



OLEAN

CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Home, School and Community Educating for Life"

Classes Begin
Wednesday,
September 4th

August-September 2013

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Technology Updates Enhance Learning

There have been several additions in the Olean Intermediate Middle School that involve technology. A brand new computer lab was created on the first floor of the school. Once the lab is completed, there will be 50 new computers available for students to use. Another addition to the school is new laptop carts. New carts with up to 25 laptops on each cart will be assigned to each of the teams in seventh grade.

For Washington West and East View Elementary schools, classroom sets of iPads have been ordered. Each classroom will be assigned 4 student iPads that will be used in classroom Literacy Centers. In preparation for the addition of iPads as learning tools, 29 elementary teachers attended a 3-day iPad mini camp. The District hosted 3 mini camp sessions. Each camp led the teachers from "how to use" an iPad, to managing them, to aligning selected Apps for Literacy Centers to grade level curriculum maps.

The District was able to add one additional technical support day to the technology department. The new computer technician, Amanda McDonnell, has been getting all of the iPads ready for the start of school. Amanda will be in the District one day a week, working mainly with iPads and making certain the District purchased apps installed and that the iPads are updated on a regular basis.

Five teachers have signed on to learn to use and pilot an online social network/learning management system called My Big Campus. My Big Campus is a secure, closed environment where teachers can post assignments, videos and PowerPoint

lessons for review by their students; and students can upload assignments to their teacher and collaborate online with their classmates in a secure environment.

The district purchased online access to Rosetta Stone, the language learning site. Rosetta Stone offers supplemental materials for students taking Spanish or French in the District and for English Language Learners. Other options for using Rosetta

Stone include using it for enrichment with students or as an independent study opportunity in areas of language that the District currently does not offer.

The District will be updating all of the wireless access points and data switches in the District during the coming months. Replacement of these pieces of equipment will make network traffic quicker for all users.



Pictured are teachers attending iPad mini camp and prepping computers for the new lab and new laptop cart at OIMS.



MAKE A NOTE

School Physicals Provided

Mandated school physicals are provided to students through Olean City School Health Services throughout the school year. School physicals are mandated for new entering students, as well as those students in grades 2, 4, 7, and 10. 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.

District 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.

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.

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.

From the Superintendent

Reflecting on the excitement of another new school year

By Dr. Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent

As summer comes to an end and the 2013-14 school year begins, I ask that we all take the time to reflect on the joy that the summer months have provided and the excitement that will come with the beginning of a new school year. What is exciting about a new school year you may ask? In my opinion, everything is exciting. A new school year provides us with an opportunity to start fresh. Teachers have new students; students have new classes and new teachers. Most importantly to me, I have the ability to meet more of the students we serve and provide for innovative programming to meet their needs.

A new school year also bring with it new learning experiences. And as B.B. King once stated: "The beautiful thing about learning is that no one can take it away from you." To ensure the success of each student, your child(ren) must understand the importance of an education. Education is the value added to a person's quality of life. Learning does not always come easy; therefore, it is critical that the school and parents work in unison to offer supports throughout the educational career of each child.

Thank you for entrusting your children to the Olean City School District. I have total confidence that each will find their own path to success. They will do so through the delivery of a quality education and the guidance they receive from you.

'Students of the Year' Named for JCC College Connections

Congratulations to Mike Materna (Senior, pictured upper right) and Sarah Knieser (Junior, pictured lower right)!!! Mike and Sarah were selected to receive the Student of the Year Award based on their willingness to embrace the challenges of completing college-level work while in high school, their perseverance and integrity in and out of the classroom, and demonstrating their dedication to the learning process.

Accounting teacher Mrs. Frentz said, "Mike puts forth extra effort and always comes to class prepared and ready to learn. He is a dedicated accounting student."

French teacher Mrs. Napoleon describes Sarah as "an interested learner (who) works beyond the classroom walls to keep current and informed."



New Director Appointments Announced

On June 25, 2013, Paul Ksionzyk was appointed Athletic Director for the 2013-2014 school year.

Mr. Ksionzyk retired in June 2013, as the District's Physical Education Teacher and Physical Education/Health Department Chair. Mr. Ksionzyk began his career in September 1981 and taught at the Middle School and High School. Extra-curricular activities include: Jr. High Intramural Coach, Boys' Track Coach, volunteered in the weight room and Sports Boosters Club. Throughout Paul's career he taught students the importance of life-long physical activities.

Mia O'Brien was appointed to the position of Director of Human Resources, effective August 20, 2013. In her capacity, Ms. O'Brien will be responsible for the day-to-day personnel operations of the school district.

Ms. O'Brien began her career in 1992 at Cattaraugus/Allegany BOCES as a School and Business Alliance Counselor. From 1992 through 1997 other responsibilities included School to Work Coordi-



Paul Ksionzyk

nator, Vo-Tech Counselor, Middle School Special Education counselor, and grant writer.

In 1997, Ms. O'Brien was appointed to the position of Director of Pupil Personnel at Genesee Valley Central School District. In 2000, Mia was appointed to the position of Elementary Principal/CSE Chair/CIO/Homeless Liaison and in 2010 was appointed 7-12 School Principal.

Ms. O'Brien's experience includes: career counseling, supervision of Special Education staff, programs, testing, scoring,



Mia O'Brien

curriculum, professional development, development and implementation of APPR, budgeting, interviewing, recruiting, scheduling, Title IX Officer, Civil Rights Officer, discipline, and contract negotiations.

