



LEAN

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Home, School and Community Educating for Life"

Classes Begin
Tuesday,
Sept. 5th

August-September 2017

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PEP Grant Provides Summer Fun



Summer Outdoor Adventure Camp sponsored through the PEP grant was held the weeks of June 26-June 30 and July 31-August 4 from 9-3 each day. There were 50 students from Olean, Hinsdale and Portville school districts who participated in this free camp. Some of the activities throughout the week were: Kayaking down the Allegany River, Archery, Tennis, Swimming, Indoor and Outdoor Ropes Courses at Portville Central School, Kayaking and Swimming at Quaker Lake State Park, and Laser tag in Buffalo.

The Carol M. White PEP grant from the Federal Government for our physical education department has been completed. The purpose of the grant was to enhance our physical education programs in grades K-12.

Over the course of the last three years, we were able to en-

hance our physical education department through the funding of this grant by adding the below:

- Cooking classes at OIMS and OHS
- Table Tennis Tables
- Frisbee Golf set
- Weight lifting and cardiovascular equipment for the high school
- Xbox One stations with projectors for each school with games
- Purchase of 40 kayaks
- Snow shoes
- Razor Scooters for East View
- 16 Spin bikes
- Morning and/or afternoon programs in all buildings
- Free summer Adventure camp for grades 4-12
- Summer weight lifting program
- Monthly adventure activities at OHS
- Traverse wall at Washington West
- Thousands of dollars in physical education equipment
- Professional development opportunities for the physical education staff
- Nutritional education in every building once a month as well as during the summer STAR program

The Physical Education Department is very thankful for all of the support from the students, staff and administration during this process.



From the Superintendent

Proud To Be Back In The Husky Pack

By Rick T. Moore, Superintendent

My family and I are very excited about the opportunity to return to Olean, a wonderful city we consider home. As many know, I am passionate about the Olean City School District and the residents of Olean. I spent many wonderful years as a teacher, coach and administrator, serving the district in many facets. We consider ourselves truly blessed and fortunate for this opportunity.

To follow in the footsteps of an extraordinary leader such as Dr. Taggerty and work with nine exceptional and progressive individuals who make up the Board of Education will be both humbling and a great honor. The administrative team, the faculty and the staff are some of the most dedicated individuals a superintendent could ever hope to work with. My family and I have always had an affinity for the people of Olean. Like us, they are humble, hardworking individuals who are resilient and possess big hearts. The families in Olean, like families everywhere, only want the best possible education for their children. I will commit myself to ensuring all students in Olean receive an excellent education and become contributing citizens. It is my privilege to serve as your next superintendent of schools.

Although I have many personal thoughts on how to continue the progress of the district, to start I will initiate the entry level plan which is entitled "Listen and Learn." My first weeks will be spent meeting with the members of the "Husky Family," listening to community members to determine the best course of action for the district and the city. As we have always said, "It takes all of the Huskies to pull the sled!"

Once again, thank you for this opportunity!

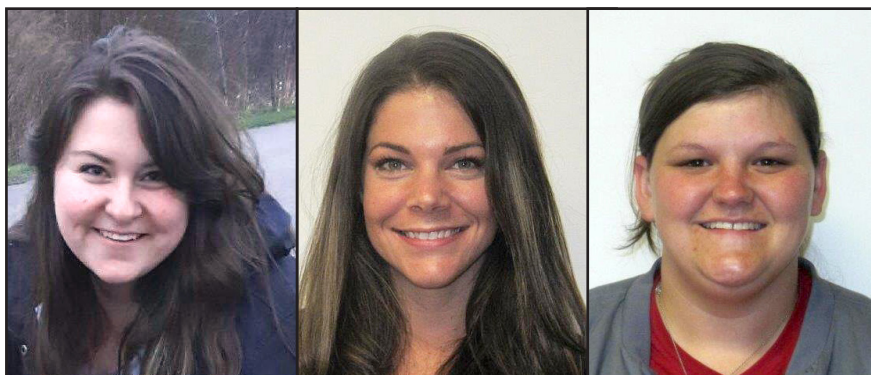


Board Thanks District Retirees for Dedication

The Board of Education presented plaques to retiring staff members thanking them for their years of dedicated service. Pictured (l-r) are: Marcia Yurek – retiree, Mary Hirsch-Schena – board member, Frank Steffen, Jr. – board member, Elizabeth Orcutt – retiree, Linda Nottingham – retiree, Colleen Taggerty – retiree, Michiko McElfresh – board member, Celeste Lamb – retiree, Paul Hessney – board member, John Bartimole – board member, and Ira Katzenstein – board member. Missing from photo is retiree Cindy Auman.



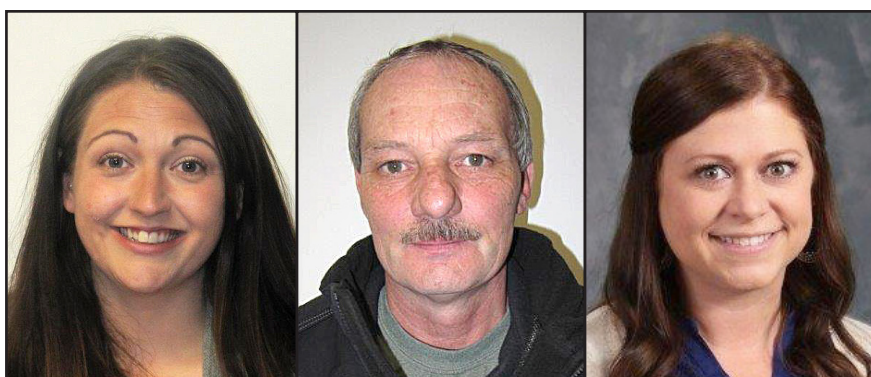
Welcome To Our Newest Team Members!



