



Orchard Park Central School District *Community Report*

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Matthew McGarrity Named New Superintendent



The Orchard Park Central School District is thrilled to announce the selection of Matthew McGarrity as the new Superintendent of Schools. He succeeds Joan Thomas, who will retire in June after five years of service as Superintendent.

Mr. McGarrity was selected after a lengthy search process which included input from teachers, staff, students, parents, community members and the Board of Education. A native of Angola, Mr. McGarrity is currently the Superintendent of Schools in the Dansville Central School District, a post he has filled since January 2007.

"It is certainly an honor and a privilege to be able to serve as the new Superintendent of Schools for the Orchard Park Central School District," says Mr. McGarrity. "The Orchard Park School community is well known for excellence in academics, athletics and the arts, and it will be very exciting for my family and me to be able to call Orchard Park our new home." He went on to add "this opportunity also brings us close to our family and friends in Buffalo and Western New York. I will always think of Dansville as a very special community, and I thank everyone for their support and dedication to our students."

Prior to his tenure in Dansville, Mr. McGarrity served as Director of Personnel Services for the Corning-Painted Post School District. Throughout his educational career, he has also served as elementary school principal, middle school principal, curriculum coordinator and staff developer. Mr. McGarrity has teaching experience in science, environmental education and physical education at both the middle and high school levels.

A graduate of Lake Shore High School, Mr. McGarrity holds a bachelor's degree in education from SUNY Cortland and a master's degree in educational administration from SUNY Brockport. He also completed certificate programs at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and the Industrial and Labor Relations Program at Cornell University.

In his spare time, Mr. McGarrity is a coach of youth basketball, baseball and soccer, and a volunteer with his church. He will relocate to Orchard Park with his family, wife Anne, a reading teacher in the Wayland-Cohocton District, and his children, Katie, 14, and Bobby, 12.

Superintendent's Column

*D*ear Community Members:

As many of you know the Orchard Park Central School District, with community support, has been slowly addressing the needs of our facilities. Over the past 12 years, we have repaired roofs, replaced windows, upgraded our HVAC units, lowered ceilings, replaced lighting and added two new entrances and a new science wing at the High School. Through these projects, air quality, safety and security have improved, and cost savings due to energy conservation will be realized both in the short and long term. All of these projects would not have been possible without the support of the community, and we thank you.

Now it is time to address a



Joan Thomas

20-year old problem. The District has outgrown our transportation facility which sits on the property behind the Middle School. Built in 1947, this landlocked location is no longer large enough to house all of our buses. Some facts about our transportation department:

- The Transportation Department is the district's largest non-teaching department.
- We have 78 District-owned

buses parked at various locations throughout the town.

- Our bus drivers safely transport 6,225 public, private and parochial school students approximately 6,414 miles each day. They also safely transport our students on field-trips, athletic events, music competitions, and other student-centered events.

The Orchard Park Central School District and the

community have an opportunity to move our present facility out of the village through the purchase of property at 2260 Southwestern Boulevard. Not only will this purchase address all of our transportation concerns, it will allow the district to implement additional cost saving measures. The plan includes moving the Transportation Department as well as the District Offices to the new site. This will consolidate both operations under one roof, thereby reducing utility and cleaning costs. It also affords the District the opportunity to sell or lease our property at 3330 Baker Road. If approved, further cost savings would be realized with the relocation of Maintenance Department staff from a leased facility in the Consumer's Plaza, to the current transportation facility.

The new facility will carry state aid funding to offset the overall price of purchase and renovation. Additional revenue is possible from the sale or lease of the Baker Road building, and revenue will be saved from not having to lease space for the Maintenance Department.

As in the past, community support is crucial. We encourage you to learn more about the facility and contact us with any questions. We hope to present the proposition to you for a vote on May 18.



Petitions for Candidacy on the Board of Education Now Available

Petitions for qualified candidates seeking election to the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education are now available in the office of the District Clerk, 3330 Baker Road, Orchard Park.

