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2026-2027 | COMMUNITY CALENDAR













Dear District Residents,

The members of the Board of Education and Administration are pleased to present the annual school calendar of events for 2026-2027. Each calendar month outlines important academic, athletic, and school-related events. Telephone numbers, bus routes, student academic requirements, student conduct and discipline policies, and services available to students through the Counseling and Health Offices are also included for your easy reference. We suggest that you keep this calendar as a guide to help you plan your schedules to include school activities during the upcoming school year.

The Board of Education meets monthly in the District Office on the South Street campus at the far north end of the M.W. Cuyler Elementary School. The meeting(s) will be held at 6:00 p.m. (except as noted). Please check the calendar for specific dates or call the District Office at 315-754-2010. Meetings are conducted in compliance with the Open Meetings Law of 1976 and the first half hour is reserved for those wishing to address the Board.

Please accept our best wishes for a successful and rewarding year for our students and a pleasant and satisfying year for all residents.

Katherine A. Madigan
President, Board of Education

Matthew S. VanOrman
Superintendent of Schools

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSINGS

Occasionally, for reasons of inclement weather or other emergencies, it may be necessary to close or to dismiss early. Announcement of school closings or early dismissals will be made on the website, social media platforms and:

Radio	Television	District Website
WSYR 570 AM	Channels 3, 5, 9 (Syracuse)	www.rccsd.org
WHAM 1180 AM	Channel 13 (Rochester)	

When school is cancelled or dismissed early, all extracurricular activities and events for the remainder of that day and evening are cancelled, unless otherwise announced.

ParentSquare:

The district also has a messaging system to notify parents of an emergency closing. Please have a primary telephone number on file with the office.

Special instructions from parents, such as telephone numbers for working parents, babysitter directions, or emergency phone numbers must be submitted to the school office or school nurse.

DIRECTORY

www.rccsd.org

DISTRICT OFFICE

Matthew VanOrman, Superintendent of Schools	315-754-2010
Administrative Assistant to the Superintendent	315-754-2010
Danielle DeBiase, School Business Administrator	315-754-2017
Jennifer DeVinney, Director of Instructional Services	315-754-2015
Shelby Whiffen, District Treasurer	315-754-2016
District Office Fax	315-754-8169
Amanda Ventura, Director of Student Services	315-754-2045
Christina Schirtz, Food Service Director	315-754-2062

HIGH SCHOOL (Grades 9-12)

Timothy Gaffney, High School Principal	315-754-2040
Assistant Principal	315-754-2040
High School Office Fax	315-754-2068
David Welcher, Athletic Director	315-754-2065
Amber Blasko, School Counselor	315-754-2052
Gloria Parsnow, School Nurse	315-754-2158
Nurse's Fax	315-754-2157
Amanda Ventura, Dignity Act Coordinator	315-754-2045

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Grades 6-8)

Building Principal	315-754-2070
Assistant Principal	315-754-2040
Middle School Office Fax	315-754-2077
Katheryn Armstrong, School Counselor	315-754-2052
Gloria Parsnow, School Nurse	315-754-2158
Nurse's Fax	315-754-2157
Amanda Ventura, Dignity Act Coordinator	315-754-2045

MARGARET W. CUYLER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL (Grades UPK-5)

Dennis Taylor, Building Principal	315-754-2100
Cuyler Office Fax	315-754-2192
Kasey Evans, School Counselor	315-754-2100
Jessica Petty, School Nurse	315-754-2156
Nurse's Fax	315-754-2157
Amanda Ventura, Dignity Act Coordinator	315-754-2045

BUS GARAGE

Stephen Bockus, Transportation Supervisor	315-754-3033
Ryan Mulholland, Bus Dispatcher	315-754-3031
April Badmone, Head Bus Driver	315-754-2036
Transportation Office Fax	315-754-2038

COMMUNITY CENTER

David Welcher, Director	315-754-2065

NY State District Income Tax Code- 525

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16	17	18 *REGENTS EXAMS*	19	20	21	22
23	24 JV/Varsity Fall Sports Start	25 Back to School Carnival, 4:00-6:00 p.m. Freshman Orientation, 6:00 p.m.	26 6th Grade Orientation, 6:00 p.m.	27	28	29
30	31 Modified Fall Sports Start	**Notes:**				

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		1	2 **Staff Development Day**	3 **Staff Development Day**	4	5
6	7 **District Closed** Labor Day	8 First Day of School	9	10 PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m.	11	12
13	14	15	16 Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24 Spaghetti Dinner, 4:00-7:00 p.m. UPK-12 Open House, 5:00 p.m.	25	26 High School Homecoming Dance, 7:00-10:00 p.m.
	HOMECOMING WEEK					
27	28	29	30			

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				1	**2** School Picture Day (M.W. Cuyler)	**3**
4	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8** MS/HS 5 Week Reports PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Literacy Night, 6:00 p.m.	**9** **No School for Students** Staff Development Day	**10**
11	**12** **District Closed** Indigenous Peoples' Day/ Columbus Day	**13**	**14** Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**15** School Picture Day (MS/HS)	**16**	**17**
18	**19**	**20**	**21**	**22**	**23** PTO Pumpkin Walk Trunk-or-Treat, 6:30 p.m.	**24**
25	**26** Winter 1 Modified Sports Start	**27**	**28** M.W. Cuyler Picture Retakes	**29**	**30** MS Fall Dance, 6:30-8:00 p.m.	**31**

