

Briskaway

Central School District

2024-2025
CALENDAR

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Dear Oriskany Parents and Guardians,

On behalf of the Oriskany Board of Education and our entire District staff, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you to an exciting 2024-2025 school year. Thank you, sincerely, for continually supporting all of our school programs and initiatives. Our combined, collective efforts continue to be the driving force that provides amazing opportunities and life-long learning experiences for every student, making us all "Oriskany Proud."

"The mission of the Oriskany Central School District is to educate, engage, and empower students to excel in an ever-changing world. We are committed to our tradition of personal attention, positive relationships, and an innovative climate for learning."

Each new school year begins with a fresh start, renewed energy, commitment toward learning and a variety of exciting opportunities for all students and families to be a part of. Our staff is highly committed to teaching and educating all of our students. Our facilities are well maintained, providing students with a clean, safe and nurturing environment that supports the District's high academic expectations.

Believing that collaborative partnerships between families and school are key to our continued success, we always strive to provide you with accurate information. The District calendar provides you with the best estimate of activities and events planned for the upcoming school year. As always, it is our intent that changes to this calendar are not required. However, we realize that additional opportunities arise and unforeseen events beyond our control may cause us to make adjustments throughout the school year. We will make every effort to notify you in advance should a scheduling change take place for an event or activity listed in the District calendar. In regard to emergencies or last-minute changes, we will utilize our ParentSquare notification system to ensure additional and appropriate communication pathways.



I hope each and every one of you enjoyed a happy, healthy, safe and wonderful summer; taking time to relax with family and friends. I am excited to begin the new school year and look forward to seeing our students continue to achieve great academic success.

As always, please let me know if I can be of service to you at any time during the school year.

Respectfully,

Gregory Cuthbertson

Superintendent of Schools

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The Oriskany Central School District Board of Education is committed to striving for higher student achievement in all of our academic and related program offerings. The Board has worked hard to allocate appropriate resources that will allow the school district to pursue the lofty goals of having all students graduate career, college and life ready. Please review the information on this page and the following page to help you better understand the role and organizational structure of the Board of Education. It is the hope of each school board member that our students enjoy a positive learning environment throughout their school experience.

As the Oriskany Board of Education, we welcome parents, students, staff members, community residents and other interested persons to our meetings. We appreciate your interest in and concern for our school system. The Board can better represent its constituents when members of the community take the time to observe the Board in action, express opinions and ask questions.

What is the Board of Education?

The Board is the official policy-making body of the school district. The Board is composed of seven members, elected by the public, who serve three-year terms of office. Board of Education members receive no paid compensation for their services.

What are the responsibilities of the Board?

- Establish District policies
- Identify District philosophy and direction
- Develop an annual budget for voter approval
- Act on the Superintendent of Schools' recommendations regarding personnel matters
- Review programs and instructional materials

No person or group of persons acts in the name of the Board. All motions require a majority vote before the Board can act. A Board member acts in an official capacity only during an official Board meeting. The Board employs a Superintendent of Schools as the Chief Executive Office of the school district. The Superintendent of Schools is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the District and administration of Board policies, programs and plans for Board action.

How are Board Meetings conducted?

1. Meeting Called to Order
2. Quorum Check
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Consent Agenda
5. Communications, Reports & Announcements
6. Resident Participation: 30 mins. on any agenda or school-related item
(5 mins. maximum per speaker)
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Adjournment

If I attend a Board meeting, must I stay until the end?

Don't worry if you have to leave early. We won't be offended. Some of you will leave at the conclusion of the "resident participation" section of the agenda, some of you will stay longer and some of you will stay for the entire meeting.

Can the public speak at Board meetings?

Normally, the Board will allow opportunities for the public to speak at the beginning of each meeting. You will be asked to state your name and address before speaking. Visitor comments will be limited to three minutes each. The President will curtail discussion on a topic to ensure that others have an opportunity to speak and that there is sufficient time to consider all agenda items. The Board of Education members will not engage in dialogue with the public during this time. Comments relative to personnel or students are inappropriate to address in an open session and will not be allowed.

What is Executive Session?

Occasionally, it is necessary for the Board to conduct a discussion on a confidential matter which, under State Education guidelines, requires a "closed" or executive session. Such topics could include personnel matters involving a specific person, negotiations' strategies, building rental or property acquisition. Although these discussions are not open to the public, any action on an executive session item must be taken in open public session. Executive sessions are usually held before or near the end of meetings. Only items which fall in the executive category can be discussed during such a session.

