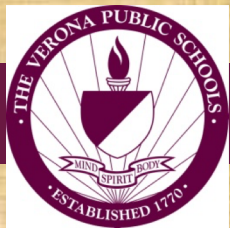


Welcome to Laning Avenue School

Back to School Night 2018!



"Education is not preparation for life; education is life itself."
John Dewey



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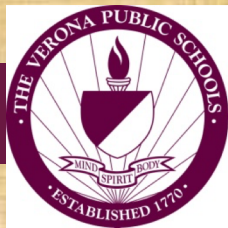
Laning New Faculty & Staff

Pre-School

- Ms. Fazio
- Mrs. Betcher

Leave Replacements

- Mrs. Abovitz - Mrs. Convery
- Mrs. Staudinger - Ms. Raskin
- Mrs. Rhodes- Mrs. Schoenfeld



Communication is key to a successful year.

➤ Websites

- District
- School
- Teacher (homework)

➤ Email

➤ District Friday Folder

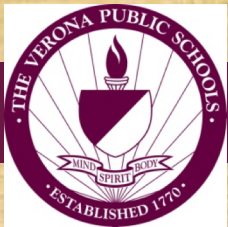
➤ School Online Calendar

➤ Genesis Parent Portal (report card, forms and SCA Program Book)

➤ School Messenger

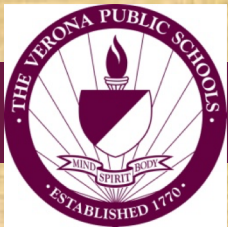
➤ SCA Weekly Newsletter on Mondays

➤ SCA Facebook



Facilities Update

- Classroom Walls
- Interactive Projectors and Speakers
- Walkie-Talkies
- Future Plans.....
 - More work on MP room
 - Painting
 - Bathrooms
 - Technology
 - Playground



Technology

Chromebooks

Teachers are using Chromebooks and the Google Apps for Education in their classrooms. We now have 120 devices in the school.

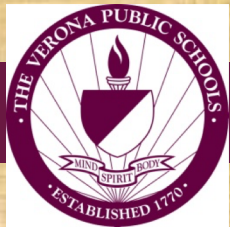
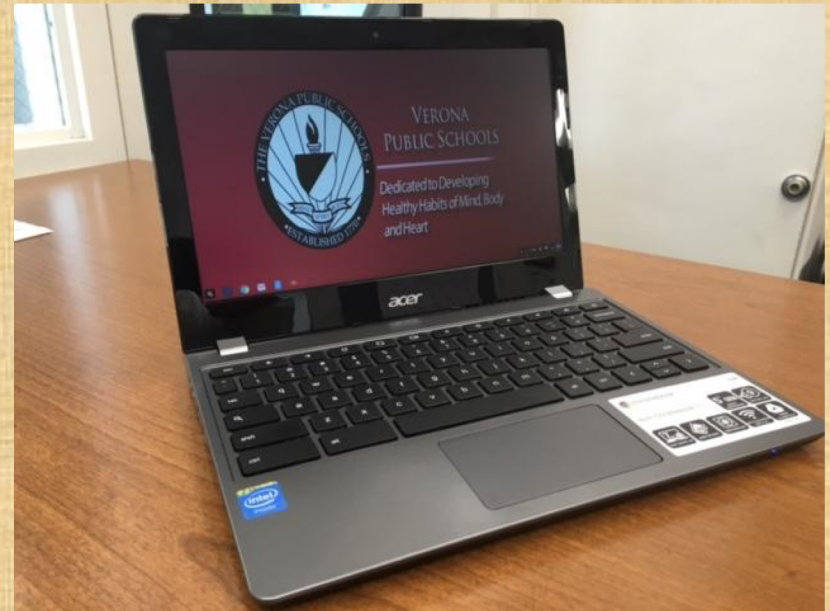
Interactive White Boards

Document Cameras

iPads

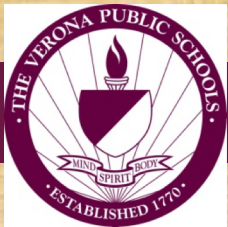
Lightspeed

Green Screen



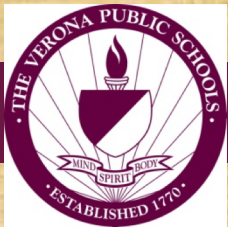
Drop-Off & Pick-Up Safety is Our Priority!

