COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2024-2025









RED CREEK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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RED CREEK CENTRAL SCHOOL

P.O. Box 190, Red Creek, New York 13143

Dear District Residents,

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The members of the Board of Education and Administration are pleased to present to you the annual school calendar of events for 2024-2025. Each calendar month outlines important academic, athletic, and school-related events. Telephone numbers, bus routes, student academic requirements, student conduct and discipline policies, and services available to students through the Counseling and Health Offices are also included for your easy reference. We suggest that you keep this calendar as a guide to help you plan your schedules to include school activities during the upcoming school year.

The Board of Education meets monthly in the District Office on the South Street campus at the far north end of the M.W. Cuyler Elementary School. The meeting(s) will be held at 6:30 pm (except as noted). Please check the calendar for specific dates or call the District Office at 315-754-2010. Meetings are conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Law of 1976 and the first half hour is reserved for those wishing to address the Board.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful and rewarding year for our students and a pleasant and satisfying year for all residents.

Katherine A. Madigan
President. Board of Education

Matthew S. VanOrman Superintendent of Schools

Emergency School Closings

Occasionally, for reasons of inclement weather or other emergencies, it may be necessary to close school or to dismiss early. Announcement of school closings or early dismissals will be made on our website, social media platforms and

<u>Radio</u>		<u>Television</u>	District Website
WSYR	570 AM	Channels 3, 5, 9 (Syracuse)	www.rccsd.org
WHAM	1180 AM	Channel 13 (Rochester)	

When school is canceled or dismissed early, all extracurricular activities and events for the remainder of that day and evening are canceled, unless otherwise announced.

ParentSquare: The district also has a messaging system to notify parents of an emergency closing. Please have a primary telephone number on file with the office.

Special instructions from parents, such as telephone numbers for working parents, babysitter directions, or emergency phone numbers must be submitted to the school office or the school nurse.

Matthew VanOrman, Superintendent of Schools	315-754-2010
Jennifer DeVinney, Assist. Superintendent for Curriculum	
& Instruction	315-754-2015
Amanda Osborne, Administrative Assistant	315-754-2010
Danielle DeBiase, School Business Administrator	315-754-2017
Shelby Whiffen, District Treasurer	315-754-2016
District Office Fax	315-754-8169
Amanda Ventura, Director of Student Services	315-754-2045

HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

DISTRICT OFFICE

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Patrick Wallace, High School Principal	315-754-2040
Robert Carter, MS/HS Assistant Principal	315-754-2040
High School Office Fax	315-754-2068
David Welcher, Athletic Director	315-754-2065
Shayla Pasker, School Counselor	315-754-2052
Gloria Parsnow, School Nurse	315-754-2158
Nurse's Fax	315-754-2157
Amanda Ventura, Dignity Act Coordinator	315-754-2045

Pamela Gallant, Cook Manager......315-754-2062

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)

Brian Smiley, Building Principal	315-754-2070
Robert Carter, MS/HS Assistant Principal	315-754-2040
Middle School Office Fax	315-754-2077
Katheryn Armstrong, School Counselor	315-754-2052
Gloria Parsnow, School Nurse	315-754-2158
Nurse's Fax	315-754-2157
Amanda Ventura, Dignity Act Coordinator	315-754-2045

MARGARET W. CUYLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Grades UPK-5) Dennis Taylor Building Principal

315-754-2100
315-754-2192
315-754-2100
315-754-2156
315-754-2157
315-754-2045

CENTRAL SCHOOL BUS GARAGE

Stephen Bockus, Transportation Supervisor	315-754-3036
Sheila Ryan, Dispatch Monitor	
Transportation Office Fax	315-754-2038

COMMUNITY CENTER

David Welcher, Director......315-754-2065

NY State District Income Tax Code--525

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4	5	6	7 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	8	9	10
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18	19 REGENTS EXAMS	20 REGENTS EXAMS	21	22	23 BACK TO SCHOOL CARNIVAL 4:00 p.m.	24
25	26 JV/VARSITY FALL SPORTS BEGIN	PRESHMEN ORIENTATION HS Auditorium 6:00 p.m.	28 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m. FALL ATHLETICS PARENTS MEETING, 5:30 p.m.	29 6TH GRADE ORIENTATION 6:30 p.m.	30	31

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Contact rctechsupport@rccsd.org



