



We All Belong!

Churchville-Chili's students, educators, staff members, families and community members make our schools strong, supportive and special. Each of us plays a part in making our district a place where we all belong, and where everyone is valued and can learn.

So welcome back, Saints! We're off to a great start and it's going to be an amazing year.



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Dear Churchville-Chili Community,

We have had a strong beginning to the school year, and our students are showing they are respectful, responsible and ready! Our district's theme for this year is "We All Belong." Each school is focused upon providing a supportive, welcoming environment where all will be accepted, feel valued and empowered to do their best.

Saints Pride could be felt throughout homecoming week with students and staff participating in themed dress-up days. The high school celebrated and bonded during their pep rally, friendly competitions and powder-puff game. Thank you to those who attended the various athletic competitions and supported our Saints teams. In an effort to promote school spirit and unity, the varsity football team created a series of videos to wish their fellow athletes good luck during homecoming. "Although we are all on different teams, we are all part of one athletic family." This thoughtful reminder resonated with our teams and reminded us that "We All Belong!"

This fall we welcomed over 70 new staff members to our team. We continue to focus on teaching and learning and are happy to celebrate the 94% graduation rate of our students for this past school year, with 98% of these students earning a Regents diploma.

We look forward to continued student success and are happy to celebrate the third year of our Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) program. We will begin accepting applications for our fall 2024 UPK lottery on November 10. Families of children in our district who will be 4 years old by December 1, 2024, are eligible to apply. This opportunity is available at no cost to families. The deadline to apply is January 12, and the lottery will be held on February 1. Additional information can be found at <https://www.cccsd.org/instruction/early-learning-rocks/universal-prekindergarten>.

The Phase VI-2 Capital Project work has been approved by the State Education Department and is currently in the bid process. We anticipate the work to begin in January and continue throughout the next two years. The focus of the project includes renovation of middle school north classrooms, hallways and stairwells, development of athletic fields, redesign of the high school road entry and exit, and replacement of the transportation parking lot.

I encourage families to sign up for the district's eNews. This mass notification system allows us to share important information, emergency closures, event changes and cancellations as they occur. Simply visit our website (www.cccsd.org) and click on the ENEWS icon. Families will also find information on our website (<https://www.cccsd.org/student-parent-portal>) about the Parent Portal that provides access to student's grades, assignments and attendance (K-12).

Please check our website for up-to-date athletic, music and school events occurring throughout the year. In addition, be sure to follow us on our social media sites to learn more about what is happening in our schools:

- X: [@cccsdtweets](https://twitter.com/cccsdtweets)
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/ChurchvilleChili/
- Instagram: [@cccsdofficial](https://www.instagram.com/cccsdofficial)

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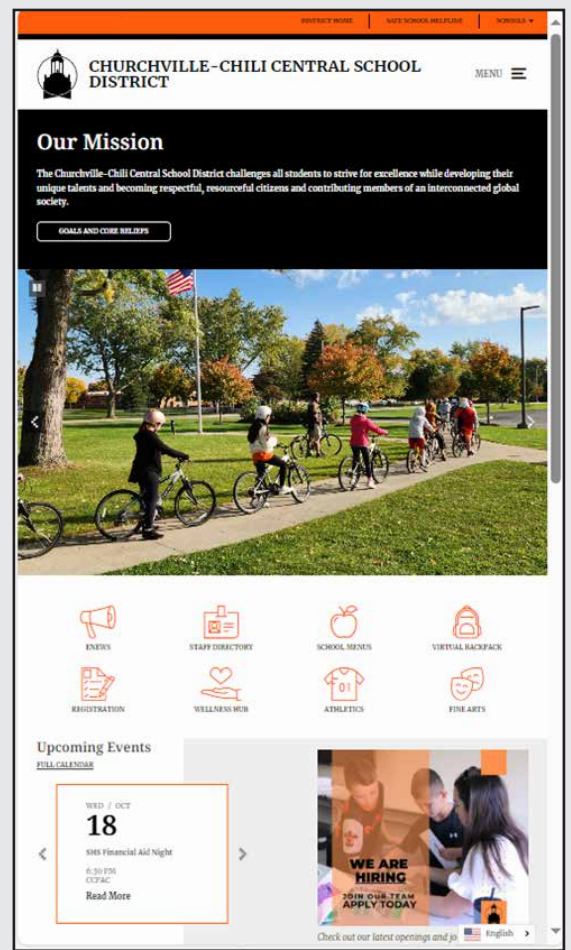
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Our new website is now mobile friendly!

