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Dear Wheatland-Chili Families,

In less than twenty days we will be welcoming your children back to our schools for the start of the 2025-26 school year.

While you and your children took a much-needed respite from the hustle and bustle of a school year, we have been making preparations to welcome your children back for a successful school year. Our buildings have been deeply cleaned, construction projects are buttoned up, and our instructional staff are poised to return and create classrooms where your children thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

As you prepare for the start of the 2025-26 school year, please reference the Wheatland-Chili 2025-26 School Calendar and take a moment to review the bulleted information below for important opening of school dates/updates:

Important Dates

T. J. Connor Important August/September Dates:

- Friday, August 22nd: Bus Schedules Mailed Home
- Tuesday, August 26th (5:00PM-7:00PM): Pre-K & Kindergarten Orientation
- Thursday, August 28th (2:30PM-3:30PM): Supply Drop Off
- Wednesday, September 3rd (8:30AM): FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
- Thursday, September 11th (6:00PM): PTA Meeting (Board Room)
- Thursday, September 18th (5:30PM-7:00PM): K-5 Curriculum Night/Welcome Back Picnic

Wheatland-Chili Middle/High School Important August/September Dates:

- Friday, August 15th: Student Schedules Mailed Home
- Friday, August 22nd: Bus Schedules Mailed Home
- Tuesday, August 26th (10:00AM to 11:30AM & 3:30PM to 5:00PM): Locker Set Up
- Wednesday, August 27th (5:30PM, Gr. 6, Parent Night) (7:00PM, Gr. 7-8 Parent Night)
- Wednesday, September 3rd (7:35AM): FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
- Tuesday, September 16th (6:00PM): Senior Parent Night
- Friday, September 19th: MS Homecoming Dance 6:00PM, HS Homecoming Dance 8:00PM
- Saturday, September 20th: Homecoming Parade and Community Celebration

ParentSquare

This year Wheatland-Chili is excited to announce the integration of ParentSquare as its main communication platform. ParentSquare offers a more robust and uniform means of communication for the entire district, as it replaces ClassDojo, Remind, and Blackboard. Features on the platform include emergency alerts, teacher feeds, file and media sharing, teacher-parent messaging, and much more. All parents should have received an email with a link to register for ParentSquare. In addition to registering, please download the ParentSquare app.

NYS Cell Phone Ban

As part of the NYS "Distraction Free Schools" initiative announced earlier this year by Governor Hochul, Wheatland-Chili has updated its Personal Electronics and Cell Phone Policy to reflect the "Bell-to-Bell" restrictions. This restriction requires students to turn off and place all personal electronic devices in a locker or other designated secure area for the duration of the school day, and outlines communication protocol for parents who need to contact students during the day. More information on the NYS initiative can be found here: NYS Cell Phone Ban. The District's revised Student Use of Personal Electronic Devices is available here: Student Use of Personal Devices.

Webpage Update: Specific to Communications

Some significant updates have been made to the District website, including updated content to the Communication page. On this page, visitors can now find valuable information such as communication framework, school contact chart, tips for families and students, Superintendent announcements, and more. View all of the updates by visiting: <a href="https://www.websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.com/websites.

School Supply Lists

Please see the links below for the school supply lists:

T. J. Connor Supply List

MS/HS Supply List

As your new Superintendent, I look forward to meeting you and your children and leading our faculty and staff in providing your children with a first-class education.

Sincerely,

Stephen J. Kenny, Ed.D.

Superintendent

Wheatland-Chili Central School District

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