



THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

IMPORTANT DATES

SEPTEMBER

- 06 Back to School Night,
ES: 4:30-5:30 p.m., HS: 5:30-6:30 p.m.
- 07 First Day of School for Students
- 09 ACT
- 12 BOE Meeting, 6:00 p.m., HS Library
- 21 Booster Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.

OCTOBER

- 06 Supt. Conf. Day, No School
- 07 SAT
- 09 Columbus Day, No School
- 10 BOE Meeting, 6:00 p.m., ES Library
- 10-13 ES HS Spirit Week
- 12 Financial Aid Planning Night, 6:30 p.m.,
HS Cafeteria
- 13 Jr./Sr. HS Progress Reports Mailed
- 18 PSAT, 8:00 a.m., Remsen Chrome Lab
- 19 Booster Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 26 SAT, 8:00 a.m., Remsen Chrome Lab
- 28 ACT
- 31 ES Parade of Costumes, 1:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 04 SAT
- 09 Veterans Day Performances
- 10 Veterans Day Observed, No School
- 13 HS Picture Day
- 14 ES Picture Day
- 14 BOE Meeting, 6:00 p.m., ES Library
- 16 Booster Club Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 17 Jr./Sr. HS Report Cards Mailed
- 18-19 Area All-State, Phoenix HS
- 22-24 Thanksgiving Recess, No School



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CALENDAR

For the complete District calendar, schedule of upcoming events and more

District news, please visit:

www.remsencsd.org

- VISION STATEMENT -

Remsen Central School District forever aspires to be a unique, distinguished, welcoming learning community that fosters a growth mindset and essential traits of great character. RCS will remain dedicated to cultivating and supporting each student's individual abilities and interests as they confidently work to realize their full potential to lead happy, healthy, successful lives. All Remsen students will Soar to Success.

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Many people often refer to Remsen Central School as a hidden gem. A small school nestled away in the foothills of the Adirondacks that humbly grows extremely successful, hardworking individuals. A school that offers academic programs and extracurricular opportunities to provide all students with a diverse range of quality learning experiences. This, paired with a community that recognizes and celebrates hard work, kindness, and the importance of a successful education is what makes Remsen so special. The solid foundation and relationships that students build at our school and in our greater community enables our graduates to define their own success to lead happy, healthy, successful lives. Most importantly, our school would not be the hidden gem that it is today without your support. Together, we can motivate and inspire students and adults to be great people and to do great things. Thank you. You are appreciated!

Summer has been very productive here at RCS! Mr. Roberts, the custodial/grounds team, and our student workers have been busy with summer cleaning, painting and maintenance. Our exciting student summer programs and camps were a success. Interviews, schedules, planning, and preparation charge forward in the offices and all of our administrative assistants continue to do an outstanding job. Our transportation team members have been preparing for the upcoming school year. Our BOCES food service team is preparing to serve all students free breakfast and lunch for 2023-2024, and our instructional team is gearing up for the best year yet. We also welcome an enthusiastic cohort of new team members. Please be sure to read about them in this newsletter!

The intermediate wing in the elementary building received new lockers this spring through our 2022-2023 Capital Outlay Project. This fall our 4th, 5th, and 6th grade students will be the first students to use them! Through the ARP grant funding we have ordered brand new student classroom furniture district-wide. Our students deserve comfortable, spacious, flexible seating and work areas. Additionally, the high school cafeteria will receive brand new student chairs and some new seating options. The new student furniture is expected in October. We are very excited for our students! We also applied for and were selected for a cafeteria grant that will outfit the high school cafeteria with a brand new serving line. Great things are happening every day!

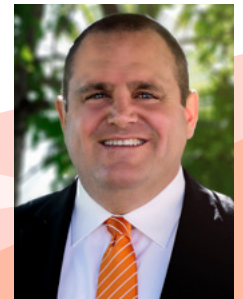
This fall we will be sharing information on the next proposed Capital Improvement Project and the upcoming public referendum for the same. This proposed project will focus on repair and replacement of essential items at both buildings and the bus garage, including windows/lintels, HVAC, plumbing, replacement of all old classroom carpet and flooring with new flooring, first floor restroom renovations at the high school, and reconstruction of parking lots and drives. Drainage improvements for the varsity soccer field, refinishing of the high school gymnasium floor, replacement of stage/pit lights, and a new stage and gymnasium sound system are also included. It is essential that we maintain RCS to ensure that we continue to provide students with a safe, welcoming school district that is able to offer outstanding learning opportunities and experiences, for many generations to come. More detailed project information will be shared very soon!

