



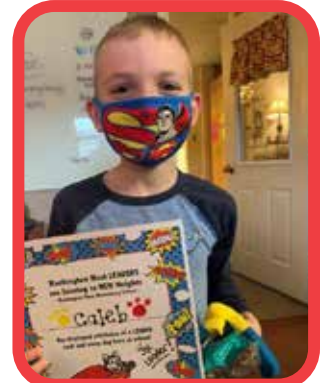
# LEAN City School District

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

2021-2022  
School Budget  
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## *Dear Residents of the Olean City School District:*

First, we truly are grateful to all of the wonderful members in our Olean community. It was everyone's resilience and teamwork which has allowed our community to navigate the pandemic. We particularly want to thank our students and their parents who were all extremely cooperative and had to endure a very difficult year. Additionally, we need to recognize all of our employees for their incredible effort during the COVID-19 pandemic. For over a year, our staff took on extra cleaning duties and delivering of meals to name just a few of the many additional tasks required to keep us functioning. Our teachers worked around the clock with students in person and in the remote model of instruction. We all answered the call to help keep our community safe and continue education while following the New York State and Cattaraugus County guidelines to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This has been a monumental task for all, especially for parents. Thank you for your support and understanding.

We also need to thank the federal and state governments for their financial assistance during the pandemic and the stimulus money that we have been informed we will receive. This assistance has allowed the Olean City School District to go out at a 0% increase to the local tax share. To address the ever changing and fluid economic landscape, the Olean City School District is posturing to remain fiscally flexible throughout the recovery period and until the country has made a full recovery. We will be presenting a budget that requires a **0% tax levy increase** to the voters on Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup>.

To ensure the safety and welfare of the general public, due to concerns surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic, the school budget vote will be at the Olean Intermediate Middle School gymnasium this year. This will allow us to socially distance and keep everyone safe. All registered voters in the Olean City School District will be voting on a budget with a 0% tax levy increase. Also on this ballot will be names of candidates running to represent our community on the Board of Education. There are two seats available on the nine-member Board of Education. Registered voters will vote on the school budget and for two candidates for the Board of Education. Voters will also be

able to vote for three seats open to serve as a Trustee on the Olean Public Library Board.

Prior to the pandemic, we had a number of new programs and items included in the 2020-2021 budget which were removed. We are fortunate this year to be able to return those items in the budget. Some of those budgetary items include a variety of teaching positions, equipment purchases, increase in technology, and four elementary Math Teaching Assistants. This can be accomplished without an increase in the tax levy.

This will be the seventh time in eight years the district has not requested a tax levy increase. The district understands the economic climate we are all living in and wants to be sensitive to the taxpayers. We will be able to balance the 2021-2022 school year budget by appropriating \$50,000.00 from our Retirement Reserve Fund and \$600,000.00 from the Unrestricted Fund Balance. This budget was accomplished by responsible use of the district's fund balance to reach a budget that ensured a **zero tax levy increase**. Our goal in budgeting is to minimize economic stress on our local businesses and taxpayers while maintaining an excellent educational program.

Once again, we want to thank the residents of the Olean City School District for their continued support as well as the dedication of our faculty, staff, administration, and the Board of Education. The district wishes to recognize all of the hard work and dedication by the families that entrust us with their children. We have come a long way together. Knowing the character of the people of our community, we will pull together and make it through this difficult time for the good of our school, community, state, and country.

As we always say, *"it takes all the Huskies to pull the sled!"*

Thank you all for your dedication to and support of the Olean City School District.

