

# Longwood Central School District



2023-2024 School Calendar and Parent Guide www.longwood.k12.ny.us

### 2023-2024 Longwood Board of Education



The Longwood Board of Education (seated l-r): Gina Pozzolano Gebbia, Daniel Tomaszewski, Vice President; Christina Jackson; (standing l-r) Rhonda Stitham, Ed.D., Victoria Molloy, President; Penelope J. Blizzard-McGrath, Esq., and William Massian.

The Board of Education is a group of residents elected by the community to govern your school district. The Board has seven members, each serving a threeyear term without pay. Terms are staggered so that the community must vote for a specific number of board members each year. The Board defines local school district policies and fulfills the New York State Department of Education requirements.

All meetings are held in the Board Room at Longwood High School at 7:00 pm.

Please check the Longwood website to confirm the dates and times of the meetings.

#### 2023-2024 Board of Education Meetings

January 11 and 25
February 8
March 7 and 21
April 11
May 9 and 23
June 6 and 20

**Community Forums:** October 24 and March 21 **Public Hearing on Proposed 2023-2024 School Budget:** May 9 **Annual Budget Vote and School Board Election:** May 21 The terms of office for members of the Board of Education are as follows:

Daniel Tomaszewski	June 2024
Penelope J. Blizzard-McGrath, Esq.	June 2024
Victoria Molloy	June 2024
William Massian	June 2025
Rhonda Stitham, Ed.D.	June 2025
Gina Pozzolano Gebbia	June 2026
Christina Jackson	June 2026

The Board of Education seeks members of the community to serve on its Legislative, Policy, and Safety Committees.

#### **Finding Answers and Addressing Concerns**

The Board of Education encourages direct parent-teacher communication to be the most helpful to the district's children.

If you have a question, comment, or concern about your child's education, it should be brought to your child's teacher's attention. If your concerns are not satisfied, contact the principal of your child's school. If this does not produce a satisfactory solution, contact Central Administration. If you are unable to agree, you may request that the matter be brought to the Board of Education's attention.

Teachers, supervisors, administrators, and the Board of Education are employed, appointed, and elected to help you. However, if they don't know what your concern is, they can't assist you. Should you have a problem, it is to your benefit and the benefit of your child that you take full advantage of each level of communication. Most matters are resolved by a discussion between the parent and the teacher. This communication strengthens the understanding and appreciation of the role of each. You are urged to take full advantage of each level in the order indicated.

The Board of Education welcomes your questions and comments at:

### BOE@Longwoodcsd.org

### Welcome Back from Superintendent of Schools Lance Lohman, Ed.D.

Dear Longwood School Community,



Welcome back to the 2023-2024 school year! I hope you all had a rejuvenating summer break with plenty of time to connect with family and friends. The start of school is quickly approaching, and we look forward to welcoming our students back into our classrooms on Wednesday, September 6, 2023.

As always, our students achieved so many outstanding accomplishments, both in and outside of the classroom, this past school year. We were proud to announce that two of Longwood's seniors were chosen out of only nine on Long Island as Newsday's Extraordinary Seniors for their kindness, perseverance, and passion. Through our college partnerships, one of our graduates made history by earning his college degree before graduating from high school. We also celebrated a New York

State and Brookhaven Elementary School Science Fair first place winner, Section XI and Suffolk County Championship athletic teams, an outstanding Unified Sports program, a top honored Robotics team, record numbers of students earning the Seal of Biliteracy and Seal of Civics, and our student musicians performed at National festivals, earned All-County honors and Longwood was recognized as the top music program in all of New York State.

This summer, our schools were filled with expanded learning opportunities for our students, providing academic and social support, for our K-12 students, including the Summer Bridge Reading Program, Extended School Year, the ENL Summer Program, transition and recovery programs, and a new opportunity for our incoming kindergarten students, the Kickstart Program.

In the 2023-2024 school year, we will continue to partner with our community to encourage innovation and inclusivity while leveraging technology to enhance engagement and personalize instruction for all students. The foundation of our community remains strong, and we continue to celebrate the diversity and inclusivity that makes us Longwood each and every day with Pride, Spirit, and Heart.

As always, we encourage our families and community members to actively participate within the Longwood School community. We value the partnership between home and school and are committed to keeping the lines of communication open. Together, we will build a strong foundation for lifelong learning while empowering our students to become responsible-contributing citizens and the true leaders of tomorrow.

We wish everyone a happy, healthy school year and a great first day. Once again, thank you for your continued partnership and support as we continue to work together for Every One Every Day!

Sincerely,

Lance Lohman, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

### **District Hours**

Longwood High School: 9-12	7:05 am - 1:40 pm
Longwood Junior High School: 7 & 8	8:00 am - 2:30 pm
Longwood Middle School: 5 & 6	8:30 am - 2:30 pm
Charles E. Walters Elementary: K-4	9:25 am - 3.25 pm
Coram Elementary School: K-4	9:25 am - 3:25 pm
Ridge Elementary School: K-4	9:25 am - 3:25 pm
West Middle Island Elementary: K-4	9:25 am - 3:25 pm

### **Central Administration**



Pictured (l-r): Vaughn Denton, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel and Community Services; Robert M. Hagan, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Janet M. Bryan, Assistant Superintendent for District Operations; James Crenshaw, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Learning, and Lance Lohman, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools.

### **Student Registration**

Student registration is available online through PowerSchool Enrollment at www.longwood.k12.ny.us.

Online student registration (for grades K-12) is available by clicking the link for Central Registration on the district website. To begin your child's online enrollment, gather the necessary documentation listed below. All documentation must be uploaded to PowerSchool Enrollment.

• Proof of residency in the school district. A parent must provide one of the following documents to establish proof of residency: a Town of Brookhaven tax bill, a deed, mortgage statement; if renting, a lease and two utility bills (PSEG and phone/water bill), or the district's Affidavit of Landlord, plus proof of landlord's ownership, i.e., tax bill/deed.

- An original birth certificate with a raised seal or a passport.
- Immunization dates from a physician signed or a previous school.
- Transfer or discharge notice from the former school district (except kindergarten).
- If a student has a disability, an IEP is required.

Foster children: A guardian or agency must present evidence or have a court order assignment or a Department of Social Services assignment or agency assignment that they have been given the authority to act on behalf of the State of New York.

### Kindergarten Registration

Any child residing within the school district who will become five years of age on or before December 1, 2023, is eligible for kindergarten for the 2023-2024 school year.

### **Secondary Students**

Once registered, new secondary students must make an appointment with their guidance counselor to schedule their classes. It is suggested that secondary students bring their report cards or a copy of their transcript to facilitate the scheduling of appropriate classes.

For directions and hours of Central Registration, call (631) 345-2162.

### **Required Student Immunizations**

Under New York State's Immunization Law, students may not attend school unless they provide acceptable written proof (including dates) of immunizations that have been prepared and signed by a physician. Section 2164 of the New York State Public Health Law requires that all children receive the following:

- Three-five doses of DTaP\*, Tdap is mandated for students entering sixth-grade (minimum age 10) for grades 7 through 12 (minimum age 7)\*
- Three-four doses of polio\*
- Two doses of MMR (mumps-measles-rubella)
- Three doses of hepatitis B
- One-two doses of varicella (commonly known as chicken pox) or proof of immunity to the disease \*
- The meningicoccal conjugate vaccine (Menactra or Menveo) one dose is mandated for students entering grades 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. For students in grade 12 second dose required unless the first dose was received at 16 years or older.

