



J-T Elementary



Newsletter

Home of the Wildcats

January 30, 2026

Save the Dates

February 5: PIE Meeting

February 11: Board of Education Meeting

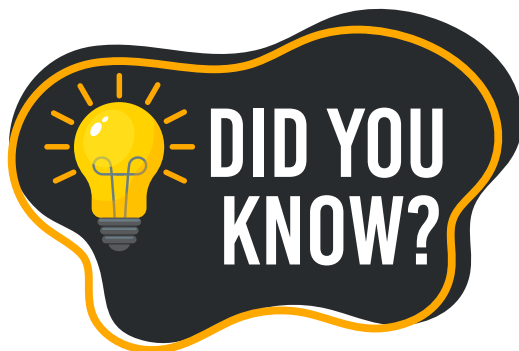
February 9: Valentine's Day Celebrations

February 16-20: Mid Winter Recess (No School)



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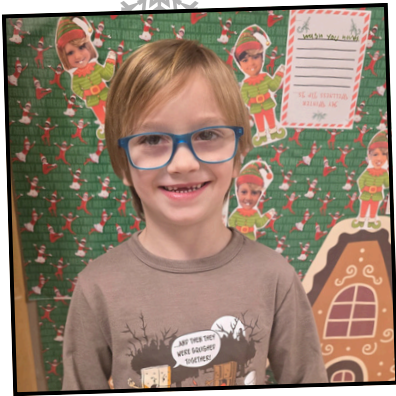
The Jasper and Troupsburg school districts merged in 1987 to form what is now Jasper-Troupsburg CSD.



QUESTION of the Week



“What is your favorite activity to do in the snow?”



"Snowball fight!" -Carter, K



"Build a snowman" -
Waylon, 1st Grade
"Make snow angels" -
Delaney, 1st Grade



"Making snowballs" -Keagan,
3rd Grade
"Sledding" -Malcolm, 3rd Grade



"Getting stuck in a
snowbank" -Amber, 4th Grade



"Make snowballs for my dog
to eat" - Tesla, 2nd Grade



"Sledding" -Paisley, 5th Grade
"Making snow cones" -Maddie, 5th Grade
"Hitting jumps while skiing" - Roman, 5th Grade
"Skiing" - Bristol, 5th Grade
"Building snow tunnels" -Haddie, 5th Grade



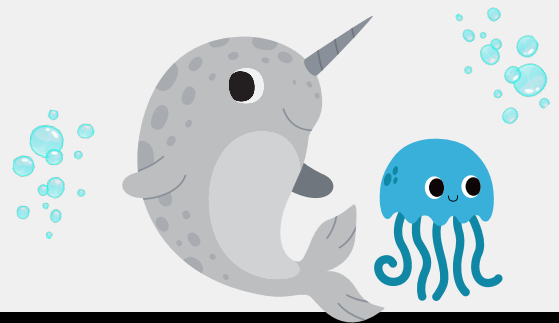
"Snowmobiling" -Jaxson, 6th Grade
"Diving headfirst into a snow pile" -Nick, 6th Grade
"Making snow angels" -Piper, 6th Grade

INSIDE THE CLASSROOMS

Narwhal and Jelly Author Visits Third Graders Online



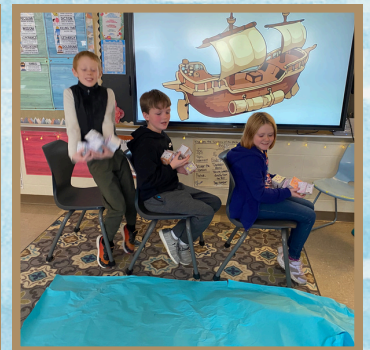
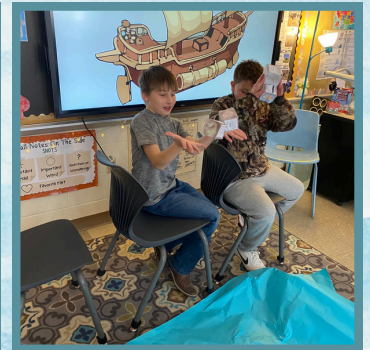
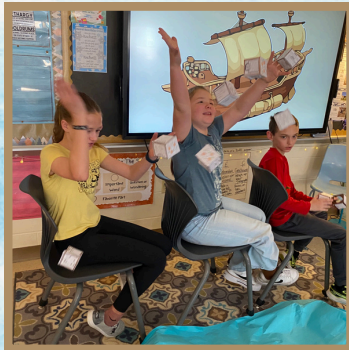
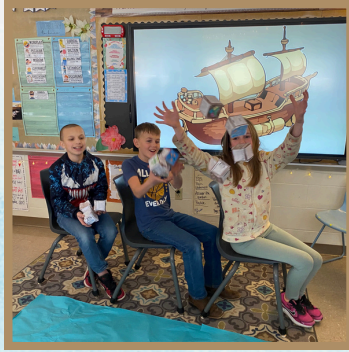
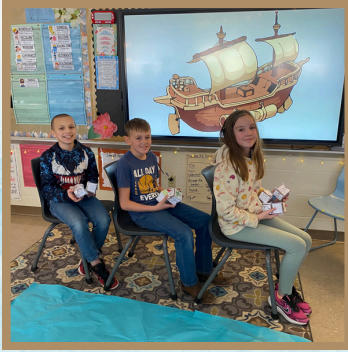
On Friday, 3rd graders logged into a live stream put on by Scholastic where the author of *Narwhal and Jelly*, a popular children's book series read a part of one of his books, answered questions submitted by children across the US on the livestream, and led a draw-along of some of the characters in his books!





