



# LEAN

## CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

*"Home, School and Community Educating for Life"*

Classes Begin  
Wednesday,  
Sept. 5

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*Gearing Up For The New School Year*

## Tech Department Abuzz With Activity

Summer is one of the busiest times in the District Technology Department. With over 1,700 student laptops to re-image over a very short time frame, any extra helping hands are always appreciated.

During the first week of July, we were gifted with extra hands through Community Schools AmeriCorps workers. Three students were on loan to the Tech Department through Nick Patrone's AmeriCorps program. Those extra hands were put to immediate use unboxing and labeling new student laptops that had just been delivered the week before. Doing this work made those new laptops available for imaging by one of our computer technicians earlier than anticipated. The students stuck to their task and diligently completed the work asked of them.

As with previous years, we had clients from the Community Prevocational Program through the ReHабilitation Center (*upper right*) working here. Their job was to refresh laptops that were collected at the end of the school year. They carefully wiped the screens, keyboards, and exterior of every laptop that was turned in. They also checked every laptop case and wiped down the exterior of the cases to freshen them up as well. The work completed by this group is greatly appreciated. Thanks to the hard work of Andy Gillespie, Nicole Stadtler, Richie Holmes, and their job coach, Tiffany Wise, all laptops used last year have been refreshed.

The Technology Department was extremely fortunate to have Yuvraj Singh, a former Olean HS graduate who just completed his freshman year at RIT, working with the computer technicians. With his assistance, laptop imaging was completed in a timely manner, laptops were assigned and scanned out to students, and new workstations were



placed and imaged in one of the High School computer labs and the Olean Intermediate Middle Library for the start of another school year. The workstations in the High School Library and East View computer lab were updated as well.

# From The Superintendent

## Olean City School District: Aspire To Inspire

**By Rick T. Moore, Superintendent**

“To **aspire** is to rise up to a great plan, an abundant hope of fulfilling a worthwhile mission. To **inspire** is to convey a feeling of joining a higher cause, influencing soulful action.” (Elendu Chinagorom Paul)

The Olean City School District aspires to be the best. Our goal is to be a leading academic institution. To that end, we have established the Olean City School District Aspiring Goal with both long-term objectives and a short-term objective. We ask everyone to join us in our aspiration and to dedicate oneself to one or more of the objectives. If we put all of our efforts into the Olean City School District’s long-term and short-term objectives, greatness will surely be ours. We look forward to working with everyone as we move our district and community forward.

### **Olean City School District - Aspiring Goal**

To provide the superintendent, administration, faculty, and staff with the resources necessary to become a federally recognized Blue Ribbon School where all graduates are college and career ready.

### **LONG-TERM OBJECTIVES**

1. The Olean City School District will encourage all students to develop skills, abilities, and talents necessary for them to excel in vocational trades, academics, or both.
2. The Olean City School District understands that only through teamwork and cooperation with all stakeholders will the district be able to achieve objective number one.
3. The Olean City School District will manage the school district in a manner that is fiscally responsible to both the district and the community.
4. The Olean City School District encourages each student to participate in academic and extracurricular activities, understanding academics, sports, arts, music, and other clubs help to develop a well-rounded individual.
5. The Olean City School District welcomes community input, involvement, and support in order to achieve the district’s objectives and aspiring goal.

### **SHORT-TERM OBJECTIVE**

1. The Olean City School District encourages the use of media resources to promote and highlight academic and extracurricular achievements.

Following is the Olean City School District mission, vision, and our guiding principles. There is nothing worse than spending people’s valuable time creating a mission and vision statement and then set it on a shelf to collect dust. The Olean City School District aspires to live and deliver the mission, vision and guiding principles every day. We ask all members of our Husky Pack to embrace the statement and principles, which will elevate both our school district and our entire community. We also encourage all to point out when we fall short of this expectation so all are held accountable. We will reflect on our progress and make adjustments as needed.



**An East View student signs a “Hollywood Star” to be on the handwriting walk of fame which recognizes top students from each class and grade level.**

### **MISSION/VISION STATEMENT**

*The Olean City School District is a student centered community of excellence in which all members are challenged to learn, achieve, contribute, and innovate.*

### **GUIDING PRINCIPLES**

*A commitment to fostering:*

- A respectful, safe and welcoming environment
- Embracing diversity
- Continuous improvement
- Academic excellence and lifelong learning
- Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability
- Student potential and achievement

**So what is new this year that will propel us toward our aspiring goal, our mission statement, our vision statement, and our guiding principles for this year?**

### **MAKER SPACE**

This year will mark the opening of the OIMS (Olean Intermediate-Middle School) Maker Space Room in the OIMS library. This was the brainchild of Principals Mr. Whitcher and Mr. Trietley with an enormous amount of help from Mrs. Mahar. The OIMS library will be the new home to our Maker Space, and it will be open for all students in grades 4 through 7. When possible we will open the Maker Space up for all grade levels.

