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CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

"Home, School and Community Educating for Life"

Classes Begin
Wednesday,
Sept. 7!

August-September 2011

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Preparing for another great year!



Wonder what happens at school during the summer? Here's a sampling of activity around Olean City School District (*clockwise from above*): floor demolition at Olean High School; parking lot work at Washington West; demolition work outside IJN; site work on Oviatt Street at Boardmanville; and window abatement at East View.



IMPORTANT REMINDERS

District Evacuation

All buildings in the Olean City School District have been, and will continue to conduct an evacuation drill each year. The District plans to hold the evacuation drills in the fall for the 2011 – 2012 school year. Students will be relocated to off-campus facilities for a period of time during the drill. The drills are a required part of the District's Emergency Response Plan. The date of each building's drill will not be announced in order to maintain the integrity of this training. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the building principal, Superintendent or the District Safety Committee Chairperson, Mr. Jeffrey Andreano.

Leaving School Grounds

Reminder – students are not allowed to leave school buildings or grounds without written permission and for legitimate reasons only. Under a new state law, school children may only leave school with persons approved by the child's parent or guardian. School officials will be required to check the identity of persons requesting a child's release against a list provided by the parents or guardian.

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

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.

From the Superintendent

Leaving no stone unturned

By Dr. Colleen Taggerty, Superintendent

To find what you seek in the road of life, the best proverb of all is that which says: "Leave no stone unturned."

- Edward Bulwer Lytton

Looking Forward

With the newly imposed property tax cap, reduction in State Aid, Health Insurance Reform, and increased costs due to changes in the New York State regulations that govern teacher and principal evaluations; the Core Curriculum; and the upcoming changes in data reporting requirements, the challenges, while manageable, require us to assess the effectiveness and efficiencies of each building and each program offering as these changes will bring with them, significant cost increases.

The Olean City School District seeks to discover the most efficient and cost effective practices that yield the highest quality education for our students. "Leaving no stone unturned" is what the Board of Education has agreed upon as an overarching goal for the 2011-12 school year. Creative and innovative thinking and problem solving will help us to uncover possibilities of how we will overcome the increased costs and find the time to complete all that the New York State Education Department is mandating of us.

In response to these challenges, the Board has secured the assistance of the Western New York Educational Service Council. The consultant group will need input from all constituencies inclusive of; the Board, administrators, teachers, support staff, and community as they collect the necessary data to determine the effectiveness and efficiencies of our current practices and processes. A final report will be presented to the Board of Education in late December or early January.

Summer Work

The Capital Project, which was approved by the voters in 2008, demonstrates the continuous commitment of the Board and the community to provide our learners with a safe environment in which to learn and enables teachers to teach to the 21st Century Learning Skills. Improvements in the heating and ventilation systems across the district are almost complete, interior and exterior security cameras are in place at each building, classroom improvements have been completed at the High School and Ivers J Norton. Bathroom upgrades and the parking lot at Washington West are completed. Sidewalks, new secure entrance, and pavement to the parking lot has been completed at Boardmanville. New exterior windows and doors have been installed at East View. The district-wide technology upgrades will be installed throughout the 2011-12 school year.

Welcome to 2011-12 and Thank You

It is with great excitement and enthusiasm that we begin the 2011-12 school year. I want to welcome back our 10 and 11 month staff, our students, and thank our 12 month employees for the work that has been accomplished throughout the summer months. A very busy summer has yielded very positive results. Thanks!

Olean City School District 2011-2012 Calendar

BOE Approved 07-19-11

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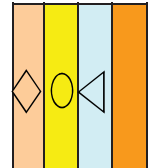
INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 180
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS: 6 (9/1, 9/6, 10/10, 10/11, 3/19, 6/22)
TOTAL INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS: 186



** Mark Your Calendar **

Independence Day Observation
New Teacher Orientation
Staff Development Day
NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
Staff Development Day
Olean Schools Open for Students
Staff Development Day
End of 1st marking period
NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
OMS parent teacher conferences (students dismissed at 10:45 am)
Elementary parent teacher conferences (students dismissed at 11:15 am)
NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Recess
Early dismissal @ 12:30
NO SCHOOL - Winter Recess
NO SCHOOL - Observation of New Year's
NO SCHOOL - Martin Luther King Day
End of 2nd marking period
11:15 am early dismissal district-wide
NO SCHOOL - Presidents' Day
NO SCHOOL - Split Spring Recess
Staff Development Day
End of 3rd marking period
Elementary parent teacher conferences (students dismissed at 11:15 am)
NO SCHOOL - Good Friday
NO SCHOOL - Spring Recess
NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day
End of 4th marking period
Regents Exams
Early dismissal @ 12:30
Staff Development Day
OHS Graduation

