



# Orchard Park Central School District *Community Report*

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## *Ellicott's Character Café Open for Business*



**M**iss Hopcus's third grade class had the honor of inaugurating Ellicott Elementary School's Character Café, which opened for business on Friday, November 13. The Character Café provides students with the opportunity to earn a unique dining experience based on their demonstration of positive character traits. By consistently exhibiting ethical, responsible and caring behaviors throughout the school day, classrooms are invited to eat lunch in the small cafeteria with adults from the educational and Orchard Park communities. This privilege is intended to encourage and reinforce considerate conduct, personal habits, and positive attitudes.

Superintendent Joan Thomas was invited to the grand opening of the Café, where she visited with children and passed out pencils after cutting the ribbon and officially opening the Café. Congratulations are extended to the following Ellicott classrooms who visited the Character Café in November: Mrs. Malachowski, Miss DiDomenico, Mrs. Matthews, Miss Smolarek, and Mrs. McAllister.

The Café will be open twice a month, with PTO members volunteering their time to create a pleasant dining atmosphere with tablecloths, centerpieces and background music. The school's hope is that each classroom will earn and enjoy the privilege of dining in the Character Café, while developing positive relationships with their principal, teachers, support staff, and community members. Repeat dining experiences will be available for exemplary behavior.

**SAVE THIS  
BULLETIN!**

*Winter/Spring  
Community  
Education  
Brochure Enclosed.*

*Driver  
Education  
Registration  
Now Open  
Online.*

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# Superintendent's Column

**D**ear Community Members:  
The Orchard Park Central School District recently accepted the resignations of two middle school administrators. Mrs. Jennifer Curci, the former principal, has taken a position in the Niagara Wheatfield Central School District as an assistant superintendent for instruction. Mrs. Eleanor Payne, former assistant principal at the Middle School, has moved to a similar position in the Grand Island School District. To fill these critical vacancies, Mr. David Lilleck, High School House III principal, has been appointed as the interim Middle School principal.

The District is in the process of posting the Middle School principal position. Interviews will begin in late January/early February, with an anticipated appointment date of late February/early March. Once



*Joan Thomas*

the new principal is in place, the District will conduct a needs assessment for the second assistant principal position.

Since Mr. Lilleck is overseeing the Middle School, a vacancy has occurred in the House III office. The vacancy has been filled on a per diem basis by Mr. Don Wesley, retired House III principal.

Mr. Lilleck joined our District in 2008. Prior to coming to Orchard Park, Mr. Lilleck served as Dean of Students in the Grand

Island Central School District, where he was also a social studies teacher for seven years. Mr. Lilleck holds a master's degree in educational administration from Canisius College as well as a master's degree in social studies education from the State University of New York at Buffalo. He received his bachelor's degree in history and secondary education with a minor in political science from the State University College at Geneseo.

I realize all of this seems involved. It is. However, please be assured that the education of your children remains the top priority and a smooth and seamless transition is the order of the day. The Orchard Park Central School District prides itself on hiring the brightest and best professionals possible.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support.

## *Cold Weather & Snow Closing Information*

At this time of the year, it is a good idea to talk to your children about cold weather safety. It is important to check your children's (even teenagers) outerwear. Protecting exposed skin during cold weather is extremely important: warm coats, hats, gloves, scarves and boots will help protect your children during the winter season.

The decision to close schools due to cold temperatures is made by the Superintendent of Schools. In consideration of the safety of students in cold weather the following information from the National Weather Service is used as a guideline in making a determination to close schools:

Cautionary:	Wind Chills of -18 to -20 degrees
Advisory:	Wind Chills of -25 degrees or below
Warning:	Wind Chills of -35 degrees or below

In many areas of the country, schools will not close until the wind chill temperature is at the Warning level of -40 degrees or below. The American Academy of Pediatrics recommends that no one should be outside with unprotected skin with wind-chill factors in the range of -40 degrees or below. In Orchard Park, if the wind chill temperature is colder than the Cautionary

level (-20 degrees) school will be delayed or closed.