\*Number of doses needed depends on student's grade level entry and if the doses follow the correct intervals.

If a child is receiving immunizations, it should be noted that there are required intervals set by the New York State Department of Health for the administration.

Consequently, if a child is receiving required immunizations, she/he is to be admitted to the school. Nurses will follow up on children who have entered the school and are receiving required immunizations and inform parents of the need to follow up with their physician should those intervals be found invalid.

No child shall be admitted to school without one of the following:

- Written proof of adequate immunization signed by a physician.
- A certificate from a physician stating that the child cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons and also must be approved by the school medical office.

As of June 13, 2019, there is no longer a religious exemption to the requirement that children be vaccinated against measles and other diseases to attend public, private or parochial school. Children who do not have the required immunizations, must receive the first dose of vaccinations 14 days from the start of school. Within 30 days of the first day of school, parents must show they have made appointments for all required follow-up doses. Free immunizations are available for children who are uninsured or underinsured. Contact the Suffolk County Immunization Action Program at (631) 854-0222 for information.

### Health/Physicals/Screenings

The New York State Education law mandates that students entering kindergarten, grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11, have a physical examination. Each certificate shall describe the condition of the student when the examination was made, which shall not be more than 12 months prior to the commencement of the school year in which the examination is required, and shall state whether such student is in a fit condition of health to permit his or her attendance at the public schools. The certificate should also state the student's Body Mass Index (BMI) and weight status category. NYSDOH requires selected districts to report BMI information collected from physicals. If a parent requests this information be excluded from the survey, the school must receive a written request for such. A physical form will be sent to the parent/guardian by the school the child will be attending. Physical and history forms are available on the district website under Parents. Health Office Information. Parents should submit their healthcare provider's results to the school nurse on or before September 6, 2023. After this date, the physical will be conducted in the school by the district's medical professionals.

### **Dental Certificate Law**

The New York State Education Department requests that all students enrolling in a public elementary school present a dental health certificate, which must contain a report of your child's comprehensive dental examination.

### Special Education Program for Students with Disabilities

Longwood offers a full continuum of special education services for students identified as having a disability by the Committee on Special Education (CSE) or the Committee on Preschool Education (CPSE). Students in private or parochial schools with a disability must apply to the district of the location of the private or parochial school on or before June 1 preceding the next school year to receive services. Anyone with knowledge or suspects a child has a disability who has not been identified should contact the Special Education Office. Any questions or additional information may be obtained by contacting the Office of Special Education at (631) 345-2173.

#### Interscholastic Athletics and Co-Curricular Activities

Students in grades 7-12 that are interested in participating in the Interscholastic Athletic Program can contact the Longwood Athletic Office or visit the district website. The Interscholastic Athletic Program consists of 69 teams, 40 at the high school and 29 at the junior high school, with over 1,800 participants each school year. The New York State Public High School Athletic Association and Section IX rules and regulations guide the program.

Co-curricular activities are available as early as the elementary grades, with secondary schools having a full complement of activities to address students' varied interests. There are 37 performing groups in grades 4-12.

### Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

Longwood Central School District offers various academic interventions through our Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS). Our MTSS process is a collaborative, evidence-based approach to differentiating and personalizing instruction and intervention for all students. Our MTSS process is broken down into three different tiered systems. At each tier, data-based decision-making is used to systematically individual support and interventions for students in need. Our main goal is to ensure our students receive precise and accurate academic intervention support.

### **<u>Rights of Students in Transitional Housing</u>**

Students in transitional housing have the right to attend Longwood even if they live outside the district if they were permanently housed or last enrolled in the District.

### **Definition of Transitional Housing:**

Children and youth who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence, including those:

- Living in emergency or transitional shelters.
- Living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, campinggrounds due to the lack of alternative adequate accommodations.
- Living in a public or private place not designed for sleeping.
- Living in cars, parks, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or train stations, etc.
- Sharing the housing of others due to loss of housing, economic hardship or a similar reason.
- Migratory living in circumstances described above.

A student who is considered homeless (lacking a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence) and not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian can be registered as an unaccompanied homeless youth.

### **Registration**:

Students have the right to immediate enrollment, even if they are missing documents usually required to enroll.

Longwood Central School District, 35 Yaphank Middle Island Rd., Middle Island, New York, 11953-2373, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, or handicapped status, in employment or the provision of services.

#### **Transportation:**

- Students are entitled to transportation to their school of origin, including public preschool (e.g., pre-k), even if the student is temporarily housed in a different school zone.
- Students are entitled to transportation to participate in an extracurricular activity (including before- and after-school programs) if the lack of transportation poses a barrier to the student's participation, even if it is not provided to permanently housed students.
- School districts are required to provide transportation for the remainder of the school year in which a student becomes permanently housed, and for one additional year if that year is the student's last year in the school building (also referred to as the terminal grade).

For questions, contact Valerie Perez, District Liaison for Transitional Housing at (631) 345-2889 or email at Valerie.Perez@longwoodcsd.org.



### **Important Dates to Remember**

#### September

Superintendent's Conference Day
Labor Day
Superintendent's Conference Day
First Day of School
Yom Kippur

#### October

9	Columbus	Day

#### November

7	Superintendent's Conference Day
10	Veterans Day
22-24	Thanksgiving Recess

#### December

25-29	Winter	Recess

#### January

1	Winter Recess
15	Martin Luther King Day Observed

### February

19-23 Mid-Winter Reces	ss
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### March

28-29	Easter Recess	
<b>April</b> 1 22-26	Easter Recess Spring Recess	
<b>May</b> 27	Memorial Day	

#### June

19	Juneteenth Observed
25	Last Day of School
26	

26 Superintendent's Conference Day

**<u>NOTE</u>**: If days are needed to make up emergency closings, the days set aside will be used in the following order: May 23, May 24, May 28, April 25, and April 26.

### **Emergency School Closings**

In the event that inclement weather causes school closing, the district will notify parents through our automated messaging system, ParentSquare.

Announcements will also be shared on the district website, Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and the following radio and television stations:

Radio Stations: WALK 97.5 FM/1370 AM WBAB 102.3 FM WBLI 106.1 FM Television Station: News 12 LI - Channel 12

### **Emergency School Closings After the Start of School**

If emergency weather conditions or other emergencies develop during the school day, children will be dismissed early. Please be sure to create a plan with your child if you are not at home.

Be sure to plan now, and appoint someone to meet your child at the bus stop in your absence. Make sure your child and your designee are both familiar with the plan.

### **Two-Hour Delayed Opening**

When a two-hour delayed opening is announced, students will report to their bus stops two hours later than usual. Dismissal for all schools will be at their regular times.

All students attending private or parochial schools will follow the same procedure and report to their bus stops two hours later than their regular pick-up times.

Should a two-hour delayed opening be announced at 5:30 am based on inclement weather, and conditions do not improve by 7:30 am, District officials will announce that schools will be closed for the day. You must continue to monitor all of the announcements.