What is a Maker Space? “It is a place where young people have an opportunity to explore their own interests; learn to use tools and materials, both physical and virtual; and develop creative projects.” Laura Fleming, Worlds of Making

<http://www.makerspaceforeducation.com/makerspace.html>

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### THE ACADEMY OF EXCELLENCE

We have worked very hard at increasing the number of college courses provided by the district. Students now have the opportunity to earn as many as 75 college credits and a dual degree: Olean High School Diploma and an Associate's Degree from Jamestown Community College. The large number of college classes will allow students to select from many areas of study. The District was awarded approximately \$200,000 in grant funding to formalize the Academy of Excellence. We anticipate additional funding to grow and expand this program. Our vision is to begin this process in the Olean Intermediate Middle School. There will be high expectations for students to participate. Activities such as enrichment, summer programming, educational trips, and advanced studies will be just some of the elements. Implemented with an attention to detail and a district wide commitment, this initiative will be a major component to becoming nationally recognized for academic excellence.

### WRITING

The District is extremely excited about bringing child author and writing expert Amy Ludwig Vanderwater to work with our faculty in grades kindergarten through third. She graduated from Columbia University and has written numerous children's books. Ms. Ludwig Vanderwater is revered for her ability to excite teachers and students in the field of writing. You may visit her web page: <https://www.amyludwigvanderwater.com>

### SAFETY

The District has met with students, parents, faculty, staff, administrators, law enforcement, and members of the community to develop a plan to continually improve and focus on school safety. To this end, we have invested large amounts of time, energy, and money in new technologies, training, and capital improvements. We have increased the presence of law enforcement in all of our buildings. We pledge to make health and safety our first priority.

### HOWL = Helping Others While Learning

Regardless of who we are, where we come from, our economic status, religion, sexual orientation, we are all Huskies. As we all know, "It takes all the Huskies to pull the sled." HOWL will become a new slogan as we move towards excellence; we will all help each other, regardless of our differences, towards our Aspiring Goal.

We want to thank everyone for your dedication and loyalty to the Olean City School District. We look forward to working with everyone and having a great year. Remember aspire to inspire this year.



## SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM: *All Students Eligible For Free Breakfast And Lunch*

### Dear Parent or Guardian:

We are pleased to inform you that Olean City School District will be continuing a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for 2018-2019.

### What does this mean for your child(ren) attending the school(s) identified above?

All students enrolled at all Olean City School District Schools are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2018-2019 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit an application.

If you have any further questions, please contact Kevin Fisher at (716) 375-8007 or at [Kfisher@olean.wnyric.org](mailto:Kfisher@olean.wnyric.org)



## Best Wishes To Our Retirees!

Congratulations to the retiring staff that were honored for their many years of service to the district: (l-r) Pauline Stanford, Elizabeth Kwiatkowski, Darlene Connelly, Randy Samuelson, and Kathy Eggert. Missing from photo is Rose Harenda.

# Back-To-School Reminders For Families

## Custodial Paperwork

If you have custodial paperwork for your child, you should provide your child's school with a copy. Without the custodial paperwork on file, the school assumes that both parents have full rights. For your child's safety, if an order of protection exists, please submit a copy to your child's principal.

If you are a non-custodial parent who would like to receive information regarding your child's academics and invitations to parent-teacher conferences, you should submit an annual request to your child's principal.

## Update Contact Info

Attention Parents/Guardians: If you have changed your address, phone number, or acquired a cell phone, please make sure to notify the school office so that we have up-to-date information.

## OHS Evacuation Drill

Parents are advised that Olean High School will conduct a building evacuation drill during the school year.

Students will be relocated, under supervision, to an off-site facility for a period of time during the drill. This evacuation drill is intended to be a proactive response plan in the event of an emergency situation.

School districts across New York State are required to conduct one full evacuation drill and several lower-scale emergency drills throughout the school year.

## County Counseling Centers

The Olean City School District houses a counselor, Jenna Golden, from the Cattaraugus County Counseling Centers in each of the schools. Ms. Golden helps individuals struggling with issues such as attention, behaviors, bullying, anger, anxiety, sadness and much more. Ms. Golden is accepting referrals from all grade levels, and they can be made through the school or directly to her by calling 716-257-2674. She accepts most insurance plans and those she cannot accept, she can refer to an appropriate provider.

## Permission for Student Release

Reminder – students are not allowed to leave school buildings or grounds without written permission and for legitimate rea-



sons only. Under a new state law, school children may only leave school with persons approved by the child's parent or

guardian. School officials will be required to check the identity of persons requesting a child's release against a list provided by the parents or guardian.

The law also stipulates that a student will not be released to a person who is not on the list unless the child's parent authorizes the release.

## School Closing Notices

The Olean City School District will announce school closings or delays on TV channels 2, 4, 7 and 9 as well as on radio stations WBEN, WLSV, WMXO and WPIG.