Once a decision has been made to delay or close, area radio stations including WBEN, WNED, WHTT and WJYE will be notified, along with television station WGRZ, WIVB, and WKBW. You may also receive an alert to your e-mail address or cellular phone through the district "Ed Alert" system, provided the District did not sustain a power-outage.

Please know that a decision to delay or close school because of adverse weather conditions is not made lightly or easily. It involves many consultations with the weather bureau, highway supervisors, and police in the six towns which compose the district. When it comes to winter weather, we encourage and support parents in making the decision that is best for their child. The Orchard Park Central School District encompasses many miles, and weather in the southern most part of the district may be vastly different than the northern part. The decision made in the best interest of the majority of our students may not fit with your individual circumstance. A decision to keep your child home for safety reasons will be considered an excused absence.

# Board President's Column

## Superintendent Search Update

by Donald Sniezak

Filling the role of the Superintendent of Schools is the only position within the District that is the sole responsibility of the Board of Education. The Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education takes this responsibility very seriously and we remain actively involved in all phases of the process.

Dr. Thomas Ramming, a consultant with the Western New York Educational Service Council, has been retained by the District to assist with the superintendent search. Dr. Ramming is the retired superintendent of the Grand Island School District and is familiar with Orchard Park, having served as interim assistant superintendent for human resources in the fall and early winter of 2006. He has extensive consulting experience, and has conducted superintendent searches for Districts throughout the state.

Together, Dr. Ramming and the Board have developed a process that we will follow in selecting our new superintendent. Focus groups with community members, parents, students, District Office personnel, principals,



*Members of the 2009-2010 Board of Education  
Row 1: Maria Lehman, vice-president and  
Donald Sniezak, president  
Row 2: Rachel Baksa, Alfred McClymonds,  
David Nielsen, Carla Marrazzo  
and Natalie A. Schaffer*

teachers, and support staff were conducted throughout October. From these groups, we were able to compile information about the qualities that our community and staff felt our next Superintendent must possess. This information was then shared with the Board, and we have instructed Dr. Ramming to look for as many of these qualities as possible as he filters through the resumes.

Resumes are currently being collected, with credentials and references being checked over the next several weeks. Resumes will be accepted through January 8. Phase two will begin in late January when the Board will meet with

Dr. Ramming and review the completed application files. The Board will select semi-finalists from the applications, and will interview the candidates in early February. From the semi-finalists, three finalists will be selected; those individuals will then spend a day in the District. During the day long visit, each finalist will tour the District, meet with a

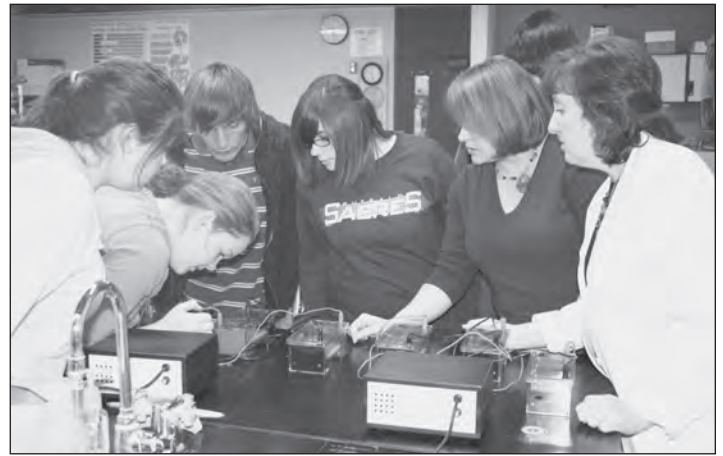
committee made up of two representatives of each of the focus groups, and participate in a final interview with the entire Board of Education.

Each member of the Orchard Park Central School District Board of Education is committed to this process. We look forward to announcing our new superintendent in mid-March 2010. For more information on the process, to see the brochure that is being circulated to possible candidates, or to voice your opinion on the process or on the qualities of a new superintendent; please visit the District Web site at [www.opschools.org](http://www.opschools.org) and click on "Superintendent Search" under the Quick Link Section.