As we ready to start out a new school year together, let's celebrate all of the reasons we have to call **Remsen our school, our home!** We look forward to seeing everyone soon and we certainly can't wait to see our students once again! As always, we will do what it takes to ensure that Remsen Central School continues to **Soar to Success.**

It is an honor and a privilege to be your Superintendent. Here's to a great school year ahead!

Sincerely,

Timothy Jenny | Superintendent



DEAR REMSEN FAMILIES,



Welcome back! I hope you enjoyed your summer and were able to spend time with your family and friends. I am looking forward to seeing everyone in September for the start of a great year!

I am excited to start another year with our students and cannot wait to see what great things they will accomplish this year. A new school year means a fresh start and an opportunity for growth. I encourage all students to consider how they can become involved this year. This might mean participating more in class, trying out for athletics, or joining a club. Athletics, clubs, and school programs are great ways to become even more a part of our community. I am happy to announce that we will again have the Rams Can Soar program before and after school, as well as time for students to use the Fitness Center.

We will also continue traditions that have been established such as the Thanksgiving Breakfast, Honor Roll Celebrations, Ram Ticket Drawings, Snowball Dance, Post-Graduation Plan Celebration, High School Olympic Day, and the Academic Awards Celebration, among others. I look forward to celebrating our students!

High School Back-to-School Night is on September 6 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and it is a wonderful opportunity to talk to the teachers and high school staff, see the building, and try out your locker. I look forward to seeing new and current students, as well as family members at this event.

Please contact me with any questions. We are here to support you. I look forward to seeing our students Soar to Success again this year!

Sincerely,

Sanya Pelrah

Sanya Pelrah | Jr./Sr. High School Principal

**Thank you to our generous donors for helping
to make the senior fireworks celebration possible!**

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The Tim and Colleen Jenny Family
The Joel and Kelly Hajdasz Family



**THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR**

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION, PLEASE VISIT THE EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES SECTION AT WWW.REMSENCSD.ORG

**THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS
CURRENTLY ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR**

SCHOOL BUS DRIVERS

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO RECIEVE AN APPLICATION,
PLEASE CALL US AT 315.205.4300

DEAR REMSEN FAMILIES,



The beginning of a new school year is an exciting time for everyone. Each new year brings with it new experiences and new opportunities – new teachers, new students, new classes and new adventures in learning. In addition to all of the “news” and the “firsts” are the familiar faces and the welcome routines of the school year. Together, the new and the familiar are what make the beginning of the school year a very special time. The summer has been wonderful, but I am very excited for the new school year to begin! I am looking forward to the 2023-2024 school year and the great time that we will have learning together at Remsen Elementary School!

Throughout this summer, the elementary school has been very busy with a variety of summer enrichment programs and activities. Our STEAM camp included a variety of experiments, projects and challenges for students to engage in. Our Kindergarten Kickstart! program offered some of our youngest Rams the opportunity to spend time with their peers while engaging in fun academic activities to give them a “kick start” in preparation for kindergarten. All of our summer programs have provided students with an opportunity to connect with teachers and peers while practicing academic skills and engaging in fun enrichment activities. A special thank you to the teachers and staff that planned, prepared and worked to make our summer programs successful.

We have many great events, activities and opportunities to be excited about for this coming school year. This year we will be continuing our work with the Positivity Project, a positive character education program that is incorporated into each school day to teach students about 24 positive character strengths. We are also planning to participate together in a One School, One Book reading event again this year. In addition to these exciting opportunities, we have all of the wonderful events and activities that we typically enjoy throughout the school year.

Our first day of school for students will be Thursday, September 7th. Before then, I look forward to seeing everyone at our “Back to School Night” on Wednesday, September 6th. Our Back to School Night will begin at 4:30 p.m. in the elementary school. Please join us that evening to visit the school and have the opportunity to see your child’s classroom and meet their teacher. We also encourage students to bring their school supplies to the Back to School Night so that they can be left in the classroom before the first day of school.

As always, if you ever have any comments, questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out. It is only in working together that we will be able to provide the best for the students of Remsen Elementary School.