Fifth Graders Explore the Boston Tea Party

Last week the 5th graders went to four different stations to learn more about the Boston Tea Party, leading up to the American Revolution. Students read passages and then completed comprehension questions that turned into small tea boxes. We then had our own Boston Tea Party where they got to pretend to be on the ship in Boston Harbor and throw their tea boxes into Massachusetts Bay. They did a great job learning more about this big event in history.





Keyboarding Skills Across the Grade Levels

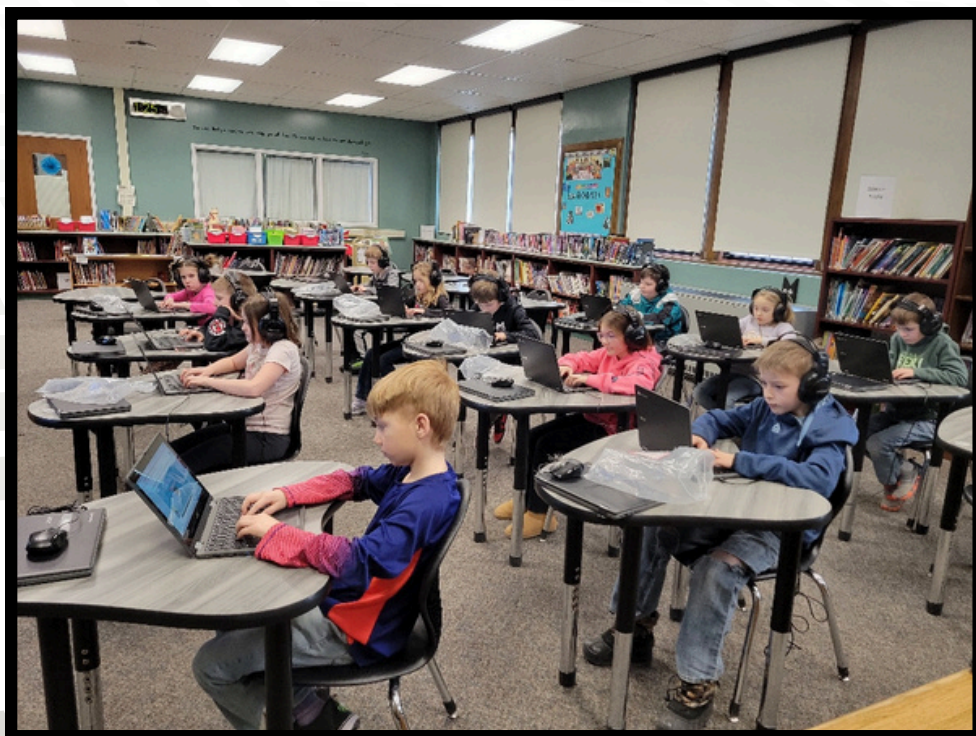


Students in grades 2 through 6 spent the first half of this school year developing proficient keyboarding habits. They are beginning to understand the importance of combining ergonomics (proper posture) with the Wildcat Typing Position, which involves placing the appropriate fingers on the home row keys.

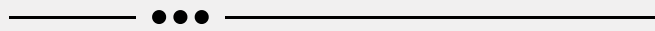
Our kindergarten through second-grade students have recently commenced learning about the keyboard while also enhancing their mouse and trackpad abilities.