When and where does the Board of Education meet?

The Oriskany Central School District Board of Education typically meets at 6:00 p.m. at the district office, unless otherwise noted. Please refer to our website, www.oriskanycsd.org, for updated information regarding the Board of Education meeting schedule.

Do you have a concern?

The Board encourages parents and community members who have a concern about their children's education or other school-related problems to try to resolve them first at the level most directly involved; the classroom teacher or the building principal. If your issue remains unresolved, you may contact the superintendent for his assistance.

Alma Mater

Near the hills of Oriskany
Where our forefathers fought and died,
We have studied that we might be
Worthy of our ancestral pride.

Chorus

When the sun sets on high school days
Each battle some victory won.
We must aim high in all our ways
And be proud when our work is done.

Alma Mater, we'll stand for thee
Like a banner that stands unfurled,
Where we've entered to work and learn
And will go forth to serve the world.

Repeat Chorus



AUGUST 2024

ADDITIONAL EVENTS

August 29

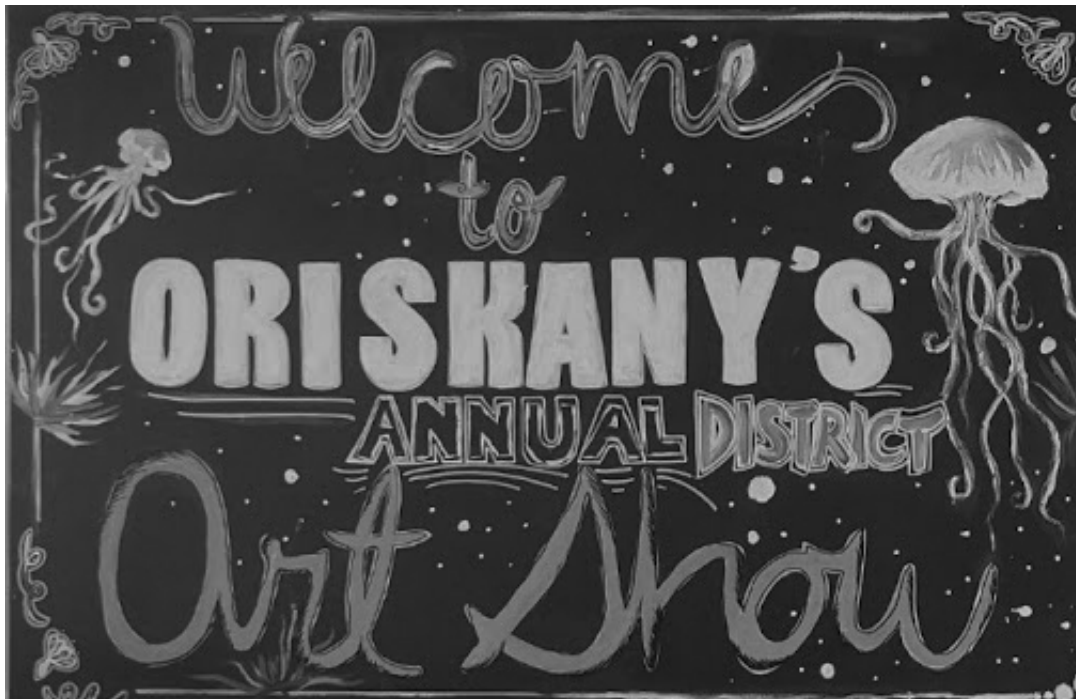
Schedule Distribution Grades 8-12, 5:30-7:00 p.m.
 7th Grade Orientation, 5:30-6:00 p.m.
 7th Grade Chromebook Orientation, 6:00-6:30 p.m.
 9th Grade Orientation, 6:05-6:25 p.m.
 Senior Class Meeting, 5:45-6:15 p.m.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9 SAT Registration Deadline ACT Registration Deadline	10
11	12	13 Sports Information Night, 6:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium	14 Sports Physicals, Jr./Sr. High School	15	16	17
18	19 Football Begins	20 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	21 Sports Physicals, Jr./Sr. High School	22	23	24 SAT
25	26 Fall Sports Begin	27	28 Pre-K/Kindergarten Meet the Teacher and Bus Ride	29 Supt. Conf. Day, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Jr./Sr. HS Back-to-School Night, 5:30-7:00 p.m. <i>See top of page for additional events</i>	30	31



SCHOOL BUS SAFETY TIPS

Remember - loading and unloading remains the moment of greatest potential risk for students using school buses. Simply put, there is inherent danger involved in children getting on and off a large vehicle stopped in the roadway.

