

CLARKSTOWN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Academic Calendar

2026–2027



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Emergency Closings and Alerts

When school must be closed due to weather or other emergencies, announcements are made via the following media:

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WHUD 100.7 FM
TELEVISION
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Parents registered with our Blackboard Mass Notification System will be notified of school closings, due to inclement weather or other emergency situations, via phone call and/or email. Parents are asked at the beginning of each school year to complete emergency information for each child currently attending school in our District. It is important that this information, which includes phone numbers and email addresses, is kept current as Blackboard Mass Notifications is the District’s primary tool for parent communication. You can update your information at any time by contacting the secretary at your child’s school.

Weather Make-Up Days
Three adverse weather days are built into the calendar. The fourth will be made up on 5/28, fifth on 3/29 and if additional emergency days are needed, 4/19 will become a school day.

BE SURE YOUR CHILD’S SCHOOL HAS YOUR **CURRENT** EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION.

This calendar was produced in collaboration with the Rockland BOCES Communications Service.

Building Schedules

“EARLY” SCHOOLS NORTH AND SOUTH HIGH SCHOOLS	
7:22am	Warning Bell
7:25am	Instructional Day Begins
2pm	Dismissal
4pm	Late Bus (Monday - Thursday)
LAUREL PLAINS, LINK, NEW CITY AND STRAWTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	
7:52am	First Bell
8am	Instructional Day Begins
2:35pm	Dismissal
“LATE” SCHOOLS BARDONIA, LAKEWOOD, LITTLE TOR, WEST NYACK AND WOODGLEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	
8:22am	First Bell
8:30am	Instructional Day Begins
3:05pm	Dismissal
BIRCHWOOD SCHOOL	
8:30am	Instructional Day Begins
2:30pm	Dismissal
FELIX FESTA MIDDLE SCHOOL	
8:58am	Instructional Day Begins
3:33pm	Dismissal
4:20pm	Late Bus (Monday - Thursday)

From the Desk of the Superintendent

Dear CCSD Community,

As another school year begins, we are excited to welcome students, families and staff back to the Clarkstown Central School District. Whether you are returning or joining our schools for the first time, we look forward to the year ahead and all that our students will accomplish.

The Portrait of a Clarkstown Learner continues to guide our efforts as we enter into the second year of this districtwide initiative. It reflects our commitment to preparing students for a changing world and ensuring they have the skills needed to pursue their goals beyond the classroom. As we build on that vision, we remain focused on preparing future-ready learners through continued attention to financial literacy, global competence and technology awareness. We are also strengthening the foundations of literacy by aligning our instruction with the Science of Reading through the implementation of Fishtank ELA in grades K-5, helping students develop as confident readers and writers.

Stay connected by visiting ccsd.edu and following the District’s social media channels, where we share achievements and stories from across our schools. I also encourage you to explore the print and online calendars for important dates and opportunities to be involved throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued partnership. We look forward to welcoming students back on Thursday, September 3!

Sincerely,

Marc P. Baiocco, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools
Clarkstown Central School District



Our Mission

CCSD, in partnership with the community, will meet the individual academic and social-emotional needs of all students within a safe environment, while empowering them to reach their full potential in a complex society.



August 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	Board of Education Meeting: Set Tax Rate 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	JV AND VARSITY FOOTBALL BEGINS Final Day for Fall Advanced Placement ALL OTHER FALL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS BEGIN	24	25	26	27	28
Grandparents Day	30	FFMS Grade 6 New Student Orientation NHS Freshmen Orientation (Mentors Only), 9:30am – 2pm NHS Freshmen Orientation (New Students), 12 – 2pm SHS Freshmen Orientation (Students), 10am – 12pm	31	Onam	Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	29



September 2026

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• AWARD RECIPIENTS AT BD, LK AND WN •

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		BD New Student Tour (Grades 1–5), 1pm LW New Student Tour (Grades 1–5), 2:45pm WG Welcome Back Night, 4–5:30pm NC Welcome New Families, 6:30–7:30pm UPK Meet the Teacher, 11am Superintendent's Conference Day	Superintendent's Conference Half Day	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL LW First Day: K Kick Off, 8:35–9am MODIFIED FOOTBALL BEGINS	Janmashtami LW Welcome Back Family Picnic, 5–7:30pm	
6	7 Labor Day District Closed	8 LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm ALL OTHER MODIFIED FALL SPORTS BEGIN	9 WG Meet the Teacher (Grades K–2), 6:15–6:45pm WG Meet the Teacher (Special Class, Specials, Interventionists), 6:45–7:15pm WG Meet the Teacher (Grades 3–5), 7:15–7:45pm NHS + SHS Combined Chorus Sing The National Anthem at Yankee Stadium, 7pm	10 FFMS Grade 8 Panoramic Picture NHS North 101, 5:30–6:30pm BD Meet The Teacher, 6–7:30pm NHS Back-to-School Night, 6:30–8:30pm ST Meet the Teacher (Grades K–2), 6:30–8pm WN Meet the Teacher, 6:30pm	11 Patriot Day LP Back-to-School Event, 6pm	12 Rosh Hashanah SHS SAT
13 Rosh Hashanah National Arts in Education Week September 13–19	14 Feast of the Cross LW PTA Meeting, 6:45–7:45pm	15 NC PTA Meeting, 5:30–6pm NC Meet the Teacher, 6–8pm WN New Family Meeting, 6pm LK, LW Meet the Teacher (Grades K–2), 6:30–8pm ST Meet the Teacher (Grades 3–5), 6:30–8pm LP Meet the Teacher, 7–8pm NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WN PTA Meeting, 7pm	16 LT Meet the Teacher, 6:45–8pm WG Parent Engagement Title Meeting, 6:15pm SHS Back-to-School Night, 6:30–8:30pm WG PTA Meeting (In Person), 6:45pm	17 FFMS Grade 6 Meet the Teacher, 6:30–8:30pm BW Welcome Back BBQ, 5:30–7pm LW Meet the Teacher (Grades 3–5), 6:30–8pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	18 BD Welcome Back Picnic, 5pm LT Welcome Back BBQ, 5–7pm ST Back-to-School Picnic, 5–7pm NC Welcome Back Event, 5:30–7pm WN Welcome Back Picnic (Rain Date), 5:30pm LP Back-to-School Event (Rain Date), 6pm	19
20	21 Yom Kippur Schools Closed International Day of Peace	22 First Day of Autumn LK Meet the Teacher (Grades 3–5), 6:30–8pm	23 ST PTA Meeting, 7–8pm	24 FFMS Meet the Teacher (Grades 7–8), 6:30–8:30pm	25 BD Welcome Back Picnic (Rain Date), 5pm LT Welcome Back BBQ (Rain Date), 5–7pm NC Welcome Back Event (Rain Date), 5:30pm–7pm NHS Homecoming Game, 6pm LK Welcome Back Picnic & BBQ, 6:30–8:30pm	26 Sukkot September 26–October 2 NHS Homecoming Dance, 6–9pm
27	28	29	30 SHS College Process for Senior Parents, 7pm			
	LK PTA Meeting, 7–9pm					