Mia obtained a Bachelors Degree in Sociology/Psychology from St. Bonaventure University in 1990; Masters Degree in School Counseling from St. Bonaventure University in 1991; an Advanced Certificate in School District Administration from St. Bonaventure University in 1996; and Superintendent Development Program at SUNY Oswego in 2000-2001. Professional Certifications include: School District Administrator and School Counselor.

Professional Committees and Organizations include: School Administration Association of NYS; Past President of Cattaraugus/Allegany School Principal Association; Allegany County United Way; Schools Attuned Facilitator; Perkins Grant Council Member, Alfred State; and Partnership of Confucius Institute, Alfred University.

Digital Devices ... What Zone Are You In?



ZONE 1 RED – PROHIBITED USE

Operation of digital devices in these areas is prohibited. Areas in this zone are instructional classrooms, locker rooms, and hallways during class periods. Modification of the prohibition in classrooms will be at the discretion of the teacher. With teacher permission, personal digital devices may be used for instructional purposes. Teachers will post their classroom policies in their room.

ZONE 2 YELLOW – LIMITED USE

Limited operation of devices is permitted without prior permission. Areas in this zone are building halls (during the change of classes) and the library. Texting and monitoring of devices is permitted. Because of safety concerns, audio or the use of ear buds and headphones is prohibited. A student having ear buds in or headphones on his/her ears will be considered in violation of the policy.

ZONE 3 GREEN – GENERAL USE

Students may use all allowable features of their digital devices without prior permission. Areas in this zone are "lunch" study halls, cafeteria, and senior commons. Operation of cell phones and devices in "homerooms" or student 1st period classrooms is permitted prior to the start of morning announcements. At no time should the sound from devices be heard by others.

Back-To-School Reminders for High School Students

SCHOOL AGENDA - Every student will receive a school issued agenda the first day of school. If a student misplaces their agenda, a replacement agenda can be purchased for \$5.

STUDENT IDENTIFICATION CARD (LUNCH CARD)

- Students will be issued an identification card with their picture and/or student number printed on the card in the beginning of the school year. This card **must be scanned** when making purchases in the cafeteria. In the event the card is lost, students can purchase a new card for \$1.

BEGIN YOUR DAY WITH A NUTRITIOUS BREAK-FAST! Come on in ... the cafeteria is open at 7 am for breakfast! Start your day with a warm, delicious breakfast while chillin' with your friends in the **Green Zone**. Enter the building near the gym on the 4th Street side of the building. Keep in mind though, once you enter the building, you must remain inside.

1, 2, 3 ... SMILE - Student pictures will be taken on September 9th and 10th for grades 8–12. Order forms will be distributed on the first day of school. Makeup pictures will be tentatively taken on October 16th.

MEET AND GREET AT OPEN HOUSE - Open House for grades 8–12 will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2013 at 6 pm.

SAC Calendar 2013-2014

SEPTEMBER

- 6 Black Light Dance, 8–1 p.m.
27 Karaoke Night, 8–10 p.m.

OCTOBER

- 1 Class Competitions, 6–9:30 p.m.
4 Homecoming Assembly,
1:34–2:34 p.m.
5 Homecoming Dance, 10 p.m.–1 a.m.
31 Pumpkin Carving, 2:45–4 p.m.

NOVEMBER

- 1 Halloween Dance, 8–11 p.m.
8 Homeless Huskies, 11 a.m.–6 a.m.

DECEMBER

- 16-20 Days of Giving

FEBRUARY

- 7 Winter Weekend Assembly,
1:45–2:34 p.m.
8 Winter Weekend Dance,
9:30 p.m.–12:30 a.m.

MARCH

- 17-21 Jar Wars

MAY

- TBA Prom Assembly
TBA Prom

Mark Your Calendars: SAT, ACT & PSAT Deadlines Listed

SAT Test Dates:	Registration Due:
October 5, 2013	September 6, 2013
November 2, 2013	October 3, 2013
December 7, 2013	November 8, 2013
January 25, 2014	December 27, 2013
March 8, 2014	February 7, 2014
May 3, 2014	April 4, 2014
June 7, 2014	May 9, 2014

ACT Test Dates:	Registration Due:
October 26, 2013	September 27, 2013
December 14, 2013	November 8, 2013
June 14, 2014	May 9, 2014

PSAT Test Date: October 19, 2013

Focus District Committee Continues Efforts at OIMS

As part of the Board of Regents Reform Agenda and accountability system, the New York State Education Department establishes targets for student proficiency in English Language Arts, mathematics and student graduation rate. When groups of students do not meet specific achievement levels, school districts are identified to develop supports and interventions to enhance and expand learning opportunities for students, as well as increase parental involvement and engagement. Based on 2010-11 state assessment data, students who were economically disadvantaged did not meet the state expectations for proficiency in English Language Arts and mathematics. As a result, the Olean City School District was designated a Focus District during the 2012-13 school year.

As we begin the second year of the process, the Olean Intermediate-Middle School will continue to undergo a review

to strengthen and support efforts in curriculum, instruction, and assessment. This will include professional development, academic intervention, and data analysis to help students achieve higher scores. As a parent, it is vital for you to be involved in your child's educational program. We value parent and community involvement in parent programs, parent-teacher conferences, use of parent portal, and participation in District committees, such as the Comprehensive District Educational Plan (CDEP), Focus District Committee and building level teams. Updated information regarding this process can also be found on the district website: www.oleanschools.org/focus. If you have any questions or would like additional information, please contact your building principal or Jen Mahar, District Coordinator for State and Federal Aid Programs, at 375-8039.