### Find Us On Social Media

Our district has "official" social media accounts where we share all the great activities happening in our classrooms, on the athletics field and in our school community.

Be sure to follow the accounts at: Facebook @LongwoodSchoolDistrict Twitter @LongwoodCSD Instagram @LongwoodSchoolsCSD



### **Parent Teacher Associations**

Each of our seven schools has a Parent Teacher Association (PTA). A Special Education Parent Teacher Organization (SEPTO) is also available districtwide. Active involvement is just one of the many ways parents can play an active role in many vital facets of your child's educational experience.

PTA and SEPTO sponsors a wide variety of special activities and events throughout the school year, and we encourage all parents to get involved and join the PTA and/or SEPTO.

For more information, please contact your child's school building.

### WheresTheBus App

The Wheres The Bus application securely tracks the arrival of your child's bus, and provides an enhanced and convenient school bus experience delivering realtime locations via email and push notification alerts to assist our families in best



managing their daily school bus experience.

After securely verifying your child's information, the mobile app determines the location of your child's bus along with an estimated arrival time, which is based on real-time and GPS route analytics.

The WheresTheBus app is simple and takes less than five minutes to set up:

- Download the WheresTheBus app from the App Store (iOS / Apple) or Google Play Store (Android).
- Create an account.
- Select Longwood from the dropdown menu and provide your child's information. Once the information is verified, your account will be active.
- Log onto the app from any Internet-enabled device (smartphone, tablet, PC, iPod) to access real-time bus information.

### Passing Stopped School Buses is Illegal

Section 1174 of the Vehicle and Traffic Law prohibits vehicles from passing a stopped school bus.

Stop-arm cameras identify illegal passers by license plate number.

In most states, a first-time stop-arm violation carries a fine of \$250. In New York state, subsequent violations within an eighteen month period are subject to a \$25 increase in penalty, up to a maximum of \$300.

### **School Communication Platform**

Longwood Central School District utilizes ParentSquare as our primary communication platform. The program keeps parents and guardians informed and encourages greater engagement and connection.

Communications may include:

- Urgent alerts, including school cancellations, early dismissal and delayed start, as well as news and messages via email, call, text or mobile app notification
- Two-way texting with translation between staff and families
- Choose to receive information as it comes, or all at once at 6:00 pm daily
- Communicate in your preferred language
- Direct message teachers and staff through a secure and private interface
- Participate in group messages

ParentSquare can be accessed through the district website, as well as by downloading the app on your mobile device. The app is available on both the Apple App Store and the Google Play App Store.

### **School Safety Department**

The School Safety Department is available 24-hours a day, seven days a week throughout the year, including holidays.

The 2023-2024 District Safety Plan can be found on the district website, under Departments, School Safety.

If you need to contact the Safety Department, please call (631) 345-6500.

### **No Smoking Policy**

Longwood Central School District is a smoke free campus. Smoking is prohibited for everyone at all times on school property.

### **Parent Portal**

Longwood Central School District utilizes PowerSchool Student Information System (SIS). PowerSchool SIS provides a secure online Parent Portal allowing parents/guardians to create an account to access their child's schedule, attendance, grades, classroom assignments, as well as the ability to make changes to phone numbers, email addresses, and emergency contacts.

As the district continues to move toward paperless communication, we urge you to keep your contact information up to date and be sure to include an email address.

The link to the Parent Portal is found on our website at www.longwood.k12.ny.us.

If you have not registered for the Parent Portal, visit our website and follow the Parent Portal link at the bottom of the page to create an account. Contact your child's school building for student ID information. If you already have an account, the user name and password will remain the same.

### **Calendar Updates/Revisions**

Check the Longwood School District website for calendar updates and revisions throughout the school year. The web address is www. longwood.k12.ny.us.



# September 2023





### **Child Nutrition Program Provides Free Breakfast and Lunch**

The District participates in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) Program that provides a healthy breakfast and lunch each day at no charge for ALL students (K-12) during the 2023-2024 school year. A la Carte charges will still apply where available, and menus are posted on the district website at www.longwood.k12. ny.us.

Before the school year, you will receive a Household Income Form as part of the welcome packet from your building principals. Be sure to complete the form to assist the District in obtaining additional Federal or state-level grants, including:.

- Essential funding for your school
- Eligibility for free school meals and potentially qualify for P-EBT
- Discounted utilities and internet access
- Eligibility for fee waivers for college applications and admissions tests (i.e., SATs, ACTs)

- Discounted school fees, including musical instruments, textbooks, athletics, technology, etc.
- Receive benefits regardless of citizenship status

The National School Lunch/Breakfast Program is a federally-assisted meal program in public and nonprofit private schools. The program was established under the National School Lunch Act, signed by President Harry Truman in 1946, and provides nutritionally balanced, lowcost, or free meals to children each school day.

Without proper nutrition, mental and physical activity would be significantly impaired. We take great pride in our responsibility to fuel the minds and bodies of our students properly, assisting the educational process by providing the nutrients necessary for increased mental stamina, attentiveness, and retention.

August 24 HS 7 Grade Orientation -11AM August 24 IS 5 Grade Orientation -10AM August 28 IS 9th Grade Orientation 0-11AM/12-1PM				1 Superintendent's Conference Day	2
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17	18 Start With Hello Week Begins (ends 9/22) CEW, Coram, Ridge & MS Spirit Week Begins (ends 9/22) Ridge PTA Book Fair Begins (ends 9/20) Coram & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM	19 MS PTA Meeting 7PM	20 Elementary Open House and Title I Information Night Grades K-4/6-9PM LHS College Application Assistance 7-8PM	21 International Day of Peace Coram Peace Day SEPTO Meeting 7PM LHS Open House and Title I Information Night Grades 9-12/6:45-9PM	22 Coram PTA Welcome Back Picnic 5-7PM WMI PTA Welcome Back Event 6-8PM LHS Pep Rally	23 LHS Homecoming Festival 11AM Longwood vs.Commack 1PM
24 Yom Kippur Begins at Sunset	25 Yom Kippur Schools Closed	26 WMI Spirit Week Begins (ends 9/29) PTA Council Meeting HS/7:15PM	27	28 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM Ridge Unity Day	29 WMI All-School Meeting SEPTO Activity Night 6:30PM	30
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# October 2023

#### **District Attendance Policy Summary**

Regular daily attendance is important for your child to be successful in school. Teachers have carefully planned and organized the academic lessons and class work, which includes assigning specific material each period. The Longwood School District Attendance Policy #5100 requires students to be in regular daily attendance.

Both students and parents will be held accountable for absences. When a student is absent, tardy, or leaves early from class or school without an excuse, the student's parent will be notified by phone or mail of the specific absence, and shall be reminded about our Attendance Policy, and provided an opportunity to review the attendance intervention procedures. Excused absences, tardiness, and early departures from class or school are as follows:

- Illness of student
- Death in the family
- Critical family illness
- Court summons
- Work study, exams (but not limited to, such as driver's permit and road test) or school related service with prior approval
- Observance of a religious holiday
- State emergency
- Snow day/impassable roadways as declared by the district.
- Suspension
- Approved college visits.
- Health care appointments that cannot be scheduled outside the school day.
- Military Deployment: Students whose parent or legal guardian has been called for military deployment, is on leave from, or is returning from a combat zone or combat support may be excused from school for five (5) days by the building principal or

Superintendent (or his/her designee), but any work which was missed by the student must be made up according to the rules applicable to other excused absences. Parents/guardians must notify the Building Principal no less than three days before the intended absences.