Safety tips for students:

- Students should be prepared and at the bus stop at least 10 minutes prior to pick up time.
- Demonstrate safe behavior at the bus stop.
- Do not move towards an approaching bus until it is completely stopped and the driver signals that it is safe.
- Read and abide by the bus rules poster, which is located inside of every school bus.
- Tell the bus driver, teacher, or parent if something or someone makes you feel unsafe at the bus stop or on the bus.

Your Support for Bus Stop Safety Rules Helps Us Protect Your Child!

**Thank you and have a safe
2024-2025 school year.**

Zachary Nicotera
Transportation Supervisor
315.768.2060



School Bus Safety RULES

1. The bus driver may assign seats
2. Be courteous
3. No profanity
4. Do not eat or drink on the bus; Keep the bus clean
5. Violence is prohibited
6. Remain seated
7. No smoking
8. Keep your hands and head inside the bus
9. Do not destroy property
10. For your own safety, do not distract the driver through misbehavior

SEPTEMBER 2024

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1	2 Labor Day	3 SUPT. CONF. DAY NO SCHOOL	4 First Day of School for Students Marking Period 1 Begins	5	6 Jr./Sr. HS Picture Day	7
8 Grandparents Day	9	10	11 Patriot Day	12 Elementary Grades PK-6 Back-to-School Night	13	14 ACT
15	16	17 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	18	19	20 ACT Registration Deadline SAT Registration Deadline	21
22 First Day of Fall	23	24	25	26	27 TATF Blood Drive, Jr./Sr. High School	28
29	30					

Oriskany Central School District

CODE OF CONDUCT SUMMARY

The Board of Education adopted a Code of Conduct Policy that is required by the Dignity For All Students Act.

This extensive document can be summarized very succinctly. It describes, in detail, how students, staff members and all visitors to our school should conduct themselves. The policy requires all to treat each other, themselves, and school property with RESPECT. Basically, this code outlines how we should treat ourselves, how we should treat others, and the consequences for disregarding the code.

The Code of Conduct can be found on the district website:

www.oriskanycsd.org

The code will be reviewed with all students in the fall and key provisions will be outlined in the Student Handbook.

Any resident who has questions or would like to discuss the code is welcome to call the **Superintendent's Office at 315.768.2058.**

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE

The Oriskany Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, handicap, or age in employment or in providing student access to educational programs, courses and activities. This policy is in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. Any alleged grievances should be reported to the compliance officer.

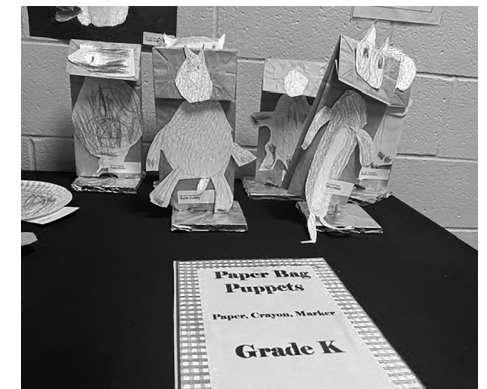
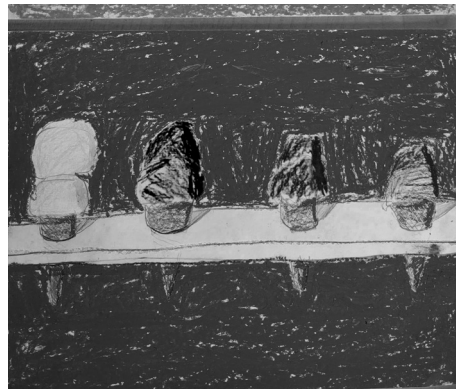
Gregory Cuthbertson

Compliance Coordinator

Oriskany Central School

1313 Utica Street

Oriskany, NY 13424 | 315.768.2058



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Online Yearbook Sales Begin	2 Rosh Hashanah Begins	3	4 Jr./Sr. HS 5-Week Progress Reports Rosh Hashanah Ends	5 SAT
6	7	8 MVCA College Night at MVCC, 6:30-8:00 p.m.	9	10 Jr./Sr. HS Progress Reports Distributed	11 Varsity Winter Sports Registration in FamilyID Yom Kippur Begins SUPT. CONF. DAY NO SCHOOL	12 Yom Kippur Ends
13	14 COLUMBUS DAY NO SCHOOL	15 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	16 Sukkot Begins	17 PSAT	18 SAT Registration Deadline	19
20	21	22	23 Sukkot Ends	24	25	26 ACT
27	28	29	30 Elementary School Picture Day	31 Halloween		