October2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 National Custodial Worker's Recognition Day NC K-2 Fun Event, 6-7:30pm NHS v SHS Varsity Football, SHS, 6pm SHS Homecoming Game, 6pm	2 Shemini Atzeret SHS SAT
					3	
					4	5
					6	7
					8	9
					10	
					11 Simchat Torah Fire Prevention Week October 4-10	12 Columbus Day Schools Closed National School Lunch Week October 12-16
					13 LK Book Fair, October 6-7 NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm SHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WN PTSA Meeting, 7pm	14 NHS PSAT Administration SHS PSAT/PreACT Administration SHS Senior Picnic & Senior Picture NHS College Application Process (Seniors), 8:30-9:30am NHS Senior Breakfast, 9:45am-12pm PTA Council Meeting, 7-9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices
					15 BW Meet the Teacher, 6:45-8:30pm LT PTA Meeting, 7:30pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	16 EARLY DISMISSAL DRILL
					17	18
					19	20
					21 BD Book Fair, October 13-16 LW PTA Meeting, 6:45-7:45pm	22 UPK Fall Fest BD Family Fun Night, 6:30pm
					23 Red Ribbon Week October 23-31 LW Spooky Trunk or Treat, 5:30-7:30pm WN Halloween Fun Night, 6pm LK Halloween Bash, 6:30-8:30pm LP Trunk or Treat, 6:30-8:30pm WG PTA Spooktacular, 7-8:30pm	24 SHS ACT
					25	26
					27 NC Book Fair Read-In, 6-7:15pm FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	28 National Bullying Prevention Unity Day NC Book Fair, October 21-22 ST PTA Meeting, 7-8pm
					29	30
					31 BD Fall Fest, ST Trunk or Treat LP Halloween Festivities, 8:30am Halloween Parades: LK 8:30-10:30am, NC 8:35-9am, BD, LW 9-9:45am, ST 9-9:30am, WN 9am, LT, UPK 1:30pm, CCSD Childcare 3:30pm LW Spooky Trunk or Treat (Rain Date), 5:30-7:30pm, LP Trunk or Treat (Rain Date), 6:30-8:30pm	32 Make A Difference Day Halloween
					33 Board of Education Workshop 7pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	
					34 LK PTA Meeting, 7-9pm	



November 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
All Saints Day	NC PARP, November 2 – 24	Election Day No Student Attendance	LP Grade 5 Panoramic Picture LT PTA Fall Book Fair, November 4 – 6 NC PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7 – 8pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm PTA Council Meeting, 7 – 9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	Grades 6 – 12 End of First Quarter NHS Art College Fair	NHS SAT, 7am
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Diwali		WN Veterans Day Assembly NC Veterans Day Parade, 8:30 – 9:30am NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WN PTA Meeting, 7pm	Veterans Day District Closed	BD Veterans Day Grade 2 Ceremony, 9 – 10am LK Veterans Day Assembly, 9am	World Kindness Day SHS Fall Drama, 7pm	SHS Fall Drama, 2pm & 7pm
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
SHS Fall Drama, 2pm	American Education Week November 16 – 20 Final Day for Winter Advanced Placement LW PTA Meeting, 6:45 – 7:45pm WINTER HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS BEGIN	LP Fall Book Fair, November 17 – 19 FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm LT PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	ST PTA Meeting, 7 – 8pm	WN K Thanksgiving Celebration NHS Fall Drama, 7pm	Substitute Educators Day NC Turkey Trot, 12 – 2:15pm LW Family Bingo Night, 5:30 – 7pm NHS Fall Drama, 7pm	NHS Fall Drama, 2pm & 7pm
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	BD Turkey Trot, 9 – 10am NC Turkey Trot (Rain Date), 12 – 2:15pm LK PTA Meeting, 7 – 9pm MODIFIED WINTER SPORTS BEGIN	LP Grade 2 Thanksgiving Program, 8:45 – 9:15am BD Turkey Trot (Rain Date), 9 – 10am LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	Early Release Day UPK Early Release, 11:30am LP PARP Breakfast, 8:30am LW Grade 1 Thanksgiving Show, 9 – 9:30am	Thanksgiving Day District Closed	Thanksgiving Break District Closed	
29	30					



December 2026

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• AWARD RECIPIENTS AT LP, LT AND WG •

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 NC, LW Holiday Boutiques, December 1–2 NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm	2 Special Education Day FFMS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6:30pm SHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm PTA Council Meeting, 7–9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	3 Grades K-5 End of First Trimester BD Holiday Boutique, December 3–7 SHS Social Studies Honor Society Induction, 8:45am LK Grades 4–5 Chorus Concert, 6–8pm UPK + Grades K–5 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6–7:30pm NHS + SHS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6:30–8pm	4 Parent/Teacher Conference Day No Student Attendance FFMS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:30am NHS + SHS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:30am–2pm UPK Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:30am–3pm	5 Hanukkah December 5–12 SHS SAT
6	7 BD Holiday Boutique WN Holiday Boutique, December 7–11 WN PTA Meeting, 7pm	8	9	10 WN Grade 4 Winter Concert, 6pm WN Grade 5 Winter Concert, 7pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	11	12
13	14	15 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holiday Boutiques LK, LP, ST December 8–10	16 LT Holiday Boutique, December 9–11 NHS Winter Concert, 6pm FFMS Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6:30pm	17	18	19
20	21 LK PTA Meeting, 7–9pm	22 BD Grades 4–5 Winter Concert, 6:30pm LT Winter Concert, 6:30pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	23 WG Winter Concert, 6:15pm LW Grade 5 Winter Concert, 6:30–8pm SHS Winter Concert, 6:30pm ST PTA Meeting, 7–8pm	24 ST Winter Concert, 6:30pm	25 LW Winter Celebration WN Holiday Sing-Along NC Winter Concert, 6:30pm	26
27	28 First Day of Winter	29	30 BD Schoolwide Holiday Sing-Along LP Winter Sing-Along ST Holiday Sing-Along LK, LT Holiday Sing-Along, 1:30pm	31 Christmas Eve District Closed WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED New Year's Eve District Closed	31 Christmas Day District Closed	31 Kwanzaa December 26, 2026 –January 1, 2027
WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED						



