International Peace Garden for a memorial event.

After the long drive to the northern border, all students gathered around seating placed next to the beams from the World Trade Center. The proceedings were straightforward and solemn, with a division of Canadian Color Guard presenting both American and Canadian flags.

After the national anthems, many people from both nations spoke. Some were from former and current firefighters, detailing how 9/11 affected their own communities. Others were active government representatives, talking about the politics around it. The manager of the International Peace Gardens also detailed the long history that the gardens have with 9/11 memorials.

The students all took pictures around the beams, and the headed down to the water features of the garden proper, for a couple extra photos before the drive back to Velva.

Written by Corey Wieland (senior)

9/11 Memorial



The juniors and seniors had a chance to see a piece of history at the 9/11 Memorial - iron beams from the fallen World Trade Center.

"Let Peace Prevail"

Homecoming Recap

Homecoming Week was September 14-18. The student body participated so well in the dress up days. Overall winners for the week included the following: Remmi Hager, Jace Leier, Chelsee Holmen, Leah Lawson, Bianca Pieters, and Kage Kambeitz. The week ended with a pep rally and coronation.



Above: We've got spirit, yes we do! We've got spirit. How 'bout you?





Thank you, Lacey Holmen, for the donation to the yearbook. With this donation, we will be adding 8 pages to our yearbook: That means the yearbook will be 80 pages. Make sure you order a yearbook in the spring!! It will be awesome!

(Pictured: Evalyn, Rylee, Lacey, Chloe, Klaire, Jenna, and Mrs. Lemer)

October 2026

Aggie Almanac

Velva Elementary Newspaper

EVENTS

-Sports- 5th and 6th grade girls basketball just ended in October. High school girls basketball is going to start soon in November. Girls volleyball and boys football is still going on.

-Parent teacher conferences and the book fair were just here in October.

by Kymber Beeter and Nora Buchmeier



BE PREPARED FOR WINTER!

Superintendent Spotlight

Our Superintendent is Mr. Mayer. He said "Velva is a great school and we have great kids and staff". He has been here for 4 years. He likes getting to watch and oversee everything. He says that the hardest part is making decisions that are going to make people mad. Another hard part is the budget. He likes being in the hallway and getting to say hi to everyone. He graduated high school from Mott, North Dakota and went to college at Dickinson State.

by McKenna Wobbema

Guess Who-

Guess who this is!?!?!
-This person is in 2nd grade.
-He is good at football and wrestling.
-He is small.
-He has brown hair.
-He likes hunting too.



Boone Reinisch

by Bowen Suckut and Jon Turner

October 2026

Aggie Almanac

Velva Elementary Newspaper

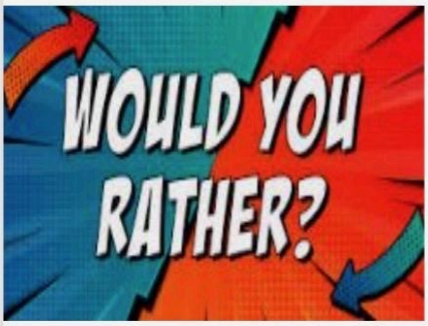
Halloween

*Hilltop Trick or Treating-Friday October 30, from 3:30 to 5:30 at Souris Valley Care Center 300 S. Main Street, Velva, ND

*Small Town Terror Haunted house in Sawyer on Oct 16-17, 7-11. 23-24, 7-11. 30-31, 8-12

*Velva in Progress Trunk or treat October 31 5:00-6:00 PM Velva City Park

by Brynlee Plesuk and Suraya Silva



Would You Rather

-Would you rather travel to the past or the future?

-Would you rather step on pointed rocks or Legos?

-Would you rather eat a frog or eat a toad?

-Would you rather eat Hershey's or Snickers?

by Deacon Colby and Landry Barstad

-QUOTE

-"The privilege of a lifetime is being who you are."Joseph Campbell

-"Believe you can and you're halfway there." Theodore Roosevelt

by Kailen Gingles and Adam Kraft



-What do you do when you have a cold?

by Warren LaVallie

you go to the heater



by Zayden Ness and Matt Sedler

-The El Reno Tornado was a record breaking 2.6 miles wide.

- You are either sitting in a Virco 9000, a Virco 2000, or an Artco-bell Uniflex.

September 2026

Aggie Almanac

Velva Elementary Newspaper

Welcome Back Aggies!

New Teachers–

Ms. Sandy- 1st year of teaching. She went to MSU and Velva. Her hobbies are crafting, reading, and being outdoors. She teaches 3rd grade.

Mrs. Evanoff- 5th year of teaching. She has taught at Max and went to Surrey, MSU, and UND. Her hobbies are golfing, reading, and napping. She teaches 4th grade.

Mrs. Larson- Reading teacher for 5th and 6th grade. She grew up in Velva and graduated college in Grand Forks. This is her fifth year teaching and she previously taught in Granville and Surrey. She loves to help kids learn about reading.

Ms. Larsen- Elementary music teacher. She graduated college from Minot State University and high school from Surrey. She likes to sing.

By: Graham Benson, Rynlee Thomas, Lisa Marschner

Sports Spotlight



-pic from Lacey Holmen

5th/6th Girls Basketball–

6th grade	5th grade
#0 Ryah Kvamme	#00 Avery Mattingley
#1 Kymber Beeter	#11 Paisyn Jemtrud
#2 Brynley Wilson	#12 Audra Selzler
#3 Brynlee Plesuk	#20 Mira King
#4 Emrie Frankl	#21 Mettah Bossert
#5 Rynlee Thomas	#22 Kadence Duchsherer
#12 Lisa Marschner	#23 Izzy Gjellstad
#14 Blakely Knaup	#30 Tayte Sondag
#44 Nora Buchmier	#40 Abigail Heinrich

By:
Blakely Knaup
Ryah Kvamme
Ryann Steffen

Coaches
Tim and Barb Kraft

Stat
Ryann Steffen

Homecoming-

Dates- September 14-18, 2026

Football Game Vs. Des Lacs September 18th

Dress up days-
- -Monday- Class Colors
- -Tuesday-Dynamic Duo
- -Wednesday- Future Career
- -Thursday-Dress for the letter of your name
- -Friday-Spirit Day

Homecoming Court-
Girls-Jenna Lohnes, Kenley Beeter, Lani Volochenko, Keely Cadwell
Boys-Eric Ulland, Madden Barstad, Alex Leier, Wesley Nickelson

King and Queen- Lani Volochenko and Wesley Nickelson

By: Lisa Marschner and Rynlee Thomas



September 2026

Aggie Almanac

Velva Elementary Newspaper

Aggie Advice

Advice from a 6th grader--

–You should listen to your teacher and be nice to them!

-You should always say please and thank you to the lunch ladies to show that you appreciate them.



by Jace Shattuck Jaymision Olstad



Would You Rather

-Drink only water OR pop for the rest of your life?

-Have mustard OR ketchup

-Play football OR basketball

-cats OR dogs

By: Bennett Bauer and Wesley Kasowski

-QUOTE

-"No one is perfect, that is why pencils have erasers."
--Wolfgang Riebe

by Arthur Mitchell



-What are two witches trick-or-treating called?

By: Wyatt Olson

Broomates

Comic by:
Brynley Wilson and Emrie Frankl