EMERGENCY CLOSINGS & DELAYS

Occasionally, inclement weather conditions require that the opening of school be delayed, canceled or that students be sent home early. If, in the judgment of the Superintendent, it is in the best interest of the health and safety of the children to cancel school, this will be done. It is of EXTREME importance that you instruct your children about what they are to do if school is canceled, delayed or dismissed BEFORE an actual school closure. Your help and cooperation in this matter are something that we cannot possibly over-emphasize. Only custodial parents or legal guardians can authorize changes in transportation arrangements, so please maintain current information for your child's convenience.

NOTICE OF SCHOOL BEING CANCELED OR DELAYED WILL BE BROADCAST ON THE DISTRICT WEBSITE (WWW.ORISKANYCSD.ORG), PARENTSQUARE EMERGENCY NOTIFICATION SYSTEM AND THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE, RADIO AND TELEVISION STATIONS:

WIBX-AM-95.0	SPECTRUM NEWS	WPNY-TV
WLZW-FM-98.7	CHANNEL 9 WSYR	ACTION 3 NEWS
WODZ-FM-96.1	WKTV	WFXV
WFRG-FM-104.3	WUTR	Observer-Dispatch

SCHOOL WILL BE IN SESSION IF YOU DO NOT HEAR OTHERWISE.



SCHOOL BREAKFAST & LUNCH PROGRAMS

The OHM BOCES School Food Service is pleased to announce that during the 2024-25 school year, we will be operating under the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), meaning all meals are FREE to all students!

The Food Service team strives to provide students with tasty, nutritious, fresh foods that appeal to students and the school community. We have continually exceeded federal and state guidelines for all required nutrients and increased our offerings of fresh fruit and vegetables.

Each student has their own meal account with an assigned pin number. Please be sure to help your children learn their numbers, especially if they are new participants. You can also use this account to make payments for a la carte items. Online prepayments through ezschoolpay.com are preferable, however, checks should be made out to OHM BOCES Food Service and cash in a labeled envelope is also an option.

Because we are operating under CEP this year, families do not need to fill out free/reduced meal applications. However, it is helpful to your school if you complete the income collection form available at ezmealapp.com. PDFs and hard copies are also available. Eligible families may qualify for benefits such as waived test fees.

While complete meals are FREE, single items like milk will still be charged to student accounts. Milk this year will be \$0.75. Other a la carte items such as frozen yogurt, baked chips and whole grain cookies will be available for purchase most days in the school cafeteria. Prices on those items range from \$0.75-\$2.00. There is no charging of a la carte items, meaning students must have a positive account balance or cash in hand in order to purchase.



NOVEMBER 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 Elementary School Picture Day All Saints Day Diwali	2 SAT
3 Daylight Saving Time Ends	4	5 Election Day	6	7	8 Marking Period 1 Ends ACT Registration Deadline Elementary Veterans Day Assembly National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, 6:30 p.m.	9
10	11 VETERANS DAY NO SCHOOL	12 Marking Period 2 Begins	13 Elementary PT Conference Days & Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m. Sports Information Night, 6:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium	14 Elementary PT Conference Days & Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.	15 Marking Period 1 Report Cards Distributed Elementary PT Conference Days & Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.	16
17	18 JV/Varsity Winter Sports Begin	19 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	20	21	22 TATF Blood Drive, Jr./Sr. High School SAT Registration Deadline NYSSMA Zone 4 Area All-State Festival, Whitesboro	23 NYSSMA Zone 4 Area All-State Festival, Whitesboro
24	25	26 Go Home Early Drill Students dismissed 10 minutes early	27	28 Thanksgiving Day	29	30
THANKSGIVING RECESS - NO SCHOOL						

PESTICIDE NOTIFICATION

Dear Parent, Guardian, and School Staff,

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.

As a reminder, the Oriskany Central School 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 applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following an application;
- antimicrobial products;
- horticulture oils and soaps;
- granular pesticides;
- injected pesticides;
- spot use pesticides covering an area less than 9 sq. ft. in less than 32 oz. amounts;
- emergency use as long as the NYS Health Commissioner is notified immediately after pesticide use;
- foundation applications meant to control indoor pests;
- nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- silica gels and other nonvolatile ready to use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- boric acid and disodium octaborate tetra hydrate;
- the application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- the application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25;
- the use of aerosol products with a direct spray in containers of 18 fluid ounce or less when use to protect individuals from 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 48-hour prior notification list.