Sincerely,

Gary M. Winghart Jr.

Gary M. Winghart Jr. | Elementary School Principal



ALL REMSEN STUDENTS

EAT FOR FREE*



DURING THE 2023-2024
SCHOOL YEAR

*Under the Community Eligibility Provision

Congratulations

CLASS OF 2023!

At the 124th Annual Commencement at Remsen Central School on June 23, the 27 students in the class of 2023 became high school graduates. Family and friends gathered at the ceremony to celebrate the students' years of hard work and academic success.

Remarks were made during the ceremony by Superintendent of Schools Mr. Timothy Jenny, high school science teacher Mr. Daniel O'Bryan, Board of Education President Mrs. Mary Lou Allen and high school science and math teacher Mr. John Glass. The salutatory address was given by Julia Dening and the valedictory address was given by Grace Hajdasz.

Senior awards and scholarships were then presented to students by Mr. Jenny and Secondary Principal Mrs. Sanya Pelrah. Following the presentation of awards, the moment students and their families had been waiting for arrived as each senior walked across the stage to receive their diploma.

The turning of the tassel was then led by Joshua Jordan, senior class vice president, and the students in the class of 2023 were officially declared high school graduates. A fireworks celebration was held later in the evening to celebrate the graduates' accomplishments with friends and family.

Congratulations to the class of 2023 and best of luck in your future endeavors!



STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN RAMS SUMMER ACADEMY



During the week of July 17-20, Remsen Elementary students participated in the RAMS Summer Academy.

During the program, students engaged in various activities including math and reading exercises, card games and bingo. Students created lasting relationships with their peers and teachers throughout the week and look forward to returning to school in the fall.



6th grade GRADUATION

On June 22, students in the class of 2029 celebrated the end of their elementary school years with a Sixth Grade Graduation ceremony.

Remarks were made during the ceremony by Elementary Principal Mr. Gary Winghart, Mrs. Hollenbeck and Ms. Morrison. Awards were presented to students by Mr. Winghart and the sixth grade teachers, then each student walked across the stage to receive their sixth grade diploma. Diplomas were presented by Miss Kistowski, Superintendent of Schools Mr. Timothy Jenny and Mr. Winghart.

The sixth grade chorus then performed a song for the attending family and friends, and the ceremony concluded with remarks made by Mr. Jenny.

Congratulations to each of the sixth grade students and best of luck at the Remsen Jr./Sr. High School!



REMSEN ELEMENTARY STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN

NYS SHERIFF'S Summer Camp

On July 30, eight Remsen Elementary students headed to Keuka Lake for the New York State Sheriff's Summer Camp. Brody Caplicki, Elijah Dietrick, Khole Erb, Serenity Hinkley, Dallas Jacobs, Hallie Mulligan, Denver Walker and Blake Worden were selected to go. Students enjoyed camp activities such as archery, sailing, canoeing, hiking, crafts and talent shows. They also experienced various demonstrations by deputy sheriffs including scuba diving, K-9 handling, bicycle safety and boating safety.



JV/VARSITY ATHLETIC AWARD CEREMONY



On June 8, the Remsen Central School District held a JV/Varsity Athletic Awards Ceremony in the high school gymnasium. The awards ceremony featured the presentation of varsity letters, Scholar-Athlete team awards (School of Excellence Award and the CSC Scholar Athlete Award) and Section III Scholar-Athlete Representatives Awards. Additionally, the coaches of each team for the fall, winter and spring sports seasons delivered speeches and trophies to the students. The coaches' awards recognized students' growth as individuals, team players and athletes.

The Remsen CSD is proud to announce that four of their five teams qualified for the New York State Scholar Athlete Team Award during the spring 2022-23 season. To receive Scholar-Athlete team recognition with a certificate, the team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90. We wish the seniors well in the next chapter of their lives and we are thrilled to continue watching our student-athletes grow.



Julia Dening and Benjamin Staskoski NAMED SECTION III SCHOLAR-ATHLETES



The Section III Scholar-Athlete Award program annually recognizes two high school seniors (one male and one female) from each member high school whose academic and athletic careers have been exemplary, whose personal standards and achievements are a model to others, and who possess high levels of integrity, self-discipline and courage. Nominated students must have met the criteria of at least a 90 percent grade point average and have participated in at least two varsity sports during their junior and senior years.