These foundational skills help all of our students become confident, more independent users of classroom technology.

Our district now has the opportunity to try a new typing program called Typsey. This computer-based program aims to reinforce and advance our students' keyboarding skills.



Building Dictionary Skills in the Library



In library class, students are developing their dictionary skills. They have explored the role of guide words in simplifying word searches within the dictionary. Additionally, students have acquired other dictionary-related skills and vocabulary. This includes understanding entry words, pronunciation guides, and identifying the part of speech for the words they find.





Why We're Celebrating Half-Year Birthdays ✨

If your birthday falls in the summer, you've probably lived this story before: school's out, routines are scattered, people are traveling—and your big day quietly slips by with a "we'll celebrate later!" that never quite happens.

That's exactly why the Birthday Crew is shaking things up. ✨

This year, we've started celebrating half-year birthdays for our summer birthday folks instead of waiting until June (or later) when schedules finally line up. *The goal is simple: everyone deserves a proper celebration, with the whole crew present.*

By moving summer birthdays to their half-year mark, we get:



Full participation – more people around, fewer conflicts



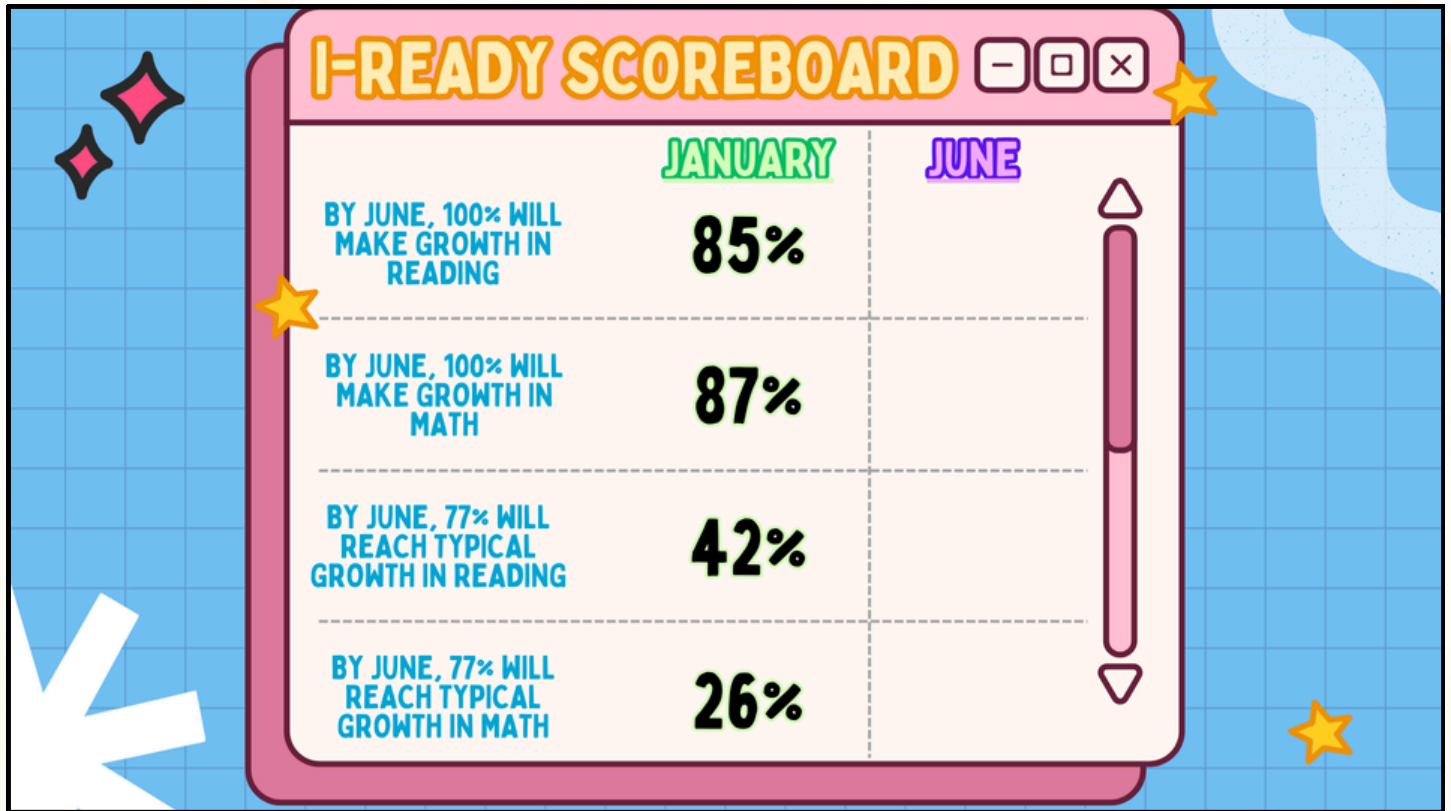
Equal hype – no rushed or forgotten birthdays