Pictured above are members of the Middle School GG Charms. Short for "Girls Group," students meet approximately once per month to participate in various activities in a no pressure environment where empowerment is encouraged. Activities vary, ranging from lessons on proper skin care and good nutrition, to participation in Dance Dance Revolution Marathons and the creation of crafts. A large part of last Spring was spent on a project which provided the girls with first-hand experience in what it was like to lead a classroom. In groups, the girls chose children's books, then developed a lesson to present the information to younger students. As part of the lesson, they also developed an activity which varied by classroom. Nine groups of girls then presented their lessons to students in grades K-4 at South Davis Elementary. Mrs. Paolini, who leads the GG Charms, reported that while the girls were nervous to start, most enjoyed it and asked to participate in the activity again. Several members are pictured above at their November meeting where they created Thanksgiving candles and wrote letters to family members about what they were thankful for.



High School students in Mrs. Feeley's Crime or Punishment in Society (COPS) class got a hands-on lesson in Crime Scene Investigation thanks to assistance from Biology Teacher Mrs. Rominger. The students participated in a CSI Collaboration entitled "Robbery Gone Wrong," where as CSI lab technicians, the students worked in a small group to link a defendant to a crime through DNA analysis. Over a series of classes, they took evidence from the "crime scene" and processed it through a technique called Gel Electrophoresis, which would match the mock defendant's DNA to the crime scene DNA. Mrs. Rominger conducted the science-based, or Electrophoresis Analysis, portion of the classes, while Mrs. Feeley led the students in the crime portion, assisting as they completed a CSI Final Report to reveal what class of crime the robbery was, how the evidence proved the defendant guilty "beyond a reasonable doubt" and what other CSI techniques could be suggested to police to further implicate the defendant. Students are pictured above with their teachers examining the Gel Electrophoresis.



Congratulations to students in Mr. Kennedy's Principles of Engineering class who competed and placed 4th in a trebuchet competition held at the Great Pumpkin Farm in Clarence. Pictured above are students (kneeling left to right) Lucas Kozub, Jeremy North, Brian Zells, (standing) Mike Kapaun, Jasmine Carra, Alex Tomasik, Colby McNichol, and Zack Price. Not pictured are participants Andrew Basista, Zac Cottrell, PJ Lacono and Sean Rimmer.

## Orchard Park Winterguard

Presents

### Winterscape 2010

Saturday, February 6, 2010  
OPHS Gym Starting at 5:30 p.m.

The OP Winterguard plus  
12 other Guards will perform.

Tickets are \$6 per person and  
are available at the door.

Come out and support your Guard!

## On the Record...

### All-State Performance

Congratulations to the following Orchard Park musicians who were selected to participate in the NYSSMA Jr. High Area All-State Band and Orchestra on Friday, November 6 and Saturday, November 7: Melissa Barton (trumpet), Maryellen Devic (French horn), Christina Docenko (violin), Kaylee Kosakowski (bass clarinet), Alexander Krenitsky (violin), Lindsey Kreuzer (violin), Brandon Mellerski (tuba), Angel Rhodes (violin), Amanda Saeli (violin), Shreya Sood (violin) and Taylor Zicarelli (clarinet). The District and our music teachers are extremely proud of their accomplishments.

### National Placement

High School Technology Teacher Steve Kennedy, along with several of his students, will be featured in an upcoming magazine advertisement for Sparkfun Electronics. Steve's class created projects ranging from a homemade pick-and-place machine to a robotic arm. A salesman for Sparkfun Electronics was so impressed with how the High School was utilizing their products, they decided to feature them in a national magazine advertisement. Photos for the ad were shot in November at the High School.



### Outstanding Alum

After taking first place in the Buffalo News Editorial Cartoon contest held last school year, 2009 Orchard Park High School Graduate Alan Kawahara had his work submitted to the Herbert Block Foundation/Journalism Education Association contest, a national venue. He was selected as a winner, and was recognized with a prize including a monetary award of \$500 plus round trip plane tickets for Alan and a parent to attend the JEA/NSPA convention held in November. Alan was a student in Frani Evendon's Honors Art class.