January 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 New Year's Day District Closed	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	NC PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7-8pm	NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm SHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm	Epiphany WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	Christmas Day (Orthodox)	15	16
17	LW PTA Meeting, 6:45-7:45pm	WN PTA Meeting, 7pm FFMS Grade 8 Student Visit/Orientation to NHS + SHS NHS + SHS Grade 8 Parent Orientation, 6pm	FFMS Winter Concert LP Multicultural Night, 6-8pm PTA Council Meeting, 7-9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	LP Winter Concert, 6pm NHS Social Studies Honor Society Induction, 6pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	22	WG School Play
24	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day District Closed LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	FFMS Winter Concert ST PTA Meeting, 7-8pm	FFMS Winter Concert	Grades 6-12 End of Second Quarter FFMS Winter Concert (Snow Date)	23
31	LK PTA Meeting, 7-9pm LT PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	FFMS Book Fair, January 26-February 3	LK PTA International Night, 6:30-8:30pm	LP PARP, January 28-February 12 LW Book Fair, January 28-29 NHS Canvas & Cocoa, 6pm Board of Education Workshop 7pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	29	30



February 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Black History Month National School Counseling Week February 1-5 BD K Registration, February 1-5 LP K Registration, February 1-4	1	2	3	4	5
		LT K Registration, February 2-11, 9am-12pm NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WN PTA Meeting, 7pm	SHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	NHS Mu Alpha Theta Induction, 6pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	BD Homemade Arcade Night	Lunar New Year
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Ramadan (First Day) ST PARP, February 8-12	SHS Mu Alpha Theta Induction, 6pm FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm	Ash Wednesday (Christian) ST PTA Meeting, 7-8pm	NHS National Honor Society Induction, 6pm		
14	15 Presidents Day District Closed National School Resource Officer Appreciation Day	16	17	18	19	20
Valentine's Day	MID-WINTER RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED					
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	LK PTA Meeting, 7-9pm	School Bus Driver Appreciation Day ST Book Fair, February 23-26 LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	PTA Council Meeting, 7-9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	Clarkstown Jam at SHS, 7pm	LT PTA Multicultural Night, 5-7pm	
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March 2027

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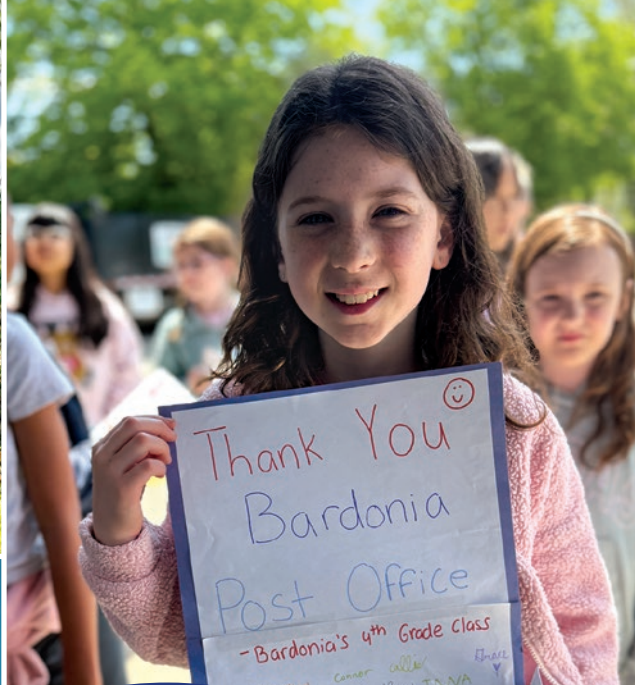
• AWARD RECIPIENTS AT LW, NC AND ST •

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Women's History Month National Reading Month Music In Our Schools Month Youth Art Month LT PARP, March 1 – 19 WN Book Fair, March 1 – 4	2 NHS PTA Meeting, 7pm	3 SHS PTA Meeting, 7pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	4 NC School Play WN Book Fair Family Night, 7pm	5 Superintendent's Conference Day No Student Attendance NC School Play	6 SHS SAT
7	8	9	10	11 UPK + Grades K – 5 Parent/Teacher Conferences, 6 – 7:30pm SHS Art Honor Society Induction, 6pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	12 Grades K – 5 Parent/Teacher Conference Day No Student Attendance, UPK + K – 5 NHS Art Career Day UPK Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:30am – 3pm NHS March Reading Night, 5 – 7pm FFMS Drama Club Presentation, 7pm	13 NHS SAT, 7am FFMS Drama Club Presentation, 7pm
14	15 Final Day for Spring Advanced Placement SPRING HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS BEGIN	16 FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm WN PTA Meeting, 7pm	17 Eid-al-Fitr (End of Ramadan) SHS Academic Excellence Awards, 7pm ST PTA Meeting, 7 – 8pm	18	19	20
21 Pi Day FFMS Drama Club Presentation, 2pm	22 MODIFIED SPORTS BEGIN	23 PTA Council Meeting, 7 – 9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	24 St. Patrick's Day Ash Wednesday (Orthodox) NC Book Fair, March 17 – 18	25 NHS Spring Musical, 7pm SHS National Honor Society Induction, 7pm LT PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	26 Grades K – 5 End of Second Trimester NHS Spring Musical, 7pm Good Friday (Christian) District Closed RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED	27 First Day of Spring NHS Spring Musical, 2pm & 7pm
28 Palm Sunday (Christian)	29 LK PTA Meeting, 7pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	30 Purim LP Spring Book Fair, March 23 – 25 NHS Science Honor Society Induction & Community Science Night, 4:30 – 7pm	31 Board of Education Budget Workshop 7pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	Holy Thursday (Christian)		
Easter (Christian)	RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED		FFMS Grade 5 Parent Orientation NHS World Language Honor Society Induction, 6pm			



April 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
				NHS Junior Ball, 6pm	ST Spring Concert LW Multicultural Heritage Fair, 6:30–9pm SHS Spring Musical, 7pm	SHS Spring Musical, 2pm & 7pm
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
National Library Week April 4–10 SHS Spring Musical, 2pm	Feast of the Annunciation	LK Grade 5 Panoramic Picture NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm SHS Science Honor Society Induction, 7pm	SHS World Language Honor Society Induction, 7pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	Board of Education Meeting: Budget Adoption 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	Grades 6–12 End of Third Quarter NC Family Bingo LW Musical Bingo, 6pm	SHS ACT
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	LT Grade 5 Panoramic Picture, 8:45am LW PTA Meeting, 6:45–7:45pm	FFMS PTA Meeting, 7pm NC PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7–8pm WN PTA Meeting, 7pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm NHS Academic Banquet, 7:30pm	Vaisakhi SHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm PTA Council Meeting, 7–9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	NHS Spring Concert, 6pm		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
National Student Leadership Week April 18–24			Passover District Closed Passover April 22–29 Administrative Professionals Day	Earth Day		
SPRING RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED						
25	26	27	28	29	30	
Palm Sunday (Orthodox)	SHS IB Testing, April 26–May 18 LK PTA Meeting, 7–9pm	Board of Education Special Meeting: BOCES Annual Vote 7pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	LT Mother’s Day Boutique, April 28–30 ST PTA Meeting, 7–8pm	Holy Thursday (Orthodox) NHS Art Honor Society Induction, 6pm SHS Junior Ball, 7–10:30pm	Good Friday (Orthodox) SHS Junior Breakfast, 7:25–9am LW Grade 4 Alto Recorder Concert, 9–9:30am	