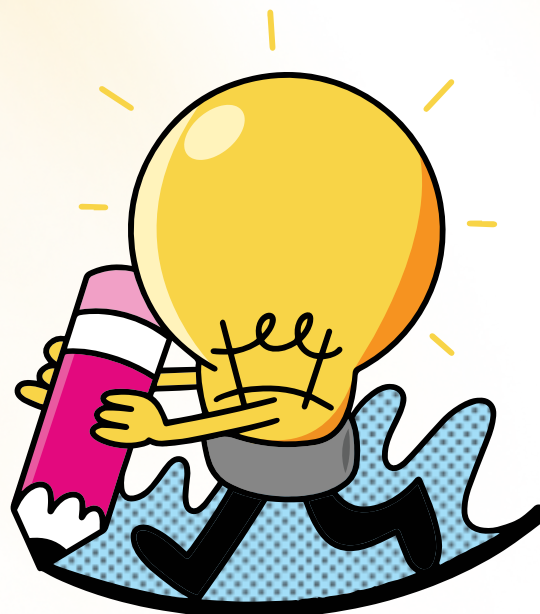
More reasons to celebrate during the year
(honestly, a win for everyone)

Don't worry—your actual birthday still matters! This isn't about replacing it, just about making sure every member of the crew gets their moment in the spotlight, complete with cake, laughs, and the energy it deserves.

So if you see us singing "**Happy Half-Birthday,**" now you know why. Here's to *smarter celebrating, better timing, and making sure no birthday gets left behind.*



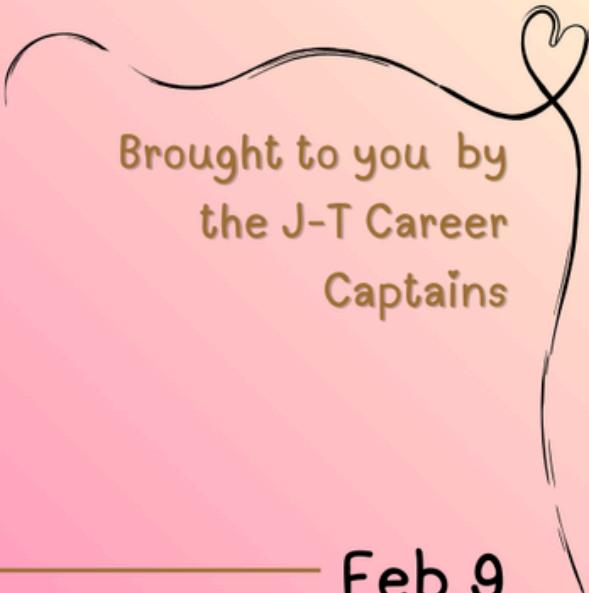
We had our i-ready benchmark earlier this month and this is our scoreboard. It includes our annual i-ready goals and how we are doing so far! We will update the scoreboard again in June when the kids complete their final benchmark for the year.





FALL IN LOVE WITH

YOUR FUTURE CAREER



Brought to you by
the J-T Career
Captains



Big Dreams

Feb 9

Put on your pajamas and dream about the future!



Careers With Critters

Feb 10

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to spend a paw-some day of school with you!



Small School Big Future

Feb 11

Wildcats will do wonderful things! Wear your wildcat gear to celebrate pride in our school and community!



Trade Skills Takeover

Feb 12

Wear an outfit inspired by hands-on careers that build, fix, and keep our world running!

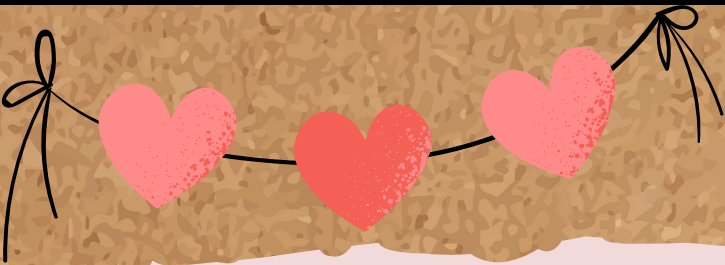


Your Future Career

Feb 13

What do you want to be when you grow up? Dress up and show us!