To be a qualified candidate for the Board of Education you must be a resident of the District for a least one year prior to the election, a citizen of the United States, at least 18 years of age, able to read and write, and cannot be an employee of the District.

Two three-year terms on the seven-member school board are up for election. Candidates must obtain at least 43 valid signatures, which represents two percent of last year's total vote count. Petitions are due in the office of the District Clerk by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, April 19, 2010.

Public voting on the budget is Tuesday, May 18, 2010, from 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m. in the Gymnasium of the Orchard Park High School. For easy access to the Gymnasium use the Freeman Road entrance.

For more information, please contact the District Clerk at 209-6280.

Learning the Ropes of School Board Leadership

A Workshop for Prospective School Board Members

sponsored by the Erie County Association of School Boards

When	Saturday, March 27, 2010 8:30 a.m. until Noon
Where	Erie 1 BOCES Education Campus 355 Harlem Rd., West Seneca - Conference Room B1
What	Learn the legal and human issues of school board leadership from a school attorney, a veteran board member, a first-year board member and a superintendent.

Gather valuable information and answers to your questions.

To register for this FREE workshop, please call the Erie County Association of School Boards at 821-7297 or e-mail snowak@e1b.org

Middle School Base Completes Week-Long Interdisciplinary Adventure



Pictured above is the "family" that completed a trip on the Oregon Trail. From left, clockwise, are Middle School Students Alyssa Smith, Kaylee Jentsch, Caitlin Burns, Noah Kohl, Mitchel Mesi and Rachel Johnson.

Under the direction of Social Studies Teacher Mr. Rebmann, the Polaris Base completed a week-long adventure to learn more about the concept of "Manifest Destiny." The lesson included a web quest, artifacts, data search and a re-enactment of the trip through the use of primary source materials. The class also constructed a full-sized Conestoga wagon with the help of Mr. Miller from the Technology Department. The wagon was used in the classroom to help the students learn about the Oregon Trail and the movement of over 500,000 pioneers from St. Louis, Missouri to the Oregon Territory. As part of the experience, the students were required to incorporate skills learned in other classes. For instance, they learned the Spanish names and meanings of areas they would pass through, and used math skills to calculate the weight and cost of items needed for the journey. The culminating activity was a chance to apply their learnings. Students worked together in family groups to decide what supplies to bring on their trip, what skills were needed for success and survival and how to face obstacles which arose.



In October, four Academy of Finance students attended the "Apprentice" BOCES Challenge Seminar at Hilbert College. Students were given two hours to develop a real-world promotional plan for Rosina's brand-new Buffalo Style Chicken Meatballs. Orchard Park's team qualified to participate in the final round of competition which was held on February 5 at Dash's Market in Amherst. During the final round, students implemented their promotional plan and placed first! Congratulations to these fine students who worked hard to earn the title of Apprentice Challenge Seminar 2010 Champions! Pictured above (from left to right) are Katie Judge, Maygan O'Scier, Laura Gutsin, and Melissa Stoj.



Orchard Park Middle School once again joined together to help those in need as they celebrated the 2nd Annual Children's Charity Day. Each of the Middle School bases collected various items, including non-perishable food, hats, scarves, gloves, books and clothing which were donated to charity. Pictured here are students from the Quantum, Voyager and Eclipse bases, along with English Teacher Mrs. Buscaglia, who brought the idea of Children's Charity Day to the school. Pictured in the front row (left to right) are Valerie Wach, Evan Stoddard, Matthew Reilly and Nick Lozanovski. Pictured in back (left to right) are Natalie Santini, Mrs. Buscaglia, Sarah Weber, Emma Freedenberg, Marissa Egloff, Amanda Bonafede, Kaitlyn Kelly and Caitlyn Koch.

