



## Churchville-Chili **Central School District**

Winter 2023

Where learning leads to a lifetime of opportunities...



## Join us on Social Media

Did you know that Churchville-Chili CSD is on Facebook, Twitter (@CCCSDtweets) and Instagram (CCCSD Official)? In addition, our schools and many of our departments, clubs and teams have their own Twitter sites. Follow us each day and see all of the amazing things that happen within our district! #CCSaintsPride



Congratulations to our seniors who have signed to compete in collegiate athletics. @CCCSDathletics



Our Safety Patrol is hard at work! @CCCSD\_FRS



Our SHS Excel Dance students spread holiday cheer and teach dance in PE. @CCCSD\_SHS



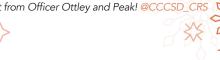
Our Technology Club recently explored the Rochester Museum & Science Center. @CCCSD\_MS



Our Mitten Tree provides warmth each year to community members. @CCCSD\_CES



A visit from Officer Ottley and Peak! @CCCSD



### **NEWS & VIEWS** What's Inside:

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# Important Reminder About Emergency Closings

When hazardous weather requires us to close or delay school on any given day, there are several ways we inform families. School closings and delayed start times are announced over local radio (WHAM 1180) and television stations (Rochester TV channels 8, 9, 10 and 13). Families can also find this information on our district website <a href="https://www.cccsd.org">www.cccsd.org</a> and on our Twitter, Facebook and Instagram pages. If no report is heard or posted, it can be assumed the schools are in session and are opening on time.

The district will also continue to utilize the Instant Connect notification system. Instant Connect enables administration to record, schedule, send and track personal voice messages to thousands of parents and staff members at the same time.

The district uses the information in our Student Management System (Infinite Campus) to contact multiple phone numbers for each family simultaneously. To correct contact information for your family, call the District Registrar at 293-1800 ext. 2041.

## **Triple C Awards**

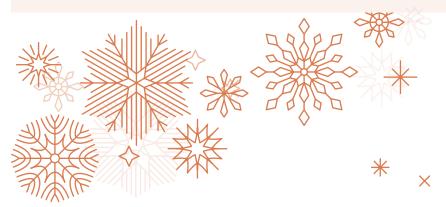


The Churchville-Chili Triple C Awards honor students, community members and staff who exemplify our district's core beliefs and who go above and beyond to make our schools great environments for learning. Congratulations to our Middle School Triple C Award winners!



Back row, left to right: Dave Moll, Sandora Leiston, Sofia Mesiti, Shaylee Crandall, Nicholas Indovino, Allie Snyder, Hayleigh Engle, Laurie Kaczanowski & Mike Seccombe

Front row, left to right: Angelina Sacheli, Eli El-Damaa, Annabel Driscoll & Olivia D'Ambrosio Missing: Alexa Brett, Julie MakitaMbama & Aimee Wade





## **District Residents**

This year, we will be hosting two Community Budget Forums to discuss budget development and gather input from our community.

You are invited to attend, learn more about the budget development process and provide input to the 2023-24 school budget. This will be taken into consideration, along with recommendations from internal staff, as our Board of Education and administrators collaborate to analyze, assess and prioritize the needs in conjunction with available funding.

#### **COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS**

District Office - Door 24 Middle School parking 5-6 p.m.

#### January 24, 2023

- Budget Development & Funding Sources
- Focus on Instructional Services & Programs

#### February 28, 2023

- Budget Development & Funding Sources
- Focus on Non-Instructional Services
- Additional Budget Propositions

If you are unable to join us in person, information from each forum and the Board budget presentations will be posted on the district website under Departments/Business Services/Budget Development. In addition, you may complete the online Budget Information Form. We appreciate your assistance and look forward to working with you as we

develop our proposed 2023-24 school budget.

#### **SAVE THE DATE**

May 2, 2023: Budget Public Hearing & Board of Education Candidate Night

**May 16, 2023:** Budget/Proposition Vote & Board of Education Candidate Election

## MS Growing Beyond Earth for NASA

Students expressing an interest in space exploration or botany recently participated in one of our many small group enrichment opportunities at the Middle School. The sixth graders performed a series of controlled experiments designed to help scientists at NASA's Kennedy Space Center determine the best crops to grow in space. The research project, organized by the Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden, is called Growing Beyond Earth®. Students grew cilantro and basil seeds under prescribed conditions and carefully measured and tracked their growth. They reported their results to NASA and then made delicious salsas from their harvest.