Lisa Kranz

Barbara Kelley

Jessica Babb



Molly Brown

Terry Phearsdorf

Margaret Tingley

Lisa Kranz was hired as the full-time Music teacher effective August 30, 2017. In May 2017 Lisa received her M.M. in Music Education from Syracuse University. Prior to joining the district, Ms. Kranz worked at the Cathedral Academy at Pompei in Syracuse, NY, and taught K-6 General Music and Chorus as well as Sixth Grade Instrumental lessons.

Barbara Kelley was recently appointed as an ELA teacher effective August 30, 2017. Ms. Kelley received her Masters of Science in Education from St. Bonaventure University in August 2015 and her Bachelor of Science in Education in Secondary English (7-12) from Clarion University of Pennsylvania in May 2011. Barbara was previously employed at the Floyd C. Fretz Middle School in Bradford, PA, since October 2012.

Other employees joining the district include:

Jessica Babb – Food Service Helper

Molly Brown – Teacher Aide

Terry Phearsdorf – Building Maintainer

Margaret Tingley – Keyboard Specialist

Understanding BMI Screenings And Your Child

BMI Screening & Weight Status Category - Every year, students in grades Pre-K, K, 2nd, 4th, 7th, and 10th are screened for height and weight to determine their Body Mass Index. This is mandated by NYS Education Laws Sections 903 & 904. The information is collected and compiled by the Nurses and reported to the Department of Health. The information is provided in total numbers in each weight status category, and no personal student information, including names, is shared. Regardless, parents are still given the option to “Opt-Out” of having their child’s weight status category included in the report. Parents are notified in writing by the Nurse’s office when their child’s weight status category is above the 99% or below the 5%. It is then recommended that your child follow up with their personal health care practitioner.

What is BMI? BMI is an abbreviation for Body Mass Index. BMI is calculated from your child’s weight, height, sex and age. BMI helps determine the risk of developing one or more specific diseases linked to obesity such as Diabetes, Heart Disease, Sleep Apnea, Asthma, High Blood Pressure, etc. A healthy BMI is between 18.6 and 24.9

Understanding BMI - Each child is unique and growing at their own pace, so we must take into account the child’s age and map boys and girls differently. Instead of a classification

of overweight or obese, children are classified in four different categories. (See below) Please note, it is also sometimes not a precise science, as not all body styles are the same. It is up to the child’s Personal Health Practitioner or School Physician to determine if the BMI results are an accurate reflection. (If a student has a larger or smaller body frame, more muscle development, or is very athletic, their BMI may not be an accurate depiction.)

WEIGHT STATUS CATEGORY	PERCENTILE RANGE
Underweight	Less than 5 th percentile
Healthy Weight	5 th to less than 85 th percentile
At Risk of Overweight	85 th to 95 th percentile
Overweight	95 th percentile and above

School Districts are notified when they are required to submit Weight Status Category Reports to NYS. This is usually required every other year. When your child’s school is required to report during a particular school year, it will be posted on your child’s school website. Any parent NOT wanting their child’s weight status category included in the overall report must submit the “opt out” form to the school’s Nurse. This form can be obtained off the OCSD website or by contacting your child’s Nurse.

Important District Back-To-School Reminders

Custodial Paperwork

If you have custodial paperwork for your child, you should provide your child's school with a copy. Without the custodial paperwork on file, the school assumes that both parents have full rights. For your child's safety, if there has been a change in custody or if an order of protection exists, please submit a copy to your child's principal. If you are a non-custodial parent who would like to receive information regarding your child's academics and invitations to parent-teacher conferences, you should submit an annual request to your child's principal.

Update Contact Info

Attention Parents/Guardians: If you have changed your address, phone number, or acquired a cell phone, please make sure to notify the school office so that we have up-to-date information.

District Evacuation Drills

Parents are advised that Olean High School will conduct a building evacuation drill during the school year. Students will be relocated, under supervision, to an



off-site facility for a period of time during the drill. This evacuation drill is intended to be a proactive response plan in the event of an emergency situation. School Districts across New York State are required to conduct one full evacuation drill and several lower-scale emergency drills throughout the school year.

County Counseling Centers

The Olean City School District houses a counselor, Jenna Golden, from the Cattaraugus County Counseling Centers in each of the schools. Ms. Golden helps individuals struggling with issues such as attention, behaviors, bullying, anger, anxiety, sadness and much more. Ms. Golden

is accepting referrals from all grade levels and they can be made through the school or directly to her by calling 716-257-2674. She accepts most insurance plans and those she cannot accept, she can refer to an appropriate provider.

Permission for Student Release

Students are not allowed to leave school buildings or grounds without written permission and for legitimate reasons only. According to state law, school children may only leave school with persons approved by the child's parent or guardian. School officials will be required to check the identity of persons requesting a child's release against a list provided by the parents or guardian. The law also stipulates that a student will not be released to a person who is not on the list unless the child's parent authorizes the release.

School Closing Notices

The Olean City School District will announce school closings or delays on TV channels 2, 4, 7, and 9 as well as on radio stations WBEN, WLSV, WMXO, and WPIG.

SAC CALENDAR 2017-18

August			
TBD	Open House		4:00-7:00
September			
5	First Day of School		
TBD	Class Comps (Volleyball)	8 th - 12 th	6:00-8:00
October			
6	Homecoming Assembly		2:00-3:05
7	Homecoming Dance	9 th - 12 th	9:30-12:30
30	Halloween Dance	8 th - 12 th	8:00-10:00
November			
9	Homeless Huskies		10:00-6:00
TBD	Class Comps (Kahoot)	8 th - 12 th	6:00-8:00
December			
7-11	Days of Giving		
January			
TBD	Black Light Dance	8 th - 12 th	8:00-10:00
TBD	Class Comps (Minute to Win It)		8:00-10:00
February			
9	Winter Weekend Assembly		2:00-3:05
10	Winter Weekend Dance	9 th - 12 th	9:30-12:30
March			
TBD	Class Comps (Dodgeball)	8 th - 12 th	TBD
April			
TBD	Spring Dance	8 th - 12 th	8:00-10:00
May			
18	Prom Assembly		2:00-3:05
19	Prom @ Good Times of Olean	11 th -12 th	9:30-12:30
June			
TBD	Class Comps (Volleyball)		6:00-8:00

OHS OPEN HOUSE



WHEN:
August 30, 2017
4pm - 7pm

WHERE:
High School Building
410 W. Sullivan St.