2010-2011 SCHOOL CALENDAR APPROVED

At their February 2 meeting, the Board of Education approved the 2010-2011 School District Calendar. **This Fall, the first student attendance day is Tuesday, September 7, 2010 (the Tuesday after Labor Day)** Please note these important dates:

September 7, 2010	First Day of Student Attendance K-12
October 1	Early Dismissal Drill - All schools dismiss 15 minutes early
October 8	Supt. Conf. Day - NO Student Attendance
October 11	NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day
November 11	NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day
November 25-26	NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday
Dec. 23-Dec. 31, 2010	NO SCHOOL - Holiday Recess
January 3, 2011	Classes resume
January 17	NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
February 21-25	NO SCHOOL - Mid-Winter Recess
March 21	Supt. Conf. Day - NO Student Attendance
April 18-22	NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess
May 27 & May 30	NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day Weekend
June 15	Middle School (6-8) Half Days Begin (dismissal at 10:30 a.m.)
June 20-22	Elementary Half Days (dismissal at 11:30 a.m.)
June 22	Last Elementary Student Day
June 23	Last Middle & High School Student Day



Please note the above list does not include Elementary and Middle School half-days and High School early dismissal days. To view the entire 2010-2011 calendar, please visit our web site at www.opschools.org and click on "Calendar."

Latin Students Win High Honors

Congratulations to the talented students at Orchard Park High School and Middle School who competed in the Ninth Annual Classical Association of Western New York (CAWNY) Invitational Certamen Competition. This Latin Quiz Bowl Competition and Written Academic Contest was co-sponsored by the State Junior Classical League and featured 200 Latin students from 12 Western New York Schools who participated on five different levels of competition. The following Orchard Park Latin Students earned high honors:

Level Four/Five Advanced Placement: 1st Place - Orchard Park Team A - Daniel Gustafson, Casey Jablonski, Alanna Ross and Olivia Wasteney; 3rd Place- Orchard Park Team B - Ross DiPronio, Liam Allman and Megan Roberts

Level Three: 2nd Place - Orchard Park Team B - Emily Frost, Camille Paladino, Gena Rainforth and Emily Saeli.

Level One: 1st Place - Orchard Park Team A - Kathryn Collins, Madeline Kolesar, Christina McCune and Taylor Ziccarelli.

Orchard Park Latin students also won a total of 24 individual awards on a series of written academic contests including Roman Life & Culture, Mythology, Vocabulary and Pentathlon. Individual Award winners include: Christina McCune, Kathryn Collins, Brianna Willis, Shreya Sood, Alyson Sion, Emily Frost, Damian D'Arcy, Heather Jones, Lynn Schroeder, Alexandra Wagner, Dan Gustafson, Liam Allman, Alanna Ross and Olivia Wasteney.

Orchard Park Latin students are taught by Mrs. Margaret Curran.

Pictures, from top to bottom:

Standing (left to right) 8th grade students Madeline Kolesar, Kathryn Collins and Christine McCune; seated is 8th grader Taylor Ziccarelli.

Standing are sophomores Camille Paladino, Gena Rainforth and Emily Saeli; seated is sophomore Emily Frost.

Standing are seniors Olivia Wasteney, Alanna Ross, Casey Jablonski; seated is senior Daniel Gustafson

Seated are senior senior Ross DiPronio, junior Megan Roberts, and junior Liam Allman.



On the Record...

National Recognition

The DI Puzzlers, an OPMS Destination ImagiNation team, have won the Creative Spark Challenge, sponsored by Destination ImagiNation. In collaboration with Entrepreneur Week, DI invited DI'ers to design and market an interactive game. Submissions were uploaded to YouTube for voting. The game will now be mass produced for sale at the DI Global competition in May 2010 and the team will have the opportunity to present their product in front of 16,000 potential buyers. The DI Puzzlers call their board game "Destination Tennessee," which has a theme similar to Monopoly. The game is complete with charades and Destination ImagiNation Instant Challenges. The team added a

global flair by including multi-cultural game tokens and fun facts about each of the 50 states. Congratulations to coach, Trish Jemiolo and the DI Puzzlers.