We hope you have taken the time to explore our new, user-friendly website <https://www.cccsd.org> and have found the site to be easily accessible while visiting on your mobile device. With this transition, the district will no longer be utilizing our mobile app. The website is a valuable tool that provides school and department information, highlights our instructional program, activities/events and contains important links to staff, calendars, menus and policies. In addition, alerts and news stories are regularly posted.



Welcome! New Faces in Our Schools

Our district was excited to welcome 56 exceptional new teachers, counselors and administrators, along with 17 new non-certified staff members to our schools this fall. We're proud to have them all on our team!



SHS Teacher Awarded Golden Apple

Timothy Strohm, a Churchville-Chili High School math teacher, was surprised with the News 8 Golden Apple Award this fall.

Andrew, who is currently a student in Strohm's Algebra II class, nominated him for this impressive award. According to Andrew, his teacher goes the extra mile for his students, even dedicating time to work with students over the summer months. He says Mr. Strohm inspires him to become interested in math, and he even looks forward to completing his homework assignments!



"Because of the relationships that he establishes with kids, and the respect that they have for him, they work hard in his math classes," says Andrew's mother, who helped submit the nomination form. "He goes well above and beyond and is greatly respected by all who know him."

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 all of our Triple C recipients!



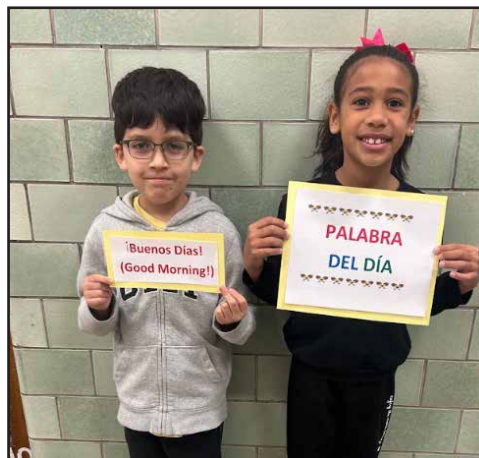
District-wide award winners: (l-r) Scott Mead, Ann Lupia-Barclay Award winners at CES: (l-r) Ben, Charlie, Karleigh, Laryn, Aria and Diane Gratton. Missing: Maria Rivera.

Great staff members who exceed expectations! (l-r) Jordan Brosius, Steve Vantyne and Kelly Craver.

CES Celebrates Hispanic Heritage Month

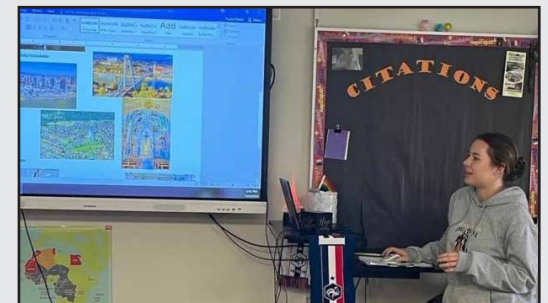


Students at **Churchville Elementary** got into the spirit of learning with Latin American music, colorful Mexican arts and crafts projects, and help from several fellow CES students who shared stories of their own families' Hispanic culture. We created a Hispanic Hall of Fame honoring the accomplishments of people like Cesar Chavez and Sonia Sotomayor and every day learned a new special Word of the Day (Palabra Del Dia) with ENL teacher Erika Payne.



Foreign Language Club Explores World Cultures

The **Senior High School** Foreign Language Club met in September to learn about Jewish and Slovakian cultures. One club member presented a brief history of Jewish people around the globe and explained the recent celebrations of Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah. Kosher snacks and a delicious Moroccan Jewish couscous dish were sampled and then our foreign exchange student talked about her life as a teenager in Slovakia.



Cheering on Riders for a Cause

Students offered enthusiastic support for scores of dedicated bike riders during the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children's annual Ride for Missing Children as the group passed by Chestnut Ridge School and Fairbanks Road School. Students at Fairbanks Road School greeted riders and law enforcement escorts with smiles and signs of encouragement. The Miles for Hope event builds awareness for missing and exploited children and shares messages of prevention and hope.



