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# 2021-22 Virtual Proposed Budget Hearing

May 11, 2021 6:00 p.m.

Proposed Budget Vote and Board of Education Election

May 18, 2021 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Elementary School Cafeteria

### We Are Remsen

**Dear Remsen Community,** 

On Saturday, April 17, over 75 Remsen residents and families showed up at the Remsen Depot to kick off the second annual community event to pick up road side garbage and help keep Remsen looking beautiful. Many residents cleaned up additional roads throughout the remainder of the weekend. It was wonderful to see so many people come together to help our greater community. This is just one small example of what makes Remsen so special. Beautiful countryside, farms, small businesses, the Arts Center, the Remsen Depot, the Barn Festival of the Arts, genuinely good, hardworking people and an amazing school make Remsen a wonderful place to live and work.

As we ready for the colorful spring flowers to bloom and the grass to turn a luscious green, we have also been hard at work preparing a responsible, thoughtful Student Opportunities Plan (budget) for next school year. A federal stimulus package provided to New York state has temporarily improved the state's budget picture. With the latest state aid reports, we look to receive an estimated increase in foundation aid, our main source of state aid funding, of \$146,000. Through a great deal of work and planning, we were able to develop a fiscally responsible budget with only a slight tax levy increase of 1.14% (down from last year's 2.24%). The proposed budget of \$13,598,332 represents a 3.03% increase in operating expenses. Please consider joining us for our virtual budget hearing to learn more about our Student Opportunities Plan. Additional budget information may also be found throughout this newsletter.

The level of support that our students receive from every district resident is appreciated beyond words. Even if you currently do not have students enrolled in school, your support of Remsen Central plays a critical role in raising, teaching and growing our youth into productive, responsible, kind, hard-working citizens. Our collective goal must always be to ensure that we leave our children, for generations to come, with an even better community

and school than we had. This is accomplished by continuing to work together to help cultivate our

Remsen community and by providing our children the ability to receive an innovative education, full of diverse learning opportunities and experiences.

Our virtual budget hearing will take place on Tuesday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. Our webpage will contain the link to participate in the hearing as well as my email address to send questions that you may have before, during, or after the presentation. Our school budget vote will take place in-person on Tuesday, May 18, from 1:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the elementary cafeteria, following all health and safety protocols. In addition to voting on the 2021-2022 budget, we will also be voting on two propositions:

- One 54-Passenger School Bus (80.4% State Aid)
- One Board of Education Seat (5-Year Term)

We have certainly experienced a school year like no other, but together we will prevail. After all, we are Remsen! Outstanding educational programs, diverse learning opportunities, beautiful facilities and exciting extracurricular clubs and teams; Remsen School District's strong community makes it all possible for our students. Your support and pride in Remsen Central School will ensure that our students continue to Soar to Success. THANK YOU!

It is a privilege and honor to be your superintendent. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you need anything.

Sincerely,

Timothy Jenny Superintendent



Mission: "REMSEN is a dynamic school community of stakeholders providing diverse, demanding and innovative educational opportunities. Our culture fosters a conscientious desire to learn and achieve to individual potential. Students learn that responsible citizenship comes from critical, determined and sustained effort."



### Student Opportunities Plan Summary

REVENUE	Adopted 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Increase/ Decrease	% Change
Estimated State Aid	\$7,301,393	\$7,638,764	\$337,371	4.62%
Tax Levy	\$5,472,359	\$5,534,568	\$62,209	1.14%
Other Revenue	\$175,000	\$175,000	-	-
Fund Balance	\$250,000	\$250,000	-	-
Totals	\$13,198,752	\$13,598,332	\$399,580	3.03%
EXPENDITURES	Adopted 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Increase/ Decrease	% Change
Program	\$9,699,977	\$9,960,446	\$260,469	2.69%
Capital	\$2,186,032	\$2,294,227	\$108,195	4.95%
Administrative	\$1,312,743	\$1,343,659	\$30,916	2.36%
Totals	\$13,198,752	\$13,598,332	\$399,580	3.03%

#### Who Can Vote?

To be eligible to vote, a resident must have lived in the Remsen Central School District for at least 30 days prior to the May 18 election, be at least 18 years of age, a citizen of the United States and registered to vote with the school district. No person shall have the right to register for or vote who would not be qualified to register for or vote at an election in accordance with the provisions of section 5-106 of the Election Law.