### Kudos

Orchard Park High School's Student Newspaper, the Voice, garnered several awards at the annual Communications Day at St. Bonaventure University.

The publication was recognized with first place in the News Magazine category, and the High School received the Bertram Freed Memorial Award for the highest weighted scores of submitted publications, which this year also included the yearbook. In addition, Class of 2009 graduates David Goltz and Natalie Hill were recognized with second place awards for sports features and editorials.

### Whiz Kids

Congratulations to the following fifth graders who won their school's annual National Geographic Geography Bee: Megan Filipski from Eggert Road Elementary, Derek Frappa from Ellicott Road Elementary, Ian Wojcik from South Davis Elementary, and Jason Farris from Windom Elementary. These students are now eligible for the state level competition. Megan is a student in Mrs. Ryan's class. Derek is in Ms. Devine's class. Ian is a student in Mr. Barry's class and Jason is in Mrs. Shaner's class.



*Filipski*



*Frappa*



*Wojcik*



*Farris*

### Recognition at Ormsby

Congratulations to High School Senior Paige Chernogorec, who was chosen as "Student of the Month" at the Ormsby Educational Center for the month of November. Paige was chosen for this honor based on her attendance, grades, class performance and teacher recommendation. Thomas J. Heubert, principal at Ormsby Educational Center, reports that Paige has done an outstanding job in her Criminal Justice II class, has earned high grades and maintained a positive work ethic.



## *Creating (and Snacking) at Windom*

Windom kindergartners recently participated in what has now become an annual tradition - the making of Gingerbread Houses! All five kindergarten classes at Windom gathered in the cafeteria with family and special friends to make their very own creations out of milk cartons and graham crackers. Family and friends helped the young students frost and decorate their houses with just about every sweet treat you can imagine, including peppermints, licorice, gum drops, candy canes, M&Ms, gummy bears, Ande's Mints, Hershey Kisses, marshmallows, jelly rings and more. More than a few students were spied enjoying a treat or a lick of icing. After decorating was complete, the children took their creations home for their families to enjoy.

*Pictured top: Zachary Jackson displays his well-frosted creation.*

*Pictured below: Courtney Duggan's grandmother assists her with icing and decorating.*

*Courtney and Zachary are both students in Ms. Kulczyk's kindergarten class.*



*Middle School Students Carolyn McCune, Sara Weber and Stephanie Macchia stand with Buffalo Bills Defensive Tackle Spencer Johnson at the inaugural 'Amazing Race.'*

## *Students Participate In and Volunteer at Spencer Johnson's 'Amazing Race'*

Members of the High School Science Club and Middle School Science Bowl Team worked at and participated in a community charity event. Buffalo Bills defensive tackle Spencer Johnson's inaugural and adventurous 'Amazing Race' was held at Yates Park in Orchard Park. The successful afternoon event, modeled after the popular reality show, included fifteen teams of participants tackling multiple tasks of athletic skill, intellect and teamwork along a 1.5 mile race course. Tasks included golf chipping to a target, answering ACT questions, soccer, juggling, bingo, field goal kicking and an obstacle course where fans maneuvered through the course blind folded and unscrambled words. 'Team What,' comprised of Orchard Park Middle School students, took second place in the Race. Funds raised from the Amazing Race go toward the Spencer Johnson Adopt-A-High School Academic Initiative, which offers academic and SAT/ACT assistance to underserved

students in area schools. Says Spencer Johnson, "I was thrilled with the turnout and the spirit of the participants."

# School Social Workers Making a Difference in the lives of students

By Dennis Fitscher  
Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Pupil Services

Our School Social Workers perform a critical role for faculty, administration, parents and, of course, children. The core function of these professionals is to enhance the academic mission of the district by actively addressing barriers within the child, home, school and community that interfere with student achievement. How is this accomplished? School social workers share their specialized knowledge, skills and perspectives that assist other professionals and parents with understanding the presenting behavior and how to effectively problem solve the issue. Further, school social workers serve as catalysts for facilitating “an action plan” with school personnel and the family so that learning may resume, thus supporting the mission of the district “to help build lives that can be lived capably, responsibly and fully.”