Since its inception, the annual Scholar-Athlete Award program has honored over 4,000 graduating seniors. Every year, Section III looks forward to the opportunity to recognize students who excel in academics, athletics, school and community activities. Athletes who are selected will be awarded an individual plaque acknowledging their accomplishments along with a financial scholarship donated by Coca Cola, Orthopedic East and Section III Athletics.

This year, Section III hosted the 34th annual Scholar-Athlete Awards dinner and recognition ceremony at the SRC Arena on the Onondaga Community College campus on Monday, June 12.

Representing Remsen Central School for the class of 2023 are Julia Dening and Benjamin Staskoski.

Congratulations on your exemplary achievement!

Boys Track and Field

WIN THIRD CLASS D SECTIONAL TITLE IN FOUR YEARS

On May 26, Remsen's Boys Track and Field team was crowned 2023 Section III Class D champions by defeating their nearest competitor by over 50 points! The victory was a true team effort.

Boys placing in the top three were: Matt Murphy in the 100; Ben Staskoski in the 100, 200 and first place in the 400; Ethan Karis in the 1600 and 800; Ean Piaschyk with first place in the 3200; Zach Helmer in the 110 hurdles, triple jump and long jump; Dylan Jones in high jump and pole vault; Charles Deland in high jump; Grady Helmer in long jump; Owen Long in the shot put with a new school record; and the 4x400 team of Grady Helmer, Ethan Karis, Taylor Hollenbeck and Ben Staskoski.

Your dedication and hard work is admirable. Your coaches are very proud of you! Congratulations Ben and Ean on your individual championships!



NEW YORK STATE SCHOLAR-ATHLETE Team award

At the end of each sports season, the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) honors teams and individuals that excel in the classroom. Those student-athletes, teams and schools work very hard throughout the year and deserve to be recognized for their academic success. To receive Scholar-Athlete team recognition with a certificate, the team's average GPA for 75% of the roster must be greater than or equal to 90. This means that 75% of the roster is averaged with the student-athletes' GPAs.

The Remsen Central School District is proud to announce that several teams qualified for the NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete team award during the spring of 2023: boys varsity track and field, girls varsity track and field, varsity golf, varsity softball and varsity baseball.

Congratulations to each of the teams on all of their hard work!



ACADEMIC AWARDS *Celebration*

On June 1, Remsen students and families gathered for the Jr./Sr. High School Academic Awards Ceremony where students received academic achievement and scholarship awards.

Senior Grace Hajdasz was awarded the evening's most prestigious Soar to Success Award. This award was given to Grace for demonstrating a love and passion for the Remsen community, working for the community's betterment and growth and for acting as a positive role model to younger students. Grace embodies the true meaning of Soar to Success.

A special thank you goes to the Remsen Alumni Association for their monetary awards, which are given to students with excellent grades across all courses, who are also active in school functions and supportive of their teachers and peers.

Congratulations to all students who were recognized during the Remsen Jr./Sr. High School Academic Awards Ceremony. The District is very proud of the hard work and dedication of each student and looks forward to witnessing their continued success.

The following students received awards during the ceremony:

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| Imagin Aiken | Isabella Lalyer |
| Shianne Austin | Olivia Lalyer |
| Frank Austin | Nathan Leska |
| Andrew Becker | Owen Long |
| Benjamin Becker | Matthew Murphy |
| Greta Burdell | Taylor Nelson |
| Zoey Coe | Michael Nelson |
| Isabella Colón | Skylie O'Connor-Russo |
| Jaydin Corn | Owen Piaschyk |
| Julia Dening | Ean Piaschyk |
| Wyatt Ehart | Chase Poczatek |
| McKayla Finn | Madelyn Prosser |
| Teaghan Fox | Jeweliet Pruitt |
| Evalyn Gates | Wyatt Rapson |
| Sabrina Gates | Ava Russo |
| En Xi Guo | Brian Secor |
| Grace Hajdasz | Ellie Secor |
| Marissa Hefner | Noah Skermont |
| Matthew Helmer | Emily Spatto |
| Zachary Helmer | Benjamin Staskoski |
| Brooklyn Helmer | Matthew Tavenner |
| Logan Houck | Colton Walker |
| Keara Hyde | Leila Ward |
| Trent Jenny | Hayden White |
| Dylan Jones | Makayla Wilcox |
| Joshua Jordan | Shawna Williams |
| Ethan Karis | |
| Marissa Karis | |



TOP SENIORS

SUNDAES WITH THE BOARD

On June 13, we celebrated the Top Seniors Sundaes with the Board.