If you have not registered to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to:

Oriskany Central School District
Kyle Kennerknecht | 1313 Utica Street, Oriskany, New York 13424
Telephone: 315.768.2023 | Fax Number: 315.768.2057 | E-mail: kkennerknecht@oriskanycsd.org



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REQUEST FOR PESTICIDE APPLICATION

School Building: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

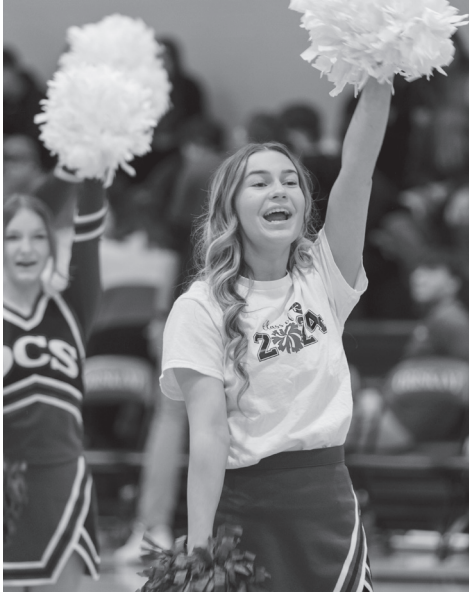
Please feel free to contact the Oriskany Central School District Pesticide Representative, for further information on these requirements, by using the above addresses and phone numbers.

DECEMBER 2024

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1	2	3	4	5	6 Modified Winter Sports Registration in FamilyID	7 SAT Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
8	9	10 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	11	12 Jr./Sr. High Winter Concert, 7:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. HS Auditorium	13 Jr./Sr. HS 15-Week Progress Reports	14 ACT
15	16	17 Elementary Winter Concert, 7:00 p.m., Elementary School	18	19 Winter Concerts (Snow Date)	20 Jr./Sr. HS Progress Reports Distributed	21 First Day of Winter
22	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Hanukkah Begins	26 Kwanzaa Begins	27	28
WINTER RECESS - NO SCHOOL						
29	30	31 New Year's Eve				
WINTER RECESS - NO SCHOOL						



FAMILYID ATHLETIC REGISTRATION

By New York State Education Law, students participating in sports are required to have a yearly physical and complete an updated Athletic Health History Form.

Oriskany is excited to announce that we are now offering the convenience of online athletic registration through FamilyID. **FamilyID is a secure registration platform that provides you with an easy, user-friendly way to register your student(s) for their upcoming athletic teams, and helps us to be more administratively efficient and environmentally responsible.**

When you register through FamilyID, the system keeps track of your information in your profile. You enter your information only once for each family member for multiple uses and multiple programs. It will be helpful to have the date of your student(s) most recent physical handy to allow for accurate completion of your online registration.

Upon selecting the sport of participation, the parent/guardian will review and complete information regarding athletic health history, photograph consent, athletic handbook consent, transportation and specific medical needs. Please take the time to read through and review this information with your student-athlete. Once completed, this information will be securely housed on the FamilyID platform.

The only hard copy documentation that parents will need to provide the school with is the updated physical. Even if you choose to upload the physical onto your FamilyID account, the school will still require a hard copy for record keeping purposes. This documentation may be dropped off at the high school nurse's office Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

TO REGISTER, VISIT:
www.oriskanycsd.org/familyID

Have a Smartphone?
Scan this to register.



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			1 New Year's Day Kwanzaa Ends	2 Hanukkah Ends	3 ACT Registration Deadline	4
WINTER RECESS - NO SCHOOL						
5	6 Modified Winter Sports Begin	7	8 OCMEA Jr. High All-County Festival Auditions, Waterville	9 OCMEA Jr. High All-County Festival Auditions (Snow Date), Waterville	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17 Elementary and Jr./Sr. HS Early Dismissal, 12:15 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.	18
19	20	21 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	22	23	24 TATF Blood Drive, Oriskany Legion	25
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY NO SCHOOL		REGENTS EXAMS				
26	27	28	29	30	31 Marking Period 2 Ends Online Yearbook Sales End Jr. High Area All-State, VVS	
			LUNAR NEW YEAR NO SCHOOL			



USE OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS

The Oriskany Central School District promotes student, staff and visitor safety in all District facilities, grounds and buses. In an attempt to ensure a safe and effective learning environment, the Board promotes the use of surveillance cameras when necessary in all District facilities, grounds or buses. Surveillance cameras will not be used in public areas and other non-public areas such as restrooms and locker rooms where there is reasonable expectation of privacy.