### Can I Vote by Absentee Ballot?

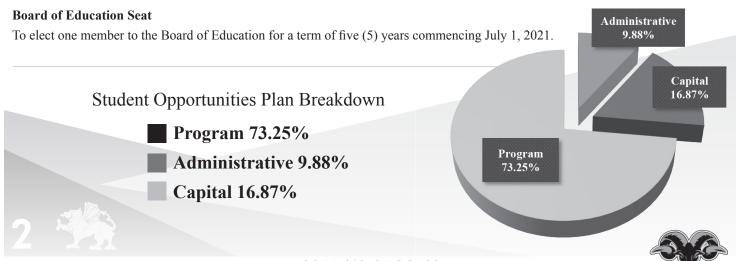
Residents who will not be in the area on May 18, or who are unable to vote in person, may apply for an absentee ballot at the Remsen Central School District Office. If the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the application must be submitted at least seven days prior to the vote. If the absentee ballot is to be picked up by the voter in person, applications will be accepted until May 17. Absentee ballots must be returned to the district clerk no later than 5:00 p.m. on May 18.

### **Propositions on the Ballot**

#### **Bus Purchase Proposition**

The Remsen Central School District seeks voter approval to purchase one 54–passenger school bus at a cost not to exceed \$150,000 less trade in value. The proposed purchase is part of an ongoing bus replacement plan designed to keep the District's fleet in safe, working order by phasing out buses that are no longer cost effective to maintain.

If the proposition is approved, the actual cost to the District will be significantly less than the amount sought. Approximately 80.4% of the cost would be reimbursable through state aid.





### Three Components of Our Student Opportunities Plan

#### Program

The program budget contains expenses directly related to the teaching of students, teachers, instructional aides and other professional salaries, materials and supplies, textbooks, special education, health services, library-media and guidance services. Transportation of students, athletics and co-curricular activities are also included here.

Description	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Change
Legal	\$31,065	\$32,000	\$935
Instructional	\$6,029,454	\$5,922,132	(\$107,322)
District Transportation	\$615,143	\$648,698	\$33,555
Garage Building	\$23,500	\$23,500	\$0
Employee Benefits	\$3,000,815	\$3,334,116	\$333,301
TOTAL PROGRAM	\$9,699,977	\$9,960,446	\$260,469

#### **Capital**

The capital budget includes costs associated with operations and maintenance of buildings, upkeep of grounds, electricity, heat, oil, water, sewer and telephone services. Funds are also included here for the lease and purchase of buses, payment of debt for capital projects (principal and interest), refund of taxes and insurance. The final piece of this budget is a transfer to capital for ongoing building improvements.

Description	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Change
Operation of Plant	\$745,705	\$788,080	\$42,375
Maintenance of Plant	\$127,500	\$146,629	\$19,129
Insurance and Claims	\$47,000	\$43,050	(\$3,950)
Refund of Taxes	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$0
Employee Benefits	\$202,747	\$225,266	\$52,519
Debt Service	\$961,880	\$990,002	\$28,122
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$0
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$2,186,032	\$2,294,227	\$108,195

#### **Administrative**

The administrative budget includes costs associated with management activities including Board of Education, superintendent's office, district clerk, business office and operations such as payroll, supervision, training, data processing, purchasing, BOCES administration charges, printing, mailing, legal and auditing services.