If you ever doubted the importance and value of our school social workers, consider this statistic



published by the National Mental Health Association. “Fewer than one in five of the 17.5 million children in need of mental health services actually receive them. Many of these students would not achieve academic success due to social, emotional, and behavioral problems affecting school performance.”

Orchard Park School Social Workers work diligently behind the scenes to help these students and families through early identification, prevention, intervention, counseling and support.

In case your child or family need assistance in the future, please review some of the general tasks

performed by our school social workers:

- Help students to cope in times of crisis
- Intervene to reduce or eliminate stress within or between individuals or groups
- Gather information and conduct interviews to prepare social and developmental histories that identify the student’s strengths and problem areas
- Offer acute mental health services for students and small groups; and when necessary to families
- Provide referrals and serve as a liaison to community agencies for more serious issues
- Support parents by teaming with them to effectively participate in their child’s education, understand their child’s developmental and educational needs, and understand special education services
- Strengthen parenting skills through classes and parent conferences
- Assist educators and administrators with understanding behaviors and offering strategies/interventions
- Lead effective prevention programs and/or offer interventions that address: alcohol and other drug abuse, violence, suicide and sudden deaths, child abuse and neglect, teenage pregnancy, date rape, poverty, homelessness, antisocial behavior, and school safety

Our school social workers are child centered, highly qualified and experienced in both clinical social work and within school settings. It is my pleasure to supervise this group of dedicated professionals that make a difference in the lives of children across the district.



Our school social workers, pictured with Dennis Fitscher, are: (Row 1) Katie Connelly, LCSW (Ellicott Elementary), Bridget Pietrantone, LCSW, (S. Davis Elementary), Michelle Waney, LMSW (Windom Elementary), Mary Wolf, LMSW (High School), (Row 2) Amy Klube, LCSW (High School), Mary Jo Kajfasz, CSC (Middle School), Elizabeth Duffett, LCSW-R (Eggert Elementary) and Yvonne Hitzel, LCSW-R (Middle School).



## Giving Back to Those In Need

Students throughout the Orchard Park Central School District spent the fall and winter of 2009 giving back to the neediest members of our community. Student Council representatives at Ellicott worked with School Social Worker Katie Connelly to coordinate the collection of gently used clothing and blankets which were donated to the City Mission. Members of the National Spanish Honor Society, under the direction of Spanish Teacher Mrs. Zdjelar, raised \$314 through student, faculty and staff donations for Everywoman's Opportunity Center, a local non-profit organization that helps women find employment. Finally, 5th grade students in the classes of Mrs. Bermingham and Mrs. Rossi at Ellicott Road Elementary collected books which were given to first grade students at the Westminster Community Charter School in Buffalo.



*Right, top: Student Council representatives at Ellicott (standing) T.J. Naples, Jake Graves, Alex Wehrfritz, Colton Tincher, Tyler Wright, (seated) Fiona Rath and Lauren Miller.*

*Right, center: National Spanish Honor Society members stand with Mrs. Zdjelar, advisor, and a representative from Everywoman's Opportunity Center. In addition to soliciting cash donations, the group collected toiletries, purses, and some suits, which were donated to the non-profit.*

*Right, bottom: Ellicott Elementary 5th graders from Mrs. Rossi and Mrs. Bermingham's classes are pictured with just a few of the hundreds of books which will be given to first grade students at Westminster Community Charter School.*



*Congratulations to the six students pictured above who represented Orchard Park High School at the 2009 New York State School Music Association Winter Conference held in Rochester from December 3-6, 2009. These six students were awarded the highest school music honor in New York State based on auditions held last spring and were members of the All-State Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble or Symphony Orchestra. Pictured here are (front row) Donal Sheets, Sara Newton, Evan Korn, (back row) Jessica Dolnick, Matthew Nedimyer and Eric Bodnar.*