## FRS on a Roll with Math



Why would almost 70 third and fourth grade students voluntarily stay after school every week to learn MATH? The members of Fairbanks Road School's Crazy 8s Club know: Because math is fun! Every week, concepts like geometry, ratios, addition and multiplication, measurement, mapping coordinates, problem-solving and more are explained in engaging activities that include human bingo boards, glowsticks, bouncy rubber dice or imaginative spy training. Every student can learn to love numbers and succeed with math, and at FRS, Crazy 8s is the cool thing to do after school.

# CRS Holiday Balloon Parade



Fourth graders at Chestnut Ridge School learned the history of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and then designed their own fanciful parade balloons: blue elephants, orange turkeys, pink lions and many more fabulous flying floats. The proud creators paraded through the halls of CRS with their colorful balloon menagerie to the delight of onlookers from the other classes.

## **CES** The Importance of History



Town Historian Ron Belzcak visited Churchville Elementary School's third grade classrooms to teach them about our village and why people settled in our area. Students also learned why recording and researching our village's history is important.

# **SHS** Annual Holiday Tradition

For the past 17 years, students in our High School Functional Life Skills classes have crafted holiday decorations, taken orders from the supportive staff and raised more than \$13,000 for neighborhood community organizations. This year, scores of merry little Santa Clauses were cheerfully created and delivered, with the proceeds going to a local animal shelter. Along the way, students practiced interpersonal communication



skills and learned new writing, financial, measurement and math skills, plus skills needed for employment, like following directions and quality control.

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### **Fine Arts**

Our December Winter Concert Series was a tremendous success, and we would like to thank everyone who attended. We look forward to the sounds of the season continuing in January!

On February 3 and 4, fifth grade students will perform the musical, "A Year with Frog & Toad." In addition, our FRS, CRS, CES bands and fourth grade orchestra have recitals February 7-9.

The FRS and CRS Open Houses and Art Shows are in March, and our SHS musical, "Mary Poppins," begins March 23. Please see the Fine Arts Events Calendar at www.cccsd.org/FineArts for times and information.



### **January**

 9
 5-6 Band Concert
 CCPAC
 6:30 p.m.

 12
 MS Orchestra Concert
 CCPAC
 6:30 p.m.

 17
 7-8 Band Concert
 CCPAC
 7:00 p.m.

 19
 5-6 Vocal Concert
 CCPAC
 6:30 p.m.

 23
 7-8 Vocal Concert
 CCPAC
 7:00 p.m.



### 2022 Athletic Hall of Fame

Churchville-Chili High School recently welcomed four outstanding alumni to its Athletic Hall of Fame. The ceremony was especially meaningful as many of our past Hall of Fame members were also in attendance. The newest inductees, honored for their accomplishments and contributions to the Saints' athletics program are:

- Carly Zimmerman Class of 2013
- Bob Lowden Class of 1977
- Jaimie Culp-Passinault Class of 1995
- Kevin Collier Class of 2006

The 2022 Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees are listed in the order they appear in the photo.

The Athletic Hall of Fame celebrates the accomplishments of outstanding athletes, coaches, administrators and anyone who has made a significant contribution to Saints Athletics. For more information or to submit a nomination, visit the district website at <a href="https://www.cccsd.org/AthleticHallofFame">www.cccsd.org/AthleticHallofFame</a>.



## **Fall Athletics Highlights**

NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Teams – In order to achieve this honor, a team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90. This fall, 10 out of our 11 varsity teams accomplished this: Cheerleading, Boys Cross Country, Girls Cross Country, Football, Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Girls Swimming & Diving, Girls Tennis and Boys Volleyball.

#### Congratulations to these outstanding athletes!

Amelia Breton

• First Team Class A All-State in girls soccer

Camryn Karelus

• Central Western Volleyball Officials Gary Adler Memorial Scholarship recipient

Aidan Snover

• Monroe County Division 2 Libero of the Year in boys volleyball

James Southcott

• Section V Boys Volleyball Scholarship recipient

See more athletic accomplishments at www.cccsd.org/FallHighlights

# **Sneak Peek:** New CCCSD Website

This spring we will be launching a new website with a cleaner look and easier navigation. We've moved a few things around, updated our information and created icons to quickly take you to our most visited pages. We have incorporated suggestions from our families, staff, administration and board members and think you will be happy with the outcome.

This winter we will continue to finalize and streamline our new and improved site. Keep an eye out for more website updates in the coming months!