Audio recordings will not be made in conjunction with the use of cameras. Such prohibition does not preclude the use of audio recordings by law enforcement or District personnel when used in accordance with their official duties and as authorized by law.

SOCIAL MEDIA & ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY

The internet, including social media, may not be used on school computers or resources for any of the following purposes:

- A. Sexting – Sexting is prohibited by employees, students and Board members. Those determined to have engaged in sexting shall be subject to discipline and possible criminal prosecution in accordance with all applicable laws;
- B. To carry defamatory, discriminatory or obscene material;
- C. Pictures, videos, or any other type of recordings in bathrooms and locker rooms;
- D. In connection with any infringement of another person's intellectual property rights (e.g., copyrights);
- E. In a manner that violates the terms of any applicable telecommunications license or any laws governing the trans-border dataflow (e.g., laws dealing with data collection, protection, privacy, confidentiality and security);
- F. In connection with any attempt to penetrate computer or network security of any computer or other system or to gain unauthorized access (or attempted access) to any other person's computer, e-mail or voice-mail accounts or equipment; or
- G. In connection with the violation or attempted violation of any other law, rule, or regulation.

All violations will be addressed through the Code of Conduct. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action including but not limited to suspension.

All students will be issued a 1:1 Chromebook or iPad. Students and parents should reference the OCS Chromebook Handbook and User Policy, Agreement and Protection Plan on the District website for further information on Chromebooks.

FEBRUARY 2025

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						1 Jr. High Area All-State, VVS
2 Groundhog Day	3 Marking Period 3 Begins	4	5	6	7 Marking Period 2 Report Cards Distributed	8 ACT
9	10	11	12 Lincoln's Birthday	13	14 Valentine's Day	15
16	17 Varsity Spring Sports Registration in FamilyID Presidents' Day	18	19	20	21 SAT Registration Deadline	22 Washington's Birthday
MID-WINTER RECESS - NO SCHOOL						
23	24	25 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m. Modified Spring Sports Registration in FamilyID	26	27	28 ACT Registration Deadline Ramadan Begins	

EZSCHOOLPAY

Full Online Access to Your Student's Account

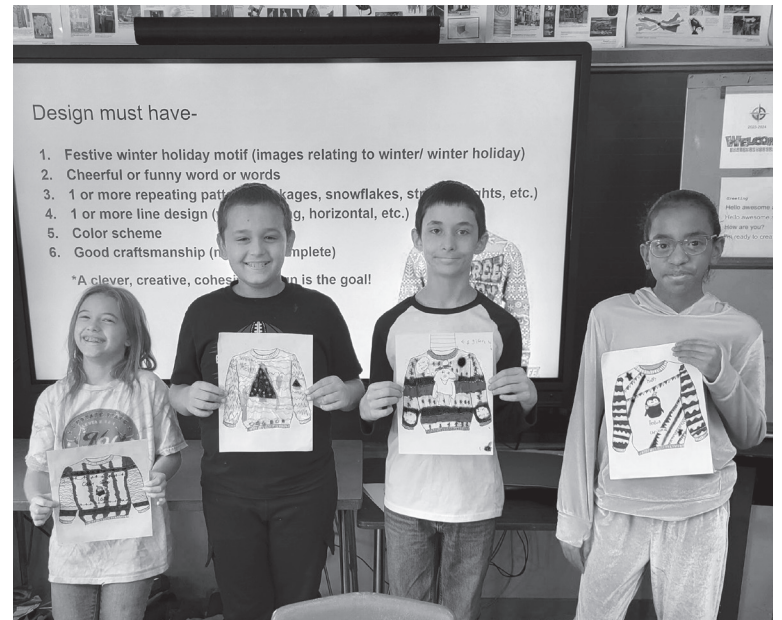
EZSchoolPay is the best way to stay up-to-date and informed about your student's account. Say goodbye to last-minute balance notifications, inconvenient in-person payment processes, and complicated transactions.

EZSchoolPay Makes Meal Payments Easy

- Add funds securely, conveniently, and directly into student meal accounts at any time.
- Set low balance alert notifications for when the account drops below a customizable amount.
- View student meal transactions, the past 30 days of activity, and the account balance.
- Use the app to make payments on Apple and Android devices.
- Make other school-related payments, including fees and dues.
 - » *Student activity fees*
 - » *Club and team dues*
 - » *Field trip payments*

START YOUR ACCOUNT TODAY

Starting your **FREE ACCOUNT** is as easy as scanning the QR code below with your mobile device or visiting www.ezschoollpay.com.