Description	Approved 2020-2021	Proposed 2021-2022	Change
Board of Education	\$25,950	\$25,944	(\$6.00)
Central Administration	\$143,000	\$144,578	\$1,578
Finance	\$237,100	\$261,381	\$24,281
Legal	\$6,962	\$6,000	(\$962)
Personnel	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0
Records Management	\$7,700	\$7,700	\$0
Other Central Services	\$58,000	\$58,000	\$0
Other Special Items	\$103,599	\$94,252	(\$9,347)
Curriculum Development & Support	\$23,500	\$23,500	\$0
Supervision Regular School	\$372,400	\$354,008	(\$18,392)
Research, Evaluation, Planning	\$7,500	\$5,329	(\$2,171)
Employee Benefits	\$323,532	\$359,467	\$35,935
TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE	\$1,312,743	\$1,343,659	\$30,916



#### REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET NOTICE

**Overall Budget Proposal Budget Adopted for Budget Proposed for** Contingency Budget for the the 2020-21 School Year the 2021-22 School Year 2021-22 School Year\* \$13,198,752 \$13,598,332 \$13,515,558 Total budgeted amount, not including separate propositions \$399,580 \$316,806 Increase/decrease for 2021-2022 school year 2.40% Percentage increase/decrease in proposed budget 3.03% 1.23% Change in the Consumer Price Index A. Proposed Tax Levy to Support the Total Budgeted Amount \$5,472,359 \$5,534,568 B. Levy to Support Library Debt, if Applicable C. Levy for Non-Excludable Propositions, if Applicable \*\* D. Total Tax Cap Reserve Amount Used to Reduce Current Year Levy E. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy (A + B + C - D) \$5,472,359 \$5,534,568 \$5,472,359 Total Permissible Exclusions \$145,579 \$140,053 G. School Tax Levy Limit, Excluding Levy for Permissible Exclusions \$5,326,780 \$5,394,515 H. Total Proposed School Year Tax Levy, Excluding Levy to Support Library Debt and/or Permissible Exclusions (E - B - F + D) \$5,394,515 \$5,326,780 Difference: (G - H); (Negative Value Requires 60.0% Voter Approval See Note Below Regarding Separate Propositions) \*\* \$0.00 \$0.00 Administrative component \$1,312,743 \$1,343,659 \$1,339,543 \$9,699,977 Program component \$9,960,446 \$9,898,238 Capital component \$2,186,032 \$2,294,227 \$2,277,777

Contingency budget maintains requirements pursuant to Section 2023 of the Education Law.

\*\* List Separate Propositions that are not included in the Total Budgeted Amount: (Tax Levy associated with educational or transportation services propositions are not eligible for exclusion and may affect voter approval requirements)

Description	Amount
Bus Purchase (before State Aid of 80.4%)	\$150,000

	Under the Budget Proposed for the 2021-2022 School Year
Estimated Basic STAR Exemption Savings <sup>1</sup>	\$944.00

The annual budget vote for fiscal year 2021-22 by the qualified voters of the Remsen Central School District, Oneida County, New York, will be held at the Remsen Elementary School cafeteria on Tuesday, May 18, 2021 between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing time in the cafeteria, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting ballot or machine.

The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.



### Elementary High Honor and Honor Roll (March 2021)

**High Honor** 

Evalyn Gates Lydia Gates Jayde Hammill Brooklyn Helmer Trent Jenny Olivia Johnson Marissa Karis Jackson Labella Olivia Lalyer Alannah Lawlor Lexxis Mosher Owen Piaschyk Madelyn Prosser

Angelyn Garcia Elijah Garcia Morgan Gates Bryce Graves Alexis Helmer Corv Helmer Kailyn Helmer Colin Jones Daniel Kaufman Kole Kennerknecht Cassidy Kerr Mason LaBella

Flla LaFave Chloee Matt

Makayla Mauldin

Avery Morrison

Daniel Mulhall

Taylor Murphy Julia Natalini

Spencer Anderson Andrew Becker Oliver Burns Jasmine Colón Arynn Day

Ella Dickenson-Waldo

Tiarra Fox

Honor

Wyatt Rapson

Madison Wollaber

#### Connor Nelson Madelyn Piekielniak Chase Poczatek Cynthia Poczatel **Evelyn Shew** Madison Spadaro

Grayson White Isabella Wilcox

### Remsen FFA Members Compete in Development Events During FFA Week

Remsen FFA members recently competed in the District 5 Leadership Development during FFA week.

Eleventh grade students Ty Bowers and Julia Woolheater competed in the Senior Prepared Speaking contest. Seventh grade student John "Burke" Gates Jr. competed in the Junior People in Agriculture contest.