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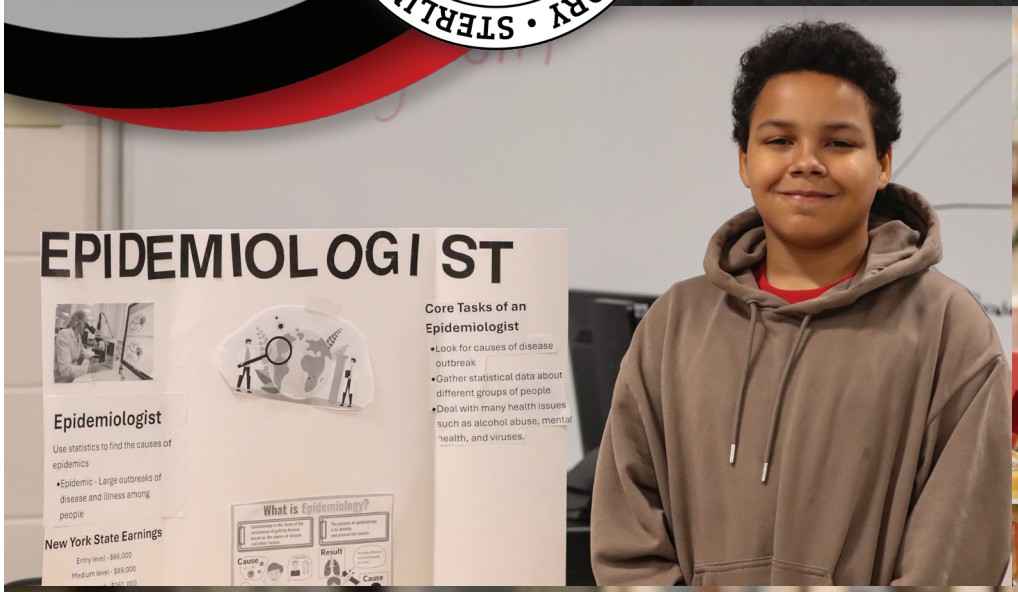
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1	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5** **1/2 Day for Students** Staff Development Day Junior Supper, 4:00-7:00 p.m.	**6**	**7**
8	**9**	**10** MS/HS Picture Retakes	**11** **District Closed** Veterans Day	**12** HS Social Event, 3:15-4:45 p.m. PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Spanish Honor Society, 6:30 p.m. (Auditorium) Family Math Night, 6:00 p.m.	**13** MS/HS End of Marking Period 1	**14**
15	**16** Winter JV/V Sports Start	**17**	**18** M.W. Cuyler End of Marking Period 1 MS Activity Night, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**19**	**20** One Act Plays, 7:00 p.m.	**21** Craft Fair Turkey Trot, 9:00 a.m. Fall Chicken BBQ, 11:00 a.m. One Act Plays, 7:00 p.m.
22	**23** **1/2 Day for UPK-5th Grade Students** Parent Teacher Conferences Cuyler: 1:00-6:00 p.m. MS/HS: 3:30-6:00 p.m.	**24**	**25** ***THANKSGIVING RECESS***	**26** **District Closed** Thanksgiving Day	**27** **District Closed**	**28**
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UPK-5: 12:00 p.m.

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		1	**2** K-3 Holiday Concert, 6:00 p.m.	**3**	**4**	**5**
6	**7**	**8** Grades 4-5 Holiday Concert, 6:00 p.m.	**9**	**10** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Literacy Night, 6:00 p.m. MS/HS Chorus Concert, 7:00 p.m.	**11**	**12**
13	**14**	**15** MS/HS Band Concert, 7:00 p.m.	**16** Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**17**	**18** MS/HS 5 Week Reports	**19** Clash at the Creek
20 Clash at the Creek	**21**	**22**	**23**	**24** **District Closed** Christmas Eve ***HOLIDAY RECESS***	**25** **District Closed** Christmas Day	**26**
27	**28** ***HOLIDAY RECESS***	**29**	**30**	**31**		

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					1 **District Closed** New Year's Day ***HOLIDAY RECESS***	**2**
3	**4** Winter 2 Modified Sports Start	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**
10	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Math Night, 6:00 p.m.	**15**	**16**
17	**18** **District Closed** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	**19**	**20** MS Activity Night, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**21**	**22**	**23**
24	**25**	**26** ***REGENTS EXAMS***	**27**	**28**	**29** MS Dance, 6:30-8:00 p.m. MS/HS End of Marking Period 2	**30**
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	1	**2**	**3**	**4** **1/2 Day for Students** Staff Development Day	**5** Cuyler PTO Sweetheart Dance, 6:00-7:30 p.m.	**6** HS Mid-Winter Ball, 6:30-9:00 p.m.
7	**8**	**9**	**10**	**11** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Literacy Night, 6:00 p.m.	**12**	**13**
14	**15** **District Closed** Presidents' Day	**16**	**17**	**18**	**19**	**20**
	WINTER RECESS					
21	**22**	**23**	**24** Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**25**	**26**	**27**
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	1	**2**	**3**	**4** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m Family Math Night, 6:00 p.m.	**5** HS Social Event, 5:15-8:00 p.m. MS/HS 5 Week Reports M.W. Cuyler End of Marking Period 2	**6**
7 Rotary Circus, 3:00 p.m.	**8** Spring JV/V Sports Start	**9**	**10**	**11** **1/2 Day for UPK-5th Grade Students** Parent Teacher Conferences Cuyler: 1:00-6:00 p.m. MS/HS: 3:30-6:00 p.m.	**12**	**13**
14	**15**	**16**	**17** MS Activity Night, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**18** District Concert & Art Show, 7:00 p.m.	**19**	**20** Rotary Easter Egg Roll, 1:00 p.m.
21	**22** ***SPRING RECESS***	**23**	**24**	**25**	**26** **District Closed** Good Friday	**27**
28	**29** Modified Spring Sports Start	**30**	**31**			