Amended 07-14-11



STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS
NO SCHOOL
SCHOOL RECESS - School Closed
END OF MARKING PERIOD

Portville & Hinsdale assist with transportation

The Transportation Consortium between Olean, Portville and Hinsdale is estimated to save the Olean City School District \$268,000 in the first year of the partnership. A savings such as this will help to offset the State Aid reductions, loss of Federal Aid and the loss of tax revenue.

The creation of the cost savings consortium has created the need to change the start and end times of school for our elementary students and the Bus Transportation Guidelines. The new 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:
 - **Elementary Students**
 - Elementary 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.
 - **Middle School and High School Students**
 - Busing is provided for students who live outside the City of Olean, unless otherwise directed by the Committee on Special Education.
- Any student 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.

Before and after school programs offered again this year

The Before School Program will continue in the 2011-12 school year, operating daily from 7:35 AM until the start of school. This program provides early morning care for those families whose work schedules require an early drop-off. At this time, this is a free program and registration is not required. The Before School Program is available for PreK through 5th grade students at each elementary school.

The After School Program is operated by the Olean YMCA. It is available for Kindergarten through 5th grade students and registration is required. This is a fee based program. Family should contact the YMCA for costs associated with each building.

YMCA Contact:
Rachel Linderman
701-1351

OMS GUIDANCE NEWS

At Olean Middle School there are two Guidance Counselors that cover teams. Mary Lee Wenke is assigned to 6th grade Orange Team and the 8th grade Purple and Gray Teams. Leah Allen is assigned to 6th grade Red Team and the 7th grade Blue and Yellow Teams.

To schedule a team meeting with your youngster’s teachers, or to speak with one of the counselors, please contact the Guidance Office at 375-8064.

The teams meet throughout the week during the following times:

Orange Team	10:20-10:50
Red Team	12:35-1:05
Blue Team	11:50-12:20
Yellow Team	2:00-2:35
Gray Team	8:45-9:20
Purple Team	9:35-10:05

The Guidance Department web page can be found on the Olean Middle School web site (www.oleanschools.org) under

“Teams.” The page provides information regarding grade improvement, surviving the middle school years, merit roll/honor roll, helpful links, etc. In addition to the web site, your youngster’s Guidance Counselor can be very helpful with answering any questions you may have. Please feel free to call the Guidance Office or email their counselor. The email address for all school employees begins with the first initial and last name of the employee and ends with @olean.wnyric.org (ex: allen@olean.wnyric.org).

The eSchool Data Parent Portal offers parents the opportunity to monitor their youngster’s academic progress throughout the school year. If you wish to have access to Parent Portal or if you are experiencing difficulty with it, please contact Denise Bush at the Olean Middle School Guidance Office at 375-8064.

SAC Calendar 2011-2012

SEPTEMBER	16	SAC Blacklight Dance	9-12 pm
	23	Karaoke Night	8-10 pm
OCTOBER	10-15	Spirit Week	
	11	Class Competitions	7-10 pm
	12-15	Spirit Week	
	13	Decorate Stage	3-5 pm
	14	Homecoming Assembly	1-2:30 pm
		Powder Puff Football Game/Bonfire	6-12 pm
	15	Decorate Cafeteria	10 am - Noon
	15	Parade (Report to school @ 4:30)	5 pm
	15	Homecoming	10 pm-1 am
	20	Homeless Huskies Meeting	After school
	24-28	Candy Apple Sale	After school
	27	Pumpkin Carving Contest	2:30-4 pm
	28	Halloween Dance	9-12 pm
NOVEMBER	7	Homeless Huskies Money Due	
	10	Homeless Huskies	10 pm-6 am
DECEMBER	12-16	5 Days of Giving	
	14	Class Competitions	7-10 pm
	16	Tacky Sweater Day	
JANUARY	20	Movie Night	7-11 pm
FEBRUARY	6-10	Spirit Week	
	10	Winter Weekend Assembly	1-2:30 pm
	11	Decorate Cafeteria for Winter Weekend	10 am - Noon
	11	Winter Weekend	9 pm-12 am
MARCH	2	Movie Night	7-11 pm
	22	Ultimate Frisbee Class Competitions	7-10 pm
	26-30	Jar Wars	
APRIL	19	Scavenger Hunt/Survivor Night	7-10 pm
MAY	18	Prom Assembly	1-2:30 pm
		SAC Bonfire	9-12 pm
	19	Prom	10 pm-1 am
	TBA	Special Ed Prom	
	TBA	Exceptional Track and Field Day	
	TBA	SAC elections	
	TBA	Class Elections	
JUNE	1	SAC BBQ	After school