- **No child should arrive to school before 8:15AM. This is the time at which staff is available to supervise students.**
- **All K-4 students should enter the building by way of Lanning Road, not Elk Rd. The Elk Road entrance is for pre-school children only.**
- **When possible, walk to school. This will reduce the number of vehicles in front of our school each morning. If you can't walk please consider carpooling.**
- **When dropping off students in the morning, please proceed as far forward as possible in your vehicle. This enables more vehicles to fall into line. Children will enter the building at the canopy entrance. Teachers will be in the hallway at 8:15AM to direct children to their classrooms.**
- **No parking, for any length of time, in spots designated no parking in front of our school.**
- **Please have students prepared at home so they may exit cars (curbside) in a timely fashion. Remember, sometimes up to 125 vehicles drop off children within a ten minute span. We need to make space for these vehicles.**
- **Having students walk in between cars during pick up or drop off in the middle of Lanning Road is an unacceptable and dangerous practice.**
- **If you would like to “see” your child walk in the building, you must park legally and walk your child to the nearest entrance. No parking, for any length of time, in the drop off zone.**
- **All crossing of Lanning Road should only occur at the corner of Elmwood Rd or Otsego Rd.**
- **No vehicles should be entering or leaving the school parking lot on Lanning Road at pick-up or drop-off times.**



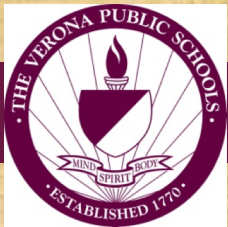
Security

- Security check-in for visitors (license check)
- Cameras inside and outside the building.
- Drills
 - Fire & Security



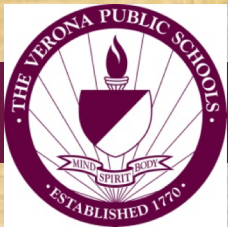
Lunch & Recess

- Nut Tables
 - There are 2 tables reserved in the cafeteria at lunchtime for students who wish to eat food with nuts. Students eating food with nuts must sit at these tables. Friends who want to join them who are not eating nuts are welcome to sit with them.
- Weather
 - Outside whenever possible- be prepared!
 - Music room & Library
- After school



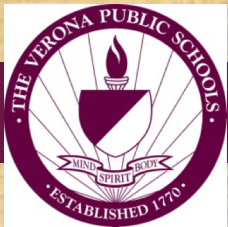
Enrichment

- Flex Academies
 - After School Enrichment
 - Interest Finder
 - 3 Sessions
- Winter Recess
- Laning Live



-Standardized Testing-

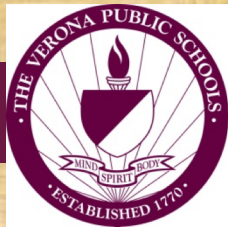
- CogAT
 - Grades 2,3,4
 - Fall 2018- Date TBA
 - 3 days/1 hour per day
- PARCC
 - Grades 3 & 4
 - April 23-May 2, 2019



-School Initiatives-

Elementary Math Curriculum Review Team

- A team of teachers (4 from Laning) are looking at approaches to improve mathematics instruction, curriculum and assessment at the elementary level.
- The team will continue to discuss, visit, and review elementary mathematics programs that will enrich student learning and teacher pedagogy and in turn will lead to a re-designed math curriculum and approach in Verona's elementary schools.



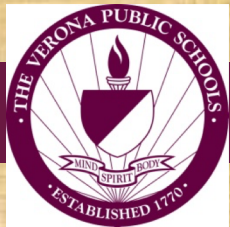
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-School Initiatives-

Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation

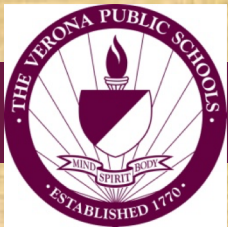
- Elementary Schools will continue to implement the Conflict Resolution curriculum . The program has been very successful.
- The Peer Mediation program began mid-year during the 17-18 school year. It will now be fully implemented during the current school year.



-School Initiatives-

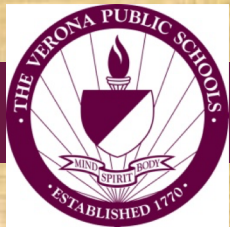
Conflict Resolution/Peer Mediation

- Elementary Schools will continue to implement Conflict Resolution curriculum .
 - Conflict vs. Bullying
 - Steps to Solving Conflict
 - “I” Messages
 - Managing Anger
 - Cooling Down Techniques
- We will implement the Peer Mediation process
 - Students become trained mediators
 - Students trained in how to use mediators



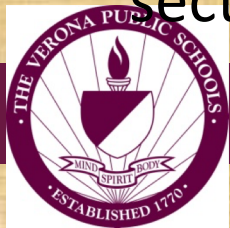
Student Assistance Counselor

- The counselor position has been expanded from one half day per week to one full day per week at each elementary school.
- Services: Classroom lessons, group counseling and individual counseling.
- Mrs. Dana Lustig, Student Assistance Counselor



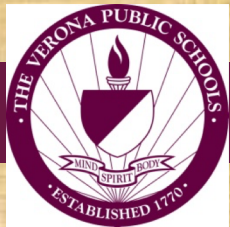
H.I.B.