IMPORTANT MUSIC DATES

September 12, Thursday, 1:30pm	Recruitment Concert	OHS
September 16, Monday, 6:30pm	Instrument Rental Night	OIMS
October 5, Saturday, 6:30pm	Homecoming Game (Marching Band)	Bradner's
November 1 & 2, Fri. & Sat.	Junior High Sectional All-State	Akron
November 11, Monday, 11:00am	Veterans' Day (Marching Band)	Lincoln Park
November 17, Sunday, 6:30pm	Olean Community Orchestra & Chorus Academy Concert	St. Mary's
November 22 & 23, Fri. & Sat.	Senior High Sectional All-State	SUNY Fredonia
November 29, Friday, 6:00pm	Santa Claus Lane Parade (Marching Band)	Union St.
December 2, Monday, 6:00pm	EV Winter Concert (grades K & 1)	OHS
December 4, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OHS Winter Concert	OHS
December 5 to 8, Thu.- Sun.	NYSSMA Winter Conference	Rochester
December 10, Tuesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Winter Concert (grades 6 & 7)	OHS
December 12, Thursday, 6:00pm	WW Winter Concert (grades K & 1)	OHS
January 31 & February 1, Fri. & Sat.	County Solo Festival	ALCS
February 7 & 8, Fri. & Sat.	Elem. All County (JH Band & Chorus, EL Band)	CLV HS
March, 7:30am	Harmony in the Morning	OHS
March 7 & 8, Fri. & Sat.	Senior High All-County (SH Band and Chorus, JH Chorus)	SCS
March 20- 22, Thu. to Sat.	School Musical	OHS
April 2, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Showcase Spring Concert (grades 4 & 5)	OHS
April 9, Wednesday, 7:00pm	Choral Spectacular	OHS
May 6, Tuesday, 7:00pm	OIMS Spring Concert (grades 6 & 7)	OHS
May 14, Wednesday, 7:00pm	EV Spring Concert (grades 2 & 3)	OHS
May 16 & 17, Fri. & Sat.	Houghton String Festival	Houghton
May TBA	NYSSMA Major Organization Festival	TBA
May 21, Wednesday, 7:00pm	WW Spring Concert (grades 2 & 3)	OHS
May 26, Monday, 10:00am	Memorial Day Parade (Marching Band)	Union St.
May 28, Wednesday, 7:00pm	OHS Spring Concert	OHS
May 30 & 31, Fri. & Sat.	NYSSMA Solo Festival	Bolivar
June 1, Sunday, 7:00pm	OHS Orchestra Concert at St. Mary's	St. Mary's
June 6, Friday, 6:00-8:00pm	Music Boosters Awards Banquet	Pulaski Club
June 28, Saturday, 11:00am	OHS Graduation (Band)	OHS



Olean City School District 2013-2014 Calendar

BOE Adopted 03-19-13



**** Mark Your Calendar ****

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Independence Day Observation

Staff Development

NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

Staff Development Day

Olean Schools Open for Students

Go Home Early Drill - all students dismissed 15 minutes early

NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day

Staff Development Day

End of 1st Marking Period

NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day

OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 7 students dismissed at 10:45 am)

Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 11:15 am)

NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess

Early Dismissal for students at 12:30

NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess

NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day

Regents Exams

End of 2nd Marking Period; Staff Development

NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day

Split Spring Recess

Staff Development Day

End of 3rd Marking Period for grades PreK-3

End of 3rd Marking Period for grades 4-12

OIMS parent teacher conferences (Gr. 4 - 5 students dismissed at 10:45 am)

Primary parent teacher conferences (PreK-3 students dismissed at 11:15 am)

NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess

NO SCHOOL - Good Friday

NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

High School Students only NO SCHOOL; PreK-7 students must report to school

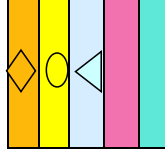
Regents Exams

End of 4th Marking Period; early dismissal grades PreK-7 at 12:30

Early Dismissal for students at 12:30

Staff Development - Regents Rating Day - NO SCHOOL Students

OHS Graduation at 11:00



STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS

NO SCHOOL

SCHOOL RECESS - School Closed

END OF MARKING PERIOD

REGENTS EXAMS

INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 180

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS: 6 (8/29, 9/3, 10/25, 1/31, 3/14, 6/27)

TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 186

** NOTE: Subject to change

Continue Successful Shared Transportation

The sharing of transportation services with our neighbors in Portville and Hinsdale continues to be a win-win. With the dedicated work of all three schools' staff, this shared service has given all three schools an opportunity to become more efficient and save money.

Several team meetings were held throughout the year to work on issues and brain storm ideas on how to continue this success. Safety was one topic high on the agendas. In the OIMS and both elementary buildings, signs designating bus drop off and pick up lanes were posted, along with "Yield to Bus" signs. Please remember if you are picking up your child(ren) at a school, the buses always have the right of way. This is for everyone's safety that the bus lanes and yield sign are followed by everyone. Also at a team meeting, the transportation supervisors were able to determine that through combining a route, there would be one less route needed for the 2013-14 school year.

Letters stating specific information for your child(ren) will be sent home in August. The individual letters will include the following specifics to help identify the students' individual bus information: Estimated pick up time, pick up location, bus number, animal picture on the elementary bus only and school bus name. Your child(ren)'s bus name could be Olean City School District, Portville Central School or Hinsdale Central school.

The safety of your child(ren) is paramount. Here are a few safety tips for children at the bus stop:

- ☑ Stay on the sidewalk and don't play in the street.
- ☑ Stay back from the curb as the bus approaches.
- ☑ Always cross the street in front of the bus.
- ☑ When you get off the bus, move away from the bus.