# All Other Absences or Tardies Will be Considered Unexcused

It is the responsibility of elementary parents to notify the school attendance office on the next school day of the absence, and to provide a written excuse upon the student's return to school.

At the secondary level, it is the student's responsibility to provide documentation for all in-school appointments that will prevent a student from attending a class prior to dismissal from a class.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
National Bullying Prevention Month	CEW Book Fair Begins (ends 10/6) Bring PE to Your Family Week (ends 10/6) LHS Senior Make-Up Portraits Begins (ends 10/6) JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	MS Open House and Title I Information Night Grade 5 / 7PM	CEW Evening Book Fair & Story Hour LHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	LHS College Fair 6-8PM MS Counselor Night 7-9PM	Progress Reports Grades 5-12	Take Back 25 Cleanup SAT's at LHS
8 Fire Prevention Week Take Back 25 Cleanup (Rain Date)	9 Columbus Day Schools Closed	10 MS Open House and Title I Information Night Grade 6 / 7PM Ridge Picture Day LHS College Application Assistance 2-3PM CEW Class Parent Coffee Hour 6PM and PTA Meeting 7PM	111 Ridge Picture Day Legislative Day LHS Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM LHS Testing & Senior Assembly Program Early Release	12 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	13 Coram Fire Prevention Day WMI PTA Fall Pictures MBK/MSK Fall Event 5:30-7:30/PM/LHS MS Student Government Movie Night 6:30PM	14

15	16 LHS Spirit Week Begins (ends 10/20) WMI Class Parent Orientation 6PM Coram, Ridge & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM	17 CEW Picture Day WMI Book Fair Begins (ends 10/20) 6th Grade Early Morning Band, Orchestra, Chorus Begins District Special Projects Committee 6PM / CO Coram Class Parent PTA Orientation 7PM LHS Financial Aid Night Virtual 7PM MS PTA Meeting 7PM Newsday Marching Band Festival	18 CEW Pict Coram PI Grades K WMI PTA Fair 5-8PI Communi Communi Communi	TA Pictur -1 Evening M ty & Cul	re Day g Book ture	Cor Gra LH: SE	ades 2-4 S Olym PTO Mo gislative	A Picture 4 pic Nigh eeting 7 e Commi S Librar	t 7PM PM ittee	20 SEPTO 6:30PM LHS Dra 7PM	-	-	CE		ia Produ	11-2PM action
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# November 2023







## 2023-2024 PTA/PTO Presidents

Sabrina Cohen, PTA Council President

**Coram Elementary School PTA** TBD, President

**Charles E. Walters Elementary PTA** Dawn Hull, President

**Ridge Elementary School PTA** Lori Cebul & Amanda Turner, Co-Presidents

West Middle Island Elementary PTA Amy Graebe, President **Longwood Middle School PTA** Bridget de Lutio, President

**Longwood Junior High School PTSA** Shannon Golden, President

Longwood Senior High School PTSA Kim Anderson, President

**SEPTO (Special Education PTO)** Jennifer Keisner, President

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
			<b>1</b> JHS Challenge 7PM LHS PTSA Meeting 7PM Policy Committee Meeting Virtual 7PM	2 Ridge Differently-Abled Day LHS Underclass Picture Make-Up Coram PTA Book Fair 6-8PM LHS World Language Honor Society Induction 7PM	3 SEPTO Activity Night 6:30PM	4 SAT's at LHS
5	6	7	8	9 End of First Marking Period Grades 5-12	10	11
Standard Time Ends Turn Clocks Back One Hour	MS Session One Clubs Begin JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	Election Day Superintendent's	CEW Veterans Day Assembly Grades K - 1 JHS Picture Day Make-Up LHS ASVAB Test	Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM CEW Veterans Day Assembly Grades 2-4	Veterans Day Observed Schools Closed	
	First Day of JHS Early Winter Sports	Conference Day Schools Closed	LHS College Application Assistance 2-3PM MS Families for Families Dance 7PM	Coram & Ridge Veterans Day Assembly MS Health Fair WMI All-School Meeting		
		Offices Open 8AM - 2:30PM	NYSCAME All-County Rehearsal 1 (Grades 11-12)		Offices Closed	

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	JHS Half-Day Parent Teacher Conference Day/ Evening Conferences 7-9PM	JHS Half-Day Parent Teacher Conference Day 12:45-2:45PM	Offices O					ESS - S		CLOSED	ices Clo	osed				
26	27 PTA Council Meeting HS/7:15PM	28 CEW Picture Make-Up Day & 4th Grade Class and Faculty Photo LHS College Application Assistance 2-3PM District Special Projects Committee 6PM/CO	29 WMI Far Night		gagemei	nt F N N C (( E L H	30 Ridge Unit MARE-Up NYSSMA A Conference (ends12/3) SEPTO M HS Early Teacher ( 12-2PM I	Fall Pictu All-State e Begins eeting 7F Dismiss Conferer	PM al Parent nce Day							
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# December 2023

### **Code of Conduct**

The Longwood Board of Education is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where students may receive, and district personnel may deliver, quality educational services without disruption or interference. Responsible behavior by students, teachers, other district personnel, parents and other visitors is essential to achieving this goal.

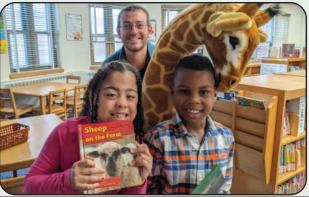
The District has a long-standing set of expectations for conduct on school property, at school functions, and while using school-provided transportation.

These expectations are based on the principles of civility, mutual respect, citizenship, character, tolerance, honesty, integrity, and in some cases, contractually negotiated agreements. The Longwood Board of Education recognizes the need to clearly define these expectations for acceptable conduct, to identify the possible consequences of unacceptable conduct, and to ensure that discipline, when necessary, is administered promptly and fairly.

The Code of Conduct includes the following components:

- Student Rights and Responsibilities
- Essential Partners
- Student Dress Code
- Prohibited Student and Public Conduct
- Reporting Violations
- Student Disciplinary Consequences
- Alternative Instruction
- Discipline of Students with Disabilities
- Corporal Punishment
- Questioning of Students by Administrators
- Visitors to the Schools

- Consequences for Persons other than Students
- In-Service Education Programs
- Circulating, Publishing, and Reviewing the Code of Conduct
- Dignity for All Students Act
- Appeals Procedure



Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Coram PTA Make-Up Picture Day & 4th Grade Group Photo	2 CEW Winter Wonderland 10-2PM SAT's at LHS
3	4	5	6	7 Hanukkah Begins at Sunset	8	9
	WMI PTA Holiday Boutique Begins (ends 12/7) Coram & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM	Coram & MS PTA Holiday Gift Fair Begins (ends12/8) JHS Holiday Boutique Begins (ends 12/7) JHS 7th Grade Winter Concert 7PM	Ridge Holiday Fair Begins (ends 12/8) WMI PTA Holidays Around the World WMI PTA Holiday Boutique Evening Shopping JHS 8th Grade Winter Concert 7PM	Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	Ridge Holiday Family Fun Night 6-8PM	MS Student Government Character Adventure 8-12PM ACT's at LHS

10	11	12 MS PTA Meeting 7PM	13 LHS 11th Winter C	n & 12th	Grade	L	14 HS Hacl			15 Progree	ss Rep	orts		16		
		LHS 9th & 10th Grade Winter Concert 7PM	Commur Committe CO/6PM	nity & Cu ee Meet	ulture		snow dat HS Elec -7:30PM	tive Exp		Grades Coram Around SEPTO	PTA Ho the Wo	rld 6PN				
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# January 2024

### Acceptable Use for District Computers, E-Mail, and the Internet

The Longwood Board of Education is committed to optimizing student learning and teaching, and considers student access to a computer network, including the internet, to be a powerful and valuable educational and research tool and encourages the use of computers and computer-related technology in classrooms.