- As per the Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act (ABR) (P.L.2010, c.122), Verona Public Schools has posted its Anti-Bullying Bill of Rights Act grades to the school district's HIB webpage, and to each individual school's webpages. Please feel free to contact Bob Merkler, District Anti-Bullying Coordinator or Dana Lustig, Laning Avenue School Anti-Bullying Specialist if you have any questions.
- Anti-Bullying policies, information and contacts can be found on the anti-bullying tab of the district website.
- All information is provided in the Parent Portal forms section.



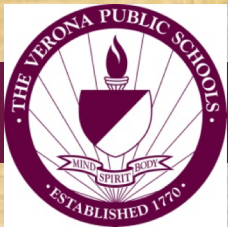
Second Questions – Election Day

- Mental Health
- Full Day Kindergarten



Showcasing Our District

- Verona High School Named a Top High School By NJ Monthly Magazine 2018
- Verona Public Schools Magazine Fall 2018 Edition





Verona Police Department



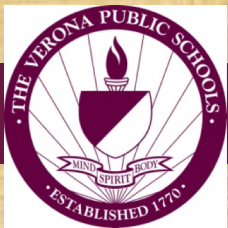
Detective Joel Martin

*Parking for drop off or pick up at painted yellow curbs is strictly prohibited. Annually, problems arise with vehicles parking too close to intersections surrounding the schools. New Jersey State Law prohibits parking within an intersection, crosswalk or obstructing a private driveway.

*Parents and students should ALWAYS use our crossing guards and crosswalks to cross Lanning Road or surrounding streets. Not only are you setting a proper example for students, New Jersey State Law prohibits crossing any roadway at any place other than a marked crosswalk.

*If you need to visit the school, please park in designated visitor parking only or on the South side of Lanning Road. Faculty parking areas are designated for faculty whom arrive throughout the school day. Complying with these regulations allows for access by emergency vehicles, if necessary.

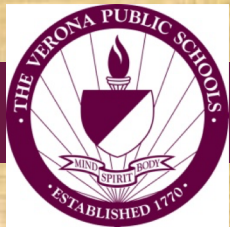
*The area immediately in front of the school on Lanning Road is a designated drop off zone. Please do not exit your vehicle to assist children from your car, this delays and impedes the flow of morning drop off.



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Verona Foundation for Educational Excellence (VFEE)

- Mr. Richard Rampolla



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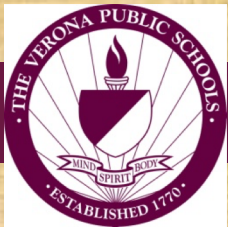
Laning SCA

- Co-Presidents - Kristin Venezia & Kristina Oliver
- VP of Program- Carrie Shafer
- VP of Membership – Sandy Mutovic
- Treasure – Daria Marrero
- Secretary – Leigh Onimus