Outstanding Presenters

The District would like to recognize and congratulate Rachelle Francis, music teacher at Eggert Elementary. She was selected to present at the 2010 Annual Conference for the NYS Council on Social Studies in March. Her workshop is entitled "Make Social Studies Sing – Integrating Music and SS in Grades 3 through 5."

High School English Teacher Lisa Fanaro presented at the National Council of Teachers of English (NCTE) Annual Conference in Philadelphia in November. The title of her presentation was "Beyond Secondary Roles: What the Women of the Canon Teach Today's Girls."

Meeting the Needs of the Gifted and Talented Learner

By Dennis Fitscher
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Pupil Services

Orchard Park Central School District takes great pride in meeting the needs of all students. To that end, thirty years ago the district began a gifted and talented program called Spectrum. Spectrum serves all children in our four elementary schools by providing a wide variety of enrichment activities for the entire school, as well as for gifted and talented students.

The Spectrum Program offers programming with



three tiers of service. Level 1 consists of general exploratory activities such as guest speakers, field experiences, and special assemblies. Level 1 activities provide educational

enrichment for the entire school or grade level and can serve as a springboard to Level II or Level III activities. Level II includes individual or group-training activities that develop research methods, and critical and creative thinking skills as applied to a wide range of topics. Some examples include the National Geographic Geography Bee, Junior Great Books, Continental Math League, and content specific mini-courses. Level III involves in-depth, independent research projects completed by students over a period of months, or an entire year, dealing with real-world problems that may culminate with product development. The Spectrum program supports the creative problem-solving competition, Destination ImagiNation. This year, Orchard Park has twelve teams consisting of students from elementary, middle, and high school. Orchard Park has been highly successful in this program and has been well represented in both national and international competitions.

How are students selected for Spectrum programming?

Students that have above average ability, are creative

Gifted students are:

“Children and youth with outstanding talent who perform or show the potential for performing at remarkably high levels of accomplishment when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment.”

- US Department of Education



Our Spectrum Catalysts are, seated: Darlene Rombola (Ellicott); Colleen Kelly (South Davis). Standing are James Waack (Windom) and Amanda Wilcox (Eggert.)

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Meeting the Needs of the Gifted and Talented Learner (con't)

and possess a high level of task commitment are selected for participation in Spectrum. The intersection of these three criteria produces a talent pool of approximately 10-15% of our student body. Level II services embrace a revolving door policy. This means the process of selecting students repeats itself at the beginning of each academic mini, thus giving students with specific strengths, additional opportunities to participate in intense content-specific units of study.

Why is a Gifted and Talented program needed?

When gifted students are not challenged, they are given a false sense that learning is easy. Students who aren't academically challenged lack the experience gained by "persistence" and the necessary study skills to succeed. They are unprepared as they move into upper grades when the curriculum intensifies and may become our "underachievers." In addition, the Spectrum program provides the added benefit for gifted students to gather in the same intellectual group and collaboratively problem solve. Working together normalizes their experience and encourages self-confidence in their abilities.

Creating tomorrow's leaders, engineers, scientists, and visionaries doesn't happen by lowering the bar of achievement. The Spectrum program sets the bar high to motivate, challenge and encourage students to their full potential.

Our Spectrum program is led by a group of very gifted and talented teachers. They work diligently at nurturing the strengths and talents of our students, fostering creative and critical thinking, and developing problem-solving skills in a collaborative forum. We're very proud of them and their dedication to meeting the needs of the gifted and talented learner.

Universal Pre-K Applications Being Accepted for 2010-2011 School Year

Again this year, the Orchard Park Central School District is seeking grant funding to provide Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK) to preschool age children. If approved, the UPK program will once again be conducted in the 2010-2011 school year.