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1	2 LABOR DAY District Closed	3 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY No School for Students	4 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS MODIFIED FALL SPORTS BEGIN	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	13	14 SENIOR CLASS WHITE WATER RAFTING TRIP
15	16	17	18 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	19	20 M.W. CUYLER PICTURE DAY	21
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29	30	1	2	3 UPK-12 OPEN HOUSE 5:00 p.m.	4	5 HS HOMECOMING DANCE 7:00 p.m.
6	7	8 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	9	PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY 1/2 Day for Students MS/HS Dismissal 11:00 a.m. M.W. Cuyler Dismissal 12:00 p.m.	12
13	14 COLUMBUS DAY/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY District Closed	15	16	17 INDUCTION FOR SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY 7:00 p.m.	18 MS/HS PICTURE DAY	19
20	21	22 SENIOR PARENT NIGHT MEETING 6:00 p.m.	23 SR HIGH VOCAL ALL-COUNTY AUDITIONS @ Newark	24	25 PTA PUMPKIN WALK, 6:30 p.m. TRUNK OR TREAT, 6:30 p.m. HS HALLOWEEN DANCE AREA ALL-STATE FESTIVAL @ York	26
27	28 WINTER I MODIFIED SPORTS BEGIN	29	30	31	1	2

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Literacy Brief on the Role of	28 mic Writing Month. Check out the NY Writing in literacy development here: riculum-instruction/literacy-briefs		30	31	M.W. CUYLER PICTURE RETAKES MS FALL DANCE, 6:30 p.m. JR HIGH AREA ALL-STATE FESTIVAL @ York	2 Jr High Area all-state Festival @ York
3	4 M.W. CUYLER FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT 6:00 p.m.	5	6 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	7 PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m. JUNIOR SUPPER 4:00 p.m.	8 MS/HS END OF MARKING PERIOD 1	9
10	VETERAN'S DAY District Closed	12	MS ACTIVITY EVENT 3:30 p.m.	14	15 MS/HS PICTURE RETAKES SR HIGH AREA ALL-STATE FESTIVAL @ Newark	SR HIGH AREA ALL-STATE FESTIVAL @ Newark
17	18 JV/VARSITY WINTER SPORTS BEGIN PTA M.W. CUYLER BOOK FAIR	19	20 M.W. CUYLER END OF MARKING PERIOD 1	21 PTA MS/HS BOOK FAIR	22	23 TURKEY TROT CRAFT FAIR, 9:00 a.m. HEALTH FAIR, 9:00 a.m.
24	PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES 11:30-3:45 p.m. MS/HS Early Dismissal for Students 11:00 a.m. Cuyler Early Dimissal for Students 12:00 p.m.	PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES 11:30-5:00 p.m. MS/HS Early Dismissal for Students 11:00 a.m. Cuyler Early Dimissal for Students 12:00 p.m.	27 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY No School for Students	28 THANKSGIVING RECESS District Closed	29 THANKSGIVING RECESS District Closed SPAIN TRIP DEPARTS	30

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8	9	10 4TH & 5TH GRADE HOLIDAY CONCERT 7:00 p.m.	11	PTA MEETING, 4:00 p.m. MS/HS HOLIDAY CHORUS CONCERT, 7:00 p.m.	13	14
15	16	17 MS/HS HOLIDAY BAND CONCERT 7:00 p.m.	18 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21
22	HOLIDAY RECESS No School for Students	24 CHRISTMAS EVE District Closed	25 CHRISTMAS District Closed	26 HOLIDAY RECESS No School for Students	27 HOLIDAY RECESS No School for Students	28
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29	30	31	NEW YEAR'S DAY District Closed	2 HOLIDAY RECESS No School for Students	HOLIDAY RECESS No School for Students	4
5	6 SCHOOL RESUMES FOR STUDENTS WINTER II MODIFIED SPORTS BEGIN	7	8	9 PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	10 ONE ACT PLAYS 7:00 p.m.	ONE ACT PLAYS 7:00 p.m.
12	13	14	NS ACTIVITY EVENT 3:30 p.m. BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	16	17	18
19	20 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR DAY District Closed	21 REGENTS EXAMS	22 REGENTS EXAMS	23 REGENTS EXAMS	24 MS/HS END OF MARKING PERIOD 2 REGENTS EXAMS JR/SR HIGH VOCAL ALL-COUNTY @ Gananda	25 SCIENCE OLYMPIAD REGIONALS @ LeMoyne College JR/SR HIGH VOCAL ALL-COUNTY @ Gananda
26	27	28	29 LUNAR NEW YEAR No School for Students	30	SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY 1/2 Day for Students MS/HS Dismissal 11:00 a.m. M.W. Cuyler Dismissal 12:00 p.m.	1