To achieve Top Senior status, students must have a 90% or higher GPA which is cumulative for their high school career. They put in hard work and dedication and deserve this recognition. Additionally, each Top Senior was asked to invite a Remsen teacher or staff member who has had the greatest positive impact on them during their school career. We concluded the evening with students, staff, families and Board of Education members enjoying sundaes sponsored by Stewart's Shops.

The 2023 Top Seniors include:

Grace Hajdasz - Valedictorian
Julia Dening - Salutatorian
Colleen Fox
Teaghan Fox
Sabrina Gates
Kyrian Hall
Marissa Hefner
Grady Helmer
Taylor Hollenbeck

Joshua Jordan
Mary-Jane Kranbuhl
Alexander McCormack
Matthew Murphy
Skylie O'Connor-Russo
Grace Shufelt
Noah Skermont
Benjamin Staskoski

Congratulations to each of the Top Seniors!



KINDERGARTEN CELEBRATION

On June 21, kindergarten students at Remsen Elementary celebrated the end of their school year with a kindergarten celebration. Family and friends were invited to attend the ceremony and celebrate the end of the students' first year of elementary school.

The ceremony began with the kindergarten class singing a song for their families that they had rehearsed. Students each received a kindergarten completion certificate and then watched a slideshow of photos from throughout the school year.

After the ceremony was complete, students were able to spend time with family and friends as they enjoyed dessert and refreshments.

Congratulations to the kindergarten class and best of luck in first grade!



SPRING SPORTS *Senior nights*



BASEBALL

On May 18, the varsity baseball team recognized its senior players ahead of the team's home game against Poland. Each of the senior athletes were recognized for their hard work not only on the team, but in their studies as well.

Congratulations to the following seniors: Grady Helmer, Kyrian Hall, Josh Jordan, Wyatt Singer, Noah Skermont, Ben Staskoski and Cole White.

Best of luck in your future endeavors!

SOFTBALL

On May 18, the varsity softball team held a senior recognition ceremony prior to their home game against Poland. The two senior members of the team were recognized for their hard work both on the team and in their studies.

Congratulations to Skylie O'Connor-Russo and Sabrina Gates. Best of luck in your future endeavors!



TRACK & FIELD

On May 9, track and field seniors were recognized prior to their meet. Best wishes to Grady Helmer, Taylor Hollenbeck, Josh Jordan, Matt Murphy, Ben Staskoski, Julia Dening, Grace Hajdasz, Marissa Hefner and Grace Shufelt on all of your future endeavors!



DISTRICT INFORMATION

PARENTS BILL OF RIGHTS FOR DATA PRIVACY AND SECURITY

Pursuant to Education Law section 2-d, the Remsen Central School District is now required to publish on the district website a parents bill of rights for data privacy and security and to include such information with every contract entered into with a third party contractor where the third party contractor receives student data or teacher or principal data.

To view the Remsen Central School District's Parents Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security, please visit www.remsencsd.org. It can be found in the For Parents section under Annual Notices.

BREACH OR UNAUTHORIZED RELEASE OF STUDENT DATA COMPLAINTS

The Remsen Central School District is dedicated to the protection of student data and to maintaining data security and privacy across the district. If you believe that a breach or unauthorized disclosure of student personally identifiable information has occurred, please complete the complaint form that may be found on our webpage and submit it in person to our Data Protection Officer, Sanya Pelrah. Any parent, eligible student (students who are at least 18 years of age or attending a postsecondary institution at any age), principal, teacher or employee of an educational agency may file a complaint. A complaint can also be submitted to the New York State Chief Privacy Officer using the online form.

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT (ESSA) PARENT DASHBOARD

The New York State Education Department (NYSED) developed the Parent Dashboard to increase transparency and make information about school performance and other school-level data easier for parents and the public to access. The Parent Dashboard is part of New York's Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) plan, which emphasizes equity in education for all students and expands measures of school accountability and student success. The Parent Dashboard provides parents with information about their child's school and is available in addition to the New York State School Report Card on NYSED's public data site. The Parent Dashboard offers information on all public schools including charter schools and can be found on the front of our Remsen Central School District webpage at www.remsencsd.org. Information may also be found at www.nysed.gov/essa/information-parents.