Through this Universal Pre-Kindergarten program, 4-year olds will be eligible for a half-day pre-kindergarten program for the 2010-2011 school year at no cost to families. The program runs five days per week at off-site locations in partnership with high quality community-based organizations (i.e. pre-school program providers, day care centers, etc.). UPK is open to child residents of the Orchard Park Central School District who will be 4 years-old on or before December 1, 2010. Transportation will be the responsibility of parents/guardians.

Through grant funding, the district hopes to support approximately one hundred half-day slots. Should more families apply than grant-funding can support, a random selection process (e.g. a lottery format) will be used to determine enrollment. During the 2009-2010 school year, the program was held at Brierwood Child Care Center, Child Time, Doodlebugs! EduKids, YMCA and Wee Can Preschool. The 2010-2011 partnerships have yet to be determined. All community-based organizations will be located within the Orchard Park Central School District.

Families interested in applying for the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program opportunity may download a registration application at www.opschools.org or call 209-6215 to have an application mailed to them. Completed applications, including all necessary registration documents, are due by July 1, 2010. Families

will be notified of the grant status and whether or not their child was selected for participation in the program in early August.





"If at first you don't succeed, try, try again," was the motto at Windom Elementary which finally overcame two second place finishes to win a visit from Andy Parker's Weather Machine. The Machine, which is capable of producing all types of weather, from tornados to snowstorms to sun, allowed the students to learn about the weather by actually experiencing it! Pictured here is WGRZ-TV Meteorologist Andy Parker with a volunteer who braved the elements to demonstrate the machine for her fellow Windom students. Thanks are extended to everyone who voted!

Congratulations are extended to Leah Pasqualetti, a student in Mrs. Myers's 2nd grade class at South Davis Elementary, who was selected as the Grand Prize winner in the Scholastic Book Club "Leaf It To Me" Math & Art Contest. The contest challenged students to collect fall leaves and arrange them to make a picture of unique shapes and patterns. As the Grand Prize Winner, she received every item in the Scholastic Book Clubs Math & Science Explorations Catalog - a total of three boxes of materials! Great job, Leah!

Now Enrolling Kindergarten Students for 2010-2011 School Year

The Orchard Park Central School District is conducting enrollment for students entering kindergarten in the 2010/2011 school year.

The Board of Education policy states that a child must reach his or her fifth birthday by Dec. 1 of the year they enter kindergarten. Parents must register their child at the school they will attend. The schools are:

- Eggert Elementary, 3580 Eggert Road, 716-209-6215
- Ellicott Elementary, 5180 Ellicott Road, 716-209-6278
- South Davis Elementary, 51 S. Davis Road, 716-209-6246
- Windom Elementary, 3870 Sheldon Road, 716-209-6279

The following information is required for registration: birth certificate, immunization record, custodial statement if student is not living with both natural parents, and acceptable proof of residency. (Proof of residency must be a current utility bill, purchase contract, lease agreement, deed or school tax statement. These are the only acceptable documents for proof of residency.)

Orientation dates for registered students are as follows:

- Eggert Elementary: Thursday, April 29 at 1:30 p.m. and Friday, April 30 at 9:30 a.m.;
- Ellicott Elementary: Tuesday, May 18 at 2 p.m. and Friday, May 21 at 2 p.m.;
- South Davis Elementary: Tuesday, May 4 at 9:30 a.m. and Thursday, May 6 at 2 p.m.;
- and
- Windom Elementary: Monday, April 12th @ 1:30 p.m. (last names A-L) and Wednesday, April 14th @ 9:30 a.m. (last names M-Z)

If you are unsure about the school your child will attend, please call the School Information Office at 209-6222. A street list and map is also located on the District's Web site at www.opschools.org under "About Us."

DIGITAL KNOW...