## #OCSD MUSIC PERFORMANCES

DATE	EVENT	VENUE
September 13, Thursday, 6:30pm	Instrument Rental Night	OIMS
September 28, Friday, 6:30pm	Homecoming Pep Band (HS Marching Band)	Bradner's
<b>October 25, Thursday, 7:00pm</b>	<b>OHS Fall Concert</b>	<b>OHS</b>
November 2-3, Fri. & Sat.	Junior High Area All-State	Akron
November 10, Saturday, 11:00am	Veterans' Day Parade (HS Marching Band)	Lincoln Park
November 16-17, Fri. & Sat.	Senior High Area All-State	SUNY Fredonia
November 23, Friday, 6:00pm	Santa Claus Lane Parade (HS Marching Band)	Union St.
Nov. 29- Dec. 2, (Thu. - Sun.)	NYSSMA All-State Festival & Conference	Rochester
<b>December 5, Wednesday, 7:00pm</b>	<b>OHS Winter Concert</b>	<b>OHS</b>
<b>December 12, Wednesday, 6:30pm</b>	<b>OIMS Winter Concert (grades 6-7)</b>	<b>OHS</b>
<b>December 13, Thursday, 6:00pm</b>	<b>WW Winter Concert (grades 2-3)</b>	<b>OHS</b>
<b>December 19, Wednesday, 6:00pm</b>	<b>WW Winter Concert (grades K-1)</b>	<b>OHS</b>
January 18-19, Fri & Sat.	ACSMA All-County Festival (8-12 Orchestra)	CRCS
January 25-26, Fri. & Sat.	CCMTA Solo Festival	ALCS
February 5, Tuesday, 7:00pm	OCSD Piano Recital	OHS
March, Daily, 7:45am	Harmony in the Morning (HS)	OHS
<b>March 6, Wednesday, 7:00pm</b>	<b>Music in Our Schools Month Concert</b>	<b>OHS</b>
March 15-16, Fri. & Sat.	All-County #1 (ES& SH Chorus, JH Band)	ALCS
March 29-30, Fri. & Sat.	All-County #2 (JH Chorus, ES & SH Band)	CLV
April 6, Saturday	CCMTA All-County Snow Date (if needed)	
<b>April 12-13, Fri. &amp; Sat.</b>	<b>OHS Musical</b>	<b>OHS</b>
<b>April 15, Monday, 6:30pm</b>	<b>OIMS Showcase Spring Concert (gr. 4-5)</b>	<b>OHS</b>
<b>April 17, Wednesday, 9:30 am</b>	<b>EV Arbor Day Concert- Kindergarten</b>	<b>EV</b>
<b>April 17, Wednesday, 1:30 pm</b>	<b>EV Arbor Day Concert- 1st Graders</b>	<b>EV</b>
April TBA	NYSSMA Major Organization Festivals	TBA
May 3, Friday, 1:30pm /2:15pm	Orchestra Concert for Grade 3 (grades 9-12)	WW/EV
TBA	OHS Talent Show	OHS
May 9, Thursday	NYSSMA Majors (Orchestra 9-12)	Fredonia HS
<b>May 14, Tuesday, 7:00pm</b>	<b>OHS Spring Concert</b>	<b>OHS</b>
May 17-18, Fri. & Sat.	Houghton String Festival	Houghton
<b>May 21, Tuesday, 9:30am</b>	<b>EV Memorial Day Concert (grades 2)</b>	<b>EV</b>
<b>May 21, Tuesday, 1:30pm</b>	<b>EV Memorial Day Concert (grades 3)</b>	<b>EV</b>
<b>May 22, Wednesday, 6:30pm</b>	<b>OIMS Spring Concert (grades 6-7)</b>	<b>OHS</b>
May 27, Monday, 10:00am	Memorial Day Parade (HS Marching Band)	Union St.
May 31 & June 1, Fri. & Sat.	NYSSMA Solo Festival	BRCS
Date TBA	Music Boosters Awards Banquet	TBA
June 19, Wednesday, 8:30am	Morning Assembly performance (Gr. 4 strings)	OIMS
June 22/29 (?) Saturday, 11:00am	OHS Graduation	OHS

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INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS:

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS:

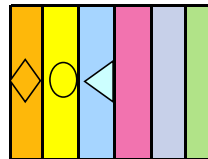
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS:

180

6

186

(8/29, 8/30, 9/4, 1/28, 3/8, 6/26)



STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

NO SCHOOL

SCHOOL RECESS - School Closed

END OF MARKING PERIOD

REGENTS EXAMS

ELA & MATH STATE ASSESSMENT TESTS (GRADE 3 - 8)

Independence Day Observation

Staff Development

NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

Staff Development - NO STUDENTS

Schools Open for Students

Go home early drill - 15 minute early dismissal for students

NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day

End of 1st Marking Period

NO SCHOOL - Veterans' Day

NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess

Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 10:45)

OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 7 students dismissed at 11:00)

NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess

NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day

Regents Exams

Staff Development - NO STUDENTS

End of 2nd marking period

NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day

Split Spring Recess

Staff Development Day - NO STUDENTS

Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 10:45)

OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 5 students dismissed at 11:00)

ELA State Assessment Tests for grades 3 - 8; make up tests April 5-9

End of 3rd marking period

NO SCHOOL

NO SCHOOL - Good Friday

NO SCHOOL - Split Spring Recess

Math State Assessment Tests for grades 3 - 8; make up tests May 6-8

NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day Recess

NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

1st administration of new Global History and Geography II - Grade 10 Regents

Regents Exams

Staff Development - NO STUDENTS - End of 4th Marking Period/Regents Rating Day

OHS Graduation at 11:00 am



# Something Old ... Something New

## *OHS Newspaper Returning*

The 2018-2019 school year will see a resurrection of the OHS Newspaper (something old); however, the publication will be housed electronically on the OHS website (something new).

The OHS library staff is looking to develop an editorial team who will promote, cover, and report on school events, in addition to happenings in the Greater Olean Area. This exciting new undertaking will offer students opportunities to innovate and collaborate while applying the International Society for Technology in Education (ISTE) standards; engaging in positive, safe, ethical, and legal experiences when using technology.

With support from the high school and district administration, the distance learning center, connected to the Library Media Center (LMC) in room 238, has been updated with some dynamic technology and will be the hub for creation. The concept of this creative space is the result of a collaboration between the English Department and Library Media Center.

The existing English Department's Writing Center provides students a place where they can learn to become stronger writers and receive help on their writing assignment(s) or any freelance writing they undertake throughout the school year. Tied to the created space is Mr. Sorenson's Film Literacy class and Film Club, which were in need of updated technology (green screen, lights, cameras, microphones, and computers capable of editing high speed video). The last piece of the puzzle is the OHS library, which was looking to offer students updated resources to create digital projects for their classes or try out new technology.

The media room will be open during the school day for teachers to sign out and for students to utilize during their free periods if they have to work on a project. We are looking forward to seeing students progressively nurturing each other, the school environment, and greater community as these programs blossom.



## Making New Friends

Bryce Nenno from East View Elementary School made a new friend during the first grade field trip to Hidden Valley Animal Adventure Park in Varysburg.

## Important Dates From OHS Guidance Office

### 2018-19 SAT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines

Dates	Test Administered	Registration Deadline
Aug. 25, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	July 27, 2018
Oct. 6, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	Sept. 7, 2018
Nov. 3, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	Oct 5, 2018
Dec. 1, 2018	SAT & Subject Test	Nov. 2, 2018
Mar. 9, 2019	SAT only	Feb. 8, 2019
May 4, 2019	SAT & Subject Test	April 5, 2019
June 1, 2019	SAT & Subject Test	May 3, 2019

### ACT Test Dates and Registration Deadlines

Dates	Test Administered	Registration Deadline
Oct. 27, 2018	ACT	Sept. 28, 2018
Dec. 8, 2018	ACT	Nov. 2, 2018
June 8, 2019	ACT	May 3, 2019

- WNY Consortium – September 20, 2018 – 8:15-9:00 am
- Financial Aid Night – September 25, 2018 – 6:30-8:00 pm
- PSATs – October 13, 2018

## 2018-19 SAC CALENDAR

August			
29	Open House		4:00-7:00
September			
5	First Day of School		
7	Blacklight Dance	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00-11:00
18	Homecoming Banners DUE		
28	Homecoming Assembly		2:05-3:00
29	Homecoming Dance	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00-12:00
October			
26	26 <sup>th</sup> Homeless Huskies		2:05-3:00
December			
10-14	Days of Giving		
20	Ugly Sweater Contest		
January			
18	Winter Weekend Assembly		2:05-3:00
19	Winter Weekend Dance	9 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:00-12:00
February			
18-22	Split Spring Break		
March			
15	Lock In Class Comps	8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup>	8:00-11:30
April			
18-26	Split Spring Break		
May			
TBD	Prom Assembly		
TBD	Prom	11 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup>	
June			
TBD	Class Comps (Volleyball)		6:00-8:00

# Understanding BMI Screenings & Your Child

## BMI Screening & Weight Status Category

Every year, students in grades Pre-K, K, 2, 4, 7, and 10 are screened for height and weight to determine their Body Mass Index. This is mandated by NYS Education Laws Sections 903 & 904. The information is collected and compiled by the Nurses and reported to the Department of Health. The information is provided in total numbers in each weight status category, and no personal student information, including names, is shared. Regardless, parents are still given the option to “Opt-Out” of having their child’s weight status category included in the report. Parents are notified in writing by the Nurse’s office when their child’s weight status category is above the 99%, or below the 5%. It is then recommended that your child follow up with their personal health care practitioner.

## What is BMI?

BMI is an abbreviation for Body Mass Index. BMI is calculated from your child’s weight, height, sex and age. BMI helps determine the risk of developing one or more specific diseases linked to obesity such as diabetes, heart disease, sleep apnea, asthma, high blood pressure, etc. A healthy BMI is between 18.6 and 24.9.