*Photo provided by: Sylvia Mraz*

*Orchard Park Central School District string players helped make the season bright for Tops shoppers, while collecting money for a worthy cause. The students pictured above performed Christmas carols at the Tops Friendly Market in Orchard Park on Saturday, December 12 to raise funds for the Children in Need Charity Drive. Over \$100 was collected, with money to be used to provide for needy children throughout our District. This marks the third year the group has entertained at Tops in Orchard Park during the holiday season. Pictured from left are performers Alex Crinzi, Elizabeth Crinzi, Ati Mraz, Evan Stoddard and Ryan Mraz.*



# DIGITAL KNOW...

By Cathie Marriott  
Director of Technology & Information Services

*"The size of a school library's staff, collection, and program is the best single predictor of student academic achievement, outweighing school spending in general, the income and education of the parents, and the teacher-pupil ratio."*

This research published in 1993 by the State of Colorado on the characteristics of high achieving schools has been replicated by many states with the same results. Syracuse University is completing a replication study that will be published soon. Word on the information highway is that what Colorado discovered, New York State has, too: **School Library Media Centers impact academic achievement.**

## Staff

NYS recommends one School Library Media Specialist (SLMS) per 500 students and one full-time support staff. While Orchard Park is below the distinguished level in the NYS library evaluation rubric, the staff works hard to support student achievement. Schools with certified librarians have higher scores on the fourth grade English Language Arts (ELA) test than those who don't, according to researchers at Syracuse University. The difference is statistically



significant—with an almost 10 point difference. All Orchard Park SLMS are certified.

## Collection

Library collections are available through the district web page at [www.opschools.org](http://www.opschools.org). Whatever is not found in district can be located through interlibrary loan. The library collection extends beyond four walls into the virtual world. Library web pages offer access to subscription databases 24/7. There are no boundaries to the district library collections!

## Program

Data supported a flexible elementary library schedule change in order to be a readily available resource to classes. This flexibility has provided opportunities for SLMS and teachers to work collaboratively on projects. Examples of learning experiences based on data collected from NYS exams can be found at <http://www.opschools.org/webpages/collaborations/index.cfm>. Elementary state scores reflect the success of this collaboration. Data also indicates that

the amount of time students spend on free voluntary reading impacts student achievement. Data collected through Accelerated Reading has proven that MS students who annually read 25 books or more consistently score in the upper 3s or 4s on the NYS ELA tests.

## Examples

Check out what the Middle School is reading at <http://www.opschools.org/middleschool.cfm?subpage=70>. All students receive reading guidance through the library program. They are welcome at any time for personal consultation with the SLMS to find that perfect book. Do you remember the book that made you a life-long reader?

"Teaching students how to find information rather than memorize information" was ranked highest in importance in this year's Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) Issues Survey. All students participate in learning opportunities that scaffold the development of information search strategies, are relevant to life learning, and extend and deepen their base knowledge. All activities are tied to the standards encouraging higher level thinking skills. Check out the HS Project Links at <http://www.opschools.org/highschool.cfm?subpage=144>

With certified school library media specialists, well-trained library support staff, a supported resource collection, and a program that teaches essential skills for a digital world, Orchard Park SLMS support student achievement. The data confirms it!



## Images from Around the District



*Board of Education Member and Vietnam Veteran Al McClymonds was one of many veterans who spoke at the Windom Veterans Day Assembly held in November.*



*Members of the cast of "Snoopy" perform onstage at the Middle School. The show was presented to hundreds of thrilled audience members the weekend of November 20 & 21.*



*Members of the Eggert Road Elementary Wellness Committee stand with just a few of the items collected during a school-wide food drive. Donations will benefit Orchard Park Families-in-Need.*



*Santa Claus made a special visit to Ellicott Elementary just before the holiday. Santa's visit was coordinated by Dr. Cam Morton, assistant superintendent of human resources.*



*Fifth grade students at Eggert Elementary stand in front of the student body during the National Geographic Geography Bee, which was held at the school in November. For information on the winner, turn to page five.*