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				1	**2** Jr/Sr High Instrumental All-County Festival at RC	**3** Jr/Sr High Instrumental All-County Festival at RC
4	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Math Night, 6:00 p.m.	**9** MS/HS End of Marking Period 3	**10** Sophomore Pancake Breakfast, 8:00-10:00 a.m. Spring Chicken BBQ, 11:00 a.m. Spring Craft Fair
11	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15** **1/2 Day for Students** Staff Development Day	**16** All School Play, 7:00 p.m.	**17** All School Play, 7:00 p.m.
18	**19**	**20**	**21** Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**22**	**23**	**24**
25	**26**	**27** NYS 3-8 ELA Assessment	**28** NYS 3-8 ELA Assessment	**29**	**30**	

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9	**10**	**11** NYS 5 & 8 Science Assessment	**12**	**13** MS/HS Spring Band Concert, 7:00 p.m.	**14** MS/HS 5 Week Reports	**15** Jr/Sr Prom, 7:00 p.m.
16	**17**	**18** MS/HS Spring Chorus Concert, 7:00 p.m. Annual School District Budget Vote, 12:00- 8:00 p.m.	**19** MS Activity Night, 3:30-5:00 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**20** NJHS Inductions, 6:30 p.m.	**21** Special Olympics at Newark	**22**
23	**24**	**25** NHS Inductions, 6:30 p.m.	**26**	**27** **1/2 Day for Students** Staff Development Day	**28**	**29**
30	**31** **District Closed** Memorial Day	**Notes:** Half Day Release Times: MS/HS: 11:00 a.m. UPK-5: 12:00 p.m.				

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Computer or Connection Issues?

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6	**7** Science Honor Society Inductions, 2:30 p.m.	**8**	**9**	**10** PTO Meeting, 4:00 p.m. Family Literacy Night, 6:00 p.m.	**11**	**12**
13	**14** Flag Day Ceremony, 9:30 a.m.	**15** ***REGENTS EXAMS***	**16** Board of Education Meeting, 6:00 p.m.	**17**	**18** Regents Rating Day MS/HS End of Marking Period 4	**19** **Juneteenth**
20	**21** ***REGENTS EXAMS***	**22**	**23**	**24** Last Day of School	**25** Graduation, Class of 2027, 6:30 p.m.	**26**
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Notes:

Dates and times for end-of-year events and celebrations will be communicated at a later time.

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New York State Diploma Requirements Applicable to All Students Enrolled in Grades 9-12

Credit Requirements

(Apply to all diploma types: local, Regents, Regents with advanced designation)

	Minimum number of credits
English	4
Social Studies *Distributed as follows:* *U.S. History (1)* *Global History and Geography (2)* *Participation in Government (½)* *Economics (½)*	4
Science *Distributed as follows:* *Life Science (1)* *Physical Science (1)* *Life Science or Physical Science (1)*	3
Mathematics	3
World Languages	1(**)
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and/or Theater	1
Physical Education *(participation each semester)*	2
Health	½
Electives	3 ½
Total	**22**

(**)Students with a disability may be excused from the requirement for 1 unit of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate.

1.) **Pathways**
A student must either:
- earn the Seal of Civic Readiness; or
- pass an additional Regents Exam or NYSED-Approved Regents Alternative in a different course (English, mathematics, science, or social studies); or
- pass a NYSED-Approved Pathway Assessment (Arts, CDOS, World Languages); or
- successfully complete a NYSED-approved CTE program, including the associated 3-part technical assessment; or
- successfully complete all the requirements for earning the CDOS Commencement Credential; or
- successfully complete the Individual Arts Assessment Pathway (IAAP).

Reference: Multiple Pathways and NYSED-Approved Regents Examination Alternatives

2.) **Appeals**
All appeals are subject to local district approval. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

3.) **Exemptions from Diploma Assessment Requirements**
- **Exemptions due to a Major Life Events**: Reference the Exemptions for Major Life Events memo.
- **Exemptions from the Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework)**: Reference the FAQ on Cancellation of Regents Exam in US History and Government (Framework).
- **COVID Exemptions**: Reference the FAQs: June/August 2020, January 2021, June/August 2021, and January 2022
- **Special Determination (June 2022 graduates only)**: Reference the Special Determination to Graduate with a Local Diploma in June 2022 memo.

4.) **Special Endorsements**
- **Honors**: A student earns a computed average of at least 90 on the Regents Exams applicable to either a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation. No more than 2 NYSED-Approved Regents Alternatives can be substituted for Regents Exams. The locally developed Checkpoint B examination in World Languages is not included in the calculation.
- **Mastery in Math and/or Science**: A student meets all the requirements for a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND earns a score of 85 or better on 3 math Regents Exams and/or 3 science Regents Exams.
- **Seal of Biliteracy:** A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Biliteracy.
- **Seal of Civic Readiness:** A student meets the criteria for earning the NYS Seal of Civic Readiness.
- **Technical Endorsement**: A student meets the requirements for either a local diploma, a Regents diploma or a Regents diploma with advanced designation AND successfully completes a NYSED-Approved CTE program including the 3-part technical assessment.

Reference the Endorsements and Seals webpage or NYS Diploma/Credential Requirements for additional information related to awarding special endorsements to students with exam exemptions.

5.) **Superintendent Determination of a Local Diploma**
Students with a disability who are unable to attain a local diploma through the various safety net provisions may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma under certain conditions. Reference: Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination

6.) **World Languages Exemption**
Students with a disability may be excused from the required units of credit in World Languages if so indicated on their IEP, but they must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate. Such student who seeks a Regents diploma with advanced designation does NOT have to complete the 5-unit sequence in the Arts or CTE in lieu of the sequence in World Languages in order to meet the assessment requirements for the advanced diploma.