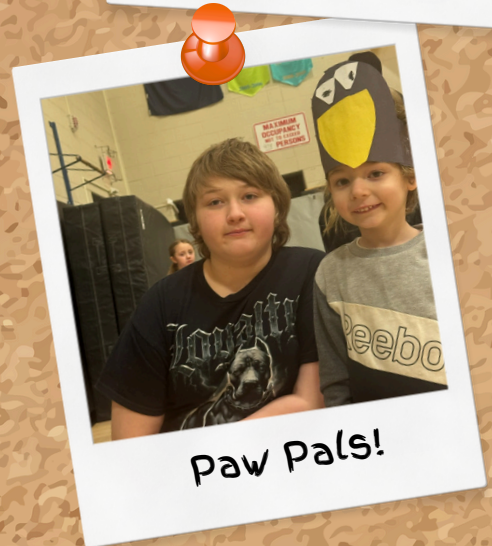


The only way to
have a friend is
to be one.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson



Fun times



paw pals!



5th/6th grade basketball



All smiles!



3rd/4th grade basketball



STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Meet our 
Guidance Counselors 



Ms. Eggleston
Elementary
Guidance Counselor 

HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN A GUIDANCE COUNSELOR?

I have been a school counselor for 13 years. This is my 5th year at J-T, but since I attended J-T from Kindergarten through 12th grade, it feels like I've been here forever!

WHAT DO YOU LOVE MOST ABOUT BEING A SCHOOL COUNSELOR?

The best part of the job is helping students become expert problem solvers. When kids feel empowered to face large and small challenges and come up with solutions that lead to positive results, I feel like they are learning life-long skills for success!


WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT JT?

Our community is full of good people who want the best for each other. I love that we can lean on our friends, family, and neighbors in times of need, and our kids do a nice job of taking care of each other on a daily basis. Our wildcat family is the best!

WHAT ARE SOME OF YOUR FAVORITE HOBBIES?

I love crocheting, taking care of my plants in the summertime, playing board games with my family, and learning new techniques for my DIY manicures!

WHAT IS ONE ITEM ON YOUR BUCKET LIST?

Someday, I want to visit Turks and Caicos! And by visit, I mean buy a house there and retire at the beach! 

★ BREAKFAST BUFFET ★

BENEFITS



JASPER-TROUPSBURG
YOUTH SPORTS

FEB 1ST
7AM-12PM

AT
THE FEED MILL

ADULTS: \$15
KIDS UNDER 12: \$8
KIDS UNDER 4: FREE

MENU: PANCAKES
EGGS
BACON
SAUSAGE
HOMEFRIES
and MORE
COFFEE & OJ



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A CODY ESTATES CO.

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MAGICAL MAYHEM



Amazing Magic!
Hilarious Comedy!
Join-In Fun!

Date : **January 30th, 2026**
Time : **6:00 PM**
Place : **JT Elementary School**
Cost : **FREE**
Refreshments available for Purchase



2025-26 Yearbook UPDATES



ORDER TODAY

2025-2026 J-T YEARBOOK - ON SALE NOW

Yearbooks are now on sale at a low cost of \$35.00 through December 31, 2025. Cost will increase to \$45.00 per yearbook on January 1, 2026.

Reserve your copy today to guarantee a yearbook at the end of the school year, as only a limited number of books will be printed.

Options to Pre-Order:

- Order online @ www.jostensyearbooks.com
- Scan the QR Code



Send in your payment (be sure to include the 8% sales tax) along with the order form to: YEARBOOK ADVISOR. All checks payable to: JT YEARBOOK.

Thank you for your continued support!

J-T Yearbook Staff

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THE COMMUNITY CHURCH OF TROUPSBURG
FOOD PANTRY



FOOD DRIVE!

Sponsored by:
J-T Sports Boosters



Drop-off Location:
Concession Stand at
the Greenwood HS
Location

**Bring your
donations to our
basketball home
games.**

Jan. 7 @6pm: GV
Jan. 8 @7:15pm BV
Jan. 10 @10:00am BM
11:30am GM
1:00pm BJV
2:30pm BV
Jan. 14 @5:45pm BM
7:15pm GM

Jan. 15 @ 5:45pm BJV
7:15pm BV
Jan. 20 @5:45pm GV
7:15pm BV
Jan. 22 @7:15pm GV
Jan. 27 @6:00pm GV
Jan. 30 @5:45pm BJV
Jan. 31 @10:00am GM



COMPLETE THE NYS DIGITAL RESOURCE SURVEY.