Sincerely,

Mr. Rick T. Moore

# 2021-2022 Proposed Budget

	Budget Components			2021-22	2020-21	Inc (Dec) \$
	Administrative	Capital	Program			
<b>General Support</b>						
Board of Education	39,650			39,650	37,950	1,700
Central Administration	274,063			274,063	257,902	16,161
Finance	380,987			380,987	396,729	(15,742)
Legal/Personnel/Public Info	867,401			867,401	822,266	45,135
Operations & Maintenance		2,495,762		2,495,762	2,429,321	66,441
Central Storeroom and Printing	52,513			52,513	52,513	-
Insurance/Refunds/Dues/Unclassified	137,705	6,000		143,705	163,205	(19,500)
BOCES Central Data/Admin/Capital	1,287,483			1,287,483	1,287,483	-
<b>TOTAL GENERAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>3,039,802</b>	<b>2,501,762</b>		<b>5,541,564</b>	<b>5,447,369</b>	<b>94,195</b>
<b>Instructional Support</b>						
Curriculum/Supervision/In service	2,084,843			2,084,843	1,985,493	99,350
Instruction - Regular School			12,208,467	12,208,467	12,089,521	118,946
Instruction - Special Needs, Summer, Occ Ed			8,537,249	8,537,249	8,717,421	(180,172)
Instruction - Media/Technology			1,623,555	1,623,555	1,539,878	83,677
Guidance/Health/Psychological			1,275,638	1,275,638	1,152,157	123,481
Co-Curricular/Interscholastic Activities			734,967	734,967	726,614	8,353
<b>TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT</b>	<b>2,084,843</b>		<b>24,379,876</b>	<b>26,464,719</b>	<b>26,211,084</b>	<b>253,635</b>
<b>Student Transportation</b>						
District Transportation		-	141,700	141,700	219,200	(77,500)
Contract Transportation			964,700	964,700	856,375	108,325
<b>TOTAL STUDENT TRANSPORTATION</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>1,106,400</b>	<b>1,106,400</b>	<b>1,075,575</b>	<b>30,825</b>
<b>Employee Benefits</b>						
TRS & NYS ERS/Retirement	249,569	173,204	1,677,227	2,100,000	2,125,158	(25,158)
Social Security	162,280	89,214	1,198,506	1,450,000	1,443,490	6,510
Worker's Compensation	9,497	5,221	70,140	84,858	61,412	23,446
Unemployment Insurance	2,238	1,231	16,531	20,000	20,000	-
Health Benefits/Other	381,961	174,773	2,403,827	2,960,561	2,947,379	13,182
<b>TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS</b>	<b>805,545</b>	<b>443,642</b>	<b>5,366,231</b>	<b>6,615,419</b>	<b>6,597,439</b>	<b>17,980</b>
<b>Debt Service</b>						
Serial Bonds - Building		3,687,800		3,687,800	3,671,888	15,912
Revenue and Bond Anticipation Note		41,250		41,250	-	41,250
Electrical Performance Contract		-		-	-	0
<b>TOTAL DEBT SERVICE</b>		<b>3,729,050</b>		<b>3,729,050</b>	<b>3,671,888</b>	<b>57,162</b>
<b>Interfund Transfers</b>						
Transfer to Special Aid		97,000		97,000	82,000	15,000
Transfer to Cafeteria		30,000		30,000	30,000	0
Transfer to Capital Project		100,000		100,000	100,000	0
<b>TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS</b>		<b>227,000</b>		<b>227,000</b>	<b>212,000</b>	<b>15,000</b>
<b>TOTAL PROPOSED BUDGET</b>	<b>5,930,190</b>	<b>6,901,454</b>	<b>30,852,508</b>	<b>43,684,152</b>	<b>43,185,450</b>	<b>498,702</b>

**Explanation of Three Part Budget Presentation** - Chapter 436 of the Laws of 1997 require public school boards of education to present the proposed budget in three parts. As a result, this presentation is organized around the following components; administrative, capital, and program:

**Administrative Component:** Includes expenses associated with the operation of the school board, superintendent's office, and business office. Includes salaries and benefits for

all certified administrators and supervisors who spend a majority of their time performing administrative duties, consulting costs not directly related to instructional programs, and all other activities that are administrative in nature.

**Capital Component:** Includes debt service for all facilities financed by bonds and notes of the district, lease expenditures, costs resulting from judgments in tax certiorari proceedings, awards from court judgments, administrative orders and settled claims, cost of construction,

acquisition, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and improvements of school buildings, all expenses associated with custodial and maintenance salaries and benefits, service contracts, supplies, utilities, maintenance, and repair of school facilities.

**Program Component:** Includes salaries/benefits of teachers and any school administrator or supervisor who spend a majority of their time performing teaching duties, and all transportation operating expenses.

**PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 4, 2021 at 6pm**

Olean High School Auditorium  
410 West Sullivan Street

**BUDGET VOTE & SCHOOL BOARD ELECTION**  
**TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2021**

7:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.  
Olean Intermediate Middle School  
Gymnasium

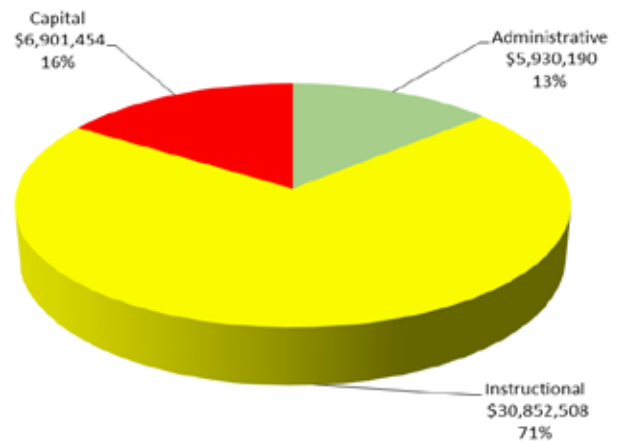
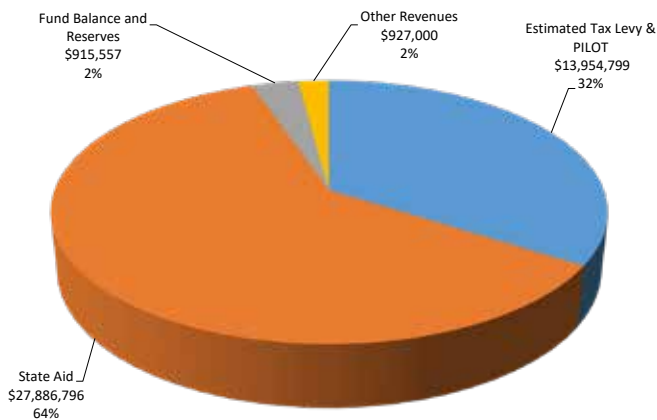
**\*Must be a  
registered  
voter to cast  
your ballot.**



## Summary of Revenues & Other Sources of Funding

	2020-21 Actual	2021-22 Proposed	Inc (Dec) Over Prior Year
State Aid	27,341,748	27,886,796	545,048
Other Revenue	979,000	927,000	-52,000
PILOT (Payment in Lieu of Taxes)	63,531	66,701	3,170
Estimated Tax Levy & STAR Reimbursement	13,888,098	13,888,098	0
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>42,272,377</b>	<b>42,768,595</b>	<b>496,218</b>
Appropriated Reserve Contribution	118,000	120,000	2,000
Appropriated Employee Benefit Reserve	70,073	70,557	484
Transfer from Capital Fund	125,000	125,000	0
Appropriated Fund Balance	600,000	600,000	0
<b>Total Revenue and Other Sources</b>	<b>43,185,450</b>	<b>43,684,152</b>	<b>498,702</b>

## 2021-2022 Sources of Education Funding      2021-2022 Uses of Education Funding



### Federal, State & Special Grants: 2020-21 School Year

The following program dollars are used to support and enhance the local educational programs offered to all students of the Olean City School District.

Title I	\$	952,413
Title IIA	\$	134,272
Title IV - Allocational	\$	68,665
Title V	\$	35,734
Sec. 611 Special Education	\$	567,345
Sec. 619 Special Education	\$	44,893
Universal Pre-K	\$	477,387
Learning Technology	\$	92,000
At Risk Youth	\$	12,970
High School Equivalency	\$	46,260
Liberty Partnership	\$	22,236
Employment Preparation Ed.	\$	11,970
School Improvement	\$	50,000
Summer Special Education	\$	104,586
Summer Transportation	\$	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>2,620,731</b>

### ESTIMATE OF 2021-2022 SCHOOL TAX INCREASE FOR PRIMARY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY

	Tax Bill Last Year	Tax Bill This Year	Increase
<b>Assessed Value of Property \$30,000</b>			
With Basic STAR	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>Assessed Value of Property \$50,000</b>			
With Basic STAR	\$ 534	\$ 535	\$ 1
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
<b>Assessed Value of Property \$70,000</b>			
With Basic STAR	\$1,023	\$1,026	\$ 3
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 107	\$ 108	\$ 0
<b>Assessed Value of Property \$100,000</b>			
With Basic STAR	\$1,757	\$1,763	\$ 6
With Enhanced STAR	\$ 842	\$ 844	\$ 2

NOTE: Estimated tax changes are based on 2020 equalization rates and assessed values for the City of Olean. Final values are not known at this time and will be calculated when the Board of Education adopts the tax warrant in August 2021.

# OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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## 2021-2022

## Kindergarten Registration & Screening

**PLEASE CALL YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD  
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FOR AN APPOINTMENT.**

**ALL STUDENTS MUST BE SCREENED/TESTED PRIOR TO ENTERING KINDERGARTEN**

**WHO:** CHILDREN WHO WILL BE FIVE YEARS OLD BY DECEMBER 1, 2021

**WHERE:** OLEAN CITY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

SCHOOL	PHONE	
East View Elementary	375-8921	Kindergarten screening will be completed during the summer of 2021. Contact your neighborhood elementary now to schedule an appointment.
Washington West Elementary	375-8968	



Olean City School District is currently preparing for **Universal Pre-Kindergarten** registration & enrollment for the 2021-22 school year. If you have a child who will be 4 years of age by Dec. 1, 2021, you can find information and the registration application under the Registration tab on the OCSD website at [www.oleanschools.org](http://www.oleanschools.org). Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis only.

Please contact Jen Mahar at 375-8039 if you have any questions.





# Welcome New Hires!

## Teachers:



Bethany Fratercangelo is the new Elementary Education teacher at the Olean Intermediate Middle School. Ms. Fratercangelo graduated from the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford in December 2020 with a B.S. in Early Level Education. Bethany completed her student teaching at Washington West Elementary School and Otto Eldred School District.



Laurie Marsfelder is the new Reading teacher at East View Elementary School. Ms. Marsfelder began her teaching career with the Olean City School District in August 2005 as an Elementary teacher.



Nancy Sullivan is the new Reading teacher at the Olean Intermediate Middle School. Ms. Sullivan began her teaching career with the District in August 1999 as an Elementary teacher.



Audrey Watson is the new Elementary Education teacher at Washington West Elementary School. Ms. Watson obtained a B.S. in Childhood Education from St. Bonaventure University in 2010. Prior to joining the District, Audrey taught at Andover Central School from August 2014 through December 2020.

## Support Staff



Jacki Falk –  
Cleaner



Keynan Hund – Food  
Service Helper



Christine Walker –  
Teacher Aide



Tiffany Morgan  
– Teacher Aide



Pamela Austin–  
Keyboard Specialist

# Congratulations!

***Congratulations to the following retirees. You will be missed!***

***Congratulations to the following staff that were granted tenure:***



Patti-Ann Brown –  
Social Studies Teacher



Debra Ralston –  
Teacher Aide



Cassandra Bold –  
Special Education  
and Math Teacher



Karen Fox -  
Library Media  
Specialist



Leah Graves –  
Teaching Assistant



Aaron Wolfe –  
Director of Human  
Resources

# News From OHS

## OHS DECA

Olean High School's DECA (Distributive Educational Clubs of America) finds success at 2021 New York State Career Conference.

Six individuals from Olean High School attended New York States Career Conference. These six individuals competed virtually and their performance was amazing.

There was so much that had to happen this year for our students to find success. They first had to test at the Regional level. These six students performed academically so well at this level that they had earned a spot to compete at the New York State level.

For the New York State competition, these students had to test again in their competitive area and then do a virtual role play. All competitors were given a scenario that needed to be solved, and the students had to individually and professionally share his/her ideas and plans within a video. Students had to then upload a video to their advisors (Sue Frentz and Christine Stavish). The advisors had to review the video and upload the students' complete video to the judges (experts in the area). This was not an easy task for our students; the competitors were timed while reviewing and dissecting a business scenario. After digesting all the material, the students had only one opportunity to create their video for the judges to critique. Most of the students had to perform twice as they were given two different scenarios to share their business expertise.