Updated May 2025

Assessment Requirements

	Regents Diploma for **All Students**		Regents Diploma via Appeal for **All Students**		Local Diploma via Appeal for **All Students**		Local Diploma for **Students with a Disability**		Local Diploma via Appeal for **English Language Learners**	
Regents Exam or passing score on a NYSED-Approved Regents Alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score
English Language Arts (ELA)	1	65[!]	1	1 Regents Exam with a score of 60-64 for which an appeal has been granted by the district and all remaining Regents Exams with a score of 65[!] or above	1	2 Regents Exams with a score of 60-64 for which appeals have been granted by the district and all remaining Regents Exams with a score of 65[!] or above	1	55[**^]	1	Either the ELA Regents Exam with a score of 55-59 for which an appeal has been granted by the district, and all remaining Regents Exams with a score of 65[!] or above, OR 1 Regents Exam with a score of 60-64 and the ELA Regents with a score of 55-59 for which appeals have been granted for both by the district, and the remaining Regents Exams with a score of 65[!] or above [†]
Math	1	65[!]	1		1		1	55[**^]	1	
Science	1	65[!]	1		1		1	55[**^]	1	
Social Studies	1	65[!]	1		1		1	55[**^]	1	
Pathway *(See note 1 on reverse side)*	1 or CDOS	65[!] if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS		1 or CDOS		1 or CDOS	55[**^] if Regents Exam	1 or CDOS	
Compensatory Safety Net	*Non-Applicable*		*Non-Applicable*		*Non-Applicable*		Scores of 45-54 on any required Regents Exam (except ELA and Mathematics) can be compensated by a score of 65[!] or above on another required Regents Exam including ELA and Mathematics.		*Non-Applicable*	

Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation

Students seeking the Regents diploma with advanced designation must:
- Meet the credit and assessment requirements for a Regents diploma; and
- Pass **two additional** Regents E**xams** or NYSED-Approved Regents Alternatives **in mathematics**; and
- Pass **one additional** Regents E**xam** or NYSED-Approved Regents Alternative in **science**
  - students seeking advanced designation must pass at least one Regents Exam or NYSED-Approved Regents Alternative in both sciences (**one life** and **one physical**); and
- Complete a **sequence**:
  - earn an additional 2 units of credit in World Languages and pass a locally developed Checkpoint B World Languages examination, or
  - complete a 5 unit sequence in the Arts, or
  - complete a 5 unit sequence in CTE.

Assessment Combinations for Advanced Designation

Traditional Combination	ELA, Global History and Geography, US History and Government, 3 mathematics, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments
Pathway Combination (other than STEM)	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science), 1 Pathway (other than science or math) = 7 (+Pathway) or 8 assessments.
STEM (Mathematics) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 4 math[‡], 2 science (1 life science, 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.
STEM (Science) Pathway Combination	ELA, 1 social studies, 3 math, 3 science (at least 1 life science, at least 1 physical science) = 8 assessments.

* A student with a disability may appeal scores between 52 and 54 on up to two Regents Exams in any discipline and graduate with the local diploma. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for Students with Disabilities.

^ In the event a student with a disability is unable to attain a passing score on any Regents Exam, the student may be eligible for a Superintendent Determination of a local diploma. Reference Appeals, Safety Nets, and Superintendent Determination.

[†] English Language Learners seeking an appeal for a score of 55-59 on the ELA Regents Exam are only eligible if they entered the United States in grade 9 or after and were classified as an English Language Learner when they took the test the second time. Reference New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements: Local diploma for English Language Learners.

[‡] The 4th mathematics examination can be selected from the list of NYSED-Approved Regents Examination Alternatives.

[!] For the purposes of determining a student's diploma type, exemptions and Special Appeals should be considered passing scores. Both exemptions and Special Appeals may be applied to all diploma types.

PARTICIPATION IN GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES

Any student who has satisfactorily completed all graduation requirements will be permitted to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities of his or her graduating class subject to certain exceptions. Students may be prohibited from participating in the graduation ceremony or related graduation activities as a consequence of violating the District's Code of Conduct.

The District permits any student to participate in the graduation ceremony and all related graduation activities of his or her high school graduating class, if the student has been awarded a Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential or a Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential, but has not otherwise qualified to receive a Regents or local diploma. While permitted to participate, these students are not required to participate in the graduation ceremony or related graduation activities of his or her high school graduating class. For purposes of this policy, a student's high school graduating class is the twelfth grade class with which he or she entered into ninth grade.

The District will provide annual written notice of this policy and any related procedures to all students and their parents or guardians.

RED CREEK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CELL PHONE POLICY

The District consulted with local stakeholders including employee organizations representing each bargaining unit, parents, and students to develop this policy to prohibit the use of Internet-enabled devices by students during the school day on school grounds. This policy aims to ensure that students remain focused on their academic responsibilities throughout the school day, which includes all instructional and non-instructional periods such as homeroom, lunch, recess, study halls, and passing time.

For purposes of this policy, the following definitions apply:

a) "Internet-enabled devices" means and includes any smartphone, tablet, smartwatch, or other device capable of connecting to the Internet and enabling the user to access content on the Internet, including social media applications;

"Internet-enabled devices" does not include:

1. Non-Internet-enabled devices such as cellular phones or other communication devices not capable of connecting to the Internet or enabling the user to access content on the Internet; or
2. Internet-enabled devices supplied by the District, charter school, or Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) that are used for an educational purpose.

b) "School day" means the entirety of every instructional day as required by subdivision 7 of the Education Law Section 3604 during all instructional time and non-instructional time, including but not limited to homeroom periods, lunch, recess, study halls, and passing time.

c) "School grounds" means in or on or within any building, structure, athletic playing field, playground, or land contained within the real property boundary line of a district elementary, intermediate, junior high, vocational, or high school, a charter school, or a BOCES facility.