STUDENT PRIVACY FERPA NOTICE

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA) affords parents or "eligible students" (students who are over 18 years of age or enter a postsecondary educational institution) certain rights with respect to the student's education records. Those rights include:

- The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate, misleading or an invasion of the student's privacy rights.
- 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.
- The right to know that the District has designated the following information as directory information: student's name, parent's name, address, date and place of birth, telephone number, email address, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height of members of athletic teams, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, most recent previous educational agency attended by student, photograph, and video images of students engaged in routine activities.
- The right to file a complaint with the following office if you believe the District has violated your FERPA rights: Family Policy Compliance Office, US Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

Additionally, please be aware that:

- It is the District's policy to disclose education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, and;
- The District uses video surveillance cameras on school property and in school vehicles to maintain the physical security and safety of the campus.

To view the full Student Privacy FERPA Notice, please visit www.remsencsd.org. It can be found in the Our District section under Board of Education, then District Policies.



New Staff Spotlight



MR. CROSSETT
AUTOMOTIVE MECHANIC/BUS DRIVER

Mr. Crossett will be joining the district as an automotive mechanic and bus driver. He previously worked in the West Canada Central School District bus garage for nine years, then spent 12 years working with the Town of Trenton Highway Department. He also helps run his family's beef and hay farm in Newport. In his free time, he enjoys camping and hunting.



MR. SMITH
ELEMENTARY/HIGH SCHOOL ART TEACHER

Mr. Smith will be joining the Remsen team as the elementary and high school art teacher. Mr. Smith was born and raised in Jefferson County. He attended SUNY Jefferson before heading south to attend the University of Tennessee, where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees. Following college, Mr. Smith stayed in Knoxville for six years, teaching art. After his time in Tennessee, he returned to New York to reside and continue his teaching career. Most recently, Mr. Smith taught at the Town of Webb Union Free School District. Mr. Smith is excited to be a member of the Remsen team and to wear the Remsen orange (with some Tennessee orange mixed in, of course) proudly! GO RAMS!



MS. vanLIESHOUT
FIRST GRADE TEACHER

Miss vanLieshout graduated from Rome Free Academy in 2019. She earned her bachelor's degree in Childhood Education from SUNY Oneonta in May 2023. Miss vanLieshout has worked as a kindergarten teacher assistant in Rome City School District's summer program for three years and worked as a substitute teacher in Remsen for the 2022-23 school year. She completed her student teaching requirements here at Remsen in second and fourth grade. Miss vanLieshout looks forward to the opportunity to continue working with the students and staff of Remsen elementary.



MS. WILLIAMS
FOURTH GRADE TEACHER

Ms. Williams is excited to be a part of the Remsen team as a fourth grade teacher. Ms. Williams grew up locally, graduating from Holland Patent. Ms. Williams then went on to Utica University, graduating in December of 2022 with a degree in Psychology-Child Life and Early Childhood and Childhood Education. She has been a part of the Remsen School District for the past three years as she has been working to complete her fieldwork requirements for classes, complete her student teaching placements and has served as a substitute teacher. Outside of school, Ms. Williams enjoys refereeing field hockey and enjoys all outdoor activities. Some of her favorites include: pickleball, hiking, skiing and ice skating. Ms. Williams is looking forward to the new school year and the opportunity to be a part of the Remsen Elementary team.

ELEMENTARY OLYMPIC DAY

On June 20, Remsen Elementary School teachers and staff treated students to an Olympic Day event. During the fun-filled day, students engaged in activities such as dodgeball, sack races, tug-of-war and bike races. Students also enjoyed a picnic lunch outside with their teachers and classmates.

Thank you to everyone who made the Olympic Day a success!



HIGH SCHOOL OLYMPIC DAY



On June 2, Remsen Jr./Sr. High School held its annual Olympic Day. Students participated in various activities to earn points for their grade level. The seniors won the most points.



Motivation & PHYSICAL FITNESS CAMP

During the week of July 10-13, the Remsen Central School District held a Motivation and Physical Fitness Camp for students.