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26 As classes start to prepare for annual state assessments, we encourage you to explore these resources from the NYS Education Department: https://www.nysed.gov/state-assessment/parent-resources			29	30	31	WCMEA INSTRUMENTAL ALL-COUNTY AUDITIONS @ Newark
2	3	4	5 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	6	7 PTA SWEETHEART DANCE 6:00 p.m.	8 HS MID-WINTER BALL 7:00 p.m.
9	10 M.W. CUYLER FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT 6:00 p.m.	11 KIDS' HEART CHALLENGE 5:00 p.m.	12	PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	14	15
16	PRESIDENT'S DAY District Closed	PRESIDENTS' WEEK RECESS No School for Students	PRESIDENTS' WEEK RECESS No School for Students	PRESIDENTS' WEEK RECESS No School for Students	PRESIDENTS' WEEK RECESS No School for Students	22
23	24 SCHOOL RESUMES	25	26	27	28 SENIOR BASH, 10:00 p.m. ELEMENTARY ALL-COUNTY FESTIVAL @ Newark	1

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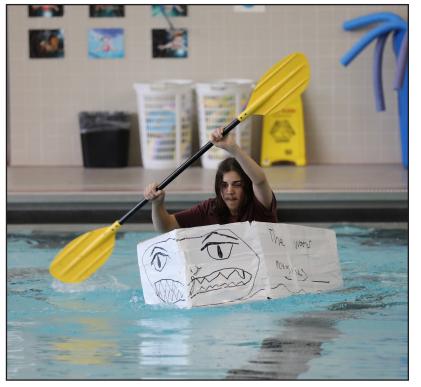
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2	3	4 PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	5 BOE MEETING 6:30 p.m.	6	7 M.W. CUYLER PTA SHAMROCK JIG 6:00 p.m. M.W. CUYLER END OF MARKING PERIOD 2	8
9	10	11	12	PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES 1/2 Day for Students 11:30-5:00 p.m. MS/HS Early Dismissal for Students 11:00 a.m. Cuyler Early Dismissal for Students 12:00 p.m.	14 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY No School for Students JR/SR INSTRUMENTAL ALL-COUNTY FESTIVAL @ Pal-Mac	15 JR/SR INSTRUMENTAL ALL-COUNTY FESTIVAL @ Pal-Mac
16	JV/VARSITY SPRING SPORTS BEGIN	18	MS ACTIVITY EVENT 3:30 p.m.	20 DISTRICT CONCERT & ART SHOW 7:00 p.m.	21	22
23	24 MODIFIED SPRING SPORTS BEGIN	25	26 BOE BUDGET WORKSHOP 6:00 p.m.	27	28	29
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6	7 M.W. CUYLER FAMILY LITERACY NIGHT 6:00 p.m.	8	9	PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	11	12
13	14 SPRING RECESS No School for Students	15 SPRING RECESS No School for Students	16 SPRING RECESS No School for Students	SPRING RECESS No School for Students	18 GOOD FRIDAY District Closed	19
20	21 SCHOOL RESUMES	22	23 ENVIROTHON @ Hobart & William Smith Colleges	24	25 MS/HS BAND & CHORUS NYSSMA FESTIVAL @ Webster	26 MS/HS BAND & CHORUS NYSSMA FESTIVAL @ Webster
27	28	29 NYS ELA ASSESSMENTS GRADES 3-8	30 NYS ELA ASSESSMENTS GRADES 3-8	1	2	3

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	IYS Bicycling Coalition: https://nyb	29 d your children head outside on the oc.net/images/pdfs/2024_NYBC_2		1	PEATS OF CLAY MS SPRING BALL 6:30 p.m.	3 COLOR RUN 9:30 a.m.
4	5	6 NYS MATH ASSESSMENTS, Grades 3-8 SENIOR TRIP MEETING, 6:00 p.m. BUDGET HEARING, 6:00 p.m. BOE MEETING, 6:30 p.m.	7 NYS MATH ASSESSMENTS, Grades 3-8 4TH & 5TH GRADE SPRING CONCERT 7:00 p.m.	8 PTA MEETING 4:00 p.m.	9 ALL SCHOOL PLAY 7:00 p.m.	10 ALL SCHOOL PLAY 7:00 p.m.
11	12 UPK INFORMATION NIGHT 6:00 p.m.	NYS SCIENCE ASSESSMENTS, Grades 3-8 MS/HS SPRING CHORUS CONCERT 7:00 p.m.	14 MS ACTIVITY NIGHT 3:30 p.m.	15 MS/HS SPRING BAND CONCERT 7:00 p.m.	16 JR/SR PROM 7:00 p.m.	17
18	19 DARIEN LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL HS BAND & SELECT CHOIR	20 BUDGET VOTE 12:00 p.m 8:00 p.m. NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY & NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION, 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23 HS MOVING UP DAY	24
25	26 MEMORIAL DAY OBSERVED District Closed	27 ELENBE AWARDS @ Newark	28	29	30 SENIOR TRIP DEPARTS	31

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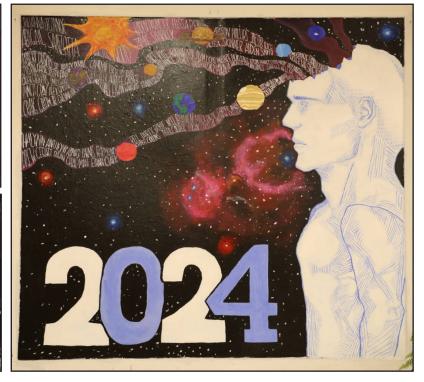












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*Dates and times for end of year events and celebrations will be communicated at a later time.

