Dave Humes began with BVA during the 2011–12 school year when the program was a fraction of its current size. Mr. Humes current role is to supervise PVA student advisors and collaborate with school district administrators and CCIU leadership on managing the PVA program.

Dana Ricci began working at PVA in the fall of 2020. Currently, Ms. Ricci supervises the PVA student support staff and work with leaders from both the School District of Philadelphia and the CCIU to administrate the K–12 program. Previously Ms. Ricci was PVA student advisor, where she worked directly with students, families and district partners to assure students had everything they needed to be successful and engaged online learners.

**Did you Know...?**

The CCIU offers Driver’s Education services! We offer both and Online Theory Course and Behind The Wheel Training! The online theory course is an independent study course for anyone 15 years of age or older and takes approximately 30 hours to complete. Behind The Wheel training offers various packages to help young drivers safely traverse the roadways. Once you’re ready to take the test, we offer driver’s license testing services as well. Please visit drive.cciu.org to learn more!

**Dia De Los Muertos**

To celebrate **Día de Muertos**, BVA will be hosting an in-person lesson and fun activity here at the CCIU BVA on Thursday, October 27 from 10:00 AM – 12 PM at 455 Boot Road, Downingtown, PA. We will discuss the importance of the holiday, how it is celebrated, why it is important and celebrate by creating typical sugar skulls.

To RSVP, please email NikkiD@cciu.org no later than October 15. We hope you can join us!
Digital Citizenship is defined as a person who develops the skills and knowledge to effectively use the internet and other digital technology, especially to participate responsibly in social and civic activities. The online school community is not only a great place to learn academics, but also a great place to begin your journey towards being a productive and responsible digital citizen. This tech tip help you on your journey. As always, if you have any questions, just ask!

There are 3 main rules to remember in behaving appropriately online.

1. **Do not visit inappropriate websites.**
   If you have a BVA-issued MacBook Air or Chromebook computer, it has tracking software installed on it. The websites you visit are monitored. Do not attempt to remove the tracking software! This will void the insurance on the computer and you will risk owing the full amount for the computer as well as losing any internet reimbursement that you may receive. It’s okay to use the computers for some personal web browsing long as the sites are appropriate and it doesn’t interfere with your attendance and grades.

2. **Do not give away your personal information.**
   Just about everything you do online creates a digital footprint that is very hard to erase. Companies collect as much data about you as they can, even sometimes without you knowing. It’s always good to refrain from giving away your sensitive information. Be sure that if you’re making any purchases that require this information that it is from a reputable business.

3. **Don’t be a cyberbully.**
   If you are caught bullying another student, the consequences could be as severe as expulsion. Treat your fellow students, staff and yourself with respect. We should all be striving to uplift and encourage those around us and cheering on each other’s successes. Simply put, be a good person!