Student internet accounts and network access are valid as long as students comply with the Board policies listed below:

Policy 4526- Acceptable Use of School District Computers and Computer Networks Policy 4526.1- Internet Safety Policy 4528- Acceptable Use- Distance Learning Policy 8630 - Computer Resources and Data Management

To view the adopted Board of Education policies, visit the district's website at www.longwood.k12.ny.us.



Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
Tos Angele	1 New Year's Day WINTER RECESS - SCHOOLS CLOSED Offices Closed	2	3 LHS PTSA Meeting Virtual 7PM	4	5	6
7	8 MS Session 2 Club Begins Coram, Ridge & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	9 CEW & MS PTA Meeting 7PM	10 6th Grade Winter Concert LHS/7PM	11 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	12 SEPTO Activity Night 6:30PM	13

14	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day Schools Closed	16 First Day of JHS Winter Sports Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM	17 MS PTA Commun Committe CO/6PM Policy Co Virtual 7F	iity & Cu ee Meet	ulture ting	LI S S	18 HS Natio cociety Ir EEPTO M	nduction	7PM	19 Ridge Fa 6PM Coram P Dance 6 WMI PTA	PTA 4th -8PM	Grade		20		
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# February 2024

### **Voting and Registration**

Throughout the school year, voters can register to vote at all school buildings, Central Registration or the Office of the District Clerk. To be eligible, you must be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the school district for 30 days prior to the election (you do not need to own a home). You can find out if you are registered by using the link on the website, under Community and the Voter Registration page.

The 2024-2025 School Budget Vote and School Board Election will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, from 7AM to 9 PM at all four elementary schools. A Public Hearing/Board of Education meeting on the proposed budget will be held on Thursday, May 9, 2024, at 7PM at Longwood High School.

Call (631) 345-2162 for more information, hours, and directions, between the hours of 8AM and 2:30PM.

### Votación y Registro

A lo largo del año escolar, los votantes pueden registrarse para votar en todos los edificios escolares, en el Registro Central o en la Oficina del Secretario del Distrito. Para ser elegible, debe tener al menos 18 años de edad, ser ciudadano de los Estados Unidos y residente del distrito escolar durante los 30 días anteriores a la elección (no es necesario que sea propietario de una casa). Puede averiguar si está registrado utilizando el enlace en el sitio web, en Comunidad y en la página de Registro de votantes.

La votación del presupuesto escolar 2024-2025 y la elección de la junta escolar se llevarán a cabo el martes 21 de mayo de 2024, de 7 a. m. a 9 p. m. en las cuatro escuelas primarias. El jueves 9 de mayo de 2024 a las 7:00 p. m. en Longwood High School se llevará a cabo una audiencia pública/reunión de la Junta de Educación sobre el presupuesto propuesto.

Llame al (631) 345-2162 para obtener más información, horarios y direcciones, entre las 8 a.m. y las 2:30 p.m.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
				1	2 Ridge Someone Special Dance 6-8PM WMI PTA Someone Special Dance 6-8PM	3 Longwood Regional Legislative Breakfast/ MS 8:30AM-Noon
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	CEW Book Fair Begins (ends 2/9) JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	MS Spring Pictures MS PTA Meeting 7PM	MS Spring Pictures Coram PTA PARP Event 6PM CEW Evening Book Fair & Story Hour 6PM LHS PTSA Meeting Virtual 7PM	Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM MS Spring Pictures JHS Valentine's Dance 2:45-4:20PM MS Student Government Masked Singer 6PM	LHS Musical 7PM (snow date 2/12)	Coram PTA Donuts with Grown-Ups 9AM LHS Musical 2PM & 7PM (snow date 2/11)

11	12 JHS Winter Spirit Week Coram Disability Awareness Week Begins (ends 2/16) Coram, Ridge & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM	13 Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM CEW PTA Meeting 7PM	14 MS Musical 7PM		15 Coram E MS Mus Legislati Meeting	ical 7PN ve Com	/ mittee	16 Coram 2 Read-A- <sup>-</sup> CEW So Dance 6I SEPTO A 6:30PM	Thon meone PM	Specia		17		
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25	26 4th Grade Ensemble Rehearsals Begin Coram Read Across America, Spirit Week & PARP Begins (ends 3/1) PTA Council Meeting HS/7:15PM	27 CEW Science Fair Drop Off Grades K-2 District Special Projects Committee 6PM / CO	28 MS PTA Author's Nig 6:30PM CEW Science Fair Drop Off Grades 3-4 Community & Cultur Committee Meeting CO/6PM		29 Ridge U SEPTO									
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# **March 2024**



#### **Transportation**

School age children will be picked up and dropped off by a school bus at a scheduled stop designated by the Transportation Office. This includes students attending private or parochial school living within a 15-mile limit. Parents enrolling children in private or parochial schools, <u>and daycare facilities</u> who are eligible for transportation, must submit an application in writing to the Transportation Office no later than <u>April 1</u> for the following school year.

If you should require further information contact the Transportation Office at (631) 345-2775 or contact Suffolk Transportation Service (large buses, field trips & athletics) at (631) 732-3200 and/or First Student Inc. (mini-vans & summer transportation) at (631) 924-8400. All kindergarten students must have an authorized person with photo ID at the bus stop to pick them up in the afternoon. The authorization form can be found on the school website under Transportation.

Please be advised that parents are prohibited from boarding the school bus.