By Cathie Marriott
Director of Technology & Information Services

School Districts are required to retain certain student records permanently, such as information on school entry, withdrawal, graduation, subjects taken and grades received from examinations. Newer records, from 1970 to 2004, were previously digitized through funding secured by the Local Governmental Records Management Improvement Fund. However, almost all of Orchard Park's student records holdings prior to 1970 were in their original paper format – some even hand-written on index cards with a fountain pen! Of the roughly 50 years of records, less than 50% were required for retention according to New York

State's Records Retention and Disposition Act.

Orchard Park recently sought additional grant funding to bring all student records into digital format. It was truly exciting when we were notified that the District was the recipient of a \$31,612 grant from the Local Governmental Records Management Improvement Fund.

The process of preparing items for digitizing began by soliciting bids from companies. The District selected the lowest bidder who met specifications. We hired a retired clerk typist to purge unneeded records and organize the files by year, according to an Orchard Park created index. Records from

1940-1969 were shipped to the winning bidder to be digitized and microfilmed (as a backup). These records have recently arrived back in district and are currently being checked for accuracy. Records from 1939 backwards are currently being prepared for digitization. 10 pallets of paper are ready for shredding, which we will outsource.

By June 1, 2010 all Orchard Park student records, active or inactive, will be accessible digitally. Converting student records to an electronic format will result in a minimum savings of over 25 hours per year in retrieval time, and an additional 25 hours per year in updating student

files. Time will also be saved as mistakes in misfiling or misplacing paper records will be eliminated through the scanning and indexing process. This time savings will directly translate to a more immediate response to public inquiries for information. And, the High School will recapture some valuable space for storage.



Above, Barb Addeo looks through just a few of the thousands of records she has sorted and categorized over the past few months. To the right (top) is a Guidance Record from 1924; to the right (bottom) are three of the 10 pallets of old records which will be shredded.

GUIDANCE RECORD									
Name		WHA BEN		Born		2/4/24		Res. JEWETT & GROVER	
Parent		W.D.		Occ.		Farmer		Nat. Father English Mother Irish	
Academic Record				Mental		Environment		Activities	
Eng	Math	Comp	Hist	Spch	11/12	Home			
1					C.A. 12-9	Food			
2					M.A. 11-5	Cloth			
3					I.Q. 113	Par.Ed.			
4					A.N. 71				
5					67-82				
6	3	4	3	3	2	Abilities		Physical	
7	4	3	5	3		In School		Transferred L. 12	
8						Voc.		Wt.	
						Mus.		Ht.	
						Art		Eyes	
						Spch		Ears	
						Soc.			



Images from Around the District



Pictured above are performers in the South Davis Elementary School performance of "Buskers." South Davis students in grades 3-5 conceptualized, wrote and performed the play, which included four student music compositions.



Eggert Elementary 5th Graders taught audience members about grammar, science, economics, history and math during their performance of "Schoolhouse Rock Live! Jr."



Leads from the Ellicott Elementary School production of "The Aristocats" performed live at the February Board of Education Meeting as a precursor to their performances in the school's cafetorium. The show is based on the Walt Disney animated feature.



South Davis Elementary students take full advantage of an abundant resource in Buffalo - snow! The South Davis Wellness Committee, along with the PTO, once again sponsored a snow shoeing demonstration with staff from Earth Spirit.



Windom Elementary recently wrapped up their "Pennies for Peace" campaign, raising an amazing \$1,400 in pennies! "Pennies for Peace" is a program of the Central Asia Institute (CAI) which was founded by Greg Mortenson, author of the New York Times best seller *Three Cups of Tea*. Money raised by Windom will help CAI provide community-based education and literacy programs in remote mountain regions of Central Asia. As part of the Pennies for Peace campaign, students in Mrs. Shaner's 5th grade class read and discussed the novel *Three Cups of Tea*, which describes the author's transition from a mountain-climber to a humanitarian committed to reducing poverty and educating girls in Pakistan and Afghanistan. Pictured above (left) are four of Mrs. Shaner's students, including Jason Farris, Allison Leonard, Elizabeth Conforti and Skyler Aguliar. Also pictured above (right) are Windom students with several thousands pennies which were collected. The students are Josh Krzanowicz, Patrick Gavigan, Leo Koellner and Griffin O'Brien.