WWW.OLEANSCHOOLS.ORG

@OLEANHIGHSCHOOL

@OLEANSCHOOLS

GET YOUR LAPTOPS!
HEAD TO THE AUDITORIUM.

GRAB YOUR SCHEDULES AND LOCKERS....
Seniors: Room 40
Juniors: Auditorium
Sophomores: Balcony
Freshman: Gym
8th Graders: 3rd Floor

SENIOR PRIVILEGE FORMS!
Who wouldn't want that?

MEET YOUR TEACHERS!
They will be in their rooms.

GET A HOT DOG!
Yup, they're free until we run out.

And more!



SAT DATES & DEADLINES

Dates	Test Administered	Deadline	
		Regular	Late(late fee)
August 26, 2017	SAT & Subject Test	July 28, 2017	August 8, 2017
October 7, 2017	SAT & Subject Test	September 8, 2017	Sept. 19, 2017
November 4, 2017	SAT & Subject Test	Oct 5, 2017	Oct. 17, 2017
December 2, 2017	SAT & Subject Test	Nov. 2, 2017	Nov. 14, 2017
March 10, 2018	SAT only	Feb. 9, 2018	Feb. 20, 2018
May 5, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	April 6, 2018	April 17, 2018
June 2, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	May 3, 2018	May 15, 2018

ACT DATES & DEADLINES

Dates	Test Administered	Deadline	
		Regular	Late (late fee)
Sept 9, 2017	ACT	August 4, 2017	Aug.5 - 8, 2017
October 28, 2017	ACT	Sept. 22, 2017	Sept. 23 - Oct 6, 2017
Dec. 9, 2017	ACT	November 3, 2017	Nov. 4 - 17, 2017
February 10, 2018	ACT	January 12, 2018	Jan. 13 -19 2018
April 14, 2018	ACT	March 9, 2018	March 10 - 23, 2018
June 9, 2018	ACT	May 4, 2018	May 5- 18, 2018

Walkway To Be Installed In Spring ...Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who purchased a brick or stone for the OHS Commemorative Walkway! Installation of the Walkway has been scheduled for Spring 2018 ... to allow plenty of time for everything to “settle” before the colder temperatures. The Grand Opening will be announced as soon as we have finalized a date/time. On behalf of our Olean students, the OCS Foundation appreciates your support for this project, and looks forward, with you, to viewing the completed walkway! For more information, please contact ocsdfoundation@gmail.com

Attention Seniors: Yearbook Deadlines

- September 26th – FREE Senior Pictures Taken at School
- September 30th– Senior Portraits Due
- September 30th – Baby Pictures Due
- September 30th – Senior Quotes Due

For more details, go to:
<http://www.oleanschools.org/yearbook>



OHS 2017 Prom Court

The Olean High School Prom was held on May 20th at Good Times. The theme of the night was “Wonders of the Woods.” Selected for the Prom Court were: (standing, l-r) Maegan Windus – Senior 1st Attendant; Peyton Kunselman – Senior 1st Escort; Zachary Parr – Junior Escort; Sachita Barua – Junior Attendant; Eli Hendrix – Prom Prince; Julia Rakus – Prom Princess; Boston Abdo – Senior 2nd Attendant; Darrin Rios – Senior 2nd Escort; and (seated, l-r) Montgomery Shoemaker – Prom King; Natalie Young – Prom Queen.

Several Employees Awarded Tenure

During a recent meeting of the Olean City School Board, President Michiko McElfresh presented tenure certificates to District employees (top row, l-r) Mark Beckwith, Lauren Caya, Brian Crawford, and (bottom row, l-r) Shannon Hart, Joanne Jones, Heather McIntosh and Katie Schmitt. Congratulations!



Don't Miss OIMS Orientation Day Aug. 31st

Orientation this year will take place on Thursday, August 31st, with two sessions: 1-3 p.m. or 4-6 p.m. Families are invited to attend either one of these sessions. This orientation replaces our former September Open House evening. Upon arrival, families will report to their student's designated homeroom to receive their schedule and other materials. In addition, students can bring any of their school supplies with them to place in their lockers. At Orientation, families will be able to:

- Get a copy of their student's schedule
- Organize and/or decorate lockers
- 7th graders will be able to pick up their laptops
- Meet teachers
- Learn information about clubs
- Get information about fall pictures
- Pick up information about playing an instrument
- Complete grade level field trip commitment forms
- Sign up for Parent Portal
- 4th Graders can sign up for Artsonia
- Complete necessary paperwork for the school year



At the end of Orientation, students and families can stop in the cafeteria for a treat and a chance to win a prize! We look forward to seeing all OIMS families on August 31st at our Orientation!



OIMS STUDENTS HAVE **GRIT**

GROWTH MINDSET **R**ESOURCEFULNESS **I**NITIATIVE **T**OTAL COMMITMENT

One characteristic that is a predictor of success is **GRIT!** **GRIT** is having **passion, perseverance** for long term goals, **stamina**, sticking to your future, **working really hard**, knowing it's **the long haul**, not a sprint. Your brain **grows** with each and every challenge you meet. Meet each new day with **GRIT!**

Safety Reminder: **No Parking in Bus Lane**

This is a reminder that there is **NO PARKING** allowed in the OIMS bus lane at any time. This includes off-school hours and weekends. It is imperative this lane is kept traffic-free for buses and emergency vehicles only. All violators will be ticketed and/or towed at their own expense. Thank you for your cooperation as we strive to make student safety our top priority.