Ty Bowers and Burke Gates both placed in the top eight of their contests, and following their participation in the District 5 Leadership Development events, they were selected to compete to represent New York state at the National FFA Conference. Both students did an amazing job and Ty placed eighth in the state. While neither will move on to the national level this year, it is another tremendous accomplishment and a step toward future success.



### Elementary Citizenship, Soaring to Success & Alumni Association Awards

Citizenship	Soaring to Sucess		
Brody Baker	Andrew Bankert		
Norbert Bankert	Tessa Bronson		
Carsen Bronson	Erica Carnright		
Tobias Dietrick	Willow DeLand		
Charlotte Dubsinsky	Zoey DeMala		
Khole Erb	Kaleesi Felshaw		
Brooklyn Helmer	Javaya Harris		
Kailyn Helmer	Leah Houck		
Daniel Kozak Jr.	Mason LaBella		
Forrest Linke	Ella LaFave		
Miriel Marolf	Jack McIsaac		
Evan McCarthy	Daniel Mulhall		
Peyton Millick	Chase Poczatek		
Brayden Mosher	Dominic Prentice		
Julia Natalini	Henry Putnam		
Connor Nelson	Adrian Smith		
Madelyn Piekielniak	Evann Smith		
Cynthia Poczatek	Chase Ultsch		
Avonlea Scouten	Brayden Walker		
Emmelia Smith	Rosalie Walker		
Adam Woolheater	Grayson White		

Alumni Association Grace Dalton Mark Dutch Destiny Farber Tiarra Fox Olivia Johnson Owen Piaschyk



### CANdemic Results

The CANdemic results are in!

Remsen collected 597 items and Holland Patent collected 1,644 items for a total of 2,241 items donated to the Foothills Rural Community Ministry.

Poland collected 1,250 items and West Canada Valley collected 1,232 items for a total of 2,482 items to be donated to the Kuyahoora Food Pantry.

We are happy and proud to be able to give back to our community in this way!

### High School Second Quarter Honor Roll

#### Grade 7 High Honor

Keara Hyde Ethan Karis Regan Meeker Gavin Nelson Ellie Secor Ella Staskoski Jaedyn Wilcox Makayla Wilcox

#### Grade 8 High Honor

Natalie Barnard Matthew Helmer, Jr. Andrew Jones Dylan Jones Madisyn Pett Ean Piaschyk Colton Walker

#### Grade 9 High Honor

Benjamin Becker Zoey Coe Charles DeLand Dakota Flagler Sabrina Gates Zachary Helmer Isabella Lalyer Taylor Nelson Ava Russo Brian Secor

#### Grade 10 High Honor

Julia Dening Grace Hajdasz Joshua Jordan Grace Shufelt Noah Skermont Benjamin Staskoski

#### Grade 11 High Honor

Abby Barton Amber Decker Nathaniel Diaz Randell Dolly Denise Fox Hailey Jenkins Jonathan Jewett Paige Loveric Evelyn Morgan Mason Natalini Sam Nichols James Roberts Olivia Stanford Ryan Staskoski Christopher Tavenner Julia Woolheater

#### Grade 12 High Honor

Chelsea Barnhart
Jade Dening
Railey Ehart
Zachary Flint
Anna Jones
McKenna Jones
Morgan Jones
Daniel Lehman
Madelyn McCormack
Brendan Rockwell
Kylie Singer
Jamie Ultsch

#### Grade 7 Honor

Angelina DelGuidice Jonathan Dickenson John Gates, Jr. Sara Hill Marissa Morris Emily Shufelt

#### Grade 8 Honor

Jack Anken Alex Carnright Jennah Day Shaylyn Dolly Wyatt Ehart Tucker Hollenbeck Ariyah Pasho Shawna Williams

#### Grade 9 Honor

Imagin Aiken Jenna Malachino Leila Ward

#### Grade 10 Honor

Wyatt Broadbent Serenity Fenton Colleen Fox Kyrian Hall Marissa Hefner Grady Helmer Matthew Jones Michael Sacco

#### Grade 11 Honor

Cameron Bronson Adrianna Hoover Gavin Thompson Anthony Vaccarelli Morgan Wright

#### Grade 12 Honor

Taylor Anderson Amy Kelly Hunter Prosser Noah Sylvester

### Student of the Quarter

Grade 7

Jaiden Mahar - Mr. Dening Gavin Nelson - Mrs. Dening Emily Shufelt - Ms. Brockway