## Understanding BMI

Each child is unique and growing at their own pace, so we must take into account the child’s age and map boys and girls differently. Instead of a classification of overweight or obese, children are classified in four different categories. (See the chart below) Please note, it is not always a precise science, as not all body styles are the same. It is up to the child’s personal health practitioner or school physician to determine if the BMI results are an accurate reflection. (If a student has a larger or smaller body frame, more muscle development, or is very athletic, their BMI may not be an accurate depiction.)

WEIGHT STATUS CATEGORY	PERCENTILE RANGE
Underweight	Less than 5 <sup>th</sup>
Healthy Weight	5 <sup>th</sup> to less than 85 <sup>th</sup>
At Risk of Overweight	5 <sup>th</sup> to 95 <sup>th</sup>
Overweight	95 <sup>th</sup> and above

School Districts are notified when they are required to submit Weight Status Category Reports to NYS. This is usually required every other year. When your child’s school is required to report during a particular school year, it will be posted on your child’s school website. Any parent NOT wanting their child’s weight status category included in the overall report must submit the “opt out” form to the school’s Nurse. This form can be obtained from the OCSD website or by contacting your child’s Nurse.

# OHS OPEN HOUSE



**WHEN:**  
August 29, 2018  
4pm - 7pm

**WHERE:**  
High School Building  
410 W. Sullivan St.

[WWW.OLEANSCHOOLS.ORG](http://WWW.OLEANSCHOOLS.ORG)

[@OLEANHIGHSCHOOL](https://twitter.com/OLEANHIGHSCHOOL)



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**DOWNLOAD THE HIGH SCHOOL APP!**

**GET YOUR LAPTOPS!**  
HEAD TO THE AUDITORIUM.  
ENTER THROUGH AUX. GYM  
DOORS!

**GRAB YOUR SCHEDULES AND LOCKERS....**  
Seniors: Room 40  
Juniors: Cafeteria  
Sophomores: Balcony  
Freshman: Gym  
8th Graders: 3rd Floor

**SENIOR PRIVILEGE FORMS!**  
Who wouldn't want that?

**MEET YOUR TEACHERS!**  
They will be in their rooms.

**GET A HOT DOG!**  
Yup, they're free until we run out.

**And more!**



## Orientation At OIMS Set For Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>

Orientation at Olean Intermediate Middle School will take place this year on Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, from 3-6 p.m. This orientation replaces our former September Open House.

Upon arrival, families will report to their student's designated homeroom to receive their schedule and other materials. In addition, students can bring any of their school supplies to place in their lockers.

At orientation, families will be able to:

- Get a copy of their student's schedule
- Organize and/or decorate lockers
- Meet teachers
- Learn information about clubs
- Get information about fall pictures
- Pick up information about playing an instrument
- Complete grade level field trip commitment forms
- Sign up for Parent Portal
- 4th Graders can sign up for Artsonia
- Complete necessary paperwork for the school year

At the end of orientation, students and families can stop in the cafeteria for a great and a chance to win a prize!

We look forward to seeing all OIMS families on August 30<sup>th</sup>!



## Technology And Laptop Distribution Changes Noted

The only certainty with technology is change ... few words ring truer than these. Technology in Olean is in a constant state of change. The district has moved from providing computer labs and student works stations in the classrooms to providing devices to each of our students, thanks to the forward thinking and financial planning of our school board.

The upcoming changes for this coming school year involves moving the district to cloud-based services and a slight tweak on laptop distribution.

The district has been using Office 365 for a few years during which professional development opportunities were provided on how to use this new web-based Microsoft service. During this "adaption time" the old structure/way of doing things (saving files to a local server; the H Drive) was kept in tack. Change is, once again, knocking on our, all too familiar doors, guiding the district to cloud-based storage of student and staff files. Beginning this September, students will find that they no longer have a local drive to save files on. Instead, they will be saving all of their school files to OneDrive, a module in O365 where one can save schoolwork files.

The tweak to laptops distribution encompasses three changes. The first change will be that students in grade 7 will not be taking laptops home; instead, they will be housed in laptop carts in their homeroom teacher's classroom. Change number two affects students in grades 8-12. Students will be assigned the same laptop for at least four years.

The third change affects laptop distribution. This year laptops will be prepacked into laptop cases with the power cord tucked into the case. Prepacked laptops will only be available for those students that were able to take laptops home last year and who do not owe for missing pieces of technology. Parent Take Home Laptop Permission forms must be on file before laptops can be assigned to a student. During laptop distribution night, (Aug. 29) there will be five different tables set up in the Auxiliary Gym/HS Cafeteria - one table for each grade level. Look for signage to find the appropriate grade level table for your student. Students will be given their laptop in a case, asked to sign and return the Laptop AUP before leaving the table, and then asked to log onto the laptop before they leave if they so desire. District Computer Technicians will be on hand should any login issues arise when student are logging on to their assigned laptop.



