



SWEET HOME CENTRAL
SCHOOL DISTRICT

Superintendent Report

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2024 - 2025

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Tonight's Report:

- **Congratulations Sweet Home WNY Scholar Athletes**
- **SmartPhone Task Force**
- **Panther Logo Finalists**
- **Electric Bus First Responder Training**
- **Superintendent Conference Day Recap**
- ***Once Upon a Mattress***
- **Dollars for Scholars Craft Fair**
- **Superintendent Report**

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Sweet Home WNY Scholar Athletes



- **WNY Scholar Athlete - Frankie Bellanti - Boys Volleyball**
- **WNY Scholar Athlete Honorable Mention:**
 - Maya Atallah - Tennis
 - Carly Battaglia - Cheerleading
 - Adina Bluestein - Girls Golf
 - Cole Cammarata - Football
 - Dominic Croce - Boys Cross Country
 - Nathan Darling - Boys Golf
 - McKenna Flatau - Girls Soccer
 - Gracie Fuqua - Girls Volleyball
 - Kimaya Hall - Girls Soccer
 - Ella Hubert - Girls Volleyball
 - Kendra Kapuszcak - Girls Cross Country
 - Tamaya Kelley - Cheerleading
 - Taylor Nugent - Girls Cross Country
 - Margaret Paluch - Girls Volleyball
 - Rocco Panepinto - Football
 - Emily Phillips - Girls Golf
 - Rydell Reif - Girls Swimming
 - Camryn Smith - Girls Volleyball

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SH SmartPhone Task Force

- **Proposed State Law will require the bell-to-bell elimination of smart devices for schools starting the in 2025-2026 school year.**
- **Dr. Wilson will lead a task force of administrators, teachers, and staff to discuss potential policy shift to comply with law.**
- **Once recommendations are developed, student town halls will take place for feedback.**
- **We will then conduct a parent town hall to discuss potential new policy.**
- **Once feedback has been tabulated from town hall meetings, a new policy, in conjunction with the policy committee, will be recommended to the BOE for adoption in the code of conduct.**

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- We received over 300 entries by students in grades K-12.
- We have 3 finalists from the High School, 3 finalists from the Middle School, and one finalist from each elementary building.
- Finalists will work with graphic designers at 26 Shirts to turn concepts into logo designs.
- We are on track to vote on May 20 to select our official Sweet Home Panther.

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PANTHER LOGO CONTEST

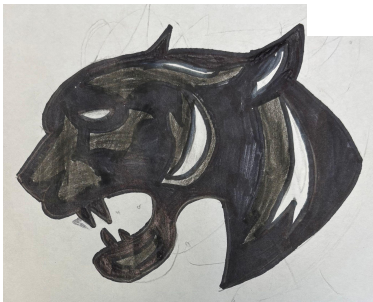
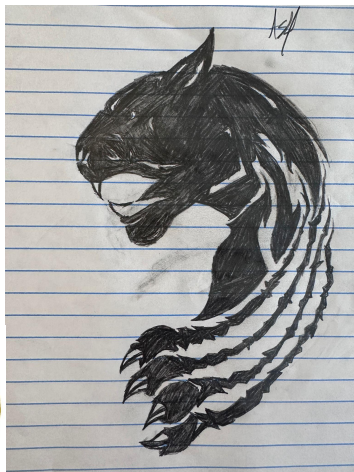
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CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENT FINALISTS

**Grace Laible
Grace Lysek
Anyla Maxwell
Tyliq Moss
Jia Patel**

**Westley Pentheros
Maxwell Peterson
Raifah Rana
Savannah Richter
Parisa Woryakhail**

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Electric Bus Safety Training:

- First three electric buses have arrived in District.
- Installation of three charging stations is nearly complete.
- New EV buses expected to be on the road by end of March.
- Safety training for first responders and SH personnel held on March 6 in our Transportation Center.



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Superintendent Conference Day Recap, March 7

- Dr. Wilson, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
 - Artificial Intelligence Practices
 - Leader in Me Training
 - Mandated Reporter Training

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Once Upon a Mattress, March 14, 15, and 16

Once Upon a Mattress

March 14 and 15, 7:30 p.m.

March 16, 2 p.m.

Tickets on Sale Now. See the QR code on the flyer.

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Dollars for Scholars Craft Show

Saturday, March 15, 2025

9 a.m to 3 p.m.

High School Gym

All proceeds benefit Sweet Home Dollars for Scholars Program

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Sweet Home Dollars for Scholars

Saturday, March 15, 2025

9am-3pm



Sweet Home High School
1901 Sweet Home Road, Amherst

Call Lyn Custodi at 250-1424 for more information

Email: lcustodi@sweethomeschools.org

All proceeds benefit Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Fund



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Proposed Start/End times for 2025/2026

24/25 Times

High School

7:25 - 1:54

Middle School

9:15 - 3:45

Elementary 1

8:30 - 2:15

Elementary 2

9:00 - 2:45

25/26 Proposal

High School

7:19 - 2:05

Middle School

7:40 - 2:24

Elementary

8:55 - 3:10 (depart bldg. 3:15)



SCHOOL START/END TIMES INFORMATION & FAQ

On Tuesday, February 11, the Sweet Home Board of Education approved new start and stop times for the 2025-2026 School Year. These changes were studied, developed, and proposed by the Building Use Committee (BUC) and presented to the Board during the January study session and voting session. We appreciate the feedback we received from parents during the 30-day comment period. The Q&A below addresses many of the common questions we received.

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Monitoring Federal Government School Funding

- Approximately \$3.55 million in grant money each year is allocated to SH.
- In addition, \$1.6 million is allocate from the EPA for our EV bus initiative.
- These monies do not include medicaid reimbursement.
- The messages from Washington change almost daily.
- We believe in the work of our DEI committee that thrives on a motto of “All Means All.”
- We are monitoring our funding closely and believe our grants are protected this year.
- There is uncertainty in future years.
- The District will continue to advocate with State and Federal officials to maintain and enhance funding that benefits our underserved populations.

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Questions from the Board?

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