Students are generally prohibited from using Internet-enabled devices during the school day anywhere on school grounds.

However, students may be authorized to use an Internet-enabled device during the school day on school grounds:

a) If pre-approval from the building principal is granted

b) Where necessary for the management of a student's health care;

c) In the event of an emergency;

d) For translation services; e) On a case-by-case basis, upon review and determination by a school psychologist, school social worker, or school counselor for a student caregiver who is routinely responsible for the care and well-being of a family member; or f) Where required by law.

Students must be permitted to use an Internet-enabled device where the use is included in the student's:

a) Individualized Education Program (IEP); or

b) Section 504 Plan.

On-Site Storage of Internet-Enabled Devices Including Cell Phones

The District shall provide at least one method for students to store internet-enabled devices on-site during the school day. Storage options may include but are not limited to the following: a central collection and disbursement process if and only if the creation of that process does not take away from instructional time or increase labor cost. In the absence of a central collection and disbursement process, student lockers at grades 6-12 will be used for storage, and if that is enacted, effectiveness of that solution will be evaluated over time, and a central collection and disbursement process will continue to be studied, if needed. Students in grades UPK-5 will use lockers or equivalent under adult supervision for storage.

The District will communicate the procedures for storing and retrieving devices, ensuring that students understand their responsibilities in using the onsite storage facilities provided.

It is the student's responsibility to care for the storage area and ensure it is not damaged.

Methods for Parents to Contact Students During the School Day

To accommodate necessary communication, parents or persons in parental relation may use the following methods to contact their student during school hours while adhering to this policy:

a) School Office Phone: Parents or persons in parental relation may call the school's main office, and the office staff can relay messages to the student or call the student to the office to speak with their parent or person in parental relation.

b) Classroom Intercom System: In case of an emergency, the school's main office can use the classroom intercom system to notify students directly or ask them to come to the office.

c) Written Notes: Parents or persons in parental relation can drop off written notes at the school's main office, which can then be delivered to the student by school staff.

d) Parents and persons in parental relation will be notified in writing of the methods that are available for contacting their student during school hours upon enrollment and at the beginning of each school year.

Student Discipline for Accessing Internet-Enabled Devices During the School Day

Students who violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary penalties pursuant to the District's Code of Conduct and subject to applicable law and regulations. Progressive discipline or restorative practices may be used in cases of repeated violations, consistent with the Code.

Posting and Translation of Policy

The District will post this policy in a clearly visible and accessible location on its website. Translations of the policy into the 12 most common non-English languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in the state will be provided upon request by a student or other persons in parental relation to a student.

Reporting and Mitigation Action Plan

Beginning September 1, 2026 and annually thereafter, the District will publish an annual report on its website detailing enforcement of this policy within the District in the prior school year. This report will include non-identifiable demographic data of students who have faced disciplinary action for non-compliance and analysis of any demographic disparities in enforcement of this policy. If a statistically significant disparate enforcement impact is identified, the report will include a mitigation action plan.

Liability

Red Creek will not be liable for the loss, damage, misuse, or theft of any personal technology brought to any of its locations. The District reserves the right to monitor, inspect, and/or confiscate personal technology or internet enabled devices when the administration has reasonable suspicion to believe that a violation of school policy or criminal law has occurred.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

Notice is hereby given that the Red Creek Central School District, pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, declares the following as "directory information" as provided in said act, and that information relating to students may be made public if said information is in any of the following categories:

Name; birthday announcements; grade level; participation in officially recognized activities and sports; honors, degrees, and awards received; photograph; and the name and dates of the educational agency most recently previously attended by the student.

Any parent of any student in the district, or an eligible student, may refuse to let the district release any or all of the information designated as directory information, including to military recruiters, by notifying the principal of the school in which said student attends of the parent's or eligible student's desire that none of the above information may be released without the parent's or eligible student's consent, provided that such written notification is given the principal within thirty (30) days of publication of this notice.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. The rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records;
2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records;
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records;
4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the district to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

If you have questions or would like further information on FERPA, please contact Danielle A. DeBiase, School Business Administrator, 315-754-2017.

SEX OFFENDER INFORMATION

Information on sex offenders is available from the Red Creek CSD website: click on the Parent tab at www.rccsd.org. On this web page there are search tools for New York State, Wayne County, and Cayuga County offenders. The NYS Sex Offender Registry Information Line is 800-262-3257. If you have any concerns, please contact the Superintendent's office. The free MobilePatrol app is available for smart phones for information and alerts.

NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND COMPLIANCE

In accordance with the provisions of the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLB) federal legislation, the Red Creek Central School District wishes to notify parents/guardians that all of Red Creek's classroom teachers are highly qualified and hold professional certification from the State of New York.

Parents will be contacted if an uncertified teacher, other than a short term substitute, is assigned to their child's class.

Parents/Guardians who have questions regarding the qualifications of their children's teachers and teacher assistants providing services to students may find information on the State Education Department's web site (www.highered.nysed.gov). After accessing the site, go to Online Teacher Certification Verification.