Mark your calendars: SAT, ACT & PSAT deadlines listed

Scholastic Aptitude Test Dates and corresponding registration deadlines are listed in the table below. Also listed are dates and registration deadlines for the ACT Test. There are fees to take these tests. Students may register for the SAT on the web at www.collegeboard.org. For the ACT, log on to www.act.org:

SAT Test Dates:	Registration Due:
October 1, 2011	September 9, 2011
November 5, 2011	October 7, 2011
December 3, 2011	November 8, 2011
January 28, 2012	December 30, 2011
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012
May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012

ACT Test Dates:	Registration Due:
October 22, 2011	September 16, 2011
December 10, 2011	November 4, 2011
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012

PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) Date: October 15, 2011.



Attention Parents and 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.

2011-12 DISTRICT MUSIC DEPARTMENT CALENDAR

September 11th , Sunday	9-11 Memorial 2:00	OHS
October 7th , Friday	OHS Talent Show 7:00	OHS
October 15th , Saturday	Homecoming Parade (Marching Band)	OMS
November 3rd , Thursday	OHS Fall Concert 7:00	OHS
November 4th and 5th , Fri. - Sat.	Junior High Sectional All-State	Akron, NY
November 11th , Friday	Veterans' Day (Marching Band) 11:00am	Lincoln Park
November 18th and 19th , Fri.- Sat.	Senior High Sectional All-State	SUNY Fredonia
November 25th , Friday	Santa Claus Lane Parade (Marching Band) 6:00	Union St.
December 1st to 4th , Thurs. - Sun.	NYSSMA Winter Conference	Rochester, NY
December 2nd to 4th , Fri. -Sun.	Theater Workshop Christmas Show	OHS Aud
December 5th , Monday	EV Winter Concert 7:00	EV
December 7th , Wednesday	WW Winter Concert 7:00	WW
December 12th , Monday	IJN Winter Concert 7:00	IJN
December 14th , Wednesday	OMS Winter Concert 7:00	OHS
December 19th , Monday	BV Winter Concert 7:00	BV
December 21st , Wednesday	OHS Winter Concert 7:00	OHS
January 27th and 28th , Fri.- Sat.	County Solo Festival	ALCS
February 3rd , Friday	Olean Community Orchestra Academy Concert at St. Mary's 8:00	St. Mary's
February 10th and 11th , Fri. - Sat.	Elementary All-County (JH Band and Chorus, EL Band)	Randolph
March 9th and 10th , Fri.- Sat.	Senior High All-County(SH Band and Chorus, JH Chorus)	CLV
March 14th , Wednesday	Elementary Instrumental Concert 7:00	OHS
March 21st , Wednesday	Bandtasia 7:00	OHS
March 27th , Tuesday	EV Spring Concert 7:00	EV
March 28th , Wednesday	WW Spring Concert 7:00	WW
March 30th and 31st , Fri.-Sat.	OHS Musical	OHS
April 2nd , Monday	IJN Spring Concert 7:00	IJN
April 4th , Wednesday	BV Spring Concert 7:00	BV
April 26th , Thursday	OHS Choral Spectacular 7:00	OHS
May TBA	NYSSMA Majors TBA	TBA
May TBA	NYSSMA Solo-Festival	TBA
May 16th , Wednesday	WW Primary Concert 6:00	WW
May 17th , Thursday	OMS Spring Concert 7:00	OHS
May 21st , Monday	IJN Primary Concert 6:00	IJN
May 25th and 26th , Fri. - Sat.	Houghton String Festival	Houghton
May 28th , Monday	Memorial Day Parade (Marching Band) 10:00am	Union St.
June 3rd , Sunday	OHS Orchestra Concert @ St. Mary's 7:00	St. Mary's
June 4th , Monday	EV Spring Concert/Musical Grades K and 1-7:00	EV
June 6th , Wednesday	OHS Spring Concert 7:00	OHS
June 8th , Friday	Recruitment Concert 1:30	OHS
June 8th , Friday	Music Boosters Awards Banquet 6:00-8:00	Pulaski Club
June 18th , Monday	BV Primary and Spring Concert 7:00	BV
June 23rd , Saturday	Graduation 11:00 am	OHS

Keep your kids safe. Get their seasonal flu shots every fall or winter.