The camp featured all things fitness: pole vaulting, relay races, shot put and more. The students that joined in the program had a fun, activity-filled week. The District looks forward to continuing this program in the coming years.



Seventh Grade ORIENTATION

On June 8, sixth grade students came down to the Remsen Jr./Sr. High School for a visit in preparation of them becoming seventh graders in the fall. There was a panel of current seventh grade students who gave advice and answered questions about what is like to attend the high school. Students also ate a special lunch in the cafeteria, toured the building and were entered into a raffle for Remsen swag.



MRS. RAYNE IVES

named

2023 NEW YORK OUTSTANDING EARLY CAREER TEACHER



At the annual New York Association of Agricultural Educators (NYAAE) Business and Awards Meeting on June 21, Remsen agricultural science teacher Mrs. Rayne Ives was named the 2023 New York Outstanding Early Career Teacher.

The Outstanding Early Career Teacher award recognizes teachers in their third through seventh year of teaching and serves to encourage young teachers to remain in their profession. Mrs. Ives is currently in her sixth year of teaching. During that time, Mrs. Ives has obtained more than \$115,000 in grant funding to start Remsen Central School District's agricultural education program and continue its growth. Since the program's founding in 2018, she has continued to grow the program's FFA membership, class size, course offerings and community involvement.

"Rayne has worked tirelessly to build an outstanding program from the ground up and she has exceeded all expectations," said Superintendent of Schools Mr. Timothy Jenny.

According to NYAAE, Mrs. Ives understands that students require creative approaches to help them reach their full potential and she believes that educators must meet the needs of students as they are right now and for their future. NYAAE commended Mrs. Ives for being a prime example of what it means to be a dedicated and invested teacher in the lives of students.

Mrs. Ives was also one of the regional finalists to be named the National Association of Agricultural Educators Region 6 Outstanding Early Career Teacher.

Congratulations to Mrs. Ives and thank you for all you do for the Remsen Central School District community!

GRACE *Shufett*

Participates in SkillsUSA National Competition in Atlanta

In June, senior Grace Shufett participated in the SkillsUSA National Leadership and Skills Conference in Atlanta, Georgia.

Grace participated on the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison (OHM) BOCES Occupational Health and Safety team that received the gold award at the SkillsUSA state competition, which qualified the team to participate in the national competition in Atlanta. Grace also presented to the OHM BOCES Cooperative Board.

Congratulations to Grace and the rest of the team!



BRIAN SECOR QUALIFIES FOR BOYS GOLF NEW YORK STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Brian Secor as he qualified for the Boys Golf New York State Championship tournament on June 4-5 at the Mark Twain Golf Course in Elmira, New York. Brian finished an impressive seventh place overall during a two-day Section III qualifier event held at Seven Oaks Golf Club in Hamilton, New York on May 24 and May 26. He shot a 79 on Friday, May 26, with an overall total of 161 in the two-day event.

Brian joined his sister Ellie, who qualified for the Girls Golf New York State Championship on May 23, as the only two individuals to participate in the New York State Championships for golf in quite a while representing Remsen Central School District. They are the first pair of siblings to ever accomplish this feat for Remsen. Congrats to both of them!



REMSEN GIRLS *Track & Field*

PLACE FIFTH OUT OF 17 AT SECTIONALS



On May 26, the Remsen Girls Track and Field team placed fifth out of 17 at Sectionals.

Girls placing in the top three were: Marissa Karis in the 1500 and 3000; Morgan Horn in the 100 hurdles; Ella Lafave in the 400 hurdles; Leah Doolen in the steeplechase; the 4x100 team of Julia Dening, Grace Hajdasz, Tiarra Fox and Regan Meeker; and the 4x800 team of Julia Dening, Grace Hajdasz, Marissa Karis and Grace Shufelt. Also, congratulations to senior Marissa Hefner who set a new personal best to finish sixth in discus.

Great job girls! Your coaches are very proud!

Remsen Junior Frank Austin Receives Oneida County Youth Award

A Remsen Jr./Sr. High School student was among the 10 students and two adults who were honored for their positive impact on the community at the Fourth Annual Oneida County Youth and Adult Awards Ceremony on June 7.

The ceremony was held in the Board of Legislators Chamber at the Oneida County Office Building in Utica, and awards were presented by Oneida County Executive Anthony J. Picente Jr. and Oneida County Youth Bureau Director Kevin Green.