OIMS Bell Schedule

Breakfast	7:45 a.m.
Students May Enter Building (non breakfast)	8:16 a.m.
Homeroom	8:24-8:28 a.m.
Period 1	8:31-9:11 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 2	9:14-9:54 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 3	9:57-10:37 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 4	10:40-11:25 a.m. (45 min.)
Period 4A ...	10:40-11:01 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 4B ...	11:04-11:25 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 5 ...	11:28 a.m.-12:13 p.m. (45 min.)
Period 5A ...	11:28-11:49 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 5B ...	11:52-12:13 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 6	12:16-1:01 p.m. (45 min.)
Period 6A ...	12:16-12:37 p.m. (21 min.)
Period 6B ...	12:40-1:01 p.m. (21 min.)
Period 7	1:04-1:44 p.m. (40 min.)
Period 8	1:47-2:27 p.m. (40 min.)
Period 9	2:30-3:10 p.m. (40 min.)

Non-Bus Students

Dismissal 3:10 p.m.

Bus Students

Grades 4/5 to the Cafeteria at 3:10 p.m.

Grades 6/7 to the Gym at 3:10 p.m.

Message from the Guidance Department

At the Olean Intermediate Middle School there are three guidance counselors – Leah Allen, Mary Lee Wenke and Melissa Dahlman, who will be working with all 4th graders. Mrs. Allen will be working with 5th graders as well as the 6th grade Red Team students and the 7th grade Blue Team students. Mrs. Wenke will be working with 5th graders as well as the 6th grade Orange Team students and the 7th grade Yellow Team students.

To schedule a meeting with a 6th or 7th grade team, please contact the Guidance Office at 375-8064. Teams meet throughout the week as follows: Orange Team - 1:50-2:20 p.m.; Red Team - 9:20-

9:50 a.m.; Blue Team - 1:10-1:40 p.m.; and Yellow Team - 1:10-1:40 p.m.

The Guidance Department web page can be found on the OIMS page of the District website (www.oleanschools.org) under “Teams”. The page provides information regarding grade improvement, surviving the intermediate-middle school years, merit roll/honor roll information, helpful links, etc. In addition to the web site, your youngster’s Guidance Counselor can be very helpful with answering any questions you may have. Please feel free to call the Guidance Office or email their counselor. The email address for all school employees begins with the first

initial and last name of the employee and ends with @olean.wnyric.org (ex.: lallen@olean.wnyric.org).

The eSchool Data Parent Portal offers parents the opportunity to monitor their youngster’s academic progress throughout the school year. If you wish to have access to the Parent Portal or if you are experiencing difficulty with it, please contact Denise Bush in the OIMS Guidance Office at 375-8064. At our August 31st Orientation, Guidance Counselors will be available to assist anyone interested in setting up a Parent Portal account.



Technology News Updates for Back-To-School

District Mobile App Enhancement

Over the summer, the district has been working closely with Blackboard, our web site provider, in making enhancements to our district mobile app. One of the biggest changes to the app occurred within the Student Portal. Student logins have changed. Rather than using their ID numbers, student will now be using their network login usernames and passwords. This change was made to make the flow of data seamless from eSchoolData to the mobile app the district.

Parents and guardians with Parent Portal accounts will notice less of a change. Their usernames remain the same. When parents or guardians first log into the Parent Portal on the mobile app they will have to change their password. This is done by clicking the "Forgot Password" link where they will be prompted to set their password for the site. What parents will notice is a better interface with the parent portal than they had with the previous version of the mobile app.

If you have not already done so, the app is available for download from the Apple App Store for Apple products or Google Play for Android products. Find the mobile app by searching for OCSD or Olean City School District.

Pathways to Employment and Community Pre-Vocational Services Lend a Hand - This summer the Technology Department was, again, able to enlist the assistance of two different programs, Pathways to Employment and Community Pre-Vocational Services through the Rehabilitation Center in Olean. Their clients provided the support needed to replace missing screws from the bottom of laptops, clean the exterior case, the screen and keyboards of student laptops, vacuum the laptop cases, place identification labels on new iPads and put new protective cases on them. One of the clients, Zach, show us his technology skills by combining and organizing data from multiple spreadsheets of laptop information into one spreadsheet.

We truly appreciate this partnership with the Rehabilitation Center and look forward to a continued collaboration with them. Having Zach, Adam, Nicole, David and Desirae as partners in getting the laptops ready for our August orientation nights has been a tremendous help for all of us in the IT department.



OCSD Music Calendar

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
September 14, Thursday, 6:30pm	Instrument Rental Night	OIMS
October 6, Friday, 6:30pm	Homecoming Pep Band (Marching Band)	Bradner's
October 25, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OHS Fall Concert	OHS
October 27-28, Fri. & Sat.	NYC Trip	NYC
November 3-4, Fri. & Sat.	Junior High Area All-State	Akron
November 11, Saturday, 11:00am	Veterans' Day (Marching Band)	Lincoln Park
November 17-18, Fri. & Sat.	Senior High Area All-State	SUNY Fredonia
November 24, Friday, 6:00pm	Santa Claus Lane Parade (Marching Band)	Union St.
Nov. 30- Dec. 3, (Thu. - Sun.)	NYSSMA All-State Festival & Conference	Rochester
December 6, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OHS Winter Concert (grades 8-12)	OHS
December 13, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Winter Concert (grades 6- 7)	OHS
December 14, Thursday, 7:00pm	EV Winter Concert (grades 2-3)	OHS
December 20, Wednesday, 6:00pm	EV Winter Concert (grades K-1)	OHS
January 26-27, Fri. & Sat.	County Solo Festival	ALCS
February 7, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OCSD Piano Recital	OHS
March, Daily, 7:30am	Harmony in the Morning	OHS
March 2-3, Fri. & Sat.	All-County #1 (ES& SH Chorus, JH Band)	OHS
March 9-10, Fri. & Sat.	All-County #2 (JH Chorus, ES & SH Band)	Salamanca CS
March 23-24, Fri. and Sat.	OHS Musical	OHS
March 27, Tuesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Showcase Spring Concert (gr. 4-5)	OHS
April 25, Wednesday	NYSSMA Majors (9-12 Orchestra)	Fredonia CS
April 27, Friday, TBA	WW Spring Concert (grades K-1)	WW
May TBA	NYSSMA Major Organization Festivals	
May 11, Friday	NYSSMA Solo Festival	Pioneer CS
May 15, Tuesday, 7:00pm	OHS Spring Concert	OHS
May 18-19, Fri. & Sat.	Houghton String Festival	Houghton
May 28, Monday, 10:00am	Memorial Day Parade (Marching Band)	Union St.
May 30, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Spring Concert (grades 6-7)	OHS
Date TBA	Music Boosters Awards Banquet	Pulaski Club
June 1-2, Fri. & Sat.	NYSSMA Solo Festival	BRCS
June 14, Thursday, TBA	WW Spring Concert (grades 2-3)	WW
June 23, Saturday, 11:00am	OHS Graduation	OHS

