



SWEET HOME CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Superintendent Report

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2023 - 2026

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Tonight's Meeting

- Superintendent's Report
- Board Goals

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Electric Bus Update

Bus Purchases through Truck Voucher Incentive Program:

- Eligible for further rebate through Inflation Reduction Act - \$40,000 per bus (Application to be submitted)
- District will submit an application to NYSEDA's first round of funding (\$100M) as part of the Environmental Bond Act. Opens November 29 - targeting the temporary charging stations for first 3 buses
- National Grid has agreed to pay for a majority of the utility side service upgrades to Service Center, only District cost is \$3,000 - part of Make Ready / Truck Voucher Incentive

Other related items:

- Sweet Home part of panel at recent ASBO conference that included Office of Facilities Planning chief, Sara Madison - direct point of contact
- District will also be part of round table discussion with NYSEDA, NYSED, NYSIR and Wendel to discuss insurance and liability coverage on electric buses and facility coverage limits
- District has been asked to meet with and potentially be a model school for national funding opportunities through the National Renewable Energy Lab (NREL) - meeting to happen in December
 - Will model funding opportunities after NYSEDA - District would be eligible
- NYSEDA has asked permission to use our basic report (without specific appendices). Report will be published on our website as well as Wendel's

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1. Replace the three diploma types with one diploma, with the option to add seals and endorsements.
2. Include civic responsibility (ethics); cultural competence; financial literacy education; fine and performing arts; science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) credit(s); and writing, including writing skills for real-world scenarios in diploma credit requirements.
3. Ensure access to career and technical education (CTE), including internships and work-based learning opportunities for all students across New York State.
4. Move to a model that organizes credit requirements— including content area credit requirements— into larger categories (e.g., mathematics and science courses could be included in the “STEM” category).
5. Reduce and/or modify diploma assessment requirements to allow more assessment options.
6. Create state-developed rubric(s) for any performance-based assessments allowed as an option to satisfy the diploma assessment requirements.
7. Create more specific, tailored graduation requirements to address the unique circumstances of certain groups of students (e.g., non-compulsory age students, newcomer students, refugee students).
8. Provide exemptions from diploma assessment requirements for students with significant cognitive disabilities and major life events and extenuating circumstances (e.g., medical conditions, death of a family member, trauma prior to sitting for a required exam).
9. Pursue regulatory changes to allow the discretion to confer high school degrees posthumously.
10. Require all New York State teacher preparation programs to provide instruction in culturally responsive-sustaining education (CRSE) practices and pedagogy.
11. Require that professional development plans include culturally responsive-sustaining education practices and pedagogy.
12. Review and revise the New York State learning standards.





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After-School Bus Runs

1. Keep band and chorus runs as is.
2. Glendale and Heritage will have one additional bus two days per week and every other Friday. That run will start at 3:30 p.m.
3. Maplemere and Willow Ridge will have one additional bus two days per week and every other Friday starting at 4 p.m.
4. The Middle School and the High School will have three busses, 2 days per week. The High School will depart at 4:30 and the Middle School will depart at 4:45 p.m.
5. Parents are encouraged to transport their children, as seating may be limited. Also, runs can last up to an hour.
6. Each building will communicate to their families once final plan is in place.
7. Clubs will run without dedicated transportation if anyone who wants to attend has a transportation source.

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**Come Join
Our Team**

Hiring Bus Drivers
and Bus Monitors





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Sweet Home Dollars for Scholars Meat Raffle

Dec. 1 at St. Leo
The Great Parish

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MEAT RAFFLE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2023

DOORS OPEN 6:00PM • FIRST SPIN @ 7:00PM

**ST. LEO THE GREAT
PARISH CENTER**

865 SWEET HOME ROAD • AMHERST, NY 14226

**SWEET HOME DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS
SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

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\$8.00 per person pre-sale / \$10.00 at the door
Table of 8 \$60.00

Only 275 tickets will be sold!!

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Email: lcustodi@sweethomeschools.org

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Community Input on Next Capital Project is Open!

 ThoughtExchange



As the district starts to plan for the next major Capital Improvement Project, what enhancements to our facilities need to happen to prepare students to be ready for the future?

2023-2024

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Questions from the Board?

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