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• Fall 2016 •



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IVHS
Football

Fri. Sept. 2
@ Scio L 0-46
Fri. Sept. 9
7 p.m. vs. Santiam
Sat Sept. 16
7 p.m. vs. Brookings
Fri. Sept. 23
6 p.m. @ Bonanza
Fri. Sept. 30
7 p.m. vs. Clatskanie
Fri. Oct. 7
7 p.m. @ Rogue river
Fri. Oct. 16
7 p.m. vs. Lakeview
Fri. Oct. 21
7 p.m. vs. Cascade
Fri. Oct. 30
7 p.m. @ St. Mary's
(Speigelberg Stadium)


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Volleyball

Tue. Aug. 30
Dayton L 0-3
Thur. Sept. 1
Del Norte L 10-25
Tue. Sept. 6
6:15 pm @ Harrisburg
Thur. Sept. 8
6:15 p.m. @ Del Norte
Sat. Sept. 10
8 a.m. @ Hidden Valley
Mon. Sept. 12
6:15 p.m. @ New Hope

Thur. Sept. 15
6:15 p.m. @ Lakeview
Tue. Sept. 20
6:15 am vs. Cascade
Thur. Sept. 22
6:15 p.m. vs. Rogue
River
Sat. Sept. 24
8 a.m. @ St. Mary's
JV tournament
Tue. Sept. 27
6:15 p.m. @ St Mary's

Thur. Sept. 29
6:15 p.m. @. Chemawa
Tue. oct. 4
6:15 p.m. vs. Lakeview
Thur. Oct. 6
6:15 p.m. @ Cascade
Tue. Oct. 11
6:15 p.m. @ Rogue River
Thur. Oct. 13
6:15 p.m. vs. St. Mary's
Tue. Oct 18
6:15 p.m. @ New Hope

Girls Soccer

Tue. Sept. 6
4:30 p.m. vs.
Pleasant Hill
Wed. Sept. 7
4:30 p.m. @ Coquille
Sat. Sept. 10
11 a.m. vs. Del Norte
Tue. Sept. 13
4:30 p.m. vs. Douglas

Sat. Sept. 17
1 p.m. @ Lakeview
Wed. Sept. 21
6 p.m. vs. Cascade
Wed. Sept. 28
4:30 p.m. @ Rogue River
Sat. Oct. 1
1:30 p.m. @ St. Mary's
Sat. Oct. 8
1 p.m. vs. Lakeview

Wed. Oct. 12
4 p.m. @ Cascade
Sat. Oct. 15
noon @ Coquille
Wed. Oct. 19
4:30 p.m. vs. Rogue River
Sat. Oct. 22
noon @ St. Mary's


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Sausage


IVHS
ALUMNI
& FRIENDS

Boys Soccer

Tue. Aug. 30
Crater L 1-2
Fri. Sept. 2
Milo Adventist L 2-5
Wed. Sept. 7
4 p.m. @ Cascade
Sat. Sept. 10
1 p.m. vs. Pacific
Wed. Sept. 14
4 p.m. @ St. Mary's

Wed. Sept. 21
4:30 p.m. vs. Canyonville
Sat. Sept. 24
1 p.m. vs. Rogue River
Wed. Sept. 28
4:30 p.m. @ Lakeview
Fri. Sept. 30
4:30 p.m. vs. Cascade
Wed. Oct. 5
4:30 p.m. @ Pacific

Sat. Oct. 8
10 a.m. vs. St. Mary's
Sat. Oct. 15
noon @ Canyonville
Wed. Oct. 19
4:30 p.m. @ Rogue River
Sat. Oct. 22
noon vs. Lakeview


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IVHS gets new principal

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The Illinois Valley High School's (IVHS) new principal, Tanner Smith, is thrilled about his job. "I'm so excited to take on this new role!" said Smith, who came to IVHS in 2015 as the assistant principal, and was promoted to principal in July.

Smith said former IVHS Principal Jamie Ongman took the opportunity to move home, when the Lost River High School, south of Klamath Falls, needed a new principal. "Jamie's urge to relocate back home was strong, his sister and his wife's parents are there.