At OIMS, students turn  
**DREAMS** into **REALITY**  
through:

**Dedication**  
**Responsibility**  
**Education**  
**Attitude**  
**Motivation**  
**Success**

When you are dedicated, responsible, value education, have a great attitude, and are motivated, you will experience success. Your **DREAMS** will come true, both inside and outside the classroom.

OIMS – DARE TO DREAM & BE ALL YOU CAN BE!

### OIMS Bell Schedule

Breakfast .....	7:30 a.m.
Students May Enter Building (non breakfast) .....	8:16 a.m.
Homeroom .....	8:24-8:28 a.m.
Period 1 .....	8:31-9:11 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 2 .....	9:14-9:54 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 3 .....	9:57-10:37 a.m. (40 min.)
Period 4 .....	10:40-11:25 a.m. (45 min.)
Period 4A ...	10:40-11:01 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 4B ...	11:04-11:25 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 5 ..	11:28 a.m.-12:13 p.m. (45 min.)
Period 5A ....	11:28-11:49 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 5B ...	11:52-12:13 a.m. (21 min.)
Period 6 .....	12:16-1:01 p.m. (45 min.)
Period 6A ...	12:16-12:37 p.m. (21 min.)
Period 6B ....	12:40-1:01 p.m. (21 min.)
Period 7 .....	1:04-1:44 p.m. (40 min.)
Period 8 .....	1:47-2:27 p.m. (40 min.)
Period 9 .....	2:30-3:10 p.m. (40 min.)

#### Non-Bus Students

Dismissal at 3:10 p.m.

#### Bus Students

Grades 4/5 to the Cafeteria at 3:10 p.m.

Grades 6/7 to the Gym at 3:10 p.m.

### No Parking in Bus Lane

This is a reminder that there is **NO PARKING** allowed in the OIMS bus lane at any time. This includes off-school hours and weekends. It is imperative this lane is kept traffic-free for buses and emergency vehicles only. All violators will be ticketed and/or towed at their expense. Thank you for your cooperation in making student safety our top priority.

## Greetings from the Guidance Department

At the Olean Intermediate Middle School there are three guidance counselors. Our new counselor, to be announced, will be working with all 4th graders.

Leah Allen will be working with the 5th graders in the homerooms of Mrs. Gabler, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Matejka and Ms. Reese, as well as the 6th grade Orange Team students and 7th grade students in the homerooms of Mr. Batesky, Mrs. Hill, Mr. Shoup and Mrs. Wilton.

Mary Lee Wenke will be working with the 5th graders in the homerooms of Mrs. Edwards, Mrs. Hamed, Mrs. Cortez and Mrs. Ullman, as well as the 6th grade Orange Team students and 7th grade students in the homerooms of Mrs. Kelley, Mrs. Linderman, Mrs. Marconi and Mr. Silvers.

To schedule a meeting with a 6th or

7th grade team, please contact the Guidance Office at 375-8064. The teams meet throughout the week as follows:

- **6th Grade Orange Team** - 9:14 – 9:54 a.m. (2nd Period)
- **6th Grade Red Team** - 1:47 – 2:27 p.m. (8th Period)
- **7th Grade Teams** - 1:04 – 1:44 p.m. (7th Period)

The Guidance Department web page can be found on the OIMS page of the District website ([www.oleanschools.org](http://www.oleanschools.org)) under “Teams”. The page provides information regarding grade improvement, surviving the intermediate-middle school years, merit roll/honor roll information, helpful links, etc. In addition to the web site, your youngster’s Guidance Counselor can be very helpful with answering

any questions you may have. Please feel free to call the Guidance Office or email their counselor. The email address for all school employees begins with the first initial and last name of the employee and ends with [@olean.wnyric.org](mailto:@olean.wnyric.org) (ex.: [la-len@olean.wnyric.org](mailto:la-len@olean.wnyric.org)).

The eSchool Data Parent Portal offers parents the opportunity to monitor their youngster’s academic progress throughout the school year. If you wish to have access to the Parent Portal or if you are experiencing difficulty with it, please contact Dee Bush in the OIMS Guidance Office at 375-8064. At our August 30th Orientation, Guidance Counselors will be available in the library to assist anyone interested in setting up a Parent Portal account.



## Washington West ROCKS!

The Washington West Rock Garden is complete. Thanks to Ms. Bowen's school-wide art project, our students and staff had the opportunity to paint a series of rocks. The rocks are a reflection of the idea that each of us is unique and we should appreciate the differences amongst ourselves. Come check it out, but remember that the rocks are just for looking, not for touching!



## DISTRICT CALENDAR REMINDERS

- **Wednesday, September 5**      **First Day of School for Students**
- **Friday, October 5**              **Go Home Early Drill - dismissal 15 min. early**
- **Monday, October 8**              **No School - Columbus Day**
- **Monday, November 12**        **No School - Veterans Day Observed**
- **November 21-23**                **No School - Thanksgiving Recess**



## ANNUAL DISTRICT NOTICES

**Annual Asbestos Notification:** In compliance with Sections 763.85 and .93 of the asbestos-containing materials in schools rule, all facilities owned, leased or operated by the Olean City School District have been inspected for the presence of asbestos-containing building materials. Asbestos management plans have been developed for all facilities and submitted to the New York State Education Department.