Remsen junior Frank Austin was the recipient of the Positive Change Leading to Success Youth Award.

"The exceptional qualities possessed by these honorees are something that all members of our community should strive to emulate," said Picente, according to an Oneida County news release. "This annual awards ceremony demonstrates that the future of Oneida County is in good hands with outstanding youth who are being guided by equally outstanding adults."

The event is sponsored by the Friends of the Oneida County Youth Bureau and this is the first year it has been held since 2019.

Congratulations to Frank and thank you for all that you do for the community!



SENIORS *vs.* STAFF

S O F T B A L L G A M E



On June 2, Remsen seniors and staff participated in the annual seniors vs. staff softball game. The seniors and staff engaged in a friendly game of softball, which has become a great tradition enjoyed by all each year.



STUDENT RECOGNIZED AS AWARD RECIPIENT AT SCHOOL BOARDS INSTITUTE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS CEREMONY

On May 11, Remsen senior Frank Austin was recognized as an award recipient at the School Boards Institute Student Achievement Awards Ceremony. This award is earned by students who have achieved great things despite tremendous hardship.

School counselor Mrs. Kathleen Nebush introduced Frank at the ceremony and praised him for the amazing individual that he is. Frank then took to the podium, thanking his family, Remsen teachers and friends for all of their support. Frank talked about the importance of working hard while overcoming extreme hardship and about how grateful he was for all of the opportunities and activities he was able to be a part of. Frank reminded us all that every day is a gift and that the little things make a big difference.

Congratulations Frank. We are all very proud of you!



Remsen FFA Members Win at Agriscience Fair at NYS FFA Convention



In May, Remsen students Trent Jenny, Jimmy Lehman and Jackson LaBella participated in the Agriscience Fair at the New York State FFA Convention in Buffalo, New York. We received results and Remsen FFA is proud to share we have state winners! Each student will receive a monetary prize and have the opportunity to apply for the National FFA Agriscience Fair.

Trent's project, "Noxious Neighbors," was conducted to see the impact of garlic on neighboring plants. Jimmy and Jackson's experiment, "Project Wind Power," examined the energy output of windmills to power lights.

Congratulations Remsen FFA members!

LOCKERS

As part of the 2022-2023 Capital Outlay project, new lockers were installed in the intermediate wing of Remsen Elementary School. This fall, students in grades 4-6 will be the first to use them.



SPRING CONCERTS

P R E - K - 3

On June 14, students in grades pre-K-3 presented their spring concert to family and friends.

Each grade level performed a fun selection of songs for their families, which either celebrated summer, spoke of the excitement of the future, or were intended to make you smile. With songs like "Aliens in My Shoes" and "Car Choir," it was an evening of fun and great music.



G R A D E S 4 - 6

On May 31, students in grades 4-6 presented their spring concert for families and friends. The concert included performances by the Fourth Grade Beginning Chorus, Fourth Grade Beginning Band, Fifth and Sixth Grade Chorus, and Fifth and Sixth Grade Concert Band.

Congratulations to all of the musicians on an excellent performance!

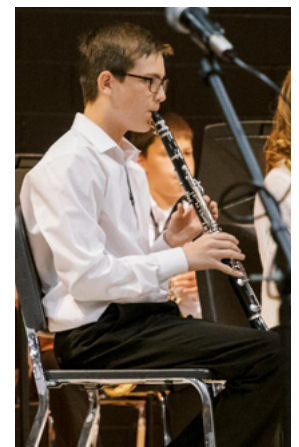


G R A D E S 7 - 1 2

On June 7, chorus and band students in grades 7-12 proudly presented their spring concert to family and friends.

In addition to various musical selections, All-County, NYSSMA and National Awards were given to deserving students and seniors were recognized for their efforts throughout their high school music careers.

Led by Director Mr. Anthony Dangler, the program would not have been possible without the support of the Remsen CSD administration, custodial and maintenance staff, and the faculty and staff of Remsen Jr./Sr. High School.





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**DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR
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ParentSquare enables safe, convenient, consistent and efficient communication from the District, schools, classroom teachers and school activity groups to keep parents informed and connected.

If you have not received an invite, please contact Mrs. Amanda Arruda in the elementary school office or Mrs. Leian DiNitto in the high school office to update your information and activate your account.