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New York State Diploma Requirements Applicable to All Students Enrolled in Grades 9-12

Credit Requirements

(Apply to all diploma types: local, Regents, Regents with advanced designation)

	Minimum number of credits
English	4
Social Studies Distributed as follows: U.S. History (1) Global History and Geography (2) Participation in Government (½) Economics (½)	4
Science Distributed as follows: Life Science (1) Physical Science (1) Life Science or Physical Science (1)	3
Mathematics	3
World Languages	1(**)
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and/or Theater	1
Physical Education (participation each semester)	2
Health	1/2
Electives	3 ½
Total	22

^(**) Students with a disability may be excused from the requirement for 1 unit of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate.

1.) Pathways

A student must either:

- earn the Seal of Civic Readiness; or
- pass an additional Regents Exam or Department Approved Alternative in a different course (English, mathematics, science, or social studies); or
- pass a Department Approved Pathway Assessment (Arts, CDOS, World Languages); or
- successfully complete a NYSED-approved CTE program, including the associated 3-part technical assessment; or
- successfully complete all the requirements for earning the CDOS Commencement Credential.

Beginning in fall 2022, a select number of NYS schools will pilot the <u>Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP)</u>. Reference <u>Multiple Pathways and Department Approved Alternative Examinations</u>.

2.) Traditional Appeals

All appeals are subject to local district approval. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

3.) Special Endorsements

Honors: A student earns a computed average of at least 90 on the Regents Exams applicable to either a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation. No more than 2 Department approved alternatives can be substituted for Regents Exams. The locally developed Checkpoint B examination in World Languages is <u>not</u> included in the calculation.

Mastery in Math and/or Science: A student meets all the requirements for a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND earns a score of 85 or better on 3 math Regents Exams and/or 3 science Regents Exams.

Technical Endorsement: A student meets the requirements for either a local diploma, a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND successfully completes a Department approved CTE program including the 3-part technical assessment.

Seal of Biliteracy: A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Biliteracy.

Seal of Civic Readiness: A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Civic Readiness.

Reference the <u>Endorsements and Seals webpage</u> or <u>NYS Diploma/Credential Requirements</u> for additional information related to awarding special endorsements to students with exam exemptions due to COVID-19.

4.) World Languages Exemption

Students with a disability may be excused from the required units of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate. Such student who seeks a Regents diploma with advanced designation does NOT have to complete the 5-unit sequence in the Arts or CTE in lieu of the sequence in World Languages in order to meet the assessment requirements for the advanced diploma.

5.) Superintendent Determination of a Local Diploma

Students with a disability who are unable to attain a local diploma through the various safety net provisions may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma under certain conditions. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

6.) Flexibilities due to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

Exemptions: Students granted an exemption from any exam due to COVID-19 are not required to pass such specific exam to meet the assessment requirements for any diploma type. Reference the following FAQs: <u>June/August 2020</u>, <u>January 2021</u>, <u>June/August 2021</u>, and January 2022

Special Appeals: Eligible students may use lower scores (50-64) on Regents Exams taken during the 2021-22 or 2022-23 school year to meet the assessment requirements for any diploma type. Reference: Special Appeals Memo and FAQ.

Special Determination: Students who are scheduled to graduate in June 2022 and either do not qualify for a Special Appeal or who are unable to participate in one or more required Regents Exam(s) because of illness, including isolation restrictions due to COVID, may request a Special Determination to Graduate with a Local Diploma in June 2022.