May 2027

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
						National Physical Education and Sports Week May 1-7 NHS SAT, 7am SHS SAT, 7:30am
	2	3	4	5	6	7
Easter (Orthodox) National Music Week May 2-8	National Teacher Appreciation Week May 3-7 LT, LW, WG Staff Appreciation Week May 3-7 SHS AP Testing, May 3-14	Teacher Appreciation Day FFMS Spring Concert NHS PTSA Meeting, 7pm	National School Nurse Day LT PTA Spring Book Fair, May 5-7 WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	Ascension Day (Christian) LW Mother's Day Plant Sale, May 6-7 STEAMfest Board of Education Meeting: Budget Hearing 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	LK, WG, WN Mother's Day Plant Sales LT Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 1:45pm NHS Java Jive, 7pm	8
	9	10	11	12	13	14
Mother's Day National Police Week May 9-15	LT K Screener, May 10-12 WN K Screener, May 10-11	FFMS Spring Concert	FFMS Spring Concert ST Founder's Day PTA Council Meeting, 7-9pm, Chestnut Grove Administration Offices	Human Relations Celebration Dinner, 5pm LP Founders Day, 6-8pm		15
	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Eid-al-Adha LT Grades 4-5 Instrumental Concert, 1:45pm LW PTA Meeting, 6:45-7:45pm LP PTA Meeting, 7:30pm	Budget Vote & School Board Election NC PTA Meeting LP K Orientation, 8:30am WG K Orientation, 8:45am BD K Tea, 9-10am LK, ST K Orientation, 9am BD Grades 4-5 Spring Instrumental Music Concert, 6pm WN Spring Concert, 6:30pm FFMS, WN PTA Meeting, 7pm Board of Education Special Meeting 10pm, Chestnut Grove Admin. Offices	UPK Field Day LK Spring Concert, 6-8pm SHS Founder's Day, 7pm ST PTA Meeting, 7-8pm	UPK Field Day (Rain Date) NHS International Night, 5-8pm BW Family Fun Night, 5:30-7pm LP Spring Concert & Reflections, 6-8pm	LP Memorial Day Program, 8:30am WG Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 8:45am	22
	23	24	25	26	27	28
	LK PTA Meeting, 7-9pm		WG Field Day (Rain Date) BD Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 9-10am FFMS Art Show, 5pm SHS Spring Concert, 6:30pm LT PTA Founder's Day, 6pm	LW Field Day BD Memorial Day Parade, 9am LK, ST Memorial Day Celebration, 9am LT Memorial Day Parade, 1:45pm NHS End-of-Year Art Show, 5pm ST Spring Concert, 6:30pm		29
	30	31				
	Memorial Day District Closed	WG Field Day Board of Education Workshop 7pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices				RECESS SCHOOLS CLOSED



June 2027

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• AWARD RECIPIENTS AT BW, FFMS, NHS AND SHS •

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 FFMS Grade 6 Academic Awards, 6pm NHS Science Symposium, 6pm LW Spring Concert, 6:30–8pm FFMS Grade 7 Academic Awards, 7:30pm WG PTA Meeting (Virtual), 7:30pm	2 LK Field Day (K–2) ST Grade 3 Recorder Concert NC Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 8:30am LT K Orientation, 9–10am BW Family Fun Night (Rain Date), 5:30–7pm NHS English Honor Society, 6pm SHS Senior Awards, 7pm	3 BD Field Day & Grade 5 Picnic LK Field Day (Grades 3–5) LP, LT, ST, WN Field Day LW Field Day (Rain Date) NC Field Day, 8:20am LK Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 10–10:30am LT PTA Grade 5 Dance, 6:30–8:30pm LK Grade 5 Dance, 7–10pm	4 NHS SAT, 7am SHS SAT
6	7 BD Field Day (Rain Date) NHS, SHS, BW Fine Arts Signing Night, 7pm LW PTA Meeting, 6:45–7:45pm	8 LP Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 8:45am LW Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 9–9:45am WG Instrumental Concert, 6:15pm	9 FFMS PTA Founder's Day LT Father's Day Boutique, June 9–11 LP Grade 1 Flag Day Program, 8:45am PTA Council Meeting/End-of-Year Dinner, 6–8pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	10 Ascension Day (Orthodox) NHS Senior Prom, 6pm Board of Education Meeting 7:30pm, Chestnut Grove Administrative Offices	11 Shavout June 11–12 BD Grade 5 Dance LW End-of-Year Party NC Field Day (Rain Date) NC Grade 5 Dance ST K Show WN Grade 3 Recorder Concert, 10am FFMS Grade 8 Dance, 7–9pm	12
13 Grades 6–12 End of Fourth Quarter	14 LW End-of-Year Party (Rain Date) LK, NC Flag Day Ceremony, 8:30am SHS Senior Prom, 7:30–11pm	15 SHS Senior Breakfast, 7:30am SHS Senior Clap Out, 10:30am LT Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony Rehearsal, 12–1pm	16 WG Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 10am LT Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 5–6pm ST Art Show, 5pm LK Founder's Day, 7–8:30pm	17 ST Field Day (Rain Date) LP Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 9:15am BD Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 5pm WN Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 5pm	18 LP Grade 5 BBQ NC Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 8am–12pm LK Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 9–10:30am WN End-of-Year Picnic, 5:30pm	19 Juneteenth
20 Father's Day	21 First Day of Summer LW Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony & Clap Out, 9–10:30am ST Grade 5 Moving-Up Ceremony, 9am	22 BD Grade 5 Clap Out, 10:50am NHS Graduation, 6pm	23 BW Graduation & Awards Ceremony, 6:30–8:30pm	24 SHS Graduation Rehearsal, 8:30am FFMS Grade 8 Moving-Up Ceremony, 10am SHS Graduation, 5pm	25 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL Grades K–5 End of Third Trimester	26
27	28	GRADES K–5 HALF DAYS / UPK HALF DAY DISMISSAL, 11:30AM				29
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Saturday