#### **Textbooks for Private/Parochial Schools**

Textbook orders for students attending private or parochial schools are serviced by BOCES:

BOCES Textbook Service 480 Clay Pitts Road East Northport, New York 11731 (631) 689-6860

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
Music in Our Schools Month National Nutrition Month					<b>Progress Reports Grades 5-12</b> Ridge PARP Kickoff 6PM	2 SCMEA All-County Rehearsal 1 (Grades 5-10)
3	4 End of 2nd Trimester Grades K-4 MS Session 2 Clubs End Ridge Book Fair Begins (ends 3/6) JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	5	6 WMI PTA Spring Pictures CEW Evening Science Fair 6-8PM LHS PTSA Meeting 7PM Policy Committee Meeting Virtual 7PM	7 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	8 LHS Senior Banquet 7PM SCMEA All-County Rehearsal 2 (Grades 5-10)	9 SCMEA All-County Rehearsal 3 (Grades 5-10) SCMEA All-County Concert (Grades 9-10) 7:30PM SAT's at LHS

10 Standard Time Begins Turn Clocks Ahead One Hour SCMEA All-County Concert (Grades 5-6) 1PM (Grades 7-8) 5PM	11 First Day of HS Spring Sports WMI Science Fair Begins (ends 3/15) Coram, Ridge & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM	12 Coram Book Fair Begins (ends 3/14) CEW & MS PTA Meeting 7PM Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM	13 CEW Spring Pictures Ridge Science Fair LHS College Search & Selection 7-8PM	14 CEW Spring Pictures WMI Science Fair Viewing 4-8PM Coram Evening Book Fair 6-8PM Legislative Committee Meeting HS Library/7PM	15 CEW Differently-Abled Day WMI All-School Meeting SEPTO Activity Night 6:30PM JHS Musical 7PM	16 JHS Musical 2PM
17 24	18 College & Career Week Begins (ends 3/22) 25	19 Legislative Committee Lobby Trip to Albany MS PTA Book Fair Begins (ends 3/22)	20 Coram PTA Spring Pictures Community & Culture Committee Meeting CO/6PM MS Musical 7PM WMI PTA Bingo 6PM	21 Community Forum Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM Ridge Unity Day Coram & Ridge PTA Spring Pictures SEPTO Meeting 7PM	22 Ridge Spring Pictures MS Musical 7PM	23
	First Day of JHS Spring Sports PTA Council Meeting HS/7:15PM	District Special Projects Committee 6PM / CO		Holy Thursday Schools Closed Offices Closed	Good Friday Schools Closed	
31 Easter		NYS Tax Code for Longwood Central School District is 392	18 19 20 2	1       2       3         8       9       10         4       15       16       17         21       22       23       24         28       29       29       24	7 8 9 14 15 16	3       4       5       6         10       11       12       13         17       18       19       20         24       25       26       27

# April 2024

### Longwood Public Library

Lisa Jacobs, Director

The Longwood Public Library serves the communities of the Longwood School District.

The high-performance building, renovated in 2015, is an energy-efficient, comfortable, and inspiring space for all ages. The facility includes a large, bright and well-lit area for children and tweens, as well as a dedicated room for teens, dubbed "True North."

There are many places in the building and out on the terrace to read, study, play, or sit and contemplate nature. The Learn and Play Children's

Garden, a sensory garden designed especially for families with young children, debuted in 2018 and is accessible through the terrace doors.

### Location:

800 Middle Country Road Middle Island, NY 11953 (631) 924-6400 or www.longwoodlibrary.org

### Hours:

 Monday - Friday
 9:30AM - 9:00PM

 Saturday
 9:30AM - 5:00PM

 Sunday (Sept - June)
 1:00PM - 5:00PM

**Library Services Include:** Books, magazines and newspapers, large print materials, adult learner collection, talking books, local history collection, DVDs, books on CD, music CDs, civil service exam books, college and career collection, eBooks, streaming music and videos, eMagazines, children's programs, online homework help, concerts, craft programs, educational lectures, ESOL and citizenship classes, adult literacy training, defensive driving, cooking classes, computer instruction lab and classes, income tax and Medicare counseling, copy machines, computers, faxing and scanning, wifi, wireless printing, information and referral services, museum passes, and Equipment and Gadgets collection.

The book drop is open 24 hours every day.

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
	1 Easter Recess Schools Closed Offices Open 8AM - 2:30PM	2 WMI PARP Begins (ends 4/19)	3 LHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	4	5 End of 3rd Marking Period Grades 5-12 WMI 4th Grade Square Dance PE Kids Yoga Day	6
7	8 Coram Science Expo Week Begins (ends 4/12) Coram, Ridge & WMI PTA Meeting 7PM JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	Meeting 7PM	10 LHS FBLA-Business & Marketing Honor Society 6:30PM WMI Family Engagement Night glish Language Arts & Math 8 NYS Science Performanc	11 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	12 Ridge Art Gallery 6PM SEPTO Prom Meadow Club 6-9PM LHS BUTY Dance Off 7PM	13 ACT's at LHS

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# May 2024

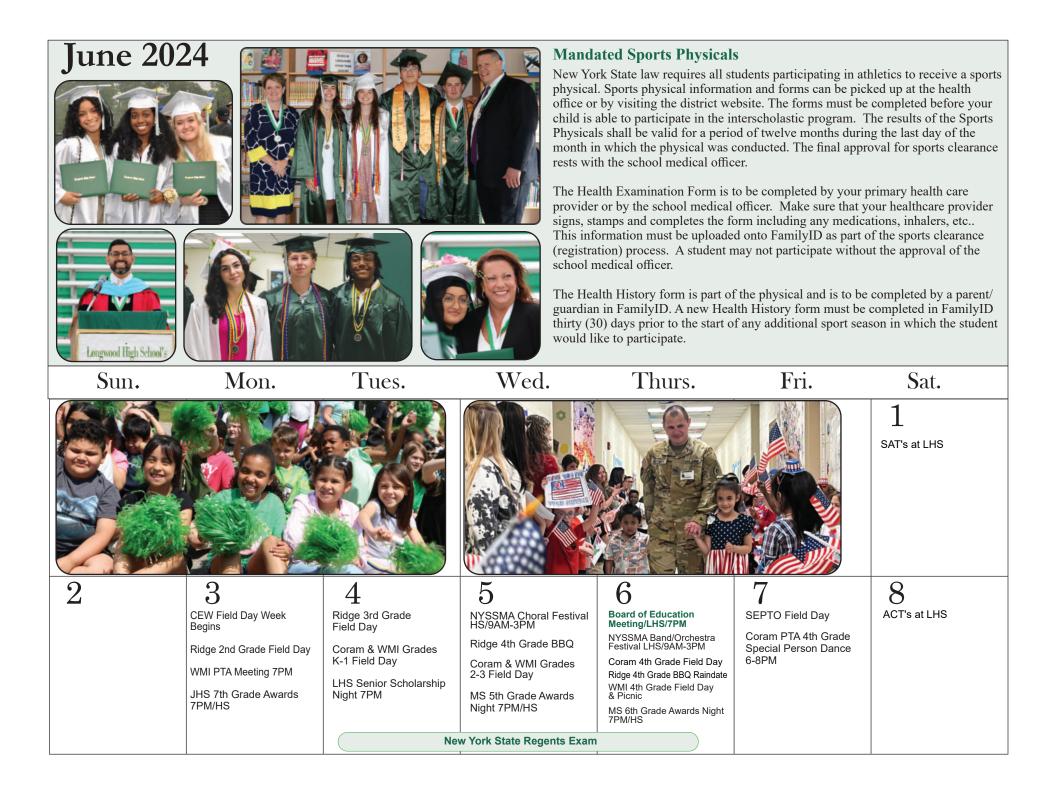
### **Notice of Non-Discrimination**

The Longwood Central School District offers equal educational opportunities including career and technical educational opportunities. It does not discriminate on the basis of an individual's actual or perceived race, color, creed, religion, religious practice, national origin, ethnic group, sex (including sexual harassment and sexual violence), gender identity, sexual orientation (the term "sexual orientation" means heterosexuality, homosexuality, bisexuality, or asexuality), political affiliation, age, marital status, military status, veteran status, disability, domestic violence victim status, arrest or conviction record, genetic information or any other basis prohibited by New York state and/or federal non-discrimination laws in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. In addition, students are also afforded protection based on weight. Inquiries regarding the Non-Discrimination policies should be directed to:

Vaughn Denton, Ed.D., Compliance Officer Longwood Central School District 35 Yaphank Middle Island Road Middle Island, NY 11953 Vaughn.Denton@Longwoodcsd.org (631) 345-2163

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
National Physical Education and Sports Month Mental Health Awareness Month			1 National Physical Education & Sports Week Begins (ends 5/7) LHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	2 JHS Foreign Language Honor Society 7PM LHS Open Mic Night 7PM	3 Ridge 2nd Grade Spring Show	4 SAT's at LHS
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	WMI PTA Evening Plant Sale 5-8PM WMI PTA Meeting 7PM JHS PTSA Meeting 7PM	Grades	Ridge Plant Sale Begins (ends 5/10) MS PTA Evening Plant Sale 5-8PM JHS Grade 8 Spring Concert 7PM Community & Culture Committee Meeting CO/6PM English Language Arts & Mather 5 & 8 NYS Science Performance HS Advanced Placement Exams		Progress Reports Grades 5-12 WMI PTA Staff Appreciation Luncheon JHS Career Day Coram PTA Community Carnival 6-8PM	CEW Spring Festival 11-2PM

12	13 WMI Kindergarten Orientation CEW, Coram & Ridge Career Week Begins (ends 5/17) Coram & Ridge PTA Meeting 7PM Safety Committee Meeting Virtual/LHS LGI Room/7PM	MS Career Expo Begins (ends 5/16) CEW & MS PTA Meeting 7PM JHS Grade 7 Spring Concert 7PM	15 Ridge Kindergarten Orientation CEW & Coram Career Day Senior Athlete College Signing Celebration 2PM JHS 7th Grade Orientation 6PM LHS Grades 9-10 Spring Concert 7PM YS English Language Arts & Mather es 5 & 8 NYS Science Performance LHS Advanced Placement Exams	16 CEW & Ridge Career Day Coram Band & Orchestra Concert Legislative Committee Meeting HS Library/7PM	17 CEW & Ridge Career Day WMI All-School Meeting Coram Talent Show JHS/7PM LHS Jr. Prom 7PM Majestic Gardens	18 Longwood Day 9-2PM
19	20 WMI Author's Week Begins (ends 5/24) Coram PTA Class Parent Breakfast 10AM MS Volunteerism Day LHS Tri-M Induction LHS Art & Music Festival 7PM CEW Band/Orchestra Concert	21 Ridge Band & Orchestra Concert MS Volunteerism Day WMI Author's Night Coram Author's Night, Art Show, & PTA BOGO Book Fair 6-8PM LHS Grades 11-12 Spring Concert 7PM BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION All Elementary Schools 7AM - 9PM	22 MS Volunteerism Day (raindate) LHS Academic Awards Grades 9-10 5:30PM / Grades 11-12 7:15PM LHS Make-Up Advanced Placement Exams (ends 5/24) Policy Committee Meeting Virtual 7PM	23 Board of Education Meeting/LHS/7PM	24 SEPTO Activity Night 6:30PM	25
26	27 Memorial Day Schools Closed	28 If two emergency days are used, school will be open today.	29 Coram Kindergarten Orientation LHS National Honor Society Induction 7PM	30 CEW Kindergarten Orientation Ridge Kindergarten Field Day Coram PTA 4th Grade Picnic JHS Academic Bowl NYSSMA Solo Festival 3-9PM SEPTO Meeting 7PM	31 CEW & Coram Kindergarten Orientation Ridge 1st Grade Field Day WMI Band & Orchestra Concert JHS Academic Bowl JHS 7th Grade BBQ 2:45-4:45PM	
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9	10 MS Fun Day Begins (ends 6/12) JHS 8th Grade Awards 7PM/HS LHS Military Welcome Reception 6PM Coram & MS PTA	11 MS 6th Grade Spring Concert LHS/7PM	12 CEW & R Awards MS 5th G Concert Senior Ath Majestic C MS Intran	rade Sp nletics E Gardens	oring Banquet s/7PM	Ri Ra Hi Ce	aindate	of Bilitera		14 WMI All-Se JHS 8th G 6:30PM LHS Senic Wind 7PM	Brade Da	leeting ance East	-	15		
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July 2024

# August 2024

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					Offices Closed								
									Office	s Open 8 AM - 2:3	0 PM		
28	29	30	31				25	26	27	28	29	30	31
									Office	s Open 8 AM - 2:3	0 PM		

Summer Hours: July 1 - August 15 Monday - Thursday 7 AM - 3 PM

**Closed Fridays** 

### **Pesticide Notification Request**

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, effective July 1, 2001 requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The district is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- When a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72-hours following an application
- Anti-microbial products
- Non-volatile rodenticides in tamper-resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children
- Silica gels and other non-volatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children
- Boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahdrate
- The application of EPA designated biopesticides
- The application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25
- The use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48hour prior notification list.

#### If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications scheduled in your school, please send your name, address, day and evening phone numbers, e-mail address and the name of the school to:

Director of Plant Facilities Longwood Central School District Operations and Maintenance 21 Everett Drive, Yaphank, NY 11980 Fax: (631) 345-9288 Written notification must be provided to all persons in parental relation, and staff at the following intervals throughout the school year: at the beginning of the school year; within two school days of the end of winter recess; within two school days of the end of spring recess; and within ten days of the end of the school year.

# Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that Longwood School District, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Longwood School District may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the district to the contrary in accordance with district procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow Longwood School District to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- Longwood Life newsletter and press releases
- District website
- Social media
- A playbill, showing your student's role in a production
- The annual yearbook
- Honor roll or other recognition lists
- Graduation programs
- Sports activity sheets

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks.

In addition, two federal laws require local educational agencies LEAs (school districts) receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with three directory information categories – names, addresses and telephone listings – unless parents have advised the school district that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent. If you do not want the district to disclose directory information from your child's records without your prior written consent, notify the Public Relations Specialist, Pamela.Donovan@longwoodcsd.org by September 22, 2023.

Longwood School District has designated the following information as directory information:

- Student's name
- Address
- Telephone listing
- Electronic mail address
- Photograph
- Date and place of birth
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance
- Grade level
- Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Weight and height of members of athletic teams
- Degrees, honors, and awards received
- The most recent educational agency or institution attended

\* Note: These laws are: Section 9528 of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 7908), as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110), the education bill, and 10 U.S.C. 503, as amended by section 544, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal year 2002 (P.L. 107-107), the legislation that provides funding for the Nation's armed forces.

# Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act

The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) protects the use and disclosure of an individual's protected health information. Protected health information is defined under the HIPAA Privacy Rule as individually identifiable health information that relates to the past, present or future physical or mental health or condition of an individual that either identifies or potentially identifies an individual. Education records as defined under FERPA are excluded from the Privacy Rule.

Protected health information of students not covered by FERPA may be covered by the HIPAA Privacy Rule.