Seasonal Flu Guide for Parents

Is seasonal flu more serious for kids?	Infants and young children are at a greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu. That's why the New York State Department of Health recommends that all children 6 months and older get the seasonal flu vaccine.
Flu vaccine may save your child's life.	Most people with seasonal flu are sick for about a week, and then they feel better. But, some people, especially young children, pregnant women, older people, and people with chronic health problems can get very sick. Some can even die. A flu vaccine is the best way to protect your child from seasonal flu.
What is seasonal flu?	The flu, or influenza, is a viral infection of the nose, throat, and lungs. The flu can spread from person to person.
Flu shot or nasal-spray vaccine?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Flu shots can be given to children 6 months and older.• A nasal-spray vaccine can be given to healthy children 2 years and older.• Children younger than 5 years who have experienced wheezing in the past year – or any child with chronic health problems – should get the flu shot, not the nasal-spray vaccine.• Children younger than 9 years old who get a vaccine for the first time need two doses.
How else can I protect my child?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Get the seasonal flu vaccine for yourself.• Encourage your child's close contacts to get seasonal flu vaccine, too. This is very important if your child is younger than 5 or if he or she has a chronic health problem such as asthma (breathing disease) or diabetes (high blood sugar levels).• Wash your hands often and cover your coughs and sneezes. This will prevent the spread of germs.• Tell your children to:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Stay away from people who are sick;• Clean their hands often;• Keep their hands away from their face, and• Cover coughs and sneezes to protect others. It's best to use a tissue and quickly throw it away. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.
What are signs of the flu?	The flu comes on suddenly. Most people with the flu feel very tired and have a high fever, headache, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and sore muscles. Some people, especially children, may also have stomach problems and diarrhea. The cough can last two or more weeks.



Seasonal Flu Guide, *continued from page 7*

How does the flu spread?	People who have the flu usually cough, sneeze, and have a runny nose. The droplets in a cough, sneeze or runny nose contain the flu virus. Other people can get the flu by breathing in these droplets or by getting them in their nose or mouth.
How long can a sick person spread the flu to others?	Most healthy adults may be able to spread the flu from one day before getting sick to up to 5 days after getting sick. This can be longer in children and in people who don't fight disease as well (people with weaker immune systems).
What should I use to clean hands?	Wash your children's hands with soap and water. Wash them for as long as it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song twice. If soap and water are not handy, use wipes or gels with alcohol in them unless they are visibly soiled. The gels should be rubbed into hands until the hands are dry.
What can I do if my child gets sick?	Make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks lots of fluids. Talk with your child's doctor before giving your child over-the-counter medicine. If your children or teenagers may have the flu, never give them aspirin or medicine that has aspirin in it. It could cause serious problems.
Can my child go to school/day care with the flu?	No. If your child has the flu, he or she should stay home to rest. This helps avoid giving the flu to other children.
When can my child go back to school/day care after having the flu?	Children with the flu should be isolated in the home, away from other people. They should also stay home until they are symptom-free for 24 hours (that is, until they have no fever without the use of fever-control medicines and they feel well for 24 hours.) Remind your child to protect others by covering his or her mouth when coughing or sneezing. You may want to send your child to school with some tissues, wipes or gels with alcohol in them if the school allows gels.

For more information about the flu, visit
<http://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/influenza/seasonal/>

Or, www.cdc.gov/flu
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



State of New York
Department of Health

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. Breakfast costs \$1.05 in the Elementary Schools and \$1.20 in the Middle and Senior High Schools. Lunch costs \$1.65 in the Elementary Schools and \$1.80 in the Middle and Senior High Schools. Children from households that meet federal income guidelines (outlined below) are eligible for free meals or reduced price meals. Reduced price meals cost each eligible student \$.25 for lunch and \$.25 for breakfast. To apply for free or reduced price meals, submit a Direct Certification letter from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance **OR** complete the enclosed application, sign it, and return it to the Olean City School District Food Service Office, 410 West Sullivan Street, Olean, NY 14760 **OR** to the main office of your child's school as soon as possible.