This was Aaron Aiello's first year competing in DECA, and we are proud to share how wonderful Aaron did at the Regional Level to land him a competitive spot at DECA's State Competition. Aaron competed in Food Marketing, and we are anxious for Aaron to compete again when he is a senior. We hope next year will allow us to compete live and in Rochester once again.

Aiden Butler competed in the Accounting area and received a medal for placing in the Top 10 in his testing area. This is Aiden's second year in DECA, and we are very proud of his performance at this year's State competition.



This was also Chance Padlo's first year competing in DECA. Not only did Chance perform well at the Regional DECA level, Chance was able to go to States and receive a Top 10 medal for Principles of Business Management and Administration for his awesome performance on the test that he had taken. Chance is a sophomore, and we are optimistic that Chance will

continue to perform and do a great job in his junior and senior years at OHS.

Sara Thomas also made Olean High School proud of her achievements. Sara received a medal for placing in the Top 10 for Restaurant and Food Service competitive area. Sara also placed in the top for her second role play (scenario), and she also earned a medal for overall placing in the Top 10 for Restaurant and Food Service. Sara needs to join again next year to hopefully attend Nationals.



Lastly, our two competitors that are going to the International Career DECA Conference. This year it would have been held in Anaheim, California, but once again digital and virtual is the only way these students can compete this year.



Yuki Wada received 3rd overall in the Apparel and Accessories Marketing area. Yuki excelled in his marketing test and in both role plays.

As for Marina Heister, she also received 3rd overall in the Sports and Entertainment Marketing testing area. Marina also made OHS proud for her induction in the NYS DECA Honor Society. Marina earned this honor by being enrolled in DECA for three years, taking business classes, competing at the State level, being involved in activities at her home school, and by her excellent academic performance at Olean High School.



All six of these students should be commended for their hard work during this difficult time. They persevered and did such an awesome job! Best of Luck to both Yuki and Marina as they continue to compete and represent Olean High School.





## Heister to Golf at Niagara University

Marina Heister will be attending Niagara University in the fall and will be playing golf for the Purple Eagles. Marina will be majoring in Business.

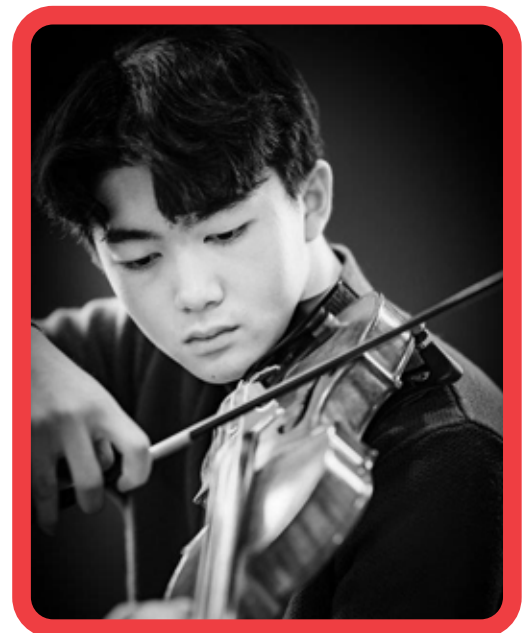
Pictured (from left to right): Kimberly Heister (mother), Marina Heister and Mark Heister (father).

## Williams to Play Soccer at University of Pittsburgh at Bradford

Micheyla Williams will be attending the University of Pittsburgh at Bradford this fall to continue her soccer career. Micheyla will be majoring in Physical Education.

Front row (from left to right): Tyrone Williams (father), Micheyla Williams and Sara Williams (mother).

Back row (left to right): Dan Freeman (Olean Girls Soccer Head Coach), Leah Williams (sister), Calvin Williams (brother) and Dylan Shaw (Olean Soccer Coach).



# News From OIMS

## Mr. Knapp's Music Class

Almost every person in the world has a song or album that really speaks to them and they connect with. Whether this connection is through the lyrics that the performer sings, the instrumentals, or the overall effect that it has put upon their lives.

In Music class, the 7th graders are working on creating a new album cover for a song or album of their choice that has made an impact on who they are today. The main focus of this assignment was for me to learn more about the students and their interests in music, but it also was a different creative outlook to what they listen to in their day-to-day lives.