Whether your child(ren) rides the bus or walks to school, please remind your child(ren) to follow a few basic safety tips:

- ☑ Cross streets at the corner.
- ☑ Use crosswalks whenever possible.
- ☑ Obey traffic signals.
- ☑ Look both ways before crossing the street by using the "Look left, right and left again" approach.
- ☑ Stay on the sidewalk.

The new transportation guidelines are listed below. Please contact Kathy Elser or Tiana Howden at (716) 375-8020 with any busing issues, questions or concerns.

BUS TRANSPORTATION

Eligibility Policy is as follows:

- **Kindergarten – 7th Grade**
 - Students whose residence from "home school" is over 1 mile.
 - Out of neighborhood students are not eligible for busing unless required by CSE.
 - Any student whose IEP requires busing and is requested by CSE is deemed eligible.
- **Grades 8-12**
 - Busing is provided for students who live outside the City of Olean, unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Special Education.

- Any student in Grades K-3 must have an adult visible to the bus driver before the child is to be released off of the bus.
 - If an adult is not visible, the child will remain on the bus until a parent/guardian is notified with instructions for drop off.
- If a child misses the bus, it is the parent's responsibility to transport that child to school. The bus will not come back to pick him/her up.
 - Please make sure your child is ready for the bus at least 10 minutes before the anticipated pick-up time.
- If a child does not ride the bus for 5 consecutive days without prior notice to the Business Office, that child will be removed from the bus list.
 - This child will be added back on the bus list when notice is received by the Business Office.
- Security cameras are installed on all buses for your child's safety.
- In the event of a snow day, please remember that Olean, Portville and Hinsdale are separate school districts. If one is closed, it does not constitute the others being closed. Please watch/listen to school closing reports for this information.
- A child must have only 1 address for pick up and drop off for the school year.
 - If your address changes at any time during the year (move), please notify the Business Office immediately to change the busing address and to determine if the child remains eligible to be bused.
- Please contact the Olean City School District Business Office directly with any busing issues, questions, or concerns at 716-375-8020.

SCHOOL TIMES



Elementary Schools

Morning Program Begins at 7:35 a.m. and ends at 8:20 a.m.
Morning Bus Arrival Times Between 8:15 a.m. and 8:30 a.m.
Breakfast to be Served Begins at 8:30 a.m. and ends at 8:50 a.m.
Afternoon Walker Dismissal Time 3:10 p.m.
Afternoon Bus Dismissal Time 3:15 p.m.

Intermediate/Middle School

Morning Bus Arrival Times Between 7:30 a.m. and 7:35 a.m.
Breakfast to be Served Begins at 7:25 a.m. and ends at 7:46 a.m.
Student to go to rooms for attendance 7:53 a.m.
Afternoon Bus Dismissal Time 2:39 p.m.

High School

Morning Bus Arrival Times Between 7:30 a.m. and 7:35 a.m.
Breakfast to be Served Begins at 7:00 a.m. and ends at 7:46 a.m.
Student to go to rooms for attendance 7:50 a.m.
Afternoon Bus Dismissal Time 2:35 p.m.

Olean City School District Application for Free and Reduced Meals

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. The Olean City School District offers healthy meals every school day. Costs for meals are as follows: Breakfast – High School \$1.40, Grades 4-8 \$1.30 and Elementary School \$1.25; Lunch – High School \$2.00, Grades 4-8 \$1.90, and Elementary School \$1.85. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is **\$0.25** for breakfast and **\$0.25** for lunch.

1. Do I need to fill out an application for each child? No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to your child's school building secretary or mail to Olean City School District, C/O Judy Lewis, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY 14760.
2. Who can get free meals? All children in households receiving benefits from **SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF**, can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines.
3. Can foster children get free meals? Yes foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income.
4. Can homeless, runaway, and migrant children get free meals? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Mia O'Brien, Homeless Liaison, at 716-375-8097 to see if they qualify.
5. **WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS?** Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this application.
6. **SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS?** Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 716-375-8036 with any questions.
7. **MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE?** Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
8. **I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a **FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL** application.
9. Will the information I give be checked? Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.
10. If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
11. What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to Dr. Colleen Taggerty, Olean City School District, 410 W. Sullivan St., Olean, NY 14760, Phone: 716-375-8018 or Email: Ctaggerty@olean.wnyric.org
12. May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
13. Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
14. What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
15. We are in the military. Do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
16. My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. Is her combat pay counted as income? No. If the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
17. My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for **SNAP** or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call **1-800-342-3009**.

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2013-2014 Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced Price Meals or Free Milk

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$ 21,257	\$ 1,772	\$ 886	\$ 818	\$ 409
2	\$ 28,694	\$ 2,392	\$ 1,196	\$ 1,104	\$ 552
3	\$ 36,131	\$ 3,011	\$ 1,506	\$ 1,390	\$ 695
4	\$ 43,568	\$ 3,631	\$ 1,816	\$ 1,676	\$ 838
5	\$ 51,005	\$ 4,251	\$ 2,126	\$ 1,962	\$ 981
6	\$ 58,442	\$ 4,871	\$ 2,436	\$ 2,248	\$ 1,124
7	\$ 65,879	\$ 5,490	\$ 2,745	\$ 2,534	\$ 1,267
8	\$ 73,316	\$ 6,110	\$ 3,055	\$ 2,820	\$ 1,410
Each add'l person add....	\$ 7,437	\$ 620	\$ 310	\$ 287	\$ 144



Free and Reduced Meal Application, *continued from previous page*

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children, you may submit an Eligibility Letter for Free Meals/Milk (formerly Direct Certification Letter) received from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, OR carefully complete one application for your household and return it to the designated office. If you now receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children, or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a food stamp, TANF or FDPIR case number for all the children for whom you are applying, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application that is not complete cannot be approved. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your food stamp or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year. You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive food stamps.