Please refer to the guidelines contained in this letter when completing the application.

We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information.

- Do I need to fill out an application for each child?** No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Do not fill out more than one application for your household.
- Who can get free meals?** Children in households getting Food Stamps or TANF and most foster children can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Guidelines. Each foster child must be listed on a separate application, with Part 2 completed and include an adult signature.
- Can homeless, runaway and migrant children get free meals?** Please call Lynn Corder at 716-375-8097 to see if your child(ren) qualify, if you have not been informed that they will get free meals.
- Who can get reduced price meals?** Your child can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Income Chart, shown on this application.
- Should I fill out an application if I received a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free or reduced price meals?** Please read the letter you received carefully and follow the instructions. Call the Food Service Office at 716-375-8007 if you have questions.
- 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 year.
- 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 an application.
- Will the information I give be checked?** The school may ask you at any time during the school year to verify your eligibility. You will be notified, in writing, if you have been selected for Verification. School officials may ask you to send papers showing that your child should receive free or reduced price meals at the time you applied.
- If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?** Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting Food Stamps, TANF or other benefits. If you lose your job, your children may be able to get free or reduced price meals.
- 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: Kathleen Elser, Business Administrator, Olean City School District, 410 West Sullivan St., Olean, NY 14760, Phone: 716-375-8020.
- 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 a U.S. Citizen to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
- 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). You must include yourself and all children who live with you.
- What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally get. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but not if you get it only sometimes.
- 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.
- 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.
- My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for?** To find out how to apply for [State SNAP] or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 800-342-3009.

Income Chart: The following chart lists income levels according to household size and income levels received either yearly, monthly or weekly. If your total household income is the same or less than the amounts on the Income Chart below, your children may be eligible to receive free or reduced price meals.

**2011-2012 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES
FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK
REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART**

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$20,147	\$1,679	\$840	\$775	\$388
2	\$27,214	\$2,268	\$1,134	\$1,047	\$524
3	\$34,281	\$2,857	\$1,429	\$1,319	\$660
4	\$41,348	\$3,446	\$1,723	\$1,591	\$796
5	\$48,415	\$4,035	\$2,018	\$1,863	\$932
6	\$55,482	\$4,624	\$2,312	\$2,134	\$1,067
7	\$62,549	\$5,213	\$2,607	\$2,406	\$1,203
8	\$69,616	\$5,802	\$2,901	\$2,678	\$1,339
*Each additional household member add:	\$7,067	\$589	\$295	\$272	\$136

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Free and Reduce Meal Application, *continued from page 9*

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children you may submit a **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 food stamps, 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 food stamp, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children with the same case number may be listed on the same application. Separate applications are required for children with different case numbers. 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 from each household member, how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and that adult's social security number, or the word "none" 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 in-crease 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.

Nondiscrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. *To file a complaint of discrimination, write: USDA, Director, Office of Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call (800) 795-3272 or (202) 720-6382 (TTY).* USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Meal Service to Children with Disabilities: Federal regulation 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 applications 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 (CAN); 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 CAN.

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 2011-2012 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 _____

Attachment IIIA

F ____ R ____ D ____

*Temp Free Expires _____

2011-2012 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 Food Service Department, Olean City School District, 410 W Sullivan St, Olean, NY 14760. 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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No Income <input checked="" 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"/>
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			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. Food Stamp or TANF Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either food stamp, TANF or FDPIR 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:

Lynn Corder 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). If you have listed a foster child above, you must report their personal income.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<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: ***-**-____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____ Home Address _____

I do not
have a
SS# ☐

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

☐ Food Stamp/TANF/Foster

☐ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

☐ Free Meals ☐ Reduced Price Meals ☐ Denied/Paid ☐ Temporary Free 45 Days Expires ____/____/____

Date Notice Sent: _____ Signature of Reviewing Official _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, submit a Direct Certification 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 Food Service Department, Olean City School District, 410 W Sullivan St, Olean, NY 14760. 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: 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 FOOD STAMPS, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 5.