Grade 8

Matthew Helmer, Jr. - Mrs. Izzo Madisyn Pett - Mr. Dangler Ean Piaschyk - Mrs. Boyd

Grade 9

**Zoey Coe** - Ms. Kershaw **Sabrina Gates** - Mrs. Cooper **Isabella Lalyer** - Mr. Gallo and Ms. Keener

Grade 10

Colleen Fox - Mrs. Obernesser Mary Jane Kranbuhl - Mrs. Smith

Grade 1

Jonathan Jewett - Mr. Byrne Olivia Stanford - Mrs. Ives

Grade 12

Morgan Jones - Mrs. Martin

### Most Improved Student

Grade 8

Nathan Amo - Mrs. Dening and Mrs. Izzo Shianne Austin - Mrs. Platt MiLynne Morgan - Mrs. Boyd

Grade 9

Imagin Aiken - Ms. Keener Frank Austin - Mr. Dening Noah Swank - Mrs. Cooper

Grade 10

**Joshua David** - Ms. Kershaw and Mrs. Obernesser **Matthew Farr** - Mrs. Ives

Gabriella McCauley - Mr. Bunker Siara Miranda - Mrs. Smith

Grade 11

**Brandon Crowell** - Mr. Gallo **Kendall Decker** - Mrs. Martin

Grade 12

Tyler Larkins - Mr. Byrne

### New Fitness Equipment

Thank you to the Edwin J. Wadas Foundation, Inc. for making the purchase of our new fitness center equipment possible!







### Elementary School Principal's Message



#### **Dear Remsen Families:**

As we quickly approach the warm summer months and get ready to turn the final few pages on the chapter of the 2020-2021 school year, it is amazing to think that just a few short months ago, we were getting ready to begin this new school year; a school year that promised to be unlike any we had ever experienced before. In September, we

opened the doors of the school, doors that had been closed for more than six months, to the students of Remsen. Much like their classroom teachers, bus drivers, parents/guardians and their principal, our students were excited, anxious, full of questions and a bit nervous about the start of this new adventure. With all of the uncertainty, there has always been one thing that we can be sure of -- as long as we stick together, we are able to get through anything, including a school year full of challenges that we never could have imagined. Now, here we are a little over a month away from the end of the school year and we have proven just that, by working together our Remsen community is strong and able to find success under any circumstances. Thank you for sticking together for our students through these challenging times.

During the month of March, we celebrated reading with our Read Across America celebrations and our March Reading Madness Competition. Our students participated in the fun, reading-themed dress up days to celebrate Read Across America Week and classes read through 16 picture books together, voting each week for their favorite book for our March Reading Madness Competition. Voting took place each week throughout the month and by the end of the month, students and staff had selected our Remsen March Reading Madness book of the year, "The Junkyard Wonders" by Patricia Polacco.

Looking ahead, these last few months of the school year will be busy, as they usually are, full of important learning and fun end-of-the-year activities. Before we know it, the third trimester will come to an end, it will be time for final report cards and student awards and we will be celebrating our sixth grade students at their graduation. Please visit the school website and look out for information sent home from school on these and other events. Also, be on the lookout for more information about our science, technology, engineering, art and mathematics (STEAM) camp that we are planning for this summer.

It truly is amazing how quickly this school year has gone by and how much learning and growing has taken place. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. It is only in working together that we will be able to provide the best for the students of Remsen. If you need anything, do not hesitate to reach out.

# **Gary Winghart**

Elementary School Principal Remsen Central School District

### Snow Day Fun

Elementary school students celebrated the winter season by getting out in the snow for cross-country skiing, snowshoeing and sledding.

After the winter activities, the students warmed up with some hot cocoa.















### Thank You NYE Volkswagen

We have received a Hero 9 GoPro in black with all of the accessories for our streaming services here at Remsen Central School District, thanks to a generous donation from Mike Sacco Sr. and the NYE Volkswagen dealership in Rome, NY.