*Logan Wittmann and Daniel Urban, students in Mrs. Connors' Kindergarten Class at South Davis Elementary are pictured during their harvest celebration. Students from the three kindergarten classes each chose a Native American name and decorated an outfit which they wore while feasting on popcorn, banana bread, raisins and jello.*



# 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 El-

ementary Offices

Middle School 209-6233

High School 209-6286

SPEECH Call your school office

### SUPERINTENDENT

Joan D. Thomas 209-6280

### TECHNOLOGY & INFORMATION SERVICES

Mrs. Catherine Marriott 209-6330

### THERAPISTS: PHYSICAL & OCCUPATIONAL 209-6249

### 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

Interim 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

January 18 - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - No School

February 15-19 - Mid-Winter Recess - No School

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

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

### JANUARY

- 12...Board of Education Meeting,  
7 p.m., District Office  
13...MS PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
13...District Jazz Concert, 7 p.m., HS  
**15...HS Early Dismissal, MS Half  
Day: 12:45 p.m. dismissal - HS,  
10:30 a.m. Dismissal - MS**  
15-Feb.12...WI Niagara Candy Sale  
16...ECMEA Junior High Auditions, HS  
**18...Martin Luther King, Jr.  
Holiday - No School**  
20...EG PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
21... Quaker Athletics Booster Club  
Meeting, 7 p.m., Athletic Office  
22...SD Family Fun Night, 5:30 p.m.  
22...EG Wellness Family Dance, 6-9 p.m.  
23...ECMEA Senior High Auditions  
25...HS PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.  
26...Winter/Spring Comm. Ed  
Evening Registration, 6-8 p.m.,  
HS Community Ed. Office  
26-29...HS Regents Exams  
28...Winter/Spring Comm. Ed  
Evening Registration, 6-8 p.m.,  
HS Community Ed. Office  
29...WI Winter Dance, 6:30 p.m.  
29...EL Family Movie Night, 6:30 p.m.

### FEBRUARY

- 1...Winter Community Education  
Classes Begin  
1...MS World Affairs Parent  
Meeting, 7 p.m.  
2...Board of Education Meeting,  
7 p.m., District Office  
3...HS Parent Scheduling Night, 7 p.m.

- 4...WI PTO Meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
5...Central Council PTO Meeting,  
9:30 a.m., District Office  
5...HS Festival of Bands, 7 p.m.  
6...HS Winterscape Winter  
Guard Show, 6 p.m.  
8...HS STAP-Comm Meeting, 7 p.m.  
8-9...EG 5th Grade Musical, 7 p.m.  
9...EL PTO Meeting, 2 p.m.  
9-10...EL Operetta, 7 p.m.  
9-10...SD Operetta, 7 p.m., MS  
10...MS PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
10...SD PTO Meeting, 2 p.m.  
11...HS Winter Choral Concert, 7 p.m.  
12...OP Symphony Concert,  
7:30 p.m., MS  
**12...K-8 Half Day,  
10:30 a.m. - MS Dismissal,  
11:30 a.m. - Elementary**  
**12...HS Early Dismissal,  
12:45 p.m. HS Dismissal time**  
12-26...SD Niagara Candy Sale  
**15-19...Mid-Winter Recess**  
22...HS PTO Meeting, 7 p.m.  
24...EG PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
25... Quaker Athletics Booster Club  
Meeting, 7 p.m., Athletic Office  
26-28...MS World Affairs Trip

### MARCH

- 1-5...HS Yearbook Sales  
2...Board of Education Meeting,  
7 p.m., District Office  
2...EL PTO Meeting, 2 p.m.  
4...WI PTO Meeting, 9:15 a.m.  
5...MS 6th Grade Activity Night, 7-9 p.m.  
6...HS Community Market  
Place, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
9-10...WI Operetta, 7 p.m.  
10...EG Shamrock Night, 6-8 p.m.  
11...MS PTO Meeting, 9:30 a.m.  
11-13...HS Musical, 7:30 p.m.  
12...Elementary Report Cards Distributed  
13...ECMEA Elementary  
Concert, Kleinhan's

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