



SUPERINTENDENT'S BRIEF

Dr. Genelle Morris

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A Message from Dr. Morris:

Just like that, another school year is underway! As we begin this year together, there is so much to look forward to across our district. Our schools are once again filled with the energy and excitement of students reconnecting with friends, meeting new teachers, and beginning another year of learning and growth.

A new school year brings fresh opportunities, experiences, and goals for every student. We are excited to support them throughout the year as they learn, grow, and create lasting memories. Thank you to our dedicated teachers and staff, supportive families, and entire community for helping make our district a wonderful place for students to thrive.

The great things happening throughout our schools reflect what we can accomplish when our schools, families, and community work together. I am excited for all that this new school year will bring and look forward to celebrating the many achievements, experiences, and special moments ahead for our students. I look forward to all that this year will bring and to celebrating the many achievements and special moments ahead.

-Dr. Genelle Morris





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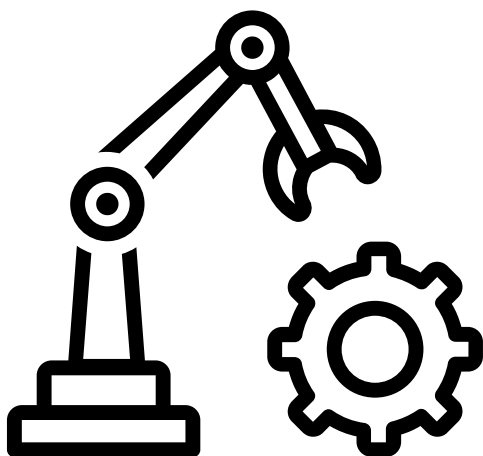
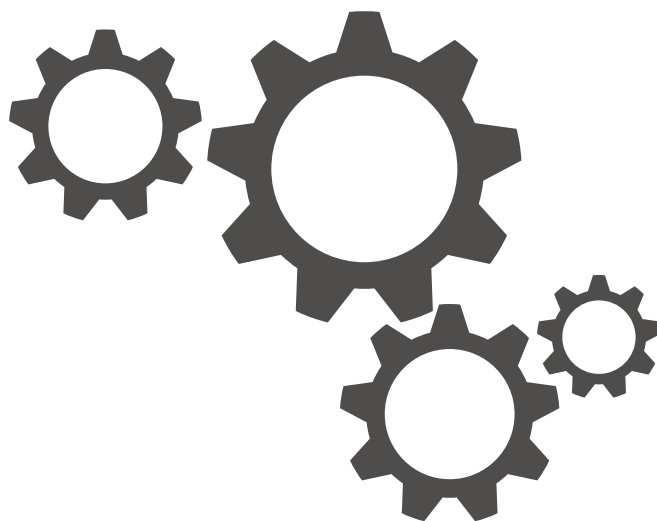
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Dream It. Do It. Manufacturing Day:

Dream It. Do It. Manufacturing Day! Students from Mrs. Niece's, Mrs. Graves', and Mrs. Yonker's classes spent their Sunday touring local manufacturing facilities and learning about careers right here in our community!

A BIG thank you to Dream It. Do It, Fibercel, and Keystone Tool and Die for a great day of hands-on learning and career exploration!





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Sundance Kids Farms Washington West Visit:

Husky pups at Washington West recently welcomed a few special visitors! Mr. Morton from Sundance Kids Farms stopped by with some feathered friends, including three ducks Huey, Dewey, and Louie and two geese. Students enjoyed getting an up-close look at the animals and learning more about them. A big thank you to Mr. Morton and Sundance Kids Farms for another fun and memorable visit!





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Dads Take Your Child to School Day:

On Wednesday, September 16th, OCSD celebrated "Dads Take Your Child to School Day" at both East View and Washington West Elementary! Dads, grandpas, and uncles joined our Husky pups for a special start to the school day. Thank you to everyone who joined us to make it such a great morning!





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OHS Homecoming Assembly:





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2026 Fall Sports:





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OHS Senior Honored with National Scholarship:

Senior Lokesh Anumalasetty was named a Commended Student in the 2027 National Merit Scholarship Program! He is among 34,000 students nationwide recognized for their incredible academic performance and outstanding PSAT/NMSQT scores. Congratulations, Lokesh, on this outstanding academic achievement! We're proud to have you representing OHS and Husky Nation!



Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day

No School

Monday, October 12th





Hearts, Hands & Hooves Animal Show:

This summer, select Olean students took part in the first-ever Hearts, Hands & Hooves Animal Show at the Cattaraugus County Fair, in partnership with local 4-H chapters and Cornell Cooperative Extension. Students teamed up with 4-H buddies for hands-on activities like shearing sheep, walking pigs, and making bead bracelets before getting the chance to show a lamb or goat in the show ring. Each student also went home with a special T-shirt and blue ribbon to remember the experience.