Income Exclusions: 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 Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

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Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities. Major life activities are defined to include functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. You must request the special meals from the school and provide the school with medical certification from a medical doctor. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical certification must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students' names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

Notice to all applicants for Free and Reduced Price Meals

After receiving this information, please return Direct Certification Letters or a 2013-2014 Family Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals as soon as possible to allow time for processing. Delays in turning in your Direct Certification Letter or Family Application could result in meal charges being applied to your child's account. In order to prevent this from occurring, please turn in the Direct Certification Letter or Family Application as soon as possible. For families who were eligible for free and reduced meals last year, a new application must be completed and approved by the District. Your children will be allowed to receive free or reduced meals until October 1st, but we strongly encourage each family to fill out a new application prior to the start of school in order to avoid the possibility of a lapse in eligibility. Meals provided to children that are eligible for free or reduced lunch after October 1st, without a new application, must be paid for and will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian. If you have any questions regarding Direct Certification Letters or Family Application, please call 716-375-8007.

Food Stamps or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

If you receive food stamps or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF), you may receive a letter in August from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance that will simplify the process for your child or children to receive free meals at school. If you take or send the letter to the Olean City School District; Food Service Office, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY 14760, or take it to the main office of the school your child attends, your children will receive free meals without your having to complete an application. You will only receive one letter. If you lose it, it will not be replaced. If you do not return the letter to the school, you must fill out the Free and Reduced Price Meal Application in order for your children to receive free meals.

Please call 716-375-8007 if you have any questions.



Date Withdrew _____

F ____ R ____ D ____

2013-2014 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and return it to the Olean City School District. Call 716-375-8036, if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

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

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	No Income
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. SNAP or TANF Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. Skip to Part 5, and sign the application.

Name: _____ CASE # _____

3. If any child you are applying for is homeless, migrant or a runaway, please call this number: 716-375-8097☐ Homeless ☐ Migrant ☐ Runaway

(Homeless Liaison/Migrant Education Coordinator)

4. 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
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
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	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

5. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application and provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all of the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get 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: _____ Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: ***-**-____

I do not
have a
SS# ☐

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Home Address _____

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 Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____
☐ Free Meals ☐ Reduced Price Meals ☐ Denied/Paid
☐ Signature of Reviewing Official _____ Date Notice Sent: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, submit a Free Meals/Milk Eligibility Letter received from the Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance OR complete only one application for your household using the instructions. Sign the application and return the application to either your child(ren)'s school or the Olean High School. If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is no longer needed. Call the school if you need help at 716-375-8036. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

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

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
 - (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.
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PART 2 **HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDIPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 5.**

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR (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 application in PART 5. SKIP PART 4. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR case number.
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PART 3 **Before completing an application for a child who may be homeless, a migrant education student, or a runaway, please call your school's homeless liaison or migrant education coordinator at this number: Mia O'Brien, Homeless Liaison Coordinator, 716-375-8097.**

PARTS 4 & 5 **ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 5.**

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people 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.
 - (3) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 5** if Part 4 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR number, a social security number is not needed.
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OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). In order to determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT: This explains how we will use the information you give us.

The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch 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 for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the adult household member who signs the application. The last four digits of the social security number are not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDIPIR 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 is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs. We MAY share your 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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Begin every day with a fresh start!

Put your **best** foot forward.

Bring your best to school each day.

Bring your greatest effort and attitude of excellence.

Bring a smile to lighten the steps you take and inspire others.

Bring a hand that offers help and friendship.

Bring the talents that make you unique and **OIMS** a wonderful place to be!

Bring your best!

A fresh start, a new day, every day!

Guidance Department News

There are three counselors at the Olean Intermediate Middle School. Mrs. Jeanne Frisina will be working with the 4th graders. Mrs. Leah Allen will be working with the 5th graders, 6th grade Red Team, and 7th grade Blue Team. Mrs. Mary Lee Wenke will be working with 5th graders, 6th grade Orange Team, and 7th grade Yellow Team. To schedule a meeting with a 6th or 7th grade team, please contact the Guidance Office at 375-8064. Teams meet throughout the week as follows: Red Team 1:20-1:50, Orange Team 9:30-10:00, Blue Team 11:50-12:20, Yellow Team 8:50-9:20.

The Guidance Department web page can be found on the OIMS website (www.oleanschools.org) under "Teams." The page provides information regarding grade improvement, surviving the middle school years, merit/honor roll information, helpful links, etc. In addition to the website,

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 your child's counselor. The email addresses for all OCSD employees begin with the first initial and last name of the employee and end with @olean.wnyric.org (example: llallen@olean.wnyric.org).

The eSchool Data Parent Portal offers parents the opportunity to monitor their child's academic progress and attendance throughout the school year. If you wish to have access to the Parent Portal or if you are experiencing difficulty with it, please contact Denise Bush in the OIMS Guidance Office at 375-8064. At our September 26th Open House, Guidance Counselors will be available in the library to assist anyone interested in setting up a Parent Portal account.

Meet the OIMS Staff at Open House Sept. 26

The OIMS Open House will be on Thursday, September 26, 2013, from 6:30-8:15 p.m. The purpose of our "Open House" is to give our parents/guardians, community members and students an opportunity to meet our faculty, staff and administration. Snacks will be provided. Hope to see everyone there!