### **District Services by Departments**

Accounts Payable	345-2784
Archives	345-9245
Audio-Visual	345-9224
Benefits	345-2195
Business Office	345-2783
Child Nutrition	345-2805
Driver's Education	345-2961
ELA, Math, Science, & Social Studies (K-12)	698-2491
Fine Arts, Family and Consumer Science	345-2960
Human Resource Office	345-2786/2787
Liaison for Transitional Housing	345-2889
Mental Health Services and Student Attendance (K-12)	345-2888
Operations and Maintenance	345-2817
Payroll	345-2785
Personnel for Civil Service	345-2017
Physical Education, Health and Athletics	345-9260
Pre-K (Universal)	578-1501
Public Relations	345-2949
Purchasing	345-2796
Registration (Student)	345-2162
School Safety	345-6500
LOTE, and ENL (K-12)	345-9282
Special Education - Elementary and Pre-School	345-2173
Special Education - Secondary	345-2173
Special Programs and Data Reporting	345-2773
Technology	345-2900
Transportation	345-2775

#### **Right At School Before and After-School Child Care**

Longwood has partnered with Right at School for before and after-school SCHOOL enrichment for all elementary schools.

Right At School offers safe, engaging and meaningful in-school and extracurricular programs to enrich the lives of students, give parents peace of mind and enable schools to focus on their academic mission. The fee-based services offer a curriculum that features hands-on learning, multi-sensory activities, child-driven projects, daily fitness, team building, and leadership development.

Parents can sign their students up for 1-5 days per week, based on the family's needs. Students will have a healthy snack, engage in dynamic fitness activities, and have the opportunity to complete their homework. The program also offers the following additional Right At School benefits for our families: lower student to staff ratio (10:1), flexible scheduling, online registration and payment, customer service team, and community partnerships. To register or for further information, call (855) 287-2466 or check out their website at www.rightatschool.com.



### School Directory (Area Code 631)

School Safety: 345-6500 24 hours/day, 7 days/week

### **Board of Education**

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### **Central Administration**

35 Yaphank Middle Island Road, Middle Island, NY 11953-2373

Lance Lohman, Ed.D., Superintendent: 345-2172
Janet M. Bryan, Assistant Superintendent for District Operations and Records Access Officer: 345-2782
James Crenshaw, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Learning: 345-2791
Vaughn Denton, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Pupil Personnel and Community Services; Compliance Officer: 345-2793
Robert M. Hagan, Ed.D., Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources: 345-5896
Jennifer McCarthy, Assistant to the Superintendent for Administration: 345-2953

### **<u>Central Services</u>**

Ozlem Nevlan Artukmac, Executive Director of Special Education: 345-2173 Stephanie Columbia, Ed.D., Director of Mental Health Services and Student Attendance: 345-2888 Melissa Conlon, Director of Special Programs and Data Reporting: 345-2773 Pamela Donovan, Public Relations Specialist: 345-2949 Christopher Foster, Coordinator Special Education: 345-2173 John J. Gallagher, Ed.D., Director of Music and Fine Arts: 345-2960 Pierre Gay, Director of Technology and Information Systems: 345-2900 Yvette Mercado-Tillev, Ed.D., Director of Curriculum for ENL and LOTE: 345-9282 Thomas Murphy, School Lunch Manager: 345-2805 Samantha Neff, Purchasing Agent: 345-2796 Kelly Nevin, Business Manager: 345-2783 Valerie Perez, Liaison for Transitional Housing: 345-2889 James Perrotta, Director of School Safety: 345-6500 Richard Rouse, Director of Plant Facilities: 345-2817 John Ryan, Transportation Coordinator: 345-2775 Joseph Scarpinato, Director of Information Management: 345-2761 Scott Schuster, Director of College and Career Pathways: 345-2961 Alicia Smith, Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics: 345-9260 Amy Staubitz, Director of Curriculum for Literacy and Intervention Services: 578-1501

Desiree Williams Wells, D.C., Director of Curriculum for Math and Science: 698-2491

### To contact our automated phone system, dial 345-6800.

#### Longwood Senior High School

Grades 9-12 100 Longwood Road Middle Island, NY 11953-2056

Sam Ahmed, Ed.D., Principal: 345-9201 Ruth Desronvil, Assistant Principal: 345-9205 Michael Kapfer, Assistant Principal: 345-9207 Barbara Merkle, Assistant Principal: 345-2920 Scott Reese, Assistant Principal: 345-2915 Jamal Walcott, Assistant Principal: 578-1531

Main Office: 345-9200, 9210 Attendance: 345-9216, 2921, 2922 Counseling Center: North 345-9227, South 345-9237 Nurse: 345-9250, 9251

### Longwood Junior High School

Grades 7 and 8 198 Longwood Road Middle Island, NY 11953-2057

Adam DeWitt, Principal: 345-2700 Robert Neugebauer, Assistant Principal: 345-2829 Corrine Unterstein, Assistant Principal: 345-2700

> Main Office: 345-2700 Attendance: 345-2713, 2714 Guidance: 345-2706, 2707 Nurse: 345-2720, 2721

### Longwood Middle School Grades 5 and 6

41 Yaphank Middle Island Road Middle Island, NY 11953-2374

Daniel McKeon, Principal: 345-2735 Yvette Bhola, Assistant Principal: 345-2735 Martine Francois-DePass, Assistant Principal: 345-2735 Matthew Tomasi, Assistant Principal: 345-2735

> Main Office: 345-2735 Attendance: 345-2727 Guidance: 345-2752, 2753 Nurse: 345-2740

### **Elementary Schools/Grades K - 4**

### **Charles E. Walters**

15 Everett Drive, Yaphank, NY 11980-9633

Brian Foster, Principal: 345-2758 Erin Gibson, Assistant Principal: 345-2175 Eileen Wilson, Assistant Principal: 345-2758

Primary Building Grades K and 1 345-2175 Nurse: 345-2840 Intermediate Building Grades 2 - 4 345-2758 Nurse: 345-2760

#### Coram

61 Coram Mt. Sinai Road, Coram, NY 11727-3099 Kimberly Longo, Principal: 698-0077 Raegan Hololob, Assistant Principal: 698-0077 Jennifer Mella-Mollo, Assistant Principal: 698-0341

Primary Building Grades K and 1 698-0341 Nurse: 698-0276 Intermediate Building Grades 2 - 4 698-0077 Nurse: 698-0275

### Ridge

105 Ridge Road, Ridge, NY 11961-1007 Krystina White, Ed.D., Principal: 345-2765 Kristin Gelman, Assistant Principal: 345-2766 Laura Hopkins, Assistant Principal: 345-2185

Primary Building Grades K and 1 345-2770 Nurse: 345-5241 Intermediate Building Grades 2 - 4 345-2766 Nurse: 345-6978

### West Middle Island

30 Swezey Lane, Middle Island, NY 11953-1445 Gretchen Schaentzler, Principal: 345-2160 Tracy Adams, Ed.D., Assistant Principal: 345-2160 Liza Carfora, Assistant Principal: 345-2755

Primary Building Grades K and 1 345-2755 Nurse: 345-2756

**Intermediate Building** Grades 2 - 4 345-2160 Nurse: 345-2161



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