- (1) List a current Food Stamp, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household.. Do not use the 16-digit number on your benefit card. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
 - (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 5. SKIP PART 4. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a food stamp case number, TANF or FDPIR 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:

Lynn Corder
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.** 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 food stamp, TANF or FDPIR 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

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 Food Stamp, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child 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.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly. "In accordance with Federal Law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this institution is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability. To file a complaint of discrimination, write USDA, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410 or call toll free (866) 632-9992 (Voice). Individuals who are hearing impaired or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer."

News from around the 'Middle'

New motto kicks off school year

"CHOICES"

"Correct, Habits, Opportunity, Interested, Community, Energy, Successful"

Correct habits help you make the right choices. Opportunities are provided in school-activities, programs, and sports-are you taking full advantage? Being interested and involved in school will help you succeed in life. Community is where you live. Be supportive and actively involved in helping others. Having positive energy will allow you to be successful. They're YOUR choices-make them good ones!

CHOICES we make now have consequences for life!



CORRECT
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CORRECT HABITS help you make the right choices. **OPPORTUNITIES** are provided in school – activities, programs, and sports – are you taking full advantage? Being **INTERESTED** and involved in school will help you succeed in life. **COMMUNITY** is where you live. Be supportive and actively involved in helping others. Having positive **ENERGY** will allow you to be **SUCCESSFUL**.

They're YOUR choices – make good ones!

Meet the OMS staff at Open House Sept. 22

The OMS Open House will be on Thursday, September 22, 2011, 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!"

2011-12 Bell Schedule

Student May Enter Building	.....7:46 a.m.
Homeroom	..... 7:53-7:57 a.m.
Period 1	..... 8:00-8:41 a.m.
Period 2	..... 8:44-9:25 a.m.
Period 3	..... 9:28-10:09 a.m.
Period 4	..... 10:12-10:55 a.m.
Period 4A	..... 10:12-10:32 a.m.
Period 4B	..... 10:35-10:55 a.m.
Period 5	..... 10:58-11:41 a.m.
Period 5A	..... 10:58-11:18 a.m.
Period 5B	..... 11:21-11:41 a.m.
Period 6	..... 11:44 a.m.-12:27 p.m.
Period 6A	..... 11:44 a.m.-12:04 p.m.
Period 6B	..... 12:07-12:27 p.m.
Period 7	..... 12:30-1:11 p.m.
Period 8	..... 1:14-1:55 p.m.
Period 9	..... 1:58-2:39 p.m.
Student Dismissal	..... 2:39 p.m.

Safety reminder: No parking in OMS bus lane

This is a reminder that there is **NO PARKING** allowed in the OMS bus lane at anytime. 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.



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).

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.

Annual Asbestos Notification

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

The E.P.A. requires re-inspections every three (3) years by an accredited asbestos inspector. This re-inspection was done June 18, 2010, and the results were reviewed by an accredited management planner. The 2010 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.

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

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.

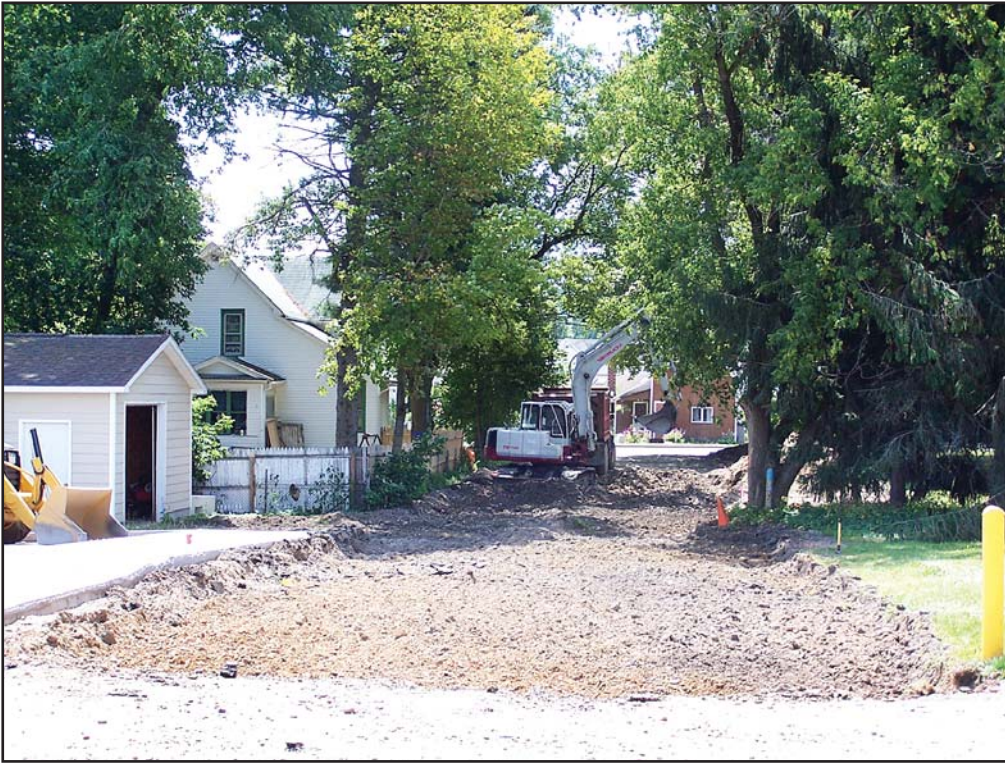
The secondary vocational education opportunities available to district residents under age 21 are available upon request to the High School and Middle School Guidance Departments.