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2	3	4 Mardi Gras	5 Ash Wednesday - Lent Begins	6	7 Jr./Sr. HS 25-Week Progress Reports	8 SAT
9 Daylight Saving Time Begins	10 Sports Information Night, 6:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. High School Auditorium	11	12	13 Jr./Sr. HS Progress Reports Distributed Purim Begins	14 OCMEA Jr. High All-County, Waterville Purim Ends Holi SUPT. CONF. DAY NO SCHOOL	15 OCMEA Jr. High All-County, Waterville
16	17 JV/Varsity Spring Sports Begin Pre-K/Kindergarten Registration Begins St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 First Day of Spring	21 TATF Blood Drive, Jr./Sr. High School Jr./Sr. High Musical, High School, 7:00 p.m.	22 Jr./Sr. High Musical, High School, 2 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.
23 Jr./Sr. High Musical (Snow Date), High School, 2 p.m.	24	25 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m. Modified Spring Sports Begin	26	27	28	29
30 Ramadan Ends	31					

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS AND ELIGIBILITY

The interscholastic program includes the sports listed below. All students are welcome to try out for these teams, provided they meet the physical and academic qualifications. Information regarding the sports program can be obtained by contacting the athletic director.

Fall	Winter	Spring
Cheerleading	Basketball	Baseball
Cross Country	Cheerleading	Golf
Football	Ice Hockey	Softball
Gymnastics	Indoor Track and Field	Track and Field
Soccer		

Participating in athletics is a privilege for all students, as long as they remain academically eligible and in good standing. All students will begin each academic year with their eligibility intact as there is no carryover from the previous year. Student progress will be measured every five weeks.

A student who receives two failing grades or more during any five-week period will be declared ineligible to participate in any interscholastic activities. The period of ineligibility begins on the Monday after progress reports or report cards are mailed and concludes on the second Monday after that date.

1. An athlete will be ineligible for two weeks, during which they can bring their eligibility up to passing standards. They are required to stay after school and work with their teachers.
2. During this two-week period, athletes are required to practice with the team but cannot participate in any games. The athlete must sit in street clothes on their bench during these games (excluding golf).
3. If an athlete becomes eligible after the initial two-week period, the athlete will be permitted to participate on the following Monday.
4. The initial two-week ineligibility period must include a minimum of eight school days. Student progress during this period will be monitored by the athletic director.
5. If at the end of the initial two-week period the athlete is still ineligible, the athlete cannot play or practice for the remainder of the ineligibility period lasting until the end of the current grading period. (Exception: the athlete will be allowed to practice with the team only to meet NYS conditioning requirements.)
6. Any student may try out while ineligible but not practice until they become eligible.



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 April Fools' Day	2	3	4 OCMEA Elementary All-County, Sauquoit Valley	5 OCMEA Elementary All-County, Sauquoit Valley ACT
6	7	8 NYS ELA CBT - Grades 7-8	9 NYS ELA CBT - Grades 3-6 NYS ELA CBT - Grades 7-8	10 NYS ELA CBT - Grades 3-6	11 Marking Period 3 Ends	12 Passover Begins
13 Palm Sunday	14 Marking Period 4 Begins NYSESLAT Speaking Begins Elementary PT Conference Days & Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.	15 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	16 OCMEA Scholarship Auditions, New York Mills	17 Marking Period 3 Report Cards Distributed	18 SAT Registration Deadline Good Friday SPRING RECESS - NO SCHOOL	19
20 Passover Ends Easter	21	22 Earth Day	23	24	25 Arbor Day	26
SPRING RECESS - NO SCHOOL						
27	28	29 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	30 NYS Math CBT - Grades 3-6 NYS Math CBT - Grades 7-8			

FAMILY RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974 (FERPA)

The procedures for the confidentiality of student records shall be consistent with federal statutes, including the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) and its implementation regulations, and the Commissioner's Regulations.

The District shall arrange to provide translations of the following notice to non-English speaking parents in their native language.

To Parents/Guardian(s), Eligible Students:

This section is intended to advise you of your rights with respect to the school records relating to your son, your daughter or you. Pursuant to the Federal "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974."