Parents, your input ensures every student has access to essential digital tools. Please take a moment to complete this important State requirement.

Please scan the QR code or type the link below!

<https://forms.gle/bsQBgPp1XP5FKh7a7>





PREVENT COLDS & FLU

Because of the increased risk of flu, gastrointestinal and respiratory illness at this time of the year, we ask that you take precautions to prevent the spread of germs.

1

WASH

Wash your hands for at least 30 seconds (sing Happy Birthday twice) with soap and warm water.



2

COVER

Cover your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze with your elbow or tissue.



3

DON'T TOUCH

Don't touch your eyes, nose or mouth! These are the areas where a virus can enter your body.



4

AVOID

Avoid close contact with those who are sick. Wash your hands or use hand sanitizer after.



February 2026



JASPER-TROUPSBURG ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2 Homestyle Chicken Bowl w/Bread Tuna Salad Sandwich Sliced Carrots	3 Meat Taco w/Rice Tuna Salad Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	4 Cheese Ravioli & Marinara Sauce w/Bread Tuna Salad Sandwich Green Beans	5 Toasted Cheese Sandwich Tuna Salad Sandwich Steamed Broccoli Hot Tomato Soup Fresh Cucumber Slices!	6 Super Bowl Celebration! NY MENU DAY! Buffalo Chicken Wing Dip made w/NY Cheese Issa's NY Pita Chips Warm Dinner Roll Fresh Carrots & Celery Sticks NY Green Peas NY Applesauce Cups NY Juice! Chilled NY Milk
9 French Toast Sticks & Sausage Egg Salad Sandwich Sliced Carrots	10 Chicken Quesadilla w/Rice Egg Salad Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	11 Chicken Alfredo w/Bread Egg Salad Sandwich Green Beans	12 Sesame Chicken w/Rice Egg Salad Sandwich Steamed Broccoli Fresh Pepper Strips!	13 Pizza Dunkers w/Marinara Sauce Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Egg Salad Sandwich Fresh Baby Carrots
16	MID-WINTER RECESS FEBRUARY 16th - 20th			20 Make Online Payments at PayForIt.net!
23 Baked Crispy Chicken Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Sliced Carrots	24 Meat Nacho Grande w/Rice Ham & Cheese Sandwich Golden Sweet Corn Baked Beans	25 Homemade NY Macaroni & Cheese w/Bread Ham & Cheese Sandwich Green Beans	26 Italian Meatball Sub Ham & Cheese Sandwich Steamed Broccoli Fresh Cucumber Slices! NY Seasoned Roasted Potatoes	27 Ultimate Cheese Breadstick w/Marinara Sauce Crispy Fish Filet Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Fresh Baby Carrots

This menu is subject to change with out advance notice.

Contact the Food Service Office at (607) 792-3675 or go to the School District Website Food Service Page & click on the Contact Us button to fill in and submit your info. **If you have a food allergy or intolerance, please notify us.**

This institution is an equal opportunity employer & provider.

DAILY ENTREES

PBJ Sandwich
Chef Salad w/Bread Choice
NY Yogurt & Cheese Stick w/Soft Pretzel
Mon: Cheeseburger on a Roll
T/Th: Cheese Pizza
W/F: Chicken Nuggets w/Bread

DAILY SIDES

Tossed Salad
Fresh Vegetables
Assorted Fruit
M/W/F: 100% Fruit Juice
Chilled NY Milk

PRICING

Breakfast & Lunch: \$0.00
Milk/Ala Carte Sides: \$0.75
Snacks: \$0.50-\$1.60
NOTE: Every student receives 1 bfast & 1 lunch at no charge per school day. Each bfast & Lunch must be a COMPLETE REIMBURSABLE MEAL, or student will be charged ala for each item on their tray.

BREAKFAST MENU

Monday: Mini Pancakes
Tuesday: Cinnamon Roll
Wednesday: Stuffed Bagel Bites
Thursday: Breakfast on a Stick
Friday: Stuffed Bagel Bites
Daily Items: Cereal Bowl, Bfast Bar, Muffin Top, Graham Crackers, Asst. Fruit, 100% Fruit Juice & Chilled NY Milk

wake up!

School Breakfast



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