Safety Matters at CRS

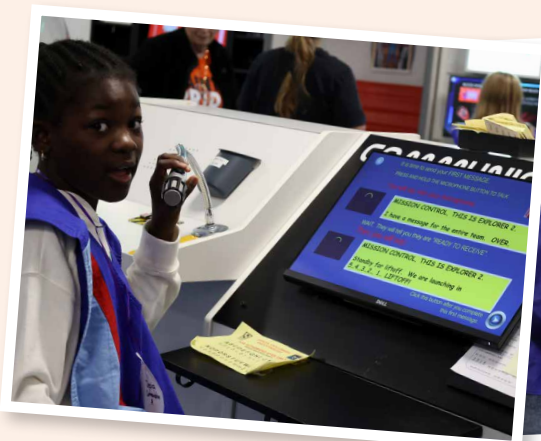
Kindergarteners at **Chestnut Ridge School** are learning the Five Safety Rules for protecting themselves from abuse, bullying, cyberbullying and digital dangers: Know What's Up, Spot Red Flags, Make a Move, Talk It Up, and No Blame/No Shame. In fact, the age and developmentally appropriate Safety Matters® training is being provided to K-12 students at all our schools.

"This is our third year partnering with Bivona Child Advocacy Center and providing the Monique Burr Foundation evidenced-based lessons," said Coordinator of Social Emotional Wellness and Inclusivity Tracie Swalbach. "As educators, we have a commitment to foster positive social, emotional and physical health and to equip our students with the tools to make safe decisions." Learn more about the program at www.bivonacac.org/school-programs



We're Off to Mars!

Our fifth graders from the Middle School visited the Challenger Learning Center this fall for an exciting virtual mission to the mysterious red planet. The space exploration experience incorporates hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities that challenge and inspire students.



The Play That Goes Wrong

The hilarious production of the award-winning comedy “The Play That Goes Wrong” showcased the amazing talents of our SHS Drama Club thespians. Congratulations to the entire cast and crew for a play where everything went right!



2024 National Merit Scholarship

Congratulations to C-C seniors Wesley Smith, Silas Payne and Jack Jewell who received Letters of Commendation from our school and the National Merit Scholarship Program in recognition of their high scores on the PSAT/NMSQT qualifying test. The students placed among the top 50,000 students who entered the competition. Commended Students demonstrate great academic promise and outstanding potential – we’re proud of their impressive achievement!



(l-r) Counselor Kelly Kostek, Jack Jewell, Counselor Jill Mullen, Silas Payne, Wesley Smith, Counselor Marjorie Rudy.

Winter Concert Schedule

Date	Production	Location	Time
11/30	SHS Orchestra Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
12/6	SHS Band Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
12/12	CRS Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
12/13	CES Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
12/14	FRS Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
12/19	SHS Vocal Music Large Ensemble Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
12/21	SHS Vocal Music Chamber Ensemble Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
1/8	7-8th Grade Band Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
1/11	MS Orchestra Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
1/16	5-6th Grade Band Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
1/18	5-6th Grade Vocal Concert	CCPAC	6:30 p.m.
1/22	7-8th Grade Vocal Concert	CCPAC	7 p.m.
2/8	4th Grade Orchestra Recital	CCPAC	7 p.m.
2/13	CES Band Recital	CES	7 p.m.
2/15	CRS Band Recital	CRS	7 p.m.
2/15	FRS Band Recital	FRS	7 p.m.

Art in District Office

Each year, student artwork is selected to be showcased at the district office for all to enjoy. Our talented artists were honored with a cookie reception to celebrate their work. Stop by the district office to see all of these incredible pieces!