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Accounts Payable.....	845.639.6422
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BOCES Communications Team	845.639.5693
Committee on Special Education.....	845.639.6442
Curriculum and Instruction	845.639.6492
District Clerk	845.639.6455
Facilities.....	845.639.6433
Fine Arts.....	845.639.5617
Food Services	845.639.6546
Health Services.....	845.620.2016
<i>for CCSD nurses, see individual schools</i>	
Informational Technology.....	845.639.6489
Payroll	845.639.6421
Personnel.....	845.639.6430
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BIRCHWOOD SCHOOL
214 Sickletown Road, West Nyack, NY 10994
845.639.6480
Principal: Ms. Jacqueline Hurley
jhurley@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Brenda Manfetano, R.N.
845.639.6480 ext. 4104
School Counseling Center
845.639.6480

Secondary Education

FELIX FESTA MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPUS
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Campus Principal: Dr. Michael St. John
mstjohn@ccsd.edu
845.624.3970 ext. 5539
Assistant Principal: Dr. Max O’Casey
mocasey@ccsd.edu
845.624.3972 ext. 5875
Assistant Principal: Ms. Jessica Knoblich
jknoblich@ccsd.edu
845.624.3972 ext. 2006
A-SCHOOL
Assistant Principal: Ms. Cara Royal
croyal@ccsd.edu
845.624.3970 ext. 2019
School Nurse: Ms. Danielle Corry, R.N.
845.624.3969 ext. 5509
School Counseling Center
845.624.3970 ext. 5506
C-SCHOOL
Assistant Principal: Mr. Scott Lercher
slercher@ccsd.edu
845.639.3971 ext. 2009
School Nurse: Ms. Andrea Gizzi, R.N.
845.624.3971 ext. 5543
School Counseling Center
845.624.3970 ext. 5506

Pupil Personnel Services	845.639.6475
Purchasing.....	845.639.6427
Registrar.....	845.639.6310
School Counseling Center.....	<i>see individual schools</i>
Superintendent’s Office	845.639.6418
Transportation	845.639.6380

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845.639.6320
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dmariniello@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Sirena Ribeiro, R.N.
845.639.6320 ext. 5204

D-School
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npappas@ccsd.edu
845.624.3972 ext. 2007
School Nurse: Ms. Adrienne Blassberg-Milich, R.N.
845.624.3972 ext. 5849
School Counseling Center
845.624.3970 ext. 5506
School Resource Officers (SROs):
Officer Corry Doyle
845.620.2015 / 845.639.5830
Officer Will Cunnane
845.620.2011 / 845.639.5866
Police Department
845.639.5800
NORTH HIGH SCHOOL
151 Congers Road, New City, NY 10956
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creim@ccsd.edu
845.639.6504
Assistant Principal: Ms. Mary Patella
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845.639.6566
Assistant Principal: Mr. Michael Stoll
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845.639.6502
Assistant Principal: Ms. Angie Watt
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School Nurses:
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845.639.6571
Ms. Camilla Levine, R.N. (Grades 11 - 12)
845.639.6516
School Counseling Center
845.639.6550
School Resource Officers (SROs):
Officer Chris Woulfe
845.639.6593 / 845.639.5824
Officer Jay Vejnaska
845.639.6595 / 845.639.5831
Police Department
845.639.5800

LAUREL PLAINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
14 Teakwood Lane, New City, NY 10956
845.639.6350
Principal: Ms. Julie Upton
jupton@ccsd.edu
School Nurses: Ms. Ronna Olang, R.N. (4 days) & Ms. Elena Settineri-Powell, R.N.
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LINK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
51 Red Hill Road, New City, NY 10956
845.624.3494
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mbish@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Susan Bresnahan, R.N.
845.624.3494 ext. 4504
LITTLE TOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
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myounghans@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Christine Riordan, R.N.
845.624.3471 ext. 4704
NEW CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
60 Crestwood Drive, New City, NY 10956
845.624.3467
Principal: Ms. Pamela D’Apice-White
pdapice@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Mary Beth Clinton, R.N.
845.624.3467 ext. 4904
STRAWTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
413 Strawtown Road, West Nyack, NY 10994
845.624.3473
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candersen@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Traci McDonald, R.N.
845.624.3473 ext. 4404
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astreiff@ccsd.edu
School Nurse: Ms. Christine A. Riordan, R.N.
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845.624.3453
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845.624.3455
Assistant Principal: TBD
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Assistant Principal: Ms. Margaret Malloy
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Ms. Patricia Saal, R.N. (Grades 11 - 12)
845.624.3449
School Counseling Center
845.624.3413
School Resource Officers (SROs):
Officer Joseph Caivano
845.620.2069 / 845.639.5833
Officer Thomas Rolston
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Police Department
845.639.5800

Float Nurses

- Ms. Frances Geronimo, R.N.
- Ms. Melissa Healy, R.N.
- Ms. Cheryl Kelly, R.N. (M W F)
- Ms. Fidelma Kirrane, R.N.
- Ms. Cynthia Slater, R.N.

For Your Information

Annual Notifications

New York State Education law and other entities require school districts to provide annual notification on topics of importance to our school community. Please visit ccsd.edu/district/required-notifications for detailed information on the following categories:

- Access to Student Records
- Asbestos Management Plan (AHERA)
- Attendance
- Charging School Meals and Prohibition Against Meal Shaming
- Code of Conduct
- Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)
- Disclosure to the Military
- Districtwide Safety Plan
- Equal Opportunity & Non-Discrimination
- Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) Parent Notification
- Family Educational Records Privacy Act (FERPA)
- Free and Reduced-Price Meals
- Internet & School Network Acceptable Use
- Limits on Student Use of Cell Phones and Personal Electronic Devices (Policy #5695)
- McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act
- Parental Involvement / Title I Plans
- Parents’ Bill of Rights Regarding Student Data Privacy & Protection
- Pesticide Application Notification Form
- Registration and Residency
- School Physicals & Immunization Requirements
- Sexual Harassment
- Student Information
- Student Privacy Rights - Opt Out
- Student Promotion and Retention
- Title 1 Notification
- Use of Surveillance on School Grounds
- Wellness Guidelines

Anonymous Alerts

Anonymous Alerts allows students, parents and other school personnel to anonymously submit any sensitive or urgent student issues quickly to school officials, such as bullying, cyberbullying, harassment, hazing, drug or alcohol use during school, vaping or Juuling during school, threats against the school and more. Users of the system have the option to remain anonymous or reveal their identity when submitting a report. For more information, please visit ccsd.edu/aa.

Flyers

All current, approved flyers can be found on our website at ccsd.edu/flyers. School-related groups and non-profit organizations may submit event flyers for consideration and inclusion on our webpage by using the online form at ccsd.edu/parents.