The first step the students took was to identify a song or album that they enjoy. I believe in letting students tell me exactly what they listen to in order to better understand how I am able to change the curriculum to fit what they enjoy. The students then began their drawings in which they looked at the original cover, or chose parts of the music that spoke to them. Some students went with a different approach by drawing the performer of the song, such as Mykel Rivera's drawing of NBA YoungBoy. Another approach that a student took was by drawing how the music video depicted the song Zanna Budaj did this approach with "That's My Best Friend" by Ec Marv in which the video takes place at a carnival.

The students then wrote paragraphs about why they chose that specific song/ album and what it meant to them. These ranged everywhere from "I like the song so I chose it," to telling me personal connections that the song has to their lives. The students finally researched about the artist and found out information about them that they may not have known. Each class worked as a team and created a rubric for what needed to be included in this portion. This gave the students the ability to choose exactly how they were to be graded, giving them more opportunities at decisions.

Overall, the project gave me the ability to see what the students enjoy, and it gave them the ability to express their musical interests in a different way other than just telling me. The students seemed to enjoy being able to show how creative they are and having the opportunity to learn more about their favorite artist or band.

## New Desks for At Home Learning

Mrs. Bess-Edwards and Mrs. Gabler's 5th grade classes were awarded a grant from the Rotary Club to supply their students with lap desks. These lap desks were intended to encourage at-home success with remote learning. The desks provided the students a space to feel more successful during their at-home learning days.





# Washington West Elementary School

## SUPER Readers

Thank you to the OCSD Foundation for the Bookworm Vending Machine grant that has incentivized readers in the halls of Washington West. Our SUPER Readers have been “buying” books with their golden tokens as they make milestones in their reading development. Way to go, husky pups! “Don’t stop the reading!”



# East View Elementary School

## Ready, Set, READ



East View students just loved earning books from our book vending machine! We’ve always loved to read and our vending machine is a great way to promote and positively reinforce reading and literacy.



When students read and level up to reading more difficult books they come and celebrate in the main office. Students ring the good news bell and get showered in bubbles!

## The Heart of a Husky



famous husky dog named Togo, husky dogs as a breed, and the famous dogsled race called the Iditarod. Teachers and students were able to connect our school mascot with such traits as determination, perseverance, fortitude, loyalty, and good work ethic. As we like to say, it takes all the huskies to pull the sled! And with the heart of a husky, we can persevere through trials and overcome obstacles together as a team!

Heart of a Husky Book Collection Placed in Elementary Buildings

Through a partnership with Cattaraugus Allegany BOCES and the Cleveland Museum of Natural History, students in the Olean City School District were offered an opportunity to participate in a virtual field trip called “BALTO: A History of Humans, Huskies & Health in Alaska.” During this interactive virtual field trip, students learned about the deadly diphtheria epidemic in Nome, Alaska in 1925, and how twenty dogsled teams made up of huskies were used to deliver life-saving medicine. Balto led the last dogsled team into Nome which finished a 6 day 674-mile journey across Alaska during brutal winter conditions.

Along with the virtual field trip, students also read stories and informational text about Balto, another



4th Grade Students enjoying the Balto Virtual Field Trip



## Congratulations!



*Julie Jones* is celebrating her 10th year with the Olean School District. She is a one on one aide, assisting both teachers and students in the

inclusion classrooms. Julie enjoys nurturing the students, as well as providing stability and a welcoming environment. In her spare time, Julie volunteers at the Obi Community Church on the ladies Missionary Society. She is also the secretary for the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department.

Julie is married to her husband Chris. They have three children; Garret, 17, Wyatt, 10, and Trentt, 8.

*Jackie Reed* is celebrating 20 years with the Olean School District. She began her career substituting as a teacher aide, and food service worker. She was then hired as the secretary to the Director of Special Education, a position she held for 15 years. For the past 5 ½ years, she has been the secretary in the Curriculum Department.

Jackie also previously served on the Election and Scholarship Committees for the OESPA, as well as OESPA secretary from 2018 to 2020. Jackie lives in Olean with her



husband John and their new puppy “Olive”. They have three grown sons, Paul (Angela) in Hamburg, N.Y.; Nick in Kansas City, and Joseph, of Manhattan, NY.





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## BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Rick T. Moore

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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