2023 Athletic Hall of Fame

Churchville-Chili will welcome five outstanding individuals to the Athletic Hall of Fame in an induction ceremony in Gym A on December 8, 2023. The night will begin with a girls varsity basketball game at 5:30 p.m. with the ceremony immediately following the game at approximately 6:45 p.m. A boys varsity basketball game will follow at 8 p.m. The 2023 inductees, honored for their accomplishments and contributions to the Saints' athletics program are:



- **Roger Hill – Class of 1965.** Hill was a three-sport athlete in soccer, basketball and baseball. During his career at C-C, he was named 1st team All-County in both soccer and basketball and still holds many school records. He was named to the NYS Section V Class A All-Star basketball team in 1964, and after graduation, played soccer at Roberts Wesleyan College.
- **John Iacucci – Class of 2014.** Iacucci played four varsity sports: football, indoor track, basketball and tennis. In football, he was named 1st team All-County, 1st team AGR and Monroe County Division 2 football Player of the Year. His tennis team won four consecutive division titles, and the Section V title. He holds several school records in both football and tennis. He was named C-C Male Athlete of the Year and Academic Athlete of the Year. He had a stellar career in football at Malone University.
- **Annamarie Kostarellis – Class of 2017.** Kostarellis was a three-sport athlete in cross country, indoor track and track and field. She won nine Section V individual championships, and still holds ten individual school records. She was 1st team All-County, 1st team AGR, team MVP, went to state finals in every sport, and was 2015 Female Athlete of the Year, and 2017 Female Career Athlete. She has competed at three Division 1 universities on full athletics scholarships and plans to continue her career in professional running.
- **Nancy Thornton – Coach.** Thornton coached varsity girls soccer for 13 years, varsity girls basketball for three years, and varsity girls volleyball for six years. She was named Monroe County Division 2 girls soccer Coach of the Year in 1999, and AGR girls soccer Coach of the Year in 2003. She is one of only three coaches in school history to win three or more Section V championships.
- **Liz Zorn – Class of 2006.** Three-sport athlete Zorn played soccer, indoor track and softball. In soccer, she was named 1st team All-County, Monroe County Division 1 Player of the Year, and 1st team AGR. She was named 1st team All-County in softball and Female Athlete of the Year in 2006. She helped lead three Saints soccer teams and one Saints softball team to Section V titles. After graduation, she played ice hockey at Cornell University

Our 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 for 2024, visit

<https://shs.ccsd.org/athletics/athletic-hall-of-fame>

Meet our New Communication Specialist



The district's new communication specialist, Ashley Decker, comes to us from Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES where she supported communications to the Brockport and East Rochester school districts. She has extensive experience with event promotion, photography, videography, social media/website management and writing for both online and print publications. She has also worked as an assignment editor for News8 WROC and brings valuable media relations experience to our district. She lives in Brockport with her husband and two daughters.

"I'm excited to join the Churchville-Chili team and look forward to meeting everyone and highlighting the amazing things happening within the school community," she said. "If you see me around campus, please say hi!"

Celebrate! Churchville-Chili

There were cool robots, family-friendly games, giveaways and demonstrations, useful information about our schools and programs for families and the famous ping pong drop, thanks to our Chili Fire Department. This year's Celebrate! was another great success. Hundreds of students and families stopped by to enjoy the evening, visit our local vendors, talk with school administrators and get a bite to eat at the food trucks. Many thanks to our fabulous student volunteers, especially from Voices of Change, the music program and GRR 340, and to everyone who helped make it an evening to remember. It's a wonderful community and we're proud to be part of Churchville-Chili.



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UPK Lottery Opens November 10

Churchville-Chili Central School District provides a Universal Prekindergarten (UPK) program at no cost to district families. The program will support approximately 72 children who will be 4 years old on or before December 1, 2024. The district has a total of four full-day UPK classrooms located within our elementary schools. The program will run five days a week and will follow the Churchville-Chili School calendar.

Selection for the program is based upon a random lottery drawing. We cannot guarantee placement at a specific school, as there are a limited number of spaces available at each building.

Families must complete an online UPK lottery application that will be posted and open on November 10, 2023. The completed application must be received by 5:30 p.m. on January 12, 2024, to be considered for the lottery. A live-streamed lottery will take place on February 1, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. announcing those selected. Our lottery is random; all applications received, whether the first hour they are submitted or just before deadline, will have an equal chance.

All applicants will be notified through email by February 5, 2024, with their building placement or position on the waitlist. Families selected during this process will receive additional information to complete the registration process.

***Please note** - completing the lottery application DOES NOT guarantee acceptance in this program. Parents on the waitlist will be notified should a space become available.

Churchville-Chili Middle School presents

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