District Phone Directory

OFFICES

ATHLETICS

Mr. Jim Higgins 209-6208

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Mr. Bill Bosinski 209-6207

BUSINESS

Mr. Jeffrey Petrus 209-6209

CURRICULUM 209-6236

PUPIL SERVICES 209-6228

Mr. Dennis Fitscher

COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Mr. Robert Farwell 209-6295

DISTRICT CLERK 209-6280

GIFTED & TALENTED

(Spectrum) 209-6228

HEALTH & PHYS. EDUCATION

Mr. Jim Higgins 209-6208

Health Offices - see individual school listings

Parochial School Nurse:

Charlene Lawless 209-6248

MUSIC

Mr. Chris Revett 209-6321

PAYROLL

Teacher: 209-8192

School-Related Personnel:
209-6221

HUMAN RESOURCES

Dr. Cam Morton 209-6239

PHYSICALS 209-6296

PSYCHOLOGISTS & SOCIAL

WORKERS 209-6248

PUPIL SERVICES &

TECHNOLOGY

Ms. Suzanne J. Thomas 209-6247

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Mrs. Lynn Czemerynski 209-6248

STUDENT REGISTRATION

Elementary Offices

Middle School 209-6233

High School 209-6286

SPEECH Call your school office

SUPERINTENDENT

Joan D. Thomas 209-6280

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Mrs. Catherine Marriott 209-6330

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TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Thomas Blidy 209-6237

TREASURER

Mrs. Tina Frisch 209-6292

VOCATIONAL CLASSES

Call High School Guidance

WORKING PAPERS

209-6217

SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Announced on radio & TV

DISTRICT OFFICE

3330 Baker Rd., Orchard Park

School Information

Mrs. Lori A. Allan 209-6222

SCHOOLS

HIGH SCHOOL

4040 Baker Rd, Orchard Park

209-6242

Principal: Mr. Jonathan Wolf

House I Principal:

Mrs. Tara DiDomenico-Sorrento
209-6213

House II Principal:

Mr. Terence Tryon 209-6223

Interim House III Principal:

Mr. Don Wesley 209-6313

Nurse: AnnaMarie Hopcus, RN

209-6296

Guidance -

House I:

Mrs. Andrea Kadish 209-6257

Mr. Michael Behm 209-6256

House 2:

Dr. Annemarie Cervoni 209-6266

Margaret Sullivan 209-6265

House 3:

Mrs. Ann Linder 209-6271

Mrs. Amy See 209-6272

Attendance

House I: 209-6212

House 2: 209-6224

House 3: 209-6270

MIDDLE SCHOOL

60 S. Lincoln Ave., Orchard Park

209-6220 or 209-6229

Principal: Mr. David Lilleck

Assistant Principal:

Mrs. Kimberly Cirillo

Attendance: Mrs. Kyle Burger,
209-6412

Nurse: Mrs. Ellen McGravey, RN
209-6261

Guidance: 209-6233

Gr. 6: Mrs. Sarina Scaccia

Gr. 7: Mr. Robert Rindfleisch

Gr. 8: Miss Elizabeth Nobel

EGGERT ELEMENTARY

3580 Eggert Rd., Orchard Park
209-6215

Principal: Mrs. Lisa Krueger

Nurse: Mrs. Anne Marie Harris, RN
209-6216

ELLICOTT ELEMENTARY

5180 Ellicott Rd., Orchard Park
209-6278

Principal: Mr. Terry Spicola

Nurse: Mr. Michael Connors, RN
209-6276

SOUTH DAVIS ELEMENTARY

51 S. Davis St., Orchard Park
209-6246

Principal: Ms. Christine Rassow

Nurse: Mrs. Betty Hurley, RN
209-6219

WINDOM ELEMENTARY

3870 Sheldon Rd., Orchard Park
209-6279

Principal: Mrs. Wendy Gloss

Nurse: Ms. Cathy Tomani, RN
209-6322

BOCES

Alternative Education
at Orchard Park 662-0135
3330 Baker Rd., Orchard Park

Teacher Center
549-4454

LoGuidice Center 672-4371
9520 Fredonia-Stockton Rd.,
Fredonia

Hewes Center 763-1801
2615 N. Maple St., Ashville

Carrier Center 549-4454
8685 Erie Rd., Angola

Ormsby Center 652-8250
1010 Center St., East Aurora

School Calendar at a Glance

March 22 - Superintendent's Conference Day - No Student Attendance

April 1 - Superintendent's Conference Day - No Student Attendance

April 2 - Holiday - No School

April 19-23 - Spring Recess - No School

May 28 & 31 - Memorial Day Holiday - No School

June 22 - Last Elementary Attendance Day

Daily School Hours for students attending
Orchard Park Central Schools for the
2009-2010 school year:

High School 7:25 a.m. - 1:50 p.m.

Middle School 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Elementary Schools 9 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Orchard Park Central Schools Board of Education

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2010

EG – Eggert Elementary
EL – Ellicott Elementary
SD – South Davis Elementary
WI – Windom Elementary
MS – Middle School
HS – High School

MARCH

- 19-20...ECMEA Junior High Festival
22...Superintendent's Conf. Day-No Student Attendance
22...WI Teacher Appreciation
Breakfast, 8 a.m.
23...WI Niagara Candy Pick
Up, 3-7 p.m.
23-24...HS National College Fair
23...Board of Education Meeting, 7 p.m.,
District Office
24...EG/SD Project Know Girl's
Night, 7 p.m., SD
24...EG/SD Project Know Boy's
Night, 7 p.m., EG
25...EL/WI Project Know Girl's
Night, 7 p.m., WI
25...EL/WI Project Know Boy's
Night, 7 p.m., EL
26-27...ECMEA Senior High Festival
26...MS 7th and 8th Grade Activity
Night, 7-9 p.m.
29...MS 5th-6th Grade Choral
Festival, 2:30 p.m.
29...HS PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.,
HS Media II
30...5th Grade Special Education
Transition Meeting, 6 p.m., MS

April

- 1...Superintendent's Conf. Day-No Student Attendance**
2...Holiday Observance - No School
6...Board of Education Meeting,
7 p.m., District Office
6...SD/WI Cadet Orchestra
Concert, 7 p.m., WI
8...HS Bald For Bucks, 2 p.m.

- 8...EG Math & Science
Night, 6-8 p.m.
8...WI PTO Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
9...Central Council PTO Meeting,
9:30 a.m., District Office
12...HS STAP-Comm Meeting, 7 p.m.
12...EL PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.
14...SD PTO Meeting, 2 p.m.
14...MS PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
15... Quaker Athletic Booster Club
Meeting, 7 p.m., Athletic Office
17...Destination ImagiNation
State Competition
19-23...Spring Recess - No School
26...Spring Community Education
Classes Begin
26-28...Grades 3-8 NYS ELAAssessment
27...Grade 7 Acceleration
Parent Meeting, 6 p.m., MS
28...EG PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.
28...HS Orchard Park Pride
Banquet, 6:30 p.m.

Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots for the 2010/11 Annual School Vote may be obtained at the District Clerk's Office, 3330 Baker Road, Orchard Park. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk no later than seven days before the election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or no later than the day before the vote if the ballot is to be personally delivered to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk no later than 5 p.m., prevailing time, on May 18, 2010.

For more information on absentee ballots, please contact the District Clerk at 209-6280.

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