Parents/guardians may also request information about a teacher's qualifications by sending a letter to: Matthew S. VanOrman, Superintendent of Schools, at the District Office, P.O. Box 190, Red Creek, NY 13143

PROTECTION OF PUPIL RIGHTS AMENDMENT (PPRA)

The Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) requires Red Creek Central School to notify you and allow you to opt your child out of participating in certain school activities. These activities include a student survey, analysis, or evaluation that concerns one or more of the following eight areas:

1. Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
2. Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
3. Sex behavior or attitudes;
4. Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
5. Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
6. Legally recognized privileged relationships, such as lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
7. Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
8. Income, other than as required by the law to determine program eligibility.

This requirement also applies to the collection, disclosure, or use of student information for marketing purposes and certain physical exams and screenings. Opt-out forms can be accessed online at http://www.rccsd.org/parents. Please contact Danielle DeBiase, School Business Administrator, at 315-754-2017 with any questions.

For Code of Conduct information and athletic schedules, please visit our website at www.rccsd.org or scan the QR Code.

HEALTH SERVICES

Red Creek Central School is staffed by two full-time registered nurses. The nurse is available to discuss any student health concerns or related items with parents. They also maintain health records, treat injuries, administer sight, hearing, and scoliosis tests, initiate insurance claims, and assist school physicians with student physicals.

FIRST AID CARE

The school nurse is responsible for first aid care of children who are injured or become ill during the school day. In such an emergency, every effort is made to contact a family member.

The success of this procedure is dependent upon accurate information from parents. Emergency Medical Forms are sent home each September and should be returned immediately. If the information on telephone number, address, or physician changes during the school year, the school nurse should be notified immediately.

IMMUNIZATIONS

State public health laws require immunization against preventable diseases before children are allowed to enter and attend public schools. The only exceptions are from a physician or religious exemptions granted on the basis of membership in a bonafide religious organization which prohibits immunizations. Immunizations required in New York State are:

- Polio--3-4 doses;
- DPT (Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus)--4-5 doses;
- Tdap--1 dose;
- MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella)--1-2 doses;
- Hepatitis B--3 doses;
- HIB--1-4 doses;
- PCV--1-4 doses;
- Varicella--1-2 doses;
- Meningococcal--1-2 doses.

For complete, specific information regarding immunization requirements, go to www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf or contact the school nurse at 315-754-2156.

ANNUAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATIONS

School physicals are required for grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 as well as new entrants. It is recommended these physicals be done by the student's own doctor and the nurse's office has forms to be filled out by the doctor. These forms are due upon entrance to these grade levels.

The nurse must receive the completed form within 30 days of entrance to these grade levels or a school physical will be scheduled.

Schools are now required to include a Body Mass Index (BMI) in a student's physical. Parents can choose, however, to opt out of the BMI requirement. See the school nurse for the opt-out form.

MEDICINE IN SCHOOL

For your protection, school officials are not allowed by law to give medicine to students. The nurse is permitted to give medicine to students if it is necessary for the child to have medicine during school hours. This can be done only if the following conditions are met:

1. Medicine will be given in school only upon written orders from the doctor. This includes all over-the-counter medications. The order is to be given to the school nurse. Forms are available in the Health Office;
2. Parents/guardians must be able to provide written permission for the nurse to give the medicine;
3. Medications must be brought to school by parent;
4. Students may carry medications on their persons only with doctor and school nurse approval;
5. The medication is to be in the drug store container, labeled with directions and the child's name. Ask the druggist to make up two containers--one for the school Health Office with medication and an empty one with the child's name and instructions for field trips;
6. No changes in dose or frequency can be made without a doctor's written order;
7. A new order for medicine must be written by the doctor at the beginning of each new school year;
8. These rules apply to all medication, even Tylenol, cough syrup, and other over-the-counter medicines.

   There will be no exceptions made to these rules. The nurse will refuse to give any medicines without doctor orders and parent permission. Students are not permitted to carry medicines to avoid getting the necessary authorizations. Such medicines will be immediately confiscated.

   Students found to be in possession or using such medicines without proper authorization will be subject to school discipline and, if appropriate, legal action. The possession or use of unauthorized substances at school is a serious health concern that may have life-or-death consequences.

   The medication policy requires the communication of clear expectations about student responsibility by both school officials and parents.

   Please help us by adhering to these procedures.

ATHLETIC PHYSICALS

Physicals for athletic participation are required by state law. The school physician has absolute authority to determine the physical capability of a student to participate in a sport during the school year. Students are required to have a physical examination each year prior to participating in a sport. It is highly recommended that this physical be done by the student's own doctor. Students will be required to be recertified for each sport they participate in.

Dates and times are announced when the school physician will conduct athletic physicals at no charge. Students are responsible to follow the sign-up procedures within the time frame established by the athletic director and the school nurse. Students who do not follow this procedure will be required to schedule their own physicals at their own expense.

SCHOOL HEALTH SCREENING

New York State mandates vision and hearing screenings on all new entrants to the district and in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11. Scoliosis screening will be done for girls in grades 5 and 7 and boys in grade 9.

CARE AND CONTROL OF ILLNESS WHILE IN SCHOOL

Students who become ill or are injured at school should report to the nurse's office. The school nurse will determine whether or not the student remains in school. Parents are expected to make provisions for transportation and care of children who are injured or too ill to remain in school. It is imperative that the school know where to contact parents at all times during the day in the event of an emergency.

SCHOOL ACCIDENT INSURANCE

Students injured at school are first subject to any insurance coverage which their family may have. The school district has voluntarily purchased a student accident policy which may cover some expenses when students are injured at school. This is only a basic policy that provides limited coverage for families without insurance and for injuries which might not be covered or are partially covered by a family's policy. As in most accidents, medical expenses not covered by insurance become the parents' responsibility. Any bus-related injury, according to NYS Law, must first be submitted to the parents' auto insurance. If your child is injured at school, please be sure that the school nurse has been informed or notified.