7.) Exemptions from the Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework)

Eligible students shall be granted an exemption from the June 2022, August 2022, or January 2023 Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework). Reference: FAQ on Cancellation of Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework)

Assessment Requirements

	_	S Diploma for Students	Regents Diploma via Appeal for All Students		Local Diploma via Appeal for All Students		Local Diploma for Students with a Disability		Local Diploma via Appeal for English Language Learners	
REGENTS EXAM or passing score on a Department approved alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score
English Language Arts (ELA)	1	65 [!]	1	1 Regents exam with a score of 60-64 for which an appeal has	1		1	55*^	1	Either the ELA Regents exam
Math	1	65 [!]	1		1	2 Regents exams	1	55*^	1	with a score of 55-59 for which an appeal has been granted by
Science	1	65 [!]	1		1	with a score of 60-64 for which	1	55*^	1	the district, and all remaining
Social Studies	1	65 [!]	1			1	appeals have	1	55*^	1
Pathway (See note 1 on reverse side)	1 or CDOS	65 [!] if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS	been granted by the district and all remaining Regents exams with a score of 65' or above	1 or CDOS	been granted by the district and all remaining Regents exams with a score of 65' or above	1 or CDOS	55*^ if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS	exam with a score of 60-64 and the ELA Regents with a score of 55-59 for which appeals have been granted for both by the district, and the remaining Regents exams with a score of 65' or above †
Compensatory Safety Net	Non-Applicable Non-Applicable		Non-Applicable		Scores of 45-54 on any required Regents exam (except ELA and Mathematics) can be compensated by a score of 65! or above on another required Regents exam including ELA and Mathematics.		Non-Applicable			

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Students seeking the Regents diploma with advanced designation must:

- Meet the credit and assessment requirements for a Regents diploma; and
- Pass two additional Regents exams or Department approved alternatives in mathematics; and
- Pass one additional Regents exam or Department approved alternative in science
 - students seeking advanced designation must pass at least one Regents exam or
 Department approved alternative in both sciences (one life and one physical); and
- Complete a sequence:
 - earn an additional 2 units of credit in World Languages and pass a locally developed Checkpoint B World Languages examination, or
 - complete a 5 unit sequence in the Arts, or
 - o complete a 5 unit sequence in CTE.

Assessment Combinations for Advanced Designation

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Traditional Combination	ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government, 3 mathematics, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments			
Pathway Combination (other than STEM)	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science), 1 Pathway (other than science or math) = 7 (+Pathway) or 8 assessments.			
STEM (Mathematics) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 4 math [‡] , 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.			
STEM (Science) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 3 science (at least 1 life science, at least 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.			

^{*} A student with a disability may appeal scores between 52 and 54 on up to two Regents examinations in any discipline and graduate with the local diploma. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for Students with Disabilities.

[^] In the event a student with a disability is unable to attain a passing score on any Regents examination, the student may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma. Reference <u>Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination</u>.

[†] English Language Learners seeking an appeal for a score of 55-59 on the ELA Regents Exam are only eligible if they entered the United States in grade 9 or after and were classified as an English Language Learner when they took the test the second time. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for English Language Learners.

[‡] The 4th mathematics examination can be selected from the list of Department Approved Alternative Examinations.

¹ For the purposes of determining a student's diploma type, exemptions and Special Appeals should be considered passing scores. Both exemptions and Special Appeals may be applied to all diploma types.

For Code of Conduct information and Athletic Schedules, please visit our website at www.rccsd.org or scan the QR Code.



DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Notice is hereby given that the Red Creek Central School District, pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, declares the following as "directory information" as provided in said act, and that information relating to students may be made public if said information is in any of the following categories:

Name; contact information; birthday announcements; enrollment status (e.g. undergraduate or graduate, full time or part time); major field of study; grade level; participation in officially recognized activities and sports; weight and height (if members of athletic teams); honors, degrees, and awards received; photograph; student work; and the name of the educational agency most recently previously attended by the student.

Any parent of any student in the district, or an eligible student, may refuse to let the district release any or all of the information designated as directory information, including to military recruiters, by notifying the principal of the school in which said student attends of the parent's or eligible student's desire that none of the above information may be released without the parent's or eligible student's consent, provided that such written notification is given the principal within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. The rights are:

- 1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records;
- 2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records;
- 3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records;
- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the district to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

If you have questions or would like further information on FERPA, please contact Danielle A. DeBiase, School Business Administrator, 315-754-2017.

SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION

Information on sex offenders is available from the Red Creek CSD website: click on the Parent tab at www.rccsd.org. On this web page there are search tools for New York State, Wayne County, and Cayuga County offenders. The NYS Sex Offender Registry Information Line is 800-262-3257. If you have any concerns, please contact the Superintendent's office. The free MobilePatrol app is available for smart phones for information and alerts.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND COMPLIANCE

In accordance with the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) federal legislation, the Red Creek Central School District wishes to notify parents/guardians that all of Red Creek's classroom teachers are highly qualified and hold professional certification from the State of New York.

Parents will be contacted if an uncertified teacher, other than a short term substitute, is assigned to their child's class.

Parents/Guardians who have questions regarding the qualifications of their children's teachers and teacher assistants providing services to students may find information on the State Education Department's web site (www.highered.nysed.gov). After accessing the site, go to Online Teacher Certification Verification.