The E.P.A. requires re-inspections every three (3) years by an accredited asbestos inspector. This re-inspection was done May 18, 2016, and the results were reviewed by an accredited management planner. The 2016 re-inspection found no significant changes in the condition of the asbestos-containing materials. In general, the asbestos materials in the district are in good condition and will continue to be managed as recommended by the accredited management planner. Copies of the management plans are available for public inspection during business hours in offices of each of the facilities. Questions concerning the inspections and management plans should be made to Mark Huselstein in the district office or by calling 375-8040.

**Data Breach Security Annual Notice:** The Olean City School District is committed to protecting the privacy and security of student, teacher, and principal data. In accordance with Education Law §2-d, the District wishes to inform the school community of the following:

1. A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial purposes;
2. Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record;
3. State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information, and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls, and password protection, must be in place when data is stored and transferred;
4. A complete list of all student data elements collected by the State will be available for public review at a later date; and
5. Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints can be filed with the Superintendent's Office.

**Pesticide Use Notification:** During the school year, it may be necessary for maintenance staff to use pesticides on school grounds to meet pest management goals. Any individual interested in registering to receive a written notification 48 hours prior to pesticide application, please contact Olean City Schools for an application form. If you have any questions about the integrated pest management program or pesticide use, contact Mark Huselstein, Director of Facilities, at 375-8040.

**Title 1 and Section 504 Annual Notice:** The Olean City School District hereby advises students, parents, employees and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational education opportunities, without regard to sex, race, color, national origin or handicap.

The secondary vocational education opportunities available to district residents under age 21 are available upon request to the High School and Middle School Guidance Departments.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and

Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

As required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Olean City School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the educational programs or activities which it provides, including vocational programs. The district does not discriminate in employment of persons on the basis of sex, including recruitment, appointment, salary and benefits as well as on the basis of handicapping conditions in admission or access to its programs and activities, including vocational education. No person shall be denied employment solely because of any physical, mental or medical impairment which is related to the person's ability to engage in the activities involved in the job for which the application has been made. The District Officials responsible for the coordination of activities relating to non-discrimination of sex, race, color, national origin or handicapped are: Cso Woodworth (716-375-8008) or Aaron W. Wolfe, Title IX Coordinator (716-375-8097). They can provide information about complaint procedures to any student or employee who feels that his/her rights under Title IX or Section 504 have been violated by the District or its officials. In addition, any student or employee may make an inquiry or complaint directly to the federal office for Civil Rights.

Inquiries concerning this policy and information about complaint procedures may be referred to Mr. Aaron W. Wolfe, Section 504 Coordinator at 716-375-8097.

The secondary vocational education opportunities offered to district residents under age 21 are available upon request to the High School and Olean Intermediate/Middle School Guidance Departments.

**DASA Annual Notice:** If you have knowledge or you are a student in our schools who has or is being bullied or harassed on school grounds, on the school bus, or at a school sponsored event, we urge you to contact the following District Dignity Act Coordinators:

- Brian Crawford, East View, 375-8922
- Lauren Stuff, Washington West, 375-8962
- Jeffrey Andreano, OHS, 375-8029
- Jerry Trietley, OIMS (grades 6 & 7), 375-8062
- Joel Whitcher, OIMS (grades 4 & 5), 375-8069

**Child Find Notification:** The Olean City School District Child Find policy requires that all children below twenty-one (21) years of age residing within the district who have a disability, regardless of the severity of their disability, and who are in need of special education and related services are identified, located and evaluated in accordance with all federal regulations and state standards.

Children might have deficits in behavior, communication, cognitive abilities, physical development, sensory development, hearing, and social-emotional abilities. If you suspect that your child might have a disability, please contact Kelly Andreano, CPSE Chairperson, at 375-8989 if your child is pre-school age (3-4 years) or contact Jon Hamed, CSE Chairperson, at 375-8984 if your child is school age (5-21 years).





**Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA):** Notice to Parents and Eligible Students (students over 18 years of age) of Rights under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). You are notified that you have the following rights in relation to student records:

❖ The right to inspect and review students' education records within a reasonable time but not more than 45 days from the day the Olean City School District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The principal will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

❖ The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. Parents or eligible students may ask the Olean City School District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights. If the Olean City School District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

❖ The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the Olean City School District discloses educational records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

❖ The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the Olean City School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is:  
Family Policy Compliance Office  
U.S. Department of Education  
400 Maryland Avenue  
Washington, DC 20202-4605

See the list below of the disclosures that elementary and secondary schools may make without consent.