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Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs
Special Provision Options (Provision 2 Non-Base Year & Community Eligibility Provision)

Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Olean City School District will be implementing a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for 2017-2018.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?

All students enrolled at Olean City School District are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2017-2018 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit an application.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at (716) 375-8020 or kseleser@olean.wnyric.org.

Sincerely,

Kathleen S. Elser

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To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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2017-18 CAFETERIA PROGRAM CHANGES

The Olean City School District is committed to providing every student enrolled in our schools with all the tools they need to succeed, including nutritious meals that everyone can enjoy together. That is why we are excited to announce that for the 2017-18 school year, we are using a new school meal program option to offer school breakfast and lunch every day, at no charge, to all students. The Community Eligibility Provision program is offered through the New York State Child Nutrition Department.

Below are questions and answers regarding this new program.

How does this program work?

The New York State Child Nutrition (CN) Department began this program several years ago with federal funding backing the program. School districts must be eligible based on their specific poverty rates and have to apply to CN for approval.

What does this mean to my child(ren) attending Olean?

Your child(ren) will be able to eat both a breakfast and a lunch free every day.

Does the school provide a second breakfast or lunch for free?

No. The school only gets reimbursed from New York State on the first breakfast and lunch served. Families are responsible for payment of a second meal.

Can my child(ren) still bring their lunch?

Yes. However, if they buy milk, it is the families' responsibility to pay for the milk.

How will ala carte items (such as pizza, nachos, etc.) be handled?

A la carte items will remain the same in that families are responsible for payment. Again, it is only the first full breakfast and lunch that are free.

Does this program change the food that can be served?

No. The district must still continue to follow all food and dietary guidelines that are set by the New York State Child Nutrition Program.

Will I still need to fill out paperwork for the cafeteria program?

No.

Will the school district ever request household income for other programs?

Yes. Other federally funded grants that the district receives are based on the district's poverty levels. This data was previously gathered through the cafeteria free and reduced application process. In order to continue to receive such grants, the income information still needs to be gathered.

Who will be requested to send in household income information?

If you receive SNAP, TANF, FDPIR, Medicaid, or have foster children, you do not need to fill out a household income eligibility form. If you do not receive any of these services, then you should fill out the household income eligibility form included in this newsletter.

It is the district's policy that all data gathered is confidential and only aggregate numbers are used for grant purposes.

2017-18 Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) / Provision 2 non-base year Household Income Eligibility Form

Olean City School District is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) or Provision 2 in a non-base year. All children in the school will receive meals/milk at no charge regardless of household income or completion of this form. **This form is to determine eligibility for additional State and federal program benefits that your child(ren) may qualify for.** Read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and return it to **Jennifer Mahar at 410 W. Sullivan St. Olean, NY 14760.** You may call (716)375-8039 or (716)375-8020 if you need help or have questions.

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	No Income
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. Skip to Part 5, and sign the application.

Name: _____ CASE # _____

3. Household Gross Income: List all people living in your household, how much and how often they are paid (weekly, every other week, twice per month, monthly). Do not leave income blank. If no income, check box. If you have listed a foster child above, you must report their personal income.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions Amount / How Often	Child Support, Alimony Amount / How Often	Pensions, Retirement Payments Amount / How Often	Other Income, Social Security Amount / How Often	No Income
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4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school may receive federal funds. The school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature:

Date:

Email Address:

Home Phone:

Work Phone:

Home Address:

SNAP/TANF/Foster Income:

Total Household Income:

Signature of Reviewing Official

How Often:

Household Size:

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

**Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12**





Elementary Students Love To Read!

Throughout the year WW Literacy Coach, Mrs. Ketchner (above), has been working with staff and students to increase the time that students spend reading independently. Students were challenged to read, read, read, and LOVE IT. Thank you, Mrs. Ketchner, and your team, for the support you give students when they reach a goal! Our students loved the celebrations!!!

Below, an East View Elementary student just couldn't put her book down, it was so good!



Smiles Abound at Olean Area Exceptional Track & Field Day

A total of 307 student athletes were seen in friendly competition on Friday, May 19, 2017, at the Olean Intermediate Middle School track and field. The Exceptional Track and Field Day participants were from Olean, Cattaraugus-Little Valley, Franklinville, Allegany-Limestone, Hinsdale and Portville. There were over 60 volunteers from Olean, Allegany-Limestone, Portville, Walmart, Kohl's Cares and other surrounding community members. The participants and volunteers had a great day.



The Allegany American Legion Post 892 Color guard was on hand to present the colors while Megan Pockalny and Jazlynn Knapp sang our National Anthem. The student athletes ran through tunnels made by the volunteers cheering them to begin the day's events. The events included a 50-yard dash, 100-yard dash, 400-yard dash, Softball Throw, High Jump, Long Jump, Frisbee for Distance, and Frisbee for Accuracy. Other events included Parachute Activities, Bocce ball, Face Painting and Crafts. We had some special guests this year. The band FLAME was there to entertain us with their exceptional talents!