DISTRICT STUDENT ATTENDANCE POLICY-SUMMARY

The School District will:

- Establish and maintain a positive school building culture by fostering a positive physical and psychological environment where the presence of strong adult role models encourages respectful and nurturing interactions between adults and students. This positive school culture is aimed at encouraging a high level of student bonding to the school, which in turn should lead to increased attendance.
- Develop a Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy based upon the recommendations of a multifaceted District Policy Development Team that includes representation from the Board of Education, administrators, teachers, students, parents and the community. The District will hold at least one public hearing prior to the adoption of this collaboratively developed Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy.
- Maintain accurate recordkeeping via a Register of Attendance to record attendance, absence, tardiness or early departure of each student.
- Utilize data analysis systems for tracking individual student attendance and individual and group trends in student attendance problems.
- Develop early intervention strategies to improve school attendance for all students.
- Distribute chronic/at risk absentee weekly reports to admin, counselors, social workers and school nurse.
- Create building awareness by distributing grade-level weekly absentee lists to all faculty and encourage faculty to discuss the importance of good attendance with their students.

Determination of Excused and Unexcused Absences, Tardiness and Early Departures

Based on New York State reporting requirements, the District must report absences as either excused or unexcused as per the definitions below:

- Excused: An absence, tardiness or early departure may be excused if due to personal illness, illness or death in the family, impassable roads due to inclement weather, religious observance, quarantine, required court appearances, attendance at health clinics, approved college visits, approved cooperative work programs, military obligations or other such reasons as may be approved by the Board of Education. Excuses must be received within five school days to be considered an excused absence.
- Unexcused: An absence, tardiness or early departure is considered unexcused if the reason for the lack of attendance does not fall into the above categories (e.g., family vacation, shopping, hunting, babysitting, haircut, obtaining learner's permit, road test, oversleeping, tanning appointment, working, fishing).

Notice of Students who are Absent, Tardy or Depart Early Without Proper Excuse

A designated staff member shall notify by telephone the parent/person in parental relation to a student who is absent, tardy or departs early without proper excuse. The staff member shall explain the District's Comprehensive Student Attendance Policy, the District's/building level intervention procedures, and, if appropriate, the relationship between student attendance and course credit. If the parent/person in parental relation cannot be reached by telephone, the staff member will provide such notification by mail. Tardies to school without proper excuse will be reported to parents by mail.

On the 7th absence or multiple thereof, or at any time deemed necessary by appropriate school officials, or if requested by the parent/person in parental relation, a school conference shall be scheduled between the parent/person in parental relation and appropriate staff members in order to address the student's attendance. This student may also be requested to attend this conference in order to address appropriate intervention strategies that best meet the needs of the student.

Student Attendance/Course Credit (Grades 9-12 only)

The District believes that classroom participation is related to and affects a student's performance and grasp of the subject matter and, as such, is properly reflected in a student's final grade. For purposes of this policy, classroom participation means that a student is in class and prepared to work.

Consequently, for each marking period a certain percentage of a student's final grade will be based on classroom participation as well as the student's performance on homework, tests, papers, projects, etc. as determined by the building administrator and/or classroom teacher.

Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes. Consistent with the importance of classroom participation, unexcused student absences, tardiness, and early departures will affect a student's grade, including credit for classroom participation, for the marking period.

Transfer students and students re-enrolling after having dropped out will be expected to attend a prorated minimum number of the scheduled class meetings during their time of enrollment.

Students will be considered in attendance if the student is:

- Physically present in the classroom or working under the direction of the classroom teacher during the class scheduled meeting time (33 minutes out of 43 minute class); or
- Working pursuant to an approved independent study program; or
- Receiving approved alternative instruction.

Students who are absent from class due to their participation in a school sponsored activity must arrange with their teachers to make up any work missed within two days or receive a zero for missed work. Attendance at school sponsored events where instruction is substantially equivalent to the instruction which was missed shall be counted as the equivalent of regular attendance in class.

Students absent from class for an educational reason (i.e. instrumental music lesson, field trip, etc.) will not be considered absent from class. All classwork must be made up. (The Principal shall determine which school activities will not count as an absence for loss of credit.) Arrangements must be made in advance for make-up work.

Upon returning to school following a properly excused absence, tardiness or early departure, it shall be the responsibility of the student to consult with his/her teacher(s) regarding arrangements to make up missed work, assignments and/or tests in accordance with the time schedule specified by the teacher.

To ensure due process, the implementation of this general attendance policy will be as follows:

- After the 4th unexcused absence in a half-credit course and the 10th unexcused absence in a full credit course, the teacher will notify the student of paragraph c (below).
- After the 8th unexcused absence in a half-credit course and the 16th unexcused absence in a full credit course (based on a semestered block schedule), the teacher will speak to the student, telephone and send a letter home to the parent, and notify the principal.
- On the 14th unexcused absence in a half-credit course and the 28th unexcused absence in a full credit course, the student will be denied credit for the course. Once a student is denied credit the student must remain in class and be in good standing in order for the principal to approve summer school. The principal has the final say in any placement of the student.

NOTE - Challenging a Course: Students challenging a course are exempt from the denial of course credit section of this policy.

However, the District may not deny course credit to a student who has exceeded the allowable number of absences but taken all tests, completed missed class work, and secured a passing grade.

Disciplinary Consequences

Unexcused absences, tardiness and early departures will result in disciplinary sanctions as described in the District's Code of Conduct. Negative consequences will not be imposed, however, where the absence, tardiness, or early departure is related to homelessness. Consequences may include, but are not limited to, inschool suspension, detention and denial of participation in interscholastic and extracurricular activities. Parents/persons in parental relation will be notified by designated District personnel at periodic intervals to discuss their child's absences, tardiness or early departures and the importance of class attendance and appropriate interventions. Individual buildings/grade levels will address procedures to implement the notification process to the parent/person in parental relation.