Parents/guardians may also request information about a teacher's qualifications by sending a letter to Matthew S. VanOrman, Superintendent of Schools, at the District Office, P.O. Box 190, Red Creek, NY 13143.

PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (PPRA)

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) requires Red Creek Central School to notify you and allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas:

- 1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
- 2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
- 3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
- 4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
- Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
- Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as lawyers, doctors, or ministers:
- 7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
- 8. Income, other than as required by the law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes and certain physical exams and screenings. Please contact Danielle A. DeBiase, School Business Administrator, at 315-754-2011 for an opt-out form.

HEALTH SERVICES

Red Creek Central School is staffed by two full-time registered nurses. The nurse is available to discuss any student health concerns or related items with parents. They also maintain health records, treat injuries, administer sight, hearing, and scoliosis tests, initiate insurance claims, and assist school physicians with student physicals.

FIRST AID CARE

The school nurse is responsible for first aid care of children who are injured or become ill during the school day. In such an emergency, every effort is made to contact a family member.

The success of this procedure is dependent upon accurate information from parents. Emergency Medical Forms are sent home each September and should be returned immediately. If the information on telephone number, address, or physician changes during the school year, the school nurse should be notified immediately.

IMMUNIZATIONS

State public health laws require immunization against preventable diseases before children are allowed to enter and attend public schools. The only exceptions are from a physician or religious exemptions granted on the basis of membership in a bonafide religious organization which prohibits immunizations. Immunizations required in New York State are:

- *Polio--3-4 doses:
- *DPT (Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus)--4-5 doses;
- *Tdap--1 dose:
- *MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)--1-2 doses;
- *Hepatitis B--3 doses;
- *HIB--1-4 doses:
- *PCV--1-4 doses:
- *Varicella--1-2 doses;
- *Meningococcal--1-2 doses.

For complete, specific information regarding immunization requirements, go to www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf or contact the school nurse at 315-754-2156.

ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

School physicals are required for grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 as well as new entrants. It is recommended these physicals be done by the student's own doctor and the nurse's office has forms to be filled out by the doctor. These forms are due upon entrance to these grade levels.

The nurse must receive the completed form within 30 days of entrance to these grade levels or a school physical will be scheduled.

Schools are now required to include a Body Mass Index (BMI) in a student's physical. Parents can choose, however, to opt out of the BMI requirement. See the school nurse for the opt-out form.

MEDICINE IN SCHOOL

For your protection, school officials are not allowed by law to give medicine to students. The nurse is permitted to give medicine to students if it is necessary for the child to have medicine during school hours. This can be done only if the following conditions are met:

- Medicine will be given in school only upon written orders from the doctor. This includes all over-thecounter medications. The order is to be given to the school nurse. Forms are available in the Health Office;
- Parents/guardians must be able to provide written permission for the nurse to give the medicine;
- 3. Medications must be brought to school by parent;
- Students may carry medications on their persons only with doctor and school nurse approval;
- 5.The medication is to be in the drug store container, labeled with directions and the child's name. Ask the druggist to make up two containers--one for the school Health Office with medication and an empty one with the child's name and instructions for field trips:
- No changes in dose or frequency can be made without a doctor's written order;
- A new order for medicine must be written by the doctor at the beginning of each new school year;
- 8. These rules apply to all medication, even Tylenol, cough syrup, and other over-the-counter medicines.

There will be no exceptions made to these rules. The nurse will refuse to give any medicines without doctor orders and parent permission. Students are not permitted to carry medicines to avoid getting the necessary authorizations. Such medicines will be immediately confiscated.

Students found to be in possession or using such medicines without proper authorization will be subject to school discipline and, if appropriate, legal action. The possession or use of unauthorized substances at school is a serious health concern that may have life-or-death consequences.

The medication policy requires the communication of clear expectations about student responsibility by both school officials and parents.

Please help us by adhering to these procedures.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

Physicals for athletic participation are required by state law. The school physician has absolute authority to determine the physical capability of a student to participate in a sport during the school year. Students are required to have a physical examination each year prior to participating in a sport. It is highly recommended that this physical be done by the student's own doctor. Students will be required to be recertified for each sport they participate in.

Dates and times are announced when the school physician will conduct athletic physicals at no charge. Students are responsible to follow the sign-up procedures within the time frame established by the athletic director and the school nurse. Students who do not follow this procedure will be required to schedule their own physicals at their own expense.

SCHOOL HEALTH SCREENING

New York State mandates vision and hearing screenings on all new entrants to the district and in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11. Scoliosis screening will be done for girls in grades 5 and 7 and boys in grade 9.