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students' education records, without consent of the parent or eligible student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in §99.31 of the FERPA

regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the parent or eligible student, §99.32 of the FERPA regulations requires the school to record the disclosure. Parents and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. A school may disclose PII from the education records of a student without obtaining prior written consent of the parents or eligible student:

- To other school officials, including teachers, within the educational agency or institution whom the school has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in §99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(1) - (a)(1)(i)(B)(2) are met. (§99.31(a)(1))
- To officials of another school, school system, or institution of postsecondary education where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of §99.34. (§99.31(a)(2))
- To authorized representatives of the U.S. Comptroller General, the U.S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as the State educational agency in the parent or eligible student's State (SEA). Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of §99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf. (§§99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)
- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (§99.31(a)(4))
- To State and local officials or authorities to whom information is specifically allowed to be reported or disclosed by a State statute that concerns the juvenile justice system and the system's ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records were released, subject to §99.38. (§99.31(a)(5))
- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction. (§99.31(a)(6))
- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§99.31(a)(7))
- To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§99.31(a)(8))
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena. (§99.31(a)(9))
- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to §99.36. (§99.31(a)(10))
- Information the school has designated as "directory information" under §99.37. (§99.31(a)(11)).



## Enjoying Year-End Activities

East View Elementary students celebrated the end of the school year with fun activities such as: (above) a bouncy slide reward for exceptional effort in reading; and (below) a third grade trip to Midway Park, in conjunction with our corporate partner Cutco.



## Mandated School Physicals Provided

Mandated school physicals are provided to students through Olean City School Health Services throughout the school year. Parents may have their child's personal physician provide the physical if they choose to do so at their own expense, or have the physical at school free of charge. Please call your child's school nurse for the physical form if you choose to use your personal physician.

Education Law Article 19 and Regulations of the Commissioner of Education require physical examinations of public school students:

- Entering the school district for the first time, and in grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 and at any grade level by school administration, in their discretion to promote the educational interests of the student (8 NYCRR § 136.3[b]);
- To participate in strenuous physical activity, such as interscholastic athletics (8 NYCRR § 135.4(c)(7)(i) (e) and 136.3(a)(8));
- Upon student's request for an employment certificate (Education Law §3217); and
- When conducting an initial evaluation or reevaluation of a student suspected of having a disability or a student with a disability (8 NYCRR § 200.4 [b]).

A health examination performed by a private health care provider is referred to as a health certificate in law and regulation. A health examination performed by the school medical director is a health appraisal. Each certificate or appraisal must be signed by a duly licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner who is authorized by law to practice in the state of New York (NYS). Education Law Article 131 section 6526 - exempt persons - lists exempted health care providers permitted to practice in the state without a NYS license, and who are therefore able to perform a health examination and produce a health certificate to be submitted to NYS schools- including but not limited to a commissioned medical officer who is serving in the United States armed forces or public health service, or any physician who is licensed in a bordering state and who resides near a border of this state, provided such practice is limited in this state to the vicinity of such border.



This summer East View started its two-year Voter Approved Capital Project. The main focus is safety and needed improvements. Work will include a new roof, enclosing the open classrooms, new HVAC, and an addition to the front of the school for the main office.



# East View Elementary School

Mr. Martin addresses the third grade class (right photo) as part of our sending off ceremony on the last day of school. Third graders were honored with a parade around our school and signed a banner that will hang in East View.



Our students put on an amazing Art Show for their families. We are fortunate to have so many talented and creative students whose love for Art is fostered by our elementary art teachers, Ms. Bowen and Mr. Brown.



Olean based AKT Combatives Academy did a presentation to all second and third graders on self control, discipline and positive thinking.





The library is a place to learn a love of books, but thanks to our library support, Mrs. Harenda, students also get to experience much more! These kindergartners got the opportunity to have a tea party, complete with a lesson on good manners. Pinkies up!



While we honor our students on a monthly basis for their good character, we also celebrate two third graders each and every year that demonstrate good citizenship, a kind heart, and a strong sense of responsibility. These students emulate the spirit and good will of Tyler Bihler, a former husky pup that lost his battle with cancer in the summer of 2004. This year's Tyler Bihler award winners are none other than Emma Veno and Ethan Woodring. Congratulations!

# Washington West Elementary School

Congratulations to our first inductees into the Washington West Handwriting Hall of Fame! Students in grades PK-3 participated in the first annual handwriting contest, writing various sentiments about their school in their very best penmanship. Students have placed their handprints on the Handwriting Wall of Fame in our cafeteria for all to admire. Our hall of famers are as follows: Dylan Varga, Alaina Hirliman, Uma Padma Sree Thuraram, Grant Perry, and Sarah Dyal (not pictured: Ethan Bowen).





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## Olean City School District Mission/Vision

*The Olean City School District is a student-centered community of excellence in which all members are challenged to learn, achieve, contribute, and innovate.*

### Guiding Principles

*A commitment to fostering:*

A respectful, safe, and welcoming environment

Embracing diversity

Continuous improvement

Academic excellence and lifelong learning

Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability

Student potential and achievement