Intervention Strategy Process

In order to effectively intervene when an identified pattern of unexcused absences, tardiness or early departures occur, designated District personnel will pursue the following:

- Identify specific element(s) of the pattern (e.g., grade level, building, time frame, type of unexcused absences, tardiness or early departures);
- Contact the District staff most closely associated with the element. In specific cases where the pattern involves an individual student, the student and parent/person in parental relation will be contacted;
- Discuss strategies to directly intervene with specific element; Recommend intervention to Superintendent or designee if it relates to change in District policy or procedure;
- Implement changes, as approved by appropriate administration;
- Utilize appropriate District and/or community resources to address and help remediate student unexcused absences, tardiness or early departures;
- Monitor and report short and long term effects of intervention.

Athletes' Attendance Rule

On the day of an athletic contest, a student must be in school by 11:30 a.m. in order to participate in the event. On the day after an athletic contest the athlete must attend school. If the athlete does not attend school the day after the contest, the athlete will be ineligible for the next contest. Only legal absences (doctor's excuses) and tardies will be accepted as proof for next contest eligibility.

GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE FOR NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The compliance officer for Title IX, Section 504, and other grievances related to student activities is the Director of Student Services, Amanda Ventura telephone: 315-754-2045. The compliance officer for all employee-related activities is the School Business Administrator, Danielle A. DeBiase, telephone: 315-754-2017. Both can be contacted at the school district offices, P.O. Box 190, Red Creek, New York, 13143.

The compliance officer, upon request, will provide a copy of the district's grievance procedure to any employee, student, or other covered person.

A copy of each of the Acts and Regulations upon which this notice is based will be made available upon written request to the district compliance officer.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Red Creek Central School District, in accordance with Title IX of the Educational Amendments of 1972, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title II of the Americans With Disabilities Act, or the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, age, marital or veteran status, or disability. The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to provide an environment free from harassment and intimidation in the educational programs or activities it operates.

We do not permit discrimination by employees, school volunteers, students and non-employees such as contractors and vendors, as well as any third parties participating in, observing, or otherwise engaged in activities subject to the supervision of the district. This includes recruitment and employment practices, pay and benefits, counseling services for students, access by students to educational programs, courses, and activities. The Board also prohibits harassment based upon an individual's opposition to the discrimination or participation in a related investigation or complaint proceeding under the anti-discrimination statutes.

This policy of non-discrimination and anti-harassment will be enforced on school district premises, in school buildings, and at all school sponsored events, programs, and activities, including those that take place off school premises. Inquiries or complaints should be forwarded to the Superintendent of Schools.

COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY PROGRAM

Red Creek Central School District has been approved to participate in the Community Eligibility Program, which operates under the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs. It will allow all students to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at no charge for the 2026-2027 school year.

In order to continue to provide this opportunity and the many other services Red Creek Schools are able to give our students, we are asking families to complete and return the Income Eligibility Form. The information you provide will be used to establish eligibility for state aid, grants, discounted college tuition, and other state and federally run programs.

If you have any further questions, please contact Christina Schirtz at 315-754-2062 or the District Office at 315-754-2010.

The Income Eligibility Form can be found on our website rccsd.org under "Food Services" or scan the QR code.

IMPORTANT LINKS

TRANSPORTATION

FOOD SERVICE

WFL BOCES TECH CENTER

DIRECTORY

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)/Provision 2 non-base year/Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) Household Income Eligibility Form

_____(*name/school)* is participating in the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) or Provision 2 in a non-base year. All children in the school will receive meals/milk at no charge regardless of household income or completion of this form. This form is to determine eligibility for additional State and federal program benefits that your child(ren) may qualify for, including Summer Electronics Benefit Program (EBT). Read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and return it to the school named above. Call ___(*school phone number)*, if you need help.

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	No Income
			☐	☐
			☐	☐
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:
If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. Then skip to Part 4.

Name: _____ CASE #_____

3. Household Gross Income: List all people living in your household, how much and how often they are paid (weekly, every other week, twice per month, monthly). Do not leave income blank. If no income, check box. If you have listed a foster child above, you must report their personal income.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions ***Amount / How Often***	Child Support, Alimony ***Amount / How Often***	Pensions, Retirement Payments ***Amount / How Often***	Other Income, Social Security ***Amount / How Often***	No Income
	$ _____ / _____	$ _____ / _____	$ _____ / _____	$ _____ / _____	☐
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4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school may receive federal funds. The school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: Date**:**

Email Address:

Home Phone

Work Phone

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE – FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

SNAP/TANF/Foster Income

Total Household Income/How Often:

Household Size:

Free Eligibility Reduced Eligibility Denied Eligibility

Signature of Reviewing Official

Home Address

CEP/Provision 2 Non-Base Year Household Income Form INSTRUCTIONS

PART 1 **ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE FORM FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.**

(1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one form.
(2) List their grade and school.
(3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, and check the box for each child with no income.

PART 2 **HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.**

(1) List a current SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program), TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. Do not use the 16-digit number on your benefit card. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
(2) An adult household member must sign the form in PART 4**. SKIP PART 3** - Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number.

PARTS 3 & 4 **ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE ALL OF PARTS 3 AND 4.**

(1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are completing the form for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people living in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
(2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

The Richard B. Russell National School Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not, we cannot approve your child(ren) for free or reduced price meals. You must include the social security number of the adult household who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Food Stamp Program, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child(ren) are eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share you eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs; auditors for program reviews; and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

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