ANNUAL DISTRICT NOTICES

Annual Asbestos Notification: In compliance with Sections 763.85 and .93 of the asbestos-containing materials in schools rule, all facilities owned, leased or operated by the Olean City School District have been inspected for the presence of asbestos-containing building materials. Asbestos management plans have been developed for all facilities and submitted to the New York State Education Department.

The E.P.A. requires re-inspections every three (3) years by an accredited asbestos inspector. This re-inspection was done May 18, 2016, and the results were reviewed by an accredited management planner. The 2016 re-inspection found no significant changes in the condition of the asbestos-containing materials. In general, the asbestos materials in the district are in good condition and will continue to be managed as recommended by the accredited management planner. Copies of the management plans are available for public inspection during business hours in offices of each of the facilities. Questions concerning the inspections and management plans should be made to Mark Huselstein in the district office or by calling 375-8040.

Data Breach Security Annual Notice: The Olean City School District is committed to protecting the privacy and security of student, teacher, and principal data. In accordance with Education Law §2-d, the District wishes to inform the school community of the following:

1. A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial purposes;
2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record;
3. State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls, and password protection, must be in place when data is stored and transferred;
4. A complete list of all student data elements collected by the State will be available for public review at a later date; and
5. Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints can be filed with the Superintendent's Office.

Pesticide Use Notification: During the school year, it may be necessary for maintenance staff to use pesticides on school grounds to meet pest management goals. Any individual interested in registering to receive a written notification 48 hours prior to pesticide application, please contact Olean City Schools for an application form. If you have any questions about the integrated pest management program or pesticide use, contact Mark Huselstein, Director of Facilities, at 375-8040.

Title 1 and Section 504 Annual Notice: The Olean City School District hereby advises students, parents, employees and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational education opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or handicap.

The secondary vocational education opportunities available to district residents under age 21 are available upon request to the High School and Middle School Guidance Departments.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

As required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Olean City School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the educational programs or activities, which it provides including vocational programs. The district does not discriminate in employment of persons on the basis of sex, including recruitment, appointment, salary and benefits as well as on the basis of handicapping conditions in admission or access to its program and activities, including vocational education. No person shall be denied employment solely because of any physical, mental or medical impairment, which is related to the person's ability to engage in the activities involved in the job for which the application has been made. The District Official responsible for the coordination of activities relating to non-discrimination of sex, race, color, national origin or handicapped is Mr. Aaron W. Wolfe, Title IX Coordinator and Section 504 Coordinator – Phone: 716-375-8097. He can provide information about complaint procedures to any student or employee who feels that his/her rights under Title IX or Section 504 have been violated by the District or its officials. In addition, any student or employee may make an inquiry or complaint directly to the federal office for Civil Rights.

Inquiries concerning this policy and information about complaint procedures may be referred to Mr. Aaron W. Wolfe, Section 504 Coordinator at 716-375-8097.

The secondary vocational education opportunities offered to district residents under age 21 are available upon request to the High School and Olean Intermediate/Middle School Guidance Departments.

DASA Annual Notice: DASA Annual Notice: If you have knowledge or you are a student in our schools who has or is being bullied or harassed on school grounds, on the school bus, or at a school sponsored event, we urge you to contact the following District's Dignity Act Coordinators: Brian Crawford, EV Dignity Act Coordinator, 375-8922; Lauren Stuff, WW Dignity Act Coordinator, 375-8962; Jeffrey Andreano, OHS Dignity Act Coordinator, 375-8029; Jerry Trietley, OIMS Dignity Act Coordinator (grades 6 & 7), 375-8062; Joel Whitcher, OIMS Dignity Act Coordinator (grades 4 & 5), 375-8069.

Child Find Notification: The Olean City School District Child Find policy requires that all children below twenty-one (21) years of age residing within the district, who have a disability, regardless of the severity of their disability, and who are in need of special education and related services are identified, located and evaluated in accordance with all federal regulations and state standards.

Children might have deficits in behavior, communication, cognitive abilities, physical development, sensory development, hearing, and social-emotional abilities. If you suspect that your child might have a disability, please contact Kelly Andreano, CPSE Chairperson, at 375-8989 if your child is pre-school age (3-4 years) or contact Jon Hamed, CSE Chairperson, at 375-8984 if your child is school age (5-21 years).

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA): Notice to Parents and Eligible Students (students over 18 years of age) of Rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). You are notified that you have the following rights in relation to student records:

- ❖ The right to inspect and review students' education records within a reasonable time but not more than 45 days from the day the Olean City School District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

- ❖ The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. Parents or eligible students may ask the Olean City School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. If the Olean City School District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

- ❖ The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the Olean City School District discloses educational records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

- ❖ The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the Olean City School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, Washington, DC 20202-4605

See the list below of the disclosures that elementary and secondary schools may make without consent.

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students' education records, without consent of the parent or eligible student, if the

disclosure meets certain conditions found in §99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the parent or eligible student, §99.32 of the FERPA regulations requires the school to record the disclosure. Parents and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. A school may disclose PII from the education records of a student without obtaining prior written consent of the parents or eligible student:

- To other school officials, including teachers, within the educational agency or institution whom the school has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in §99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(1) - (a)(1)(i)(B)(2) are met. (§99.31(a)(1))

- To officials of another school, school system, or institution of postsecondary education where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of §99.34. (§99.31(a)(2))

- To authorized representatives of the U.S. Comptroller General, the U. S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as the State educational agency in the parent or eligible student's State (SEA). Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of §99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf. (§§99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)

- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (§99.31(a)(4))

- To State and local officials or authorities to whom information is specifically allowed to be reported or disclosed by a State statute that concerns the juvenile justice system and the system's ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records were released, subject to §99.38. (§99.31(a)(5))

- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. (§99.31(a)(6))

- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§99.31(a)(7))

- To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§99.31(a)(8))

- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena. (§99.31(a)(9))

- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to §99.36. (§99.31(a)(10))

- Information the school has designated as "directory information" under §99.37. (§99.31(a)(11)).