2013-14 OIMS Bell Schedule

Student May Enter Building	.....7:46 a.m.
Homeroom	.....7:53-7:57 a.m.
Period 1	.....8:00-8:40 a.m.
Period 2	.....8:43-9:23 a.m.
Period 3	.....9:26-10:06 a.m.
Period 4	.....10:09-10:54 a.m.
Period 4A	.....10:09-10:30 a.m.
Period 4B	.....10:33-10:54 a.m.
Period 5	.....10:57-11:42 a.m.
Period 5A	.....10:57-11:18 a.m.
Period 5B	.....11:21-11:42 a.m.
Period 6	.....11:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Period 6A	.....11:45 a.m.-12:06 p.m.
Period 6B	.....12:09-12:30 p.m.
Period 7	.....12:33-1:13 p.m.
Period 8	.....1:16-1:56 p.m.
Period 9	.....1:59-2:39 p.m.
Student Dismissal	.....2:39 p.m.

Safety Reminder: 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 own expense. Thank you for your cooperation as we strive to make student safety our top priority.



OCSD FALL 2013 SPORTS SCHEDULE

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Sept. 7 DEPEW 7:30 p.m.
 Sept. 13 @ Pioneer 7 p.m.
 Sept. 20 @ Southwestern 7 p.m.
 Sept. 27 @ Dunkirk 7:30 p.m.
 Oct. 5 EDEN 6:30 p.m. (Homecoming)
 Oct. 12 ALDEN 7:30 p.m.
 Oct. 18 @ Springfield 7:30 p.m.

JV FOOTBALL

Sept. 7 @ Depew 10 a.m.
 Sept. 14 PIONEER 10 a.m.
 Sept. 21 SOUTHWESTERN 10 a.m.
 Sept. 28 DUNKIRK 10 a.m.
 Oct. 5 @ Eden 10 a.m.
 Oct. 12 @ Alden 10 a.m.
 Oct. 19 SPRINGVILLE 10 a.m.

BOYS' VARSITY & MOD. SOCCER

Aug. 30 @ A-L (Gator Cup) Var. Only
 Aug. 31 @ A-L (Gator Cup) Var. Only
 Sept. 6 OHS Tournament vs. Jamestown
 3:30 p.m. Var. Only
 Sept. 7 OHS Tournament 2 p.m. Var. Only
 Sept. 11 SALAMANCA 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 13 @ Randolph 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 16 ELLICOTTVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 18 @ Portville 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 23 ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 25 @ Franklinville 4:30 p.m. Var. Only
 Sept. 30 @ Bradford 4:30 p.m. Mod. Only
 Oct. 2 @ Salamanca 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 4 RANDOLPH 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 7 @ Ellicottville 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 9 PORTVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 11 @ Allegany-Limestone 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 16 FRANKLINVILLE 4:30 p.m. V. Only
 Modified vs. BRADFORD 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS' VARSITY & JV SOCCER

Aug. 29 @ Bolivar-Richburg Tourney 4 p.m.
 Sept. 5 OHS Tourn. V. vs. Fredonia 3:30 p.m.
 OHS Tourn. JV vs. A-L 3:30 p.m.
 Sept. 7 OHS Tourn. 10 a.m.
 Sept. 10 HORNELL 5 p.m.
 Sept. 12 SALAMANCA 4:30 p.m. Var. Only
 JV @ Ellicottville 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 14 @ Randolph 10 a.m. Var. Only
 Sept. 17 ELLICOTTVILLE 4:30 p.m. V. Only
 Sept. 19 @ Portville 4:30 p.m. Var. Only
 Sept. 20 @ Jamestown 4:30 p.m. JV Only
 Sept. 24 ALLEGANY-LIME. 4:30 V. Only
 JV @ Allegany-Limestone 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 25 @ Hornell 6:30 p.m.
 Sept. 27 @ North Collins 4:30 p.m. JV Only
 Sept. 28 @ Franklinville 11 a.m. Var. Only

Oct. 1 @ Wellsville 4:30 p.m. JV Only
 Oct. 2 NORTH COLLINS 4:30 p.m. JV Only
 Oct. 3 @ Salamanca 4:30 p.m. Var. Only
 Oct. 5 RANDOLPH 10 a.m. Var. Only
 Oct. 8 Varsity @ Ellicottville 4:30 p.m.
 JV Home vs. EVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 10 PORTVILLE 4:30 p.m. Var. Only
 Oct. 11 WELLSVILLE 5:30 p.m. JV Only
 Oct. 12 @ Allegany-Lime. 10 a.m. Var. Only
 Oct. 15 FRANKLINVILLE 4:30 p.m. V. Only
 Oct. 17 ALLEG.-LIME. 4:30 p.m. JV Only

GIRLS' MODIFIED SOCCER

Sept. 12 SALAMANCA 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 14 @ Randolph 10 a.m.
 Sept. 17 ELLICOTTVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 19 @ Portville 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 24 ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 28 @ Franklinville 11:00 a.m.
 Oct. 3 @ Salamanca 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 5 RANDOLPH 10:00 a.m.
 Oct. 8 @ Ellicottville 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 10 PORTVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 12 @ Allegany-Limestone 10 a.m.
 Oct. 15 FRANKLINVILLE 4:30 p.m.