Gold Card

CCSD residents who are at least 60 years of age are entitled to a Gold Card, providing free admission to most school events across the District including almost all of the swim programs sponsored by the school system. For information, call the Office of the Superintendent at 845.639.6418.

GRAD-Nite

GRAD-Nite is a late-night, alcohol, tobacco and drug-free chaperoned celebration open to all graduating seniors on the night of graduation. Understanding that graduates often “party hop” in an effort to celebrate with as many classmates as possible, GRAD-Nite was created to provide a safe alternative, while allowing the students a final opportunity to be together as a class. Most importantly, GRAD-Nite keeps ALL of the participating graduates off the roads, preventing them from becoming an accident statistic and allowing their parents to rest easy knowing their children are celebrating safely.

GRAD-Nite is a parent-sponsored event, coordinated by an independent group of volunteers and supported by the Clarkstown Central School District, the North and South PTSA’s, the parents of the graduates along with community members and local businesses.

Marking Periods - Quarters and Trimesters

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	
First Trimester	September 3–December 3, 2026
Second Trimester	December 7, 2026–March 19, 2027
Third Trimester	March 22–June 25, 2027
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	
First Quarter	September 3 –November 6, 2026
Second Quarter	November 9, 2026–January 22, 2027
Third Quarter	January 25–April 9, 2027
Fourth Quarter	April 12–June 14, 2027

CCSD Childcare and Early Learning Program

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845.213.9489
ccsd.edu/childcare

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scondon@ccsd.edu

Assistant & Support: Ms. Laura Ruiz
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School Nurse: Ms. Evelyn Ammitzboll, R.N.
845.620.2028 ext. 5109

Clarkstown Family Resource Center

9 Lake Road, Congers, NY 10920
845.639.5619
clarkstownfrclc@gmail.com
ccsd.edu/cfrc

Executive Director: Ms. Lisa Cohen

Office Manager: Ms. Karen Topchik

Program Coordinator: Ms. Annemarie Muscatella

The Clarkstown Family Resource Center (CFRC) is a non-profit agency serving the children and parents of the Clarkstown Central School District. We offer an array of programming such as Kindergarten Readiness Preschool Playgroups, recess book clubs, English as a Second Language support classes, after-school enrichment classes and much more. We also provide support and referral services to District families. With the generous sponsorship of the CCSD and Rockland 21C Collaborative for Children & Youth, we support the needs of our families, and provide development and enhancement opportunities as we strive to link family, school and community. For more information about our programs or to register for an upcoming event, please contact us.

Community Learning Center

9 Lake Road, Congers, NY 10920
845.639.5628
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Notice of Non-Discrimination

District Policy #0100 - CCSD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, gender orientation, disability or age in employment or its educational programs, in accordance with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1973; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990; or the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, which prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability and age, respectively. If you have questions regarding the District’s responsibilities under these regulations, wish to make a complaint or require services related to a disability, please contact the appropriate person.

- For Title IX, which prohibits discrimination based on sex, and the Age Discrimination Act, which prohibits discrimination based on age, contact Dr. Christopher Macaluso, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel, at 845.639.6430.
- For Section 504 and the ADA, which prohibit discrimination based on disability, contact David Carlson, Assistant Superintendent for Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services, at 845.639.6482.
- CCSD ensures that students are provided the option to participate in Advanced Placement, and other challenging academic courses and programs. Access to, admission into and the administration of such courses are provided on a nondiscriminatory basis consistent with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and its implementing regulations at 34 C.F.R. Part 100.

Notice of Release of Information to Military Recruiters

Under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB), the District (Information Release Policy #5500) is required to disclose the names, addresses and telephone numbers of high school students to military recruiters, subject to the right of the parents and students over age 18 (eligible students) to “opt out” and preclude such disclosure. Parents and eligible students who wish to “opt out” and preclude disclosure must complete an “Opt Out - Military Recruiters” form and return it to the high school principal by October 1 of each school year. The form is included on the CCSD website.

Parent Portal

The Parent Portal is a web-based program that permits parents with internet access to view their child’s schedule, attendance, progress reports, report cards, transcripts and bus passes. The Parent Portal is designed to enhance and increase parent involvement in the education of our students, using the power of information. Login and user information can be found at ccsd.edu/parents.



Assistant & Support
Jennifer Romanello
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The Community Learning Center offers programming for all members of the community, all year long.

Adult Education courses are offered in a variety of subjects such as art, exercise, photography, dog training, gardening, self-improvement and music. Classes are held mornings, afternoons, evenings and weekends. Those over the age of 60 are given a 20% discount on most classes.

The Early Riser Program is offered at all nine elementary schools for children that need to be dropped off early to school.

FestaVille, an after-school program offered through the Community Learning Center, is available to elementary and middle school children until 6pm. The program is held at Felix Festa Middle School in West Nyack and the Clarkstown Learning Center in Congers. Pre-registration is required for both the Early Riser and FestaVille programs. The Community Learning Center also offers children’s programs and summer camps that are open to all children.

SAT/ACT Preparation classes are offered throughout the year and are available to all high school students.

Look for our brochures in your mailbox in August, December, February and June or on our website at ccsd.edu/clc, where you can also check out our digital flyers regularly for new programs.

Pool at FFMS

For information about the FFMS Pool, community swim offerings, renting the facility or courses, please contact Dr. Christopher Serra at cserra@ccsd.edu or visit ccsd.edu/pool.

Raptor Visitor Management System

Raptor is a visitor management system that enhances school security by scanning visitor drivers’ licenses (or other approved, state-issued ID), screening against the registered sex offender databases in all 50 states, and alerting school administrators and school resource officers (SROs) if a match is found. Once cleared through the system, a visitor badge is produced that includes a photo, the date and reason for the visit. The system also keeps a log of all visitors to the building.



Regents Requirements

REQUIRED REGENTS EXAMS FOR GRADUATION
Comprehensive English (ELA); (1) Science; (1) Mathematics; (1) Social Studies; plus (1) Pathway Option. There are eight Pathway options: Art, CTE, CDOS, Civics, Humanities, IAAP, STEM and World Language. Please contact your school counselor for more specific information regarding these options.

REGENTS DIPLOMA

Score 65 or higher on the four Regents exams listed above, plus (1) Pathway Option. Students must also earn 22 credits.

LOCAL DIPLOMA

Available for Special Education students who score between 55–64 on the Regents exams using the Low Pass Safety Net. Students must also earn 22 credits. The Local Diploma can also be earned through the Compensatory Safety Net, an appeal or a superintendent’s determination. Regular education students may use the Local Diploma option if an appeal is granted by the District for two Regents exams with a score of 60–64 and all remaining Regents exams have a score of 65 or above. Please contact your school counselor for more specific information regarding these options.