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

As required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Olean City School District does not discriminate on the basis of sex in the educational programs or activities which it provides, including vocational programs. The district does not discriminate in employment of persons on the basis of sex, including recruitment, appointment, salary and benefits, as well as on the basis of handicapping conditions in admission or access to its 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 Mr. Lynn Corder, Title IX Coordinator and Section 504 Coordinator – Phone: 716-375-8097. He can provide information about complaint procedures to any student or employee who feels that his/her rights under Title IX or Section 504 have been violated by the District or its officials. In addition, any student or employee may make an inquiry or complaint directly to the federal office for Civil Rights.

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

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



Construction Changes: Visitors to Boardmanville will notice the results of summer construction work. The most obvious change is the planned repaving of Oviatt Street and the exit lane to Genesee Street. A new sidewalk will also be built along Hamilton Street. The newer Hamilton Street main entrance foyer and office will be completed with large security windows between the foyer and office to allow better controlled access to the building during the school day. In addition, doorways to the new bathrooms will be widened to provide improved access for people with disabilities. New ventilating/heating units will also be installed in classrooms on the upper floors of the 1923 wing. Pictured at left is heavy equipment at work to prepare the parking lot exit to Genesee Street for new pavement.



Boardmanville Elementary School

More Construction Changes: In this photo at left is a view of the new sidewalk being constructed along Hamilton Street.

Welcome, Mrs. Knight! We are happy to welcome Mrs. Kathy Knight to our Boardmanville teaching staff. Mrs. Knight comes to us from East View Elementary, where she taught kindergarten. She will be teaching a third section of kindergarten. We are excited to have her join our school!

Ivers J. Norton Elementary School

IMPORTANT IJN DATES TO REMEMBER

September

- 7 School Opens for Students
- 30 Open House, 6:00 – 8:00

October

- 10 **No School** - Staff Development Day
- 11 **No School** - Staff Development Day
- 24 School Picture Day – tentatively scheduled

November

- 4 End of 1st marking period
- 11 **No School** - Veteran's Day
- 21-22 Parent-Teacher Conferences
(student dismissal at **11:15** a.m.)
- 23-25 **No School** Thanksgiving Recess

Annual Open House and Glenn Colton In Concert:

Please join in the fun during IJN's Open House! On Friday, September 30th, we'll meet in the gymnasium at 6:00 for a special concert by Glenn Colton. Mr. Colton's music will be the highlight of our month long focus on being a 'bully-free' school.

Families will be treated to refreshments and then be given the opportunity to meet our staff, visit your child's classroom, and learn about the happenings/events in the school. Mark your calendars! Hope to see you then!

New to IJN: Please join in welcoming new faces to the IJN community!

Mrs. Lyn Dempsey – Fifth Grade Teacher
(transferring from East View)

Mrs. Margaret Phillips – 4/5 Grade Special
Education Class

Aides to Mrs. Phillips – Christine Flicker,
Ann Dziekonski, and Lori Everetts

Mr. Alan Backer – Building Maintainer



A Trip to the Zoo! Our 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade students had a “roaring” good time on their field trip to the Buffalo Zoo. The students wrote letters after their zoo visit which highlighted their experiences. The polar bears were a big hit, and the reptile house cooled them down as they walked from one exhibit to another. Many thanks go to our IJN parents for their ongoing support of the fund-raising activities that make these trips possible.