BOYS' & GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY

Sept. 10 @ Gowanda w/Jamestown &
 Fredonia 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 14 @ Long Point Invitational 9:30 a.m.
 Sept. 17 @ Sherman w/Dunkirk 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 24 @ Cuba-Rushford w/A-L &
 Franklinville 4:15 p.m.
 Sept. 28 @ McQuaid Invitational 11 a.m.
 Oct. 1 SOUTHWESTERN, RANDOLPH &
 FREWSBURG 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 5 @ Southern Tier Classic (SBU)
 10 a.m.
 Oct. 8 @ Falconer w/Silver Creek 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 12 @ Cuba-Rushford Invitational 11 a.m.
 Oct. 15 @ Franklinville w/A-L & Maple
 Grove 4:15 p.m.
 Oct. 19 @ Clarence Invitational 10 a.m.
 Oct. 25 @ CCAA League Championships
 3:30 p.m.
 Nov. 1 @ Section VI Championships 10 a.m.
 Nov. 9 @ NYSPHSAA Championships 9 a.m.

GIRLS' VAR. SWIMMING & DIVING

Sept. 10 @ Wellsville 5 p.m.
 Sept. 12 SOUTHWESTERN 5 p.m.
 Sept. 19 @ Franklinville 5 p.m.
 Sept. 24 ALLEGANY-LIMESTONE 5 p.m.
 Sept. 26 @ Chautauqua lake 5 p.m.
 Sept. 28 WELLSVILLE 11 a.m.
 Oct. 1 SALAMANCA 5 p.m.

Oct. 3 @ Fredonia 5 p.m.
 Oct. 8 @ Allegany-Limestone 5 p.m.
 Oct. 10 @ Southwestern 5 p.m.
 Oct. 15 PANAMA 5:30 p.m.
 Oct. 17 @ Frewsburg 5 p.m.

GIRLS' VARSITY TENNIS

Aug. 30 JAMESTOWN 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 5 @ Falconer 4 p.m.
 Sept. 7 @ Warren 11 a.m.
 Sept. 9 GOWANDA 4 p.m.
 Sept. 12 @ Wellsville 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 13 @ Frewsburg 4 p.m.
 Sept. 17 @ Salamanca 4 p.m.
 Sept. 19 FALCONER 4 p.m.
 Sept. 23 @ Gowanda 4 p.m.
 Sept. 24 SALAMANCA 4 p.m.
 Sept. 25 @ Jamestown 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 27 FREWSBURG 4 p.m.
 Sept. 30 WELLSVILLE 4:30 p.m.

GIRLS' VARSITY & JV VOLLEBALL

Sept. 3 @ Pioneer 4:30/6 p.m.
 Sept. 5 SPRINGVILLE 4:30/6
 Sept. 7 @ Cheektowaga Tourn. 8 a.m.
 Sept. 9 @ Portville 4:30/6 p.m.
 Sept. 11 CATTARAUGUS-LV 4:30/6 p.m.
 Sept. 16 @ Salamanca 4:30/6 p.m.
 Sept. 18 ALLEGANY-LIME. 4:30/6 p.m.
 Sept. 20 JAMESTOWN 4:30/6:00 p.m.
 Sept. 23 @ Randolph 4:30/6:00 p.m.
 Sept. 25 PORTVILLE 4:30/6:00 p.m.
 Sept. 27 @ Wellsville 6:00/7:30 p.m.
 Oct. 2 @ Cattaraugus-LV 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 7 SALAMANCA 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 9 @ Allegany-Limestone 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 10 WELLSVILLE 4:30/6:00 p.m.
 Oct. 12 OHS Volleybash Tournament 9 a.m.
 Oct. 15 @ Jamestown 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 16 RANDOLPH 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 18 @ Springfield 4:30/6 p.m.
 Oct. 21 PIONEER 4:30/6 p.m.

GIRLS' MODIFIED VOLLEYBALL

Sept. 10 @ Chautauqua Lake 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 12 ALLEGANY-LIME. 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 16 @ West Valley 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 20 CATTARAUGUS-LV 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 24 @ Ellicottville 4:30 p.m.
 Sept. 27 RANDOLPH 4:30
 Sept. 30 CHAUTAUQUA LAKE 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 2 CUBA-RUSHFORD 5 p.m.
 Oct. 4 @ Allegany-Limestone 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 8 WEST VALLEY 5 p.m.
 Oct. 15 ELLICOTTVILLE 4:30 p.m.
 Oct. 21 @ Cuba-Rushford 5 p.m.

East View Elementary School

Neighborhoods Come Together for "New East View": Last year was an exciting year for everyone at East View Elementary School. School personnel, students, parents, and community members from three former school neighborhoods came together and successfully formed the New East View. Teachers and support staff came together and formed new school committees to help address the many needs and activities for the building, such as the Positive Behavior "Bee Keepers" program. Parents and school personnel merged and reorganized a new Parent Teacher Organization (PTO). This group planned and held monthly family events, such as Book Bingo, ice skating, and a YMCA Fun Night. Students and their teachers met and made new friends, developing those relationships as the year progressed. Though we are still growing, our new East View family is poised to begin a new, productive, and enjoyable school year together.



Join Us for Open House on September 24th! East View Elementary will hold its Open House on Tuesday, September 24th (time to be determined). The goal of the evening is to acquaint you with the staff, facility, and programs offered at East View. We look forward to meeting you! See you there!