"When Jamie left, he didn't leave a sinking ship," Smith said. "We have such an awesome team of people who are so good at what they do, so my first days as principal are all set up. We have great teachers, administrators and support staff. And now, I've taken ownership of the school and the kids and I'm eager to put my spin on everything."

One new change Smith will incorporate is to "celebrate the kids more - we're going to hand out a lot of awards. Our district runs a program, the Positive Behavior Intervention System (PBIS). Using PBIS means we'll jump out in front of things. A lot of time is spent correcting kids for mistakes, but often, there's not enough energy put into celebrating them along the way for doing a great job. For example, a kid might not have a four-point grade average, but might have excellent attendance, so we'll recognize that student for their awesome accomplishment, so they know we appreciate their effort. When kids give their best effort - that's always going to be good enough, they're going to succeed. Kids need to know that they're already good enough."

Smith said that a huge part of being an effective principal is to help the teachers and staff feel supported and to make their jobs easier by "clearing out as many roadblocks as possible. There's an old football saying that many coaches still use: 'Make me feel good; and I will produce.'"

He said his biggest strengths are communications and relationship building.

"How many high schools have kids banging down the door in August wanting to come in and talk to their principal? That's what we have happening here," he said, "so I tell the staff, let them in, absolutely, if they want to show up, we want them here."

"I'm really excited to have Tanner take on the role of principal at I.V.," said Dave Valenzuela, superintendent of Three Rivers School District. "The key is that he's doing a really great job of integrating himself in the community as well as the school. I'm looking forward to seeing all the positive things he's got planned, for both the students and the staff. I have a lot of confidence in him."

When schools are successful, Smith says the "leadership at the very top" is a key reason why, and he gives high praise to the Three Rivers School District for their level of support and clear direction that "enables me to do my job and not worry about other issues. And I was pleased that our school board representative, Kate Dwyer, also reached out to

me right away."

Cultivating a strong interface between IVHS and the community is big part of Smith's overall philosophy, and he has already become involved locally - he's attended fundraising events for kids activities; has a young son enrolled in the Healing Hearts and Hooves therapeutic riding program; and he's "very impressed" that when he attends Cave Junction's Rotary Club meetings that the room is always packed full with participants.

"I always want to be transparent to the community," Smith said. "If the community knows where we're going as a school, then they'll know that we're doing the very best we can for the kids, that we're committed to changing things for the better and making kids feel valued so they want to be at school every day.

"I want the community to become more involved with the school; and the school to become more involved with the community. You're not going to hear 'no' from me. If community organizers need something done, they can call us," he said. "We want the kids to take ownership, so we'll hold ourselves and the kids to that standard. The high school is a resource for the community and when that's a reciprocal relationship, it works well for everybody."

Smith, a fifth-generation educator, was born and raised in Missoula, Montana, where both of his parents recently retired after teaching for over 40 years. His mother gave him a copy of a contract from his great-great grandmother's teaching career, where in 1930, she was paid \$29 a month for teaching in Hugo, Colorado.

"I have that contract framed and hanging in my office," Smith said. "I told my mom, 'This is awesome, this is who we are and I'm so proud of this.' That contract also states how 'a comfortable fire' must be burning by 8:30 each morning and to take the flag down on cloudy days. It really put things in perspective - today, I have custodians, teachers and support staff that do such a great job, so I get to just walk in and I'm surrounded by these professionals. It's an amazing change between then and now."

Smith, 36, and his wife Shauna Smith, have three small children, Pacey, Trevor and Tate. Previously, the family lived in Salem, where Smith was the dean of students at South Salem High School. Before that, he was a football coach at Willamette University. Now, he's also an assistant football coach at IVHS. "A lot of people are surprised that I coach as well, but it gives me another positive platform to interact with the kids. I'm probably the only principal in the state who is also a football coach," he said.

Currently, there's about 320 kids enrolled at IVHS. Smith said the eighth grade class coming in from Lorna Byrne is huge - there'll be 100 new freshmen. The freshmen had their own first day of school on Sept. 6, to help them get acclimated and find their way around. The rest of the student body starts school on the seventh.

Smith said his door is open to the community and wants people - and parents - to contact him with any issues, concerns or great ideas!



(Courtesy photo for The Illinois Valley News)

IVHS Principal Tanner Smith along with his wife, Shauna, and their two sons Trevor and Tate and daughter Pacey.