(Regents Requirements Continued)

ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA

Students must meet all the requirements for a Regents Diploma and then choose one of the four assessment combinations available. The four assessment combinations are: Traditional, Pathway, STEM (Math) and STEM (Science). Please refer to the online Clarkstown HS Course Guide for more specific information regarding these assessment combinations or contact your school counselor.

REQUIRED COURSE CREDITS FOR ALL DIPLOMA TYPES

Please contact your school counselor with any questions regarding the type of diploma you would like to earn.

English	4 Credits
Social Studies	4 Credits
Mathematics	3 Credits
Science	3 Credits
Art/Music	1 Credit
Health	½ Credit
Language (other than English)	1 Credit
Physical Education	2 Credits
Electives	3 ½ Credits
TOTAL	22 Credits

Additional information available at:
p12.nysed.gov/specialed/gradrequirements/home.html
p12.nysed.gov/ciai/gradreq/intro.html



(Sports Starting Dates Continued)

ATHLETIC PLACEMENT PROCESS
LAST DAY TO SUBMIT PAPERWORK

Fall	August 24, 2026
Winter	November 16, 2026
Spring	March 8, 2027

Prospective athletes should contact their school Athletic Office for more detailed information or visit ccsd.edu/athletics.

Student Privacy

District Policy #5550, Student Privacy, provides detailed information on the Board of Education’s responsibility to enact policies that protect student privacy in accordance with applicable laws and regulations. This is particularly relevant in the context of the administration of surveys that collect personal information, the disclosure of personal information for marketing purposes and in conducting physical exams.

For a comprehensive overview of the District’s student privacy protections, please see District Policy #5550.

Testing

NYS 2026-2027 ELEMENTARY
AND INTERMEDIATE-LEVEL TESTING SCHEDULE

ELA	Grades 3-8	April 5-May 14
WIDA (formerly NYSESLAT)	Grades K-12	Feb. 1-April 9
MATH	Grades 3-8	April 5-May 14
SCIENCE ASSESSMENT	Grades 5 & 8	April 5-May 14



Registration Information

NEW RESIDENTS

If you are new to CCSD and have not yet enrolled your child(ren) in school, please visit our website at ccsd.edu or call the Registrar’s Office at 845.639.6310 for further details.

UNIVERSAL PRE-KINDERGARTEN (UPK)

UPK is a State and federally-funded pre-kindergarten program offered to families free of charge. Program space is limited, and qualifying students must reach their fourth birthday on or before December 1 of the year they enter the program. For more information, visit ccsd.edu/upk.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

A child must have reached five years of age on or before December 1 of the year they are to enter kindergarten. Please visit ccsd.edu/registration for registration information and further details.

Sex Offender Notifications

The Clarkstown Central School District receives notifications from law enforcement agencies when there are updates to the NYS Sex Offender Registry. These updates include information on newly-identified sex offenders and sex offenders who move into the community. The District shares this information with our parents through our Blackboard Mass Notification System. Links to the NYS Sex Offender Registry can be found on ccsd.edu/community.



Transportation

CCSD’s Transportation Department is responsible for safely transporting over 8,000 students daily to 85 different school locations. CCSD maintains its own fleet of school vehicles. Pupil transportation is the safest form of ground transportation. Per passenger mile traveled, school buses provide the safest form of transportation in the world. Being a school bus driver is something to be proud of!

Parents can help by:

- Understanding that there is a dangerous area within 15 feet of all sides of the bus called the “danger zone.” Make sure everyone at the bus stop stays out of the danger zones around the bus.
- Having students wait until the bus comes to a complete stop and the driver opens the door before moving to board the bus.
- Crossing the street correctly. If your child needs to cross the road to get on or off the bus and you meet the bus, cross with your child. Everyone crossing in front of the bus must follow the driver’s hand signal.
- Avoiding dressing children in traditional yellow raincoats, which blend in with the color of the bus.
- Removing all long jacket and coat drawstrings.
- Being at the bus stop 10 minutes before ordinary pickup time.
- Insisting students keep all belongings in a book bag. Loose items dropped by children can cause them to reach into the danger zone.
- Having children follow the bus driver’s safety instructions at all times and reporting bullying to the bus driver, teacher or parent.

Special Education

Referral and evaluation services for Special Education programming can be requested by contacting the Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services Department at 845.639.6482 or via email at dcarlson@ccsd.edu. Parents can also get information on their rights and available services by reviewing “A Parent’s Guide to Special Education” on the New York State Education Department’s website at nysed.gov.

CLARKSTOWN SPECIAL EDUCATION PTA (SEPTA)

clarkstownsepta.org • clarkstownsepta@yahoo.com
The Clarkstown Special Education PTA (SEPTA) is a Districtwide PTA within the Clarkstown Central School District. We strive to bring parents, teachers and administrators together to inform, support and advocate for the unique and special needs of our students.

SEPTA conducts regular meetings during the school year to bring awareness and information about special education services, educational laws and community supports to our members.

We hope that you will support Clarkstown SEPTA, and our children, by becoming a member and “liking” their Facebook page at facebook.com/clarkstownsepta to keep up to date.

Sports Starting Dates
FFMS, NHS and SHS

FALL 2026	
JV & Varsity Football Only	August 17
All Other High School Sports	August 24
MODIFIED SPORTS	
Modified Football	September 3
All Other Modified Fall Sports	September 8
WINTER 2026-2027	
All High School Sports	November 16
All Modified Sports	November 23
SPRING 2027	
All High School Sports	March 8
All Modified Sports	March 15

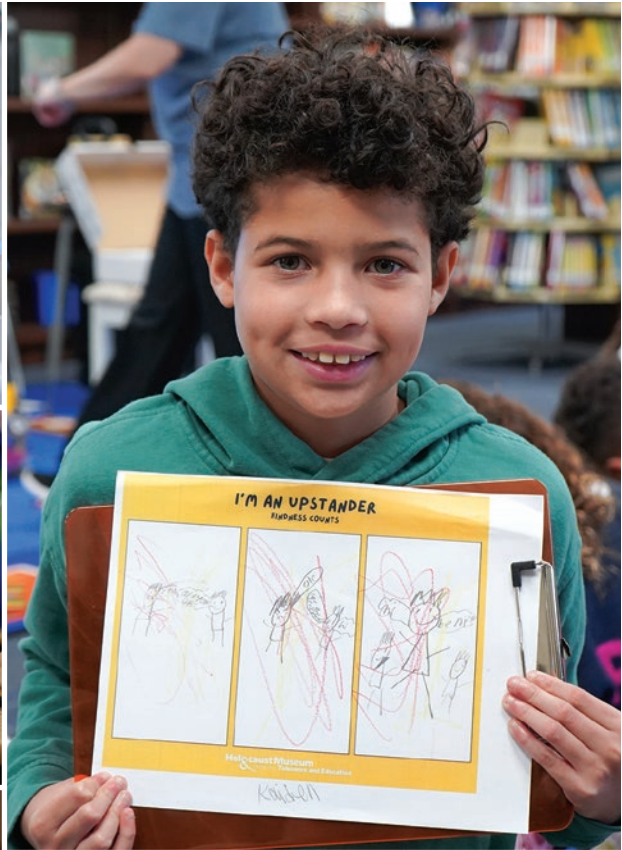
Wellness—Our Commitment

The health and wellness of our students has always been a priority, and the District has policies and a working wall. Healthier food options and increased physical activity are the mainstays of the program. All are invited to join a building or District School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) to be a part of our mission to maintain the path that leads to lifelong healthy behaviors.