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Once A Husky, Always A Husky:

Thanks to the generosity of so many people in our community, the Olean DECA club raised over \$3,600 for Chase Vogtli, a 2025 Olean High School graduate, and his family as he continues his fight with cancer.





Showing Good Character At OIMS:

Each month, our sixth graders at OIMS come together for a Character Education Assembly led by their teachers. Students are recognized for perfect attendance, and special awards are given to those who demonstrate outstanding character throughout the month. Congratulations to our latest RESPECT Award winners! We are proud of you for setting a great example for your classmates. October's character trait is RESPONSIBILITY. Keep up the great work, sixth graders!





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OHS ATHLETIC EVENT RULES

- Any student 7th grade or younger must be accompanied by a parent/guardian/caregiver for admission to any Olean high school football or basketball game. The adult accompanying the student needs to be in attendance as a point of contact for the duration of the event. This allows OHS staff to respond appropriately if issues arise among younger students who are unfamiliar to high school staff, and can help ensure a safe environment for students and families who are there to enjoy the game.
- Students are not allowed to bring bags or backpacks.
- No outside food or drinks are allowed.
- Only high school students from the home team or the visiting team are permitted to attend the game without a parent or guardian. (ID required).
- Students attending athletic events must bring valid student identification with them to show high school staff upon entering an athletic venue.



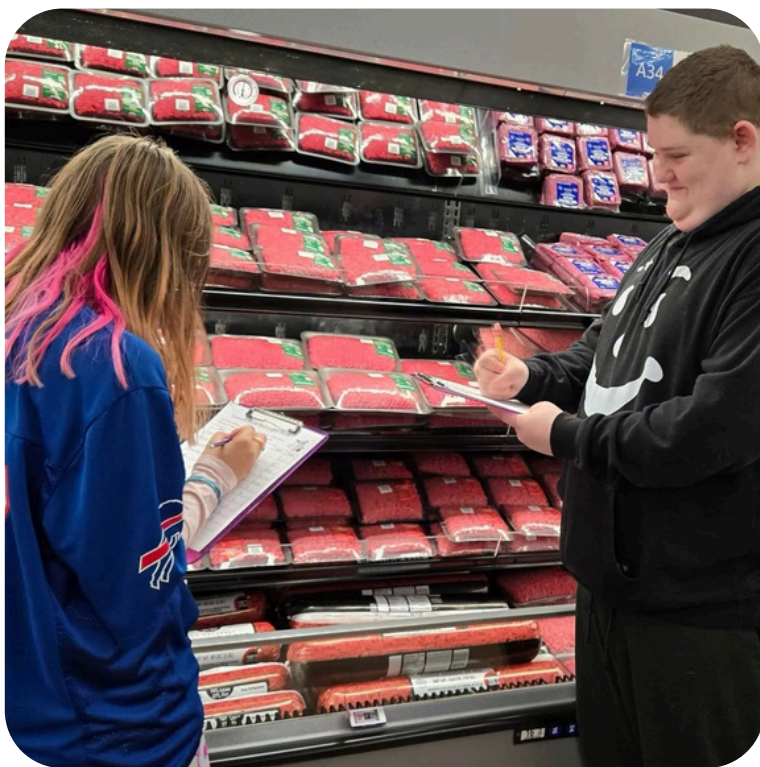
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Life Skills in Action:

Mrs. Niece's Consumer Home Management students recently traded the classroom for the aisles of Walmart for some hands-on learning! Students searched for everyday items, compared prices, made thoughtful purchasing decisions, and practiced navigating the store independently. The experience gave students an opportunity to put important life skills into action, including budgeting, money management, consumer awareness, decision-making, and independence.





EV Fall Family Bike Ride:

Families gathered for a fun family bike ride at East View Elementary, an annual school tradition, on Thursday, October 1st. The students had a blast all while getting to be active.





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Coffee with the superintendent:

You are invited to the next Coffee with the Superintendent

Future Coffee Dates:

- Tuesday, October 20, 2026, from 7:30 am to 8:30, WW, Library
- Tuesday, November 17, 2026, from 7:30 am to 8:30, OIMS, LGI Room
- Tuesday, December 15, 2026, from 7:30 am to 8:30, OHS, Board Room

If you're interested in attending,

Please pre-register by emailing O'Brien Dailey,

OCSD Media, Brand & Communication Specialist:
odailey@oleanschools.org

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Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to our district. Let's keep moving forward together with Husky pride, purpose, and perseverance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Genelle Morris

Superintendent Olean City
School District