Parents of a student under 18, or a student 18 or older, have a right to inspect and review any and all official records, files, and data directly related to their children or themselves, including all material that is incorporated into each student's cumulative record folder, and intended for school use to be available to parties outside the school or school system, and specifically including, but not necessarily limited to, identifying data, academic work completed, level of achievement (grades, standardized achievement test scores), interest inventory results, health data, family background information, teacher or counselor ratings and observations, and verified reports of serious or current behavior patterns.

DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT

The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) effective July 1, 2012, specifically prohibits bullying, discrimination and harassment by school employees and students on school property or at a school function by school employees and students based on, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, actual or perceived: race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, sex and any other legally protected status.

Also included are provisions for reporting and intervening in cases of discrimination, harassment or bullying. Any related complaints should be brought to the attention of the building principal who also serves as the Dignity Act Coordinator (DAC) to assist in implementation of the DASA in each school building.



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				1 NYS Math CBT - Grades 3-6 NYS Math CBT - Grades 7-8	2	3 SAT
4	5 AP Biology Exam 8:00 a.m. Cinco De Mayo	6	7 AP English Literature Exam - 8:00 a.m. NYS Science CBT - Grades 5 & 8	8 AP World History Exam 11:30 a.m.	9 AP U.S. History Exam 8:00 a.m. ACT Registration Deadline NYSSMA Solo Festival, CVA	10 NYSSMA Solo Festival, CVA
11 Mother's Day	12 AP Calculus Exam 8:00 a.m. NYSESLAT Listening Reading and Writing Begins Budget Hearing, 6:30 p.m.	13 AP Pre Calculus Exam 8:00 a.m.	14	15	16 AP Physics Exam 8:00 a.m. TATF Blood Drive Jr./Sr. HS 35-Week Progress Reports NYSSMA Solo Festival, Mexico CSD	17 NYSSMA Solo Festival, Mexico CSD Armed Forces Day
18	19	20 Budget Vote and BOE Election, 12:00-8:00 p.m. District Art/Technology Show, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Elementary Spring Concert 7:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. HS Auditorium	21 NYSSMA Majors	22 NYSSMA Majors SAT Registration Deadline	23 Jr./Sr. HS Progress Reports Distributed NYSESLAT Listening Reading and Writing Ends NYSESLAT Speaking Ends	24
25	26 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL	27	28	29	30	31



SAFETY DRILLS

We are required by law to have fire and safety drills during the school year. The cooperation of the student body is imperative for the drills to be successful. Students should follow the directions of their teachers during all drills to ensure their safety.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Shavuot Begins	2	3 Shavuot Ends	4	5	6 ACT Registration Deadline	7 SAT
8	9	10	11 Jr./Sr. High Spring Concert, 7:00 p.m., Jr./Sr. HS Auditorium	12	13 Elementary PE Day	14 ACT Flag Day
		REGENTS EXAMS				
15 Father's Day	16 Elementary PE Day (Rain Date) Jr./Sr. HS Last Day of Instruction and Student Council Awards Senior Scholarship Ceremony, 6:00 p.m.	17 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m.	18	19	20 Pre-K Graduation Elementary Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m. First Day of Summer	21
		REGENTS EXAMS		JUNETEENTH NO SCHOOL	REGENTS EXAMS	
22	23	24	25 Last Day to Pick Up Medications 6th Grade Moving-Up Ceremony	26 Elementary Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m.	27 Marking Period 4 Ends Elementary Last Day of School/ Report Cards Go Home With Students Elementary Early Dismissal, 11:30 a.m. HS Graduation, 7:00 p.m.	28
		REGENTS EXAMS		REGENTS RATING DAYS		
29	30					

ORISKANY SKYHAWKS

ALMA MATER

NEAR THE HILLS OF ORISKANY
WHERE OUR FOREFATHERS FOUGHT AND DIED,
WE HAVE STUDIED THAT WE MIGHT BE
WORTHY OF OUR ANCESTRAL PRIDE.

WHEN THE SUN SETS ON HIGH SCHOOL DAYS
EACH BATTLE SOME VICTORY WON.

WE MUST AIM HIGH IN ALL OUR WAYS
AND BE PROUD WHEN OUR WORK IS DONE.

ALMA MATER, WE'LL STAND FOR THEE
LIKE A BANNER THAT STANDS UNFURLED,
WHERE WE'VE ENTERED TO WORK AND LEARN
AND WILL GO FORTH TO SERVE THE WORLD.

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		1 BOE Meeting 6:00 p.m. with regular board meeting after	2	3	4 Independence Day	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12 ACT
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Football Registration in FamilyID	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

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