New Commencement Credential for Students with Disabilities

By Marcie Richmond, Director of Special Education

"The New York State Board of Regents has approved regulations that establish an important new exiting credential for students with disabilities. Beginning with the 2013-14 school year and thereafter, students with disabilities will be able to earn a New York State Career Development and Occupational Studies (CDOS) Commencement Credential. This credential will recognize each individual student's preparation and skills for post-school employment. Some students in the past graduated with an individualized education program (IEP) diploma and that option ended June 30, 2013. This credential will provide a more meaningful substitute for these students. For students with disabilities who are exiting with a regular high school diploma, this provides them with an additional opportunity to exit school with a credential that also recognizes the students' work readiness skills." (June 2013 Special Education Field Advisory from NYSED)

Some of the criteria for this credential include:

- Have attended 12 years of school excluding Kindergarten

- Be provided opportunities to earn a diploma
- Creation of a career plan
- Have successfully completed 216 hours of CTE coursework and/or work-based learning experiences (of which at least 54 hours must be in work-based learning experiences)
- Completion of an employability profile

A second option is to meet the requirements for a nationally recognized work readiness credential.

The focus of this credential is to provide students with work readiness skills to help them be more successful upon graduation. We will be looking for experiences both within the school district as well as out in the community for students to get these experiences. The students will be provided school staff to support them in these experiences to help ensure success. If you are affiliated with a local business and would like to partner with us to provide our students with some meaningful hands-on experiences, please call me at 375-8995 for more details.

Join Us for Open House September 25th! Washington West Elementary will hold its Open House on Wednesday, September 25th from 6:30 - 7:30. The goal of the evening is to acquaint you with our staff, our facility, and programs that are offered here. Our staff members will be here to meet you as well as representatives from our Virtues Project, PTO, and the Attendance Support Program. We look forward to meeting you! See you there!

Tyler Bihler "Good Friend" Award: Stephen Hoffman and Alexis Trietley, Washington West 3rd Graders, were selected as recipients for this memorial award. Tyler Bihler was a friend to all and made a positive difference in the lives of all who knew him. Congratulations to Steven and Alexis! Thank you both for making a positive difference during your time here at Washington West! Thank you to Lori Lewicki and Jeff Anastasia for your leadership throughout the process.

Washington West Elementary School



Flag Day Celebration: Washington West families, friends, and neighbors stood together as one as we honored our country's symbol of freedom – our American flag. This ceremony was started many years ago in our district by Principal Jon Baker. We were honored to have him at the June 14th celebration. We were also honored and privileged to have many of our local soldiers involved in our program – raising the flag, leading the pledge, and extending the program into our classrooms by giving demonstrations on how to fold a flag and treat it with the respect it deserves. Thank you to Elaine Stephan and her committee for their leadership in planning and preparing for this wonderful event.

Welcomed Additions to Washington West:

Mrs. Laurie Marsfelder started her career as a first grade teacher at Friendship Central School in 2001. She maintained that position for four years and then began teaching for the Olean City School District in 2005 where she taught kindergarten at North Hill. Mrs. Marsfelder then moved to East View, where she co-taught in an integrated kindergarten class for four years with Mrs. Colleen Deibler. She continued in that position until she transitioned into the role of Literacy Coach as part of the Early Reading First Program. Mrs. Marsfelder is excited to now take on the role of kindergarten teacher here at Washington West. WW is close to her heart, as that is where her children attended elementary school. Welcome board, Mrs. Marsfelder!



Our new elementary guidance counselor, **Mrs. Kelly Gumtow**, received her master's degree and advanced certification in counseling from St. Bonaventure University. She previously worked for OCS D as the school counselor at Washington West from 2007-2009. Since then, she was a substitute teacher and provided counseling services for Pre-K students. Mrs. Gumtow is looking forward to returning "home" as the full time school counselor at Washington West in the fall. Welcome back, Mrs. Gumtow!



Meghan Monahan, Administrative Intern at Washington West Elementary School, has been working with Principal, Linda Nottingham since February 2013. She is currently in the Educational Leadership program at Saint Bonaventure University and hopes to become an Elementary School Principal when she graduates in 2014. She is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor, holds her provisional certificate in school counseling, and is employed at Cattaraugus County Department of Community Services as the Early Identification & Recognition Specialist.



ANNUAL DISTRICT NOTICES

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

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) or contact Jon Hamed, CSE Chairperson, at 375-8984 if your child is school age (5-21).

DASA 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's Dignity Act Coordinators: John White, EV, 375-8922; Linda Nottingham, WW, 375-8962; Barb Lias, OHS, 375-

8002; Jerry Trietley, OIMS (grades 6 & 7), 375-8062; and Joel Whitcher, OIMS (grades 4 & 5), 375-8069.

Request for Records: Per the district's procedures relating to board policy 3310 Public Access to Records, the cost of any records request will be \$.25 per page plus postage and handling if those records are to be mailed. For any documents that are faxed or emailed, those will be free of charge.

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 David Fidurko, Superintendent of Building and Grounds, at 375-8040.

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 3, 2013, and the results were reviewed by an accredited management planner. The 2013 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 David Fidurko in the district office or by calling 375-8040.

Title IX and Sec. 504: 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 vocation 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 program 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 Official responsible for the coordination of activities relating to non-discrimination of sex, race, color, national origin or handicapped is Ms. Mia O'Brien, Title IX Coordinator and Section 504 Coordinator – Phone: 716-375-8097. She 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 Ms. Mia O'Brien, Section 504 Coordinator at 716-375-8097.

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Back Yard Bash at Washington West

A HUGE thank you to our incredible PTO at Washington West Elementary School for once again hosting the Backyard Bash - our family fun night activity in June! As you can see by the photo above, it was a beautiful day and a wonderful turn-out. A great time was had by all! Thanks to those who donated incredible items for our many raffle baskets - and to those brave souls who ventured into the Dunk Tank!!!

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

An acceptance of diversity

Continuous improvement

Academic excellence and lifelong learning

Honesty, integrity, responsibility, and accountability

Student potential and achievement