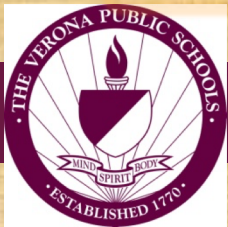
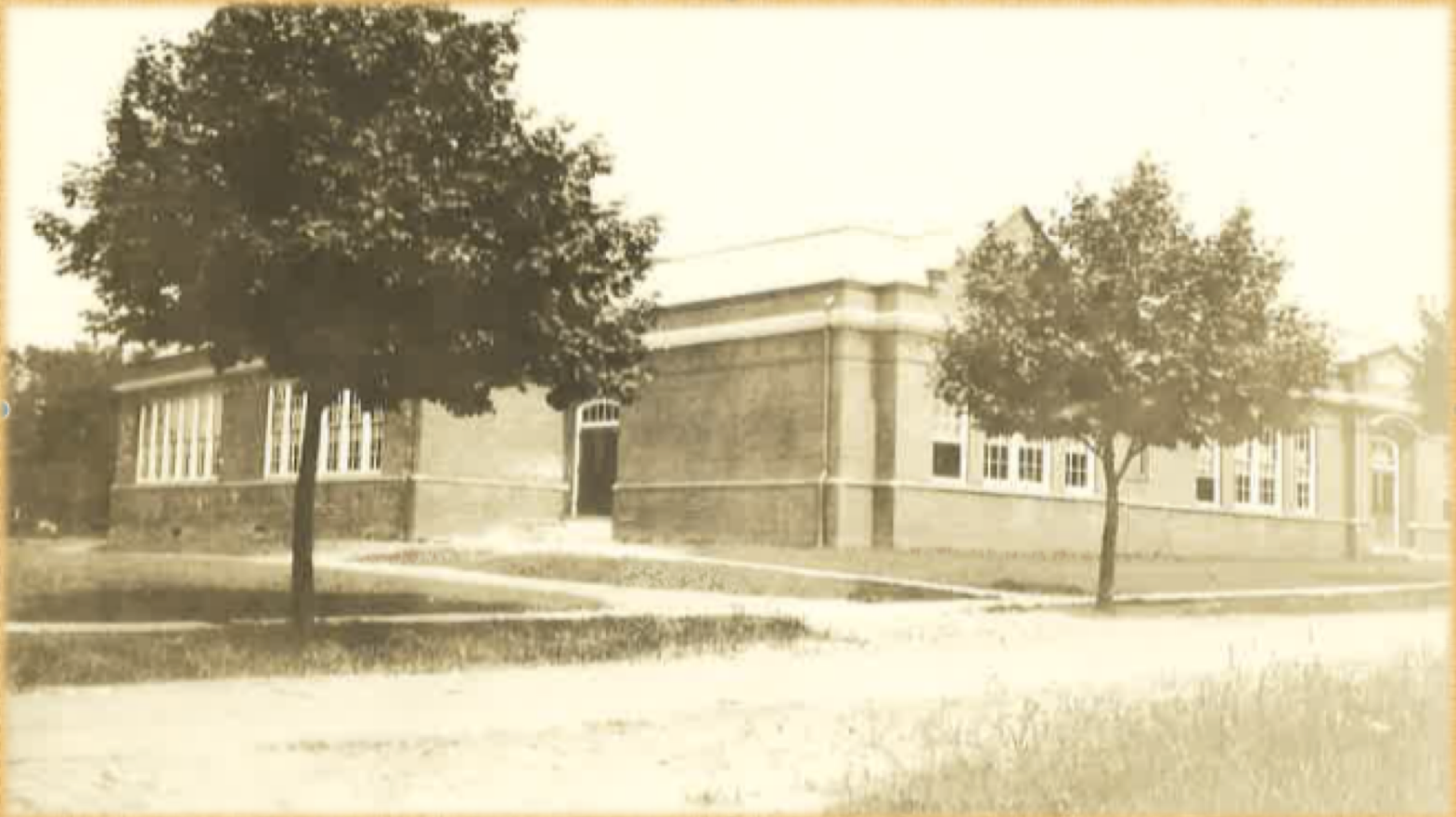
Meeting Dates

9/12, 12/12, 2/27, 6/5

New Email Address: laningsca@veronaschools.org



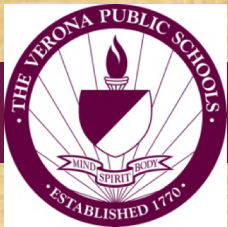
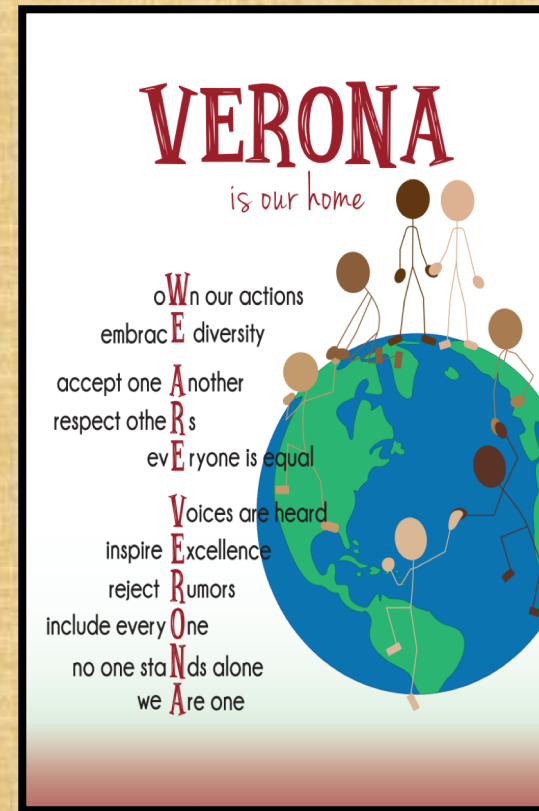
Guess who is turning 100??



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Have A Great Night!

Thanks for joining us tonight and for all your support throughout the year!!



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