August-September 2017

Olean City School District 2017-2018 Calendar BOE adopted 04/18/17

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January 2018						
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INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 180

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS: 6 (8/30, 8/31, 10/6, 1/26, 3/9, 6/22)

TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 186

In the event the District does not use all emergency/weather closing days, PreK-7 students will not need to attend school on June 21st
In the event the District exceeds the number of emergency closing days, days will be taken from the April break



September 2017						
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7/4 Independence Day Observation

8/30 & 8/31 Professional Learning

9/4 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

9/5 Olean Schools Open for Students

10/5 Go home early drill - 15 minute early dismissal for students

10/6 Professional Learning - NO STUDENTS

10/9 NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day

11/9 Early dismissal for students; PreK-3 at 10:45; grades 4 & 5 at 11:00; no lunch PreK-5

11/9 End of 1st marking period

11/10 NO SCHOOL - Veterans' Day

11/20 & 11/21 Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 10:45); no lunch PreK-3

11/20 & 11/21 OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 7 students dismissed at 11:00); no lunch Gr. 4-7

11/22 - 11/24 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess

12/22-1/1 NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess

1/15 NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day

1/22-1/25 Regents Exams

1/26 Professional Learning - NO STUDENTS; End of 2nd marking period

2/2 Early dismissal for students; PreK-3 at 10:45; grades 4 & 5 at 11:00; no lunch PreK-5

2/19 NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day

2/20-2/23 Split Spring Recess

3/9 Professional Learning - NO STUDENTS

3/15 & 3/16 Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 11:30)

3/15 & 3/16 OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 5 students dismissed at 11:45)

3/30 NO SCHOOL - Good Friday

4/2-4/6 NO SCHOOL - Split Spring Recess

4/10-4/17 ELA State Assessments grs. 3 - 8 (paper/computer); make up tests 4/13-4/20 (paper/computer)

4/13 End of 3rd marking period

5/1-5/8 Math State Assessments grs. 3 - 8 (paper/computer); make up tests 5/4-5/11 (paper/computer)

5/28 NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

6/5, 6/12-6/22 Regents Exams

6/21 Early dismissal for students PreK-3 at 12:15; Gr. 4 - 7 at 12:30; End of 4th Marking Period

6/22 Professional Learning - NO STUDENTS

6/23 OHS Graduation at 11:00 am

	STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS
	NO SCHOOL
	SCHOOL RECESS - School Closed
	END OF MARKING PERIOD
	REGENTS EXAMS
	ELA & MATH STATE ASSESSMENT TESTS (GRADE 3 - 8)



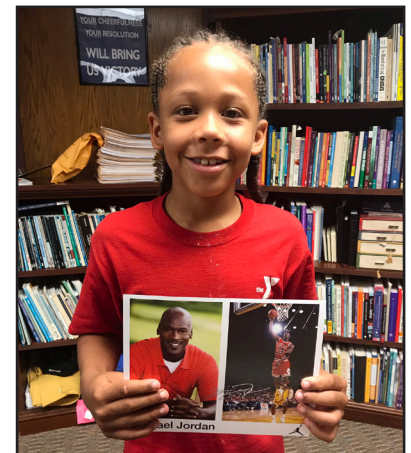
Hands-On Learning: First graders learned so much on their grade level field trip to the Niagara Aquarium.



Visiting the Genesee Country Village & Museum: East View second graders went to the historic village of Mumfords on their second grade trip.

East View Elementary School

Hearing From His Hero: An East View student wrote a letter to his hero Michael Jordan and got a signed picture back in return.



Red Carpet Reading Celebration: Mr. Crawford and Mrs. Howden hosted a red carpet celebration of readers to end the 2016-2017 school year.



Fun at Allegany State Park: East View second graders had a fantastic time visiting Allegany State Park.

Tips To Establish ‘Screen Time’ Guidelines

By Brian Crawford,
East View Elementary Principal

As the summer of 2017 draws to a close and many families start to settle in to the new routines that the school season brings, it's a great time to re-establish or establish some family guidelines on screen time for your child at home.

Based on national trends and our own observations as elementary educators, screen time on tablets, phones, computers and TV is an inescapable reality of modern childhood, with kids of every age spending hours upon hours in front of iPads, smartphones and televisions. And used properly, we agree that these devices can help your child educationally.

However, a number of troubling studies connect delayed development in kids with extended or too much exposure to electronic media or “screen time.” These devices can unintentionally cause permanent damage to their still-developing brains.

Too much screen time too soon can greatly hinder the ability to focus, to concentrate, to lend attention, to sense other people's attitudes and communicate with them, and build vocabulary.

Between birth and age three your child's brain develops quickly and is particularly sensitive to the environment. When your child spends too much time in front of a screen and not enough getting interaction from the real world, his or her development becomes stunted. And not just for a while. If the damage happens during these crucial early years, its results can affect him or her forever.

Much of the issue lies with the fact that what makes tablets and iPhones so great—dozens of stimuli at your fingertips, and the ability to process multiple actions simultaneously—is exactly what young brains do not need.

Tablets are the ultimate shortcut tools: Unlike a father or a mother reading a story to a child, for example, a smartphone-told story or movie spoon-feeds images, words, and pictures all at once to a young reader. Rather than having to take the time to process a mother's voice into words, visualize complete pictures and exert a mental effort to follow a story line, kids who follow stories on their smartphones get lazy. The device or video does the thinking for them, and as a result, their own cognitive muscles remain weak.

Too much screen time can also prevent your child from making friends.

The brain's frontal lobe is the area responsible for decoding and comprehending social interactions. It is in this corner of the mind that we empathize with others, take in nonverbal cues while talking to friends and learn how to read the hundreds of unspoken signs—facial expression, tone of voice, and more. The most crucial stage is in early childhood, during that same critical period, and it's dependent on authentic human interactions. So if your young child is spending all of his time in front of an iPad instead of chatting and playing with adults and other children, his or her empathetic abilities will be dulled, possibly for good.