Thank you Mike and NYE Volkswagen!



### Jr./Sr. High School Principal's Message

#### To our Remsen Jr./Sr. High School Families,

When working through challenges, it is easy to focus on the negative aspects. However, scientific studies have actually shown that we can increase our happiness by focusing on the things we have to be thankful for and recognize them by showing appreciation, even during the most challenging times. There is no doubt that we have been handed our share of challenges over the past year, but as we move toward the end of this most unusual school year, I want to share a few things we have to be thankful for and share my appreciation for all each of you bring to the Remsen community.

As shared in a series of letters sent home to Remsen high school families, our goal for the third marking period was to gradually return our high school students to everyday, in-person learning. We brought groups of students back slowly, allowing us to adjust to any unforeseen challenges their return presented. Finally, with a little help from changes to public health guidelines, we were able to return all high school students to everyday, in-person learning on April 12. This significant accomplishment should not be underemphasized. For the first time in 13 months, all students were able to be present in the high school for an instructional day. I have been so thankful to see classes back up to normal capacity and hear the student excitement in the hallways again. I know that the past 13 months haven't been easy for our students and their families. However, I'm thankful for all that our families have done to support the students and their studies during this time.

In addition to outstanding community support, the past year has provided many things for which we can be grateful. While many of us are happy to be moving away from Zoom and streaming events online, the ability for us to adapt and utilize these services will provide us new tools for our educational experiences of the future. We have been able to participate in many virtual events through Zoom, such as live music clinics with skilled

musicians, and Remsen students once again had a tremendous showing with a virtual regional science fair, winning several top awards. We've been able to use streaming services to share Remsen athletics with the community as well as extracurricular events like the National Honor Society Induction and upcoming drama performances. We hope to



continue to improve on the services we can provide to enhance the experience of our students and their families. These are all things to be thankful for, as they will continue to improve student opportunities.

As we head into the final marking period of this academic year, we understand that the challenges we have faced will continue to have an impact on us. The long-term consequences of what we have endured with the pandemic will undoubtedly continue to provide challenges, but we are resolved to overcome them. As we continue to trend toward a return to normalcy, we also have many things to be thankful for, as we will continue to stick together as a supportive community with a near future full of new possibilities.

Most sincerely,

# **Daniel O'Bryan**

Jr./Sr. High School Principal
Remsen Central School District

### National MathWorks Math Modeling (M3) Challenge

Several RCSD students participated in a National MathWorks Math Modeling (M3) Challenge on February 26.

Abby Barton, Ryan Graves, Morgan Jones, Paige Loveric and Emma Skermont were given a problem: "How to provide high speed, low cost internet access to rural communities?" They were given 14 hours to research it and solve three specific questions associated with the problem.

Students arrived at the building at 6:00 a.m. and worked until after 6:30 p.m. to complete their proposed solution in the form of a 20-page research paper. Science and math teacher, Mr. Glass, supervised their efforts and described the experience as one of the most practical applications of diverse, cross-curricular academic skills the students have likely experienced. The activity provided them the opportunity to win thousands of dollars in scholarship funding and recognition.

### MathWorks Results

Results from the National MathWorks Math Modeling (M3) Challenge Competition have been released. Our students that participated, Abby Barton, Ryan Graves, Morgan Jones, Paige Loveric and Emma Skermont, were recognized to have submitted a "viable solution" to the real world problem of providing high speed internet access to rural communities.

This placed them among the top 20% of teams throughout the country. Over 4,000 teams participated in the challenge. Although they did not receive scholarship prizes, Mr. Glass and team members hope to use the experience gained in their first venture into this competition to do even better in next year's challenge.



### RCSD Hosts Virtual National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

On March 25, current National Honor Society (NHS) members joined together with new inductees to celebrate and honor each other as well as the tradition of the NHS.

Their ceremony was hosted as a livestream so that family and friends were able to watch from home as current members accepted pins and eight new members were formally inducted.

Congratulations to all current members of NHS for their achievements as well as those newly inducted:

Julia Dening Grace Hajdasz Joshua Jordan Mary-Jane Kranbuhl Michael Sacco Grace Shufelt Noah Skermont Ben Staskoski









### Remsen Distributes OHM BOCES' Five-day Meal Kits to All Students

Remsen CSD was able to provide five-day meal kits for all of their students, both elementary and Jr./Sr. high school, prior to February and April breaks.