Your Child's Safety Is Our Concern

The Clarkstown Central School District works in close collaboration with health, safety and emergency personnel to maintain a safe and healthy environment for our students and staff. A comprehensive safety plan for each school and the District is in place to guide prevention, preparation and response to a range of emergency situations. Each also has an active school safety team. Students and staff participate in safety drills throughout the year including evacuation, lockdown and shelter in place.

See our Safe, Secure, Connected Brochure on pages 36-37 for easy reference.



Dear Parents,

The Clarkstown Central School District is focused on maintaining the safety and well-being of every student and staff member.

To this effort, District and school safety teams are in place. Staff members are well versed in emergency protocols and work collaboratively with community emergency personnel. In addition, we continually invest in our facilities and in safety equipment such as video surveillance cameras and emergency intercoms.

Your partnership in keeping our school environment safe is paramount. Please attend safety-related events offered by District staff and the Clarkstown Police Department, talk with your children about their personal safety and keep contact information up-to-date with your school.

If you have any questions, please contact your building principal.

Sincerely,
Clarkstown Central School District

Stay Connected

✓ **Download the CCSD App; Receive Notifications on Your Cellphone**

- Google Play
- Apple iTunes
- Search "Clarkstown"



✓ **Keep Emergency Contact Information Up-To-Date**

- Contact your child's school to make updates when you or any of your emergency contacts get a new:
 - email address
 - phone number(s)

✓ **Visit Our Website:**
ccsd.edu

✓ **Follow Us At:**
facebook.com/ccsdschools
x.com/ccsdschools
instagram.com/ccsdschoolsk12
youtube.com/@ClarkstownCSD



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Safe Secure Connected

*A Parent's Guide to
Emergency Preparedness
in the Clarkstown Central
School District*



Excellence in Education

Safety Is the Priority

The Clarkstown Central School District maintains and promotes a safe, secure learning environment.

Building and District Preparedness

- * Districtwide and building-level safety teams are in place to implement detailed emergency plans focusing on prevention, preparation and response.

Drills and Training for Students and Staff

- * A minimum of 12 drills and one early dismissal drill are conducted annually at each building.

Partnerships

- * The Clarkstown Police Department, local fire and emergency service units, and town and county officials partner in our school safety efforts.

Get To Know the Five Core Response Procedures

- * Talk to your child about the Emergency Response Procedures practiced with their teachers.



Shelter-In-Place

- * All shelter within an area of the building.
- * May need to relocate within the building.

Activation Examples:

Bomb threat, chemical spills, extreme weather



Hold-In-Place

Limits movement within the building.

Activation Examples:

Short-term emergencies (student altercation, medical emergency)



Evacuate

All immediately leave the building.

Activation Examples:

Fire, chemical release, extended power or heating system failure



Secure Lockout

- * All doors and windows are locked.
- * Outdoor activity ceases.

Activation Examples:

Incidents that pose an imminent concern outside the school building (animal on the grounds or nearby, criminal activity in the area)



Lockdown

- * All are moved into secure areas within the building to hide and, dependent on the circumstances, may use alternative options (escape, counterattack).

Activation Examples:

Hostage incident, kidnapping, active shooter

Emergency Response Procedures

Emergency Communications

Parents will be contacted immediately via phone, email, text or all three by the District; updates will be sent as available. If an evacuation is required, parents will be notified as to the location and transportation arrangements.

Your Role

- * Ensure your child's school has up-to-date phone numbers, and email and street addresses for you and for all emergency contacts. The District notification system uses this data to contact you.
- * Have an emergency care provider in place and listed on your child's record in the event of an early dismissal.
- * Know that administrators (District and school) and law enforcement personnel are the only official sources of information in a school emergency.

Electronic cigarette devices can look like a pen, a USB memory drive, a car key fob or even an asthma inhaler. Instead of inhaling tobacco smoke, e-cigarette users inhale vapor from liquid “e-juice” that has been heated with a coil. This is called vaping. The juice is flavored and usually contains nicotine and other chemicals. Some students use these devices to smoke marijuana.

■ YOUNG BRAINS EASILY ADDICTED

E-cigarette aerosol is not harmless “water vapor.” The aerosol that users breathe in contains harmful and potentially harmful substances including:

- Nicotine
- Ultrafine particles that can be inhaled deep into the lungs
- Flavorings such as diacetyl, a chemical linked to lung disease
- Volatile organic compounds, cancer-causing chemicals and heavy metals

Youth exposure to nicotine is particularly dangerous since it affects developing brain receptors, making them

more susceptible to addiction. Nicotine also affects parts of the brain that control attention, learning, mood and impulse control. Youth e-cigarette use has been associated with mental health symptoms such as depression.

■ E-CIGARETTES ARE UNHEALTHY AND ADDICTIVE, YET WILDLY POPULAR AMONG KIDS.

Use of e-cigarettes increased about 1000% from 2019–2020. Flavors and marketing make e-cigarettes appealing to youth.

Over 2 million middle and high school students used e-cigarettes in 2023.

VAPING

What You Need to Know

MORE AT [CCSD.EDU](https://ccsd.edu)

■ THIS IS QUITTING

The New York State Department of Health has partnered with Truth Initiative — a nonprofit national public health organization committed to making tobacco use a thing of the past — to create a New York State-specific intervention program: “This is Quitting.” This free, anonymous text messaging program is tailored to specific age groups (13–17 and 18–24) to give age-appropriate quitting recommendations.

New York State youth can text “**DITCHVAPE**” to **88709** to access the program.

Text **QUIT** to **(847) 278-9715** to receive messages designed for parents of vapers.

“They are cool, they make me feel as if I AM NOT ALONE!”

“They’re the one thing **ROOTING FOR ME** to quit.”

“They make it seem like there’s a **WAY OUT** of addiction.”

Year at a Glance

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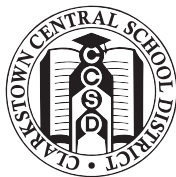
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