CARE AND CONTROL OF ILLNESS OR INJURY WHILE IN SCHOOL

Students who become ill or are injured at school should report to the nurse's office. The school nurse will determine whether or not the student remains in school. Parents are expected to make provisions for transportation and care of children who are injured or too ill to remain in school. It is imperative that the school know where to contact parents at all times during the day in the event of an emergency.

SCHOOL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Students injured at school are first subject to any insurance coverage which their family may have. The school district has voluntarily purchased a student accident policy which may cover some expenses when students are injured at school. This is only a basic policy that provides limited coverage for families without insurance and for injuries which might not be covered or are partially covered by a family's policy. As in most accidents, medical expenses not covered by insurance become the parents' responsibility. Any bus-related injury, according to NYS Law, must first be submitted to the parents' auto insurance. If your child is injured at school, please be sure that the school nurse has been informed or notified.

DISTRICT STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY-SUMMARY

(Complete copies are available in the Parent/Student Handbook or any school office)

Description of Strategies to Meet Objectives

The School District will:

- a. Establish and maintain a positive school building culture by fostering a positive physical and psychological environment where the presence of strong adult role models encourages respectful and nurturing interactions between adult role models and students. This positive school culture is aimed at encouraging a high level of student bonding to the school which in turn should lead to increased attendance.
- Maintain accurate recordkeeping via a Register of Attendance to record attendance, absence, tardiness, or early departure of each student.
- Develop early intervention strategies to improve school attendance for all students.

Determination of Excused and Unexcused Absences, Tardiness, and Early Departures

Based upon our District's education and community needs, values, and priorities, the School District has determined that absences, tardiness, and early departures will be considered excused or unexcused according to the following standards:

- a. Excused: An absence, tardiness, or early departure may be excused if due to personal illness, illness or death in the family, impassable roads due to inclement weather, religious observance, quarantine, required court appearances, attendance at health clinics, approved college visits, approved work programs, military obligations, or other such reasons as may be approved by the Board of Education. Excuses must be received within five school days to be considered an excused absence.
- b. Unexcused: An absence, tardiness, or early departure is considered unexcused if the reason for the lack of attendance does not fall into the above categories (e.g., family vacation, shopping, hunting, babysitting, hair cut, obtaining learner's permit, road test, oversleeping, tanning appointment, working, fishing).

Notice of Students who are Absent, Tardy, or Depart Early Without Proper Excuse

A designated staff member shall notify by telephone the parent/person in parental relation to a student who is absent or departs early without proper excuse. The staff member shall explain the District's Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy, the District/building-level intervention procedures, and, if appropriate, the relationship between student attendance and course credit. If the parent/person in parental relation cannot be reached by telephone or answering machine, the staff member will provide such notification by mail. Tardies to school without proper excuse will be reported to parents by mail.

On the 10th absence or multiple thereof, or at any time deemed necessary by appropriate school officials, or if requested by the parent/person in parental relation, a school conference shall be scheduled in order to address the student's attendance. The student may also be requested to attend this conference in order to address appropriate intervention strategies that best meet the needs of the student.

Student Attendance/Course Credit (Grades 9-12 only)

The District believes that classroom participation is related to and affects a student's performance and grasp of the subject matter and, as such, is properly reflected in a student's final grade. For purposes of this policy, classroom participation means that a student is in class and prepared to work.

Consequently, for each marking period a certain percentage of a student's final grade will be based on classroom participation as well as the student's performance on homework, tests, papers, projects, etc. as determined by the building administrator and/or classroom teacher.

Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes. Consistent with the importance of classroom participation, unexcused student absences, tardiness, and early departures will affect a student's grade, including credit for classroom participation, for the marking period.

Transfer students and students re-enrolling after having dropped out will be expected to attend a prorated minimum number of the scheduled class meetings during their time of enrollment.

Students will be considered in attendance if the student is:

a. physically present in the classroom or working under the direction of the classroom

- teacher during the class scheduled meeting time; or
- working pursuant to an approved independent study program; or
- receiving approved alternate instruction.

Students who are absent from class due to their participation in a school-sponsored activity are to arrange with their teachers to make up any work missed within two days or receive a zero for missed work. Attendance at school-sponsored events where instruction is substantially equivalent to the instruction which was missed shall be counted as the equivalent of regular attendance in class.

Students absent from class for an educational reason (i.e. instrumental music lessons, field trip, etc.) will not be considered absent from class. All classwork must be made up. (The principal shall determine which school activities will not count as an absence for loss of credit.)

Arrangements must be made in advance for make-up work.

Students absent from class will receive a zero for work missed. Work must be made up within two school days. When work is not made up, the zero will stand as the grade.

Upon returning to school following a properly excused absence, tardiness, or early departure, it shall be the responsibility of the student to consult with his/her teacher(s) regarding arrangements to make up missed work, assignments, and/or tests in accordance with the time schedule specified by the teacher.