These meal kits were sent home with parents of elementary students and offered to Jr./Sr. high school students as they exited the building on February 12. The meal kits, provided by OHM BOCES Food Services, were designed to provide both breakfast and lunch for students over the five-day winter break.

Remsen CSD is one of OHM BOCES Food Services 15 districts that were provided meals for their students and in turn, provided both nutrition and comfort while not in school.

Thank you to all involved in making this happen for our students!









# Remsen Elementary Celebrates 100 Days of School

On February 24, elementary school students celebrated the 100th day of school by dressing up as someone from 100 years ago, from 100 years in the future or as a 100 year old.



# Girls Volleyball Senior Night

On March 2, Remsen's girls volleyball team honored their seniors during a Senior Night. Each senior was allowed to invite up to two guests to celebrate with them.

Congratulations to our seniors: Amy Kelly #17, Chelsea Barnhart #16, Madelyn McCormack #11, Kylie Singer #9, McKenna Jones #5 and Hailey Jewett #13.















### Boys Varsity Basketball Senior Night

On March 6, Remsen's boys basketball team honored their seniors during a Senior Night.

Each senior was allowed to invite up to two guests to celebrate with them.

Congratulations to our seniors: Brendan Rockwell #32, Griffin Klossner #4 and Josh Rowlands #22!















### Capital Outlay Project Update

Renovation of old boys' locker room records storage area and corridor improvements.

#### NO ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL IMPACT TO THE COMMUNITY

Anticipated start – Spring 2022

The proposed 2021-2022 Remsen Central School District budget includes a \$100,000 capital outlay project. It is important to note that the Remsen Central School District will be reimbursed by the state for 83.5% of the capital outlay project's cost. In other words, a \$100,000 project only costs the District \$16,500. The proposed project for next year will renovate the old boys' locker room records storage space and provide corridor improvements in the same area. Both items are in dire need of improvement. Please note that this project was originally slated for this year, but due to the uncertainty of the NYS budget going into our current school year, it was put on hold.

Our health and fitness center capital outlay project from last year is beautiful! Our students now have a completely renovated health and fitness center space. Thank you!

It is essential for Remsen Central School District to continue to provide safe, efficient and operational facilities for our students and our community members. Capital outlay projects allow us to responsibly make necessary improvements without placing a large burden on the community.

### Phase II Capital Improvement Project Update

Replacement of 10,000-gallon underground fuel tank at the high school.

#### NO ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL IMPACT TO THE COMMUNITY

Anticipated start - Summer 2021

Phase II of the 2017 capital improvement project will be underway soon! Phase I of the capital project came in under budget, allowing for the remaining funds to be applied for phase II. This spring, work will begin on the replacement of the 10,000-gallon underground fuel tank and all of the plumbing, pumps and electronics that go with it, at the high school. The replacement will be a Fiberglass Reinforced Plastic (FRP) tank. The current steel tank is over thirty years old and is in dire need of replacement.

Contractors will be on sight June 28 to begin work on the removal of the old tank, preparation of a new tank site and hook up of a temporary tank while the new tank is on order and in production. As is the case with many construction supplies taking longer than normal to arrive during the pandemic, the expected arrival time for the new FRP tank is in August. The contractors plan to have everything ready for installation of the new tank upon delivery.





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# We are sorry to announce

that due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the 109th Annual Alumni Banquet has been cancelled.

The Remsen Alumni Association regrets to announce the cancellation of the 109th Alumni Banquet at the Remsen High School gymnasium, scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 2021, due to COVID-19 and social distancing regulations. The good news is, with your contributions, we were able to support the National Honor Society, FFA, high school music department and provide excellence awards to the elementary school. Your generosity serves our greatest goal, to proudly provide three scholarships to this year's deserving senior recipients.

If you would like to support the Remsen Alumni Association and school, please send donation to: Linda Cady 10471 Coombs Road Holland Patent, NY 13354

Checks should be made out to: Remsen Alumni Association

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