Too much screen time can cause attention problems.

Have you ever seen a mother chuckle as her baby tries to “swipe” a real photograph, or punch their fingers onto a poster or book as if it were a touchscreen? It may seem cute, but it points to something much deeper in the child's brain—an internalization that all actions have an immediate effect, and all actions elicit a quick response.

This is true in the on-screen world, but nowhere else. When every finger swipe brings about a response of colors and shapes and sounds, a child's brain responds gleefully with the neurotransmitter dopamine, the key component in our reward system that is associated with feelings of pleasure. Dopamine hits in the brain can feel almost addictive, and when a child gets too used to an immediate stimuli response, he will learn to always prefer smartphone-style interaction—that is, immediate gratification and response—over real-world connection.

Here are some questions you can ask yourself to determine if screen time rules may need to be a part of your back to school routine.

- ___ Your child is upset when you ask him to stop his screen activity to come to dinner or another activity.
- ___ Your child asks you to buy a digital device such as an iPod after you have already said no.
- ___ Your child has trouble completing his homework because he is busy watching television or playing video games.
- ___ Your child refuses to help with chores around the house, choosing instead to play with screens.
- ___ Your child asks to play a video game or other screen-related activity after you have said no.
- ___ Your child does not get sixty minutes of physical activity each day.
- ___ Your child does not give frequent eye contact to others in the home.
- ___ Your child would rather play video games than go outside to play with friends.
- ___ Your child doesn't really enjoy anything that does not involve screens.
- ___ If you restricted all screen use for one day, your child would be irritable and whiny.

**East View
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Washington West Elementary School

Flag Day Celebration: Students, staff, and families of Washington West, along with honored guests from Eden Heights, gathered together to honor our flag on June 14th. A Washington West tradition for the last five years, the ceremony was under the direction of Elaine Stephan, Speech Pathologist. Our Pre-K students performed with rhythm sticks and music teacher, Bill Hughey, accompanied the crowd while they sang patriotic music. Our guest speaker, former OCSD Principal Jon Baker, addressed the crowd about honoring our country by treating our flag with respect. During the celebration, several veterans from Eden Heights were recognized for their dedicated service to our country. We were honored to have Tony D'Alicandro, Bruce Blackmon, Roger Crandall, Stephen Katts, and Rose Essex in attendance.



Washington West's New Principal: **Miss Lauren Stuff**

If being a swim lesson instructor for five years taught me anything, it was that I had a true passion for teaching. That summer job led me toward education, and a place I continue to call home. From the pool to the classroom, I followed my educational pathway to St. Bonaventure University where I received my B.S. in Elementary Education and Special Education, and an MSED in Childhood Literacy. While working as a teacher and staff specialist for professional development with CABOCES, I continued on my own path as a learner to receive my Advanced Certification in School Building Leadership, also from St. Bonaventure University. I have called Olean home for ten years and am thrilled to be back amongst my husky family.

As I look back on my career in the field of education, perhaps my fondest memories are those working as a teacher in the Olean City School District. It was as a fourth grade teacher at Ivers J. Norton that



the Olean spirit came alive for me. The commitment of our teachers to the success of all students and the sense of community that stands behind the district made Olean stand out from many of the other schools

I had worked in in the past. Having left the classroom to work on my skill set with curriculum and instruction as a part of the ISS team with CABOCES, I come back to the district and Washington West committed to leading our students and staff to growth, lifelong learning, and educational success.

It is with great pride that I step into the halls of Washington West as the new building principal, riding atop the sled once again. I thank both the district and Olean communities for their support and look forward to all that our futures hold. Should you need anything, please feel free to contact me via email (lstuff@olean.wnyric.org) or by phone at 375-8960.

I leave you with one thought as we begin the 2017-18 school year: make each day a day to learn something new; find that passion, commit to it and watch it grow.

Follow Washington West happenings on Twitter @OleanWW.

Washington West Elementary School



Tyler Bihler Award Recipients: Congratulations to Lily Eaton and Alexander Dove who were selected by their 3rd grade peers to receive this memorial award. They were chosen because they exemplified how to be a friend to all. Coach Anastasia, Physical Education Teacher and Tyler Bihler's uncle, presented each student with a plaque during our end-of-year assembly. The picture shows all three seated on a memorial bench that remains in our front hallway. The plaque in Mr. Anastasia's hands will be displayed above the bench. Congratulations, Lily and Alexander, for making a difference!

The Journey: During my 31 years working for the Olean City School District, I have been blessed to be surrounded by some truly incredible teachers, support staff, and administrators. As a seated principal, I have been blessed to see the outstretched hands and hearts of our teachers and support staff members at Washington West as well as in days gone by at IJN. It's a beautiful thing when those hands are met by not only our students, but by their families as well.

First hand I have witnessed the many times community members, businesses, organizations, churches, and educational institutions have laced their fingers with ours...extending helping hands to our students in countless ways. Taking the village to complete the circle, our UNITED outstretched hands CAN and WILL keep our community strong and our young ones surrounded by an incredible wall of protection. It's within that circle of strength where lifelong relationships begin...and our children flourish.

I have been and continue to be blessed by the relationships afforded me in this position. My retirement in August will give me the opportunity to take part in a different way. I hope to stay connected with the many people I have met on my professional journey. I thank you all for your influence, both personally and professionally.

Peace to you, as you continue your educational journey.

- Linda Nottingham

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Olean City School District Board of Education President, Michiko McElfresh (right), and retired Superintendent, Dr. Colleen Taggerty (left), present outgoing board of education member Laurie Branch with a plaque thanking her for her years of dedicated service.

Olean City School District Mission/Vision

The Olean City School District is a student-centered community of excellence in which all members are challenged to learn, achieve, contribute, and innovate.

Guiding Principles

A commitment to fostering:

A respectful, safe, and welcoming environment

Embracing diversity

Continuous improvement

Academic excellence and lifelong learning

Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability

Student potential and achievement