To ensure due process, the implementation of this general attendance policy will be as follows:

- (a) After the 5th absence in a half-credit course and the 10th absence in a full credit course, the teacher will notify the student of Paragraph c (below).
- (b) After the 8th absence in a half-credit course and the 16th absence in a full credit course, the teacher will speak to the student, telephone and send a letter home to the parent, and notify the principal.
- (c) On the 14th absence in a half-credit course and the 28th absence in a full credit course, the student will be denied credit for the course. Once a student is denied course credit the student must remain in class and be in good standing in order for the principal to approve summer school. The principal has the final say in placement of the student.

Recovery of credit lost due to excessive absence is allowable as per Board policy.

Note--Challenging a Course: Students challenging a course are exempt from the denial of course credit section of this policy.

Disciplinary Consequences

Unexcused absences, tardiness, or early departures will result in disciplinary sanctions as described in the District's Code of Conduct. Consequences may include, but are not limited to, school suspension, detention, and denial of participation in interscholastic and extracurricular activities. Parents/persons in parental relation will be notified by District personnel at periodic intervals to discuss their child's absences, tardiness, or early departures and the importance of class attendance and appropriate interventions. Individual buildings/graded levels will address procedures to implement the notification process to the parent/person in parental relation.

Athletes' Attendance Rule

On the day of an athletic contest, a student must be in school by 11:30 am in order to participate in the event. On the day after an athletic contest the athlete must attend school. If the athlete does not attend school the day after the contest, the athlete will be ineligible for the next contest. Only legal absences (doctor's excuse) and tardies will be accepted as proof for next contest eligibility.

ACADEMIC ELIGIBILITY POLICY

The following statement defines the Red Creek Central School District's rules, regulations, and policies as they pertain to a student's eligibility to participate in extracurricular activities.

Students in Grades 6-12 may be declared ineligible for participation in extracurricular activities for failing classes (Incomplete and Unsatisfactory are considered failing grades). Extracurricular activities are those recognized as athletic or noncredit bearing. This includes interscholastic athletics, clubs, intramurals, class and school-sanctioned activities, i.e., dances, school plays, and sporting events.

Students and parents are strongly encouraged to carefully review the Parent/Student Handbook for further details of the policy and procedures.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE FOR NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The compliance officer for Title IX, Section 504, and other grievances related to student activities is the CSE/CPSE Chairperson, Amanda Ventura telephone: 315-754-2045. The compliance officer for all employee-related activities is the School Business Administrator, Danielle A. DeBiase, telephone: 315-754-2016. Both can be contacted at the school district offices, P.O. Box 190, Red Creek. New York, 13143.

The compliance officer, upon request, will provide a copy of the district's grievance procedure to any employee, student, or other covered person.

A copy of each of the Acts and Regulations upon which this notice is based will be made available upon written request to the district compliance officer.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Red Creek Central School District, in accordance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act, or the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, age, marital or veteran status, or disability. The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide an environment free from harassment and intimidation in the educational programs or activities it operates.

We do not permit discrimination by employees, school volunteers, students and non-employees such as contractors and vendors, as well as any third parties participating in, observing, or otherwise engaged in activities subject to the supervision of the district. This includes recruitment and employment practices, pay and benefits, counseling services for students, access by students to educational programs, courses, and activities. The Board also prohibits harassment based upon an individual's opposition to the discrimination or participation in a related investigation or complaint proceeding under the anti-discrimination statutes.

This policy of non-discrimination and anti-harassment will be enforced on school district premises, in school buildings, and at all school sponsored events, programs, and activities, including those that take place off school premises. Inquiries or complaints should be forwarded to the Superintendent of Schools.



Of our noble Alma Mater, Loyally we sing, In the hearts of every student, May her praises ring.

Red Creek Central stand and cheer her, May her fame ne'er die. While we live we'll always cherish, Happy days gone by.

COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM

Red Creek Central School District has been approved to participate in the Community Eligibility Program, which operates under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. It will allow all students to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge for the 2024-2025 school year.

In order to continue to provide this opportunity and the many other services Red Creek Schools are able to give our students, we are asking families to complete and return the Income Eligibility Form. The information you provide will be used to establish eligibility for state aid, grants, discounted college tuition, and other state and federally run programs. The Income Eligibility Form can be found on our website rccsd.org under "Food Services" or simply scan the QR code below.

If you have any further questions, please contact Pamela Gallant at 315-754-2062 or the District Office at 315-754-2010.



COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM



IMPORTANT LINKS



TRANSPORTATION





BOCES TECH CENTER





FOOD SERVICE





CHAIN OF CONTACT











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