A “Cool” Time: Families and friends ended the school year by celebrating at the IJN Carnival. The carnival is sponsored by the PTO and all proceeds go to enhance and enrich the students. The PTO keeps adding more and more activities to this special event. This year the carnival included a dunk tank, which is highlighted in the picture. “Dunkers” included: Mr. Samuelson, 5th grade teacher; Ms. Morey, Physical Education teacher; Mr. Trietley and Mr. Marsfelder, parents of children at the school.

Ivers J. Norton Elementary School

Staying Connected: Welcome to the 2011 – 2012 school year! We look forward to working with you and your family as we together strive to provide the best possible education for our students. Communication between home and school is very important. There are many ways to stay connected: IJN monthly newsletter, Olean City School District Newsletter, Parent/Student Handbook, Student Agenda (for grades 3-5), and our website www.oleanschools.org. This fall our classroom teachers will update their web pages to help keep you more informed. And as always, you can stop in the office or call 375-8941 to share your thoughts, concerns, suggestions, etc.



IJN – Under Construction: Summer time has been busy on the corner of Fourth and Henley! Students will enjoy the new accommodations provided through our building project! New flooring, new ceilings, fresh paint, and best of all a brand new food service area are among the many changes in store! Please note that all students should enter the building through the main door, located on the Henley Street side of the building (middle door).

Open House: East View Elementary School's annual "Open House" will take place Thursday, September 29, 2011, starting at 6:30 p.m. The program will begin in the lower court area with a brief meeting, a PTO presentation, and introductions of the staff. Parents will then report to their respective classrooms. This event gives parents a chance to visit the school, meet the teachers and learn any new procedures for the upcoming school year.

East View Elementary School

Building Project Update: At the time that this article is being written, progress continues on the building project at East View. Exterior windows and doors are being replaced (*center photo*) and a new fence at the rear entrance has been installed (*top photo*). In addition, sidewalks along Spring Street have been installed (*bottom photo*), thanks to a grant acquired by the City of Olean.

Communication Is Important: The staff at East View works hard to ensure that the entire school community is kept informed of all important activities and events that take place throughout the year. In addition to individual classroom notes and newsletters, as well as this Olean School District newsletter, there are various school-wide projects that provide updated information about the school:

- **Monthly newsletter** – sent home with students within the first week of each month, September through June. It may contain information about the PTO or the Building Level Team, important dates, and helpful tips for parents.
- **Parent / Student Handbook** – will be distributed to each East View family at the start of the school year as part of the student agenda in Grades 2-5, or as a family edition in Grades PreK-1. The handbook will be a helpful resource that should be used throughout the year, providing information about school activities, guidelines and procedures.
- **Student Agendas** – are planners that are provided to each student in grades 2-5. In addition to assisting students with organizational skills, the agendas are a great way for teachers and parents to communicate with each other.
- **Web Site** – located within the Olean School District's web site at www.oleanschools.org. In addition, the East View staff's e-mail addresses can be found at this site.
- **Outside Sign** – will be updated on a regular basis, providing information on upcoming events.

We encourage East View parents, along with the entire school community, to use these means of communication and feel free to contact us with your comments, concerns or suggestions.





Parking Lot Construction: The Washington West parking lot has become a Tonka truck's dream this summer with the excavation of the old parking lot (*see photos*). As part of the District's capital project, construction equipment has been roaming the property setting the stage for a brand new bus lane, a student drop-off lane, and dedicated parking areas. The new layout will go a long way toward easing the congestion at high-traffic times and improving the safety of everyone at Washington West.



Washington West Elementary School

Open House: The Washington West community is welcomed to the school's annual Open House on Tuesday, September 13th, at 6:30 p.m. This is a terrific opportunity for parents to meet their child's teachers and see their classrooms. Students love to show their families around, introduce them to the staff, and give them a peek at the activities the students will be engaged in throughout the year.

Open House at Washington West will be a little more exciting this year due to the upgrades in progress throughout the building, including new hallway ceilings, lighting and wiring, restored boys' and girls' bathrooms, and a redesigned parking lot.

The Washington West PTO will be on hand to welcome new families and provide volunteer opportunities for everyone! The group will host an Ice Cream Social on Friday, September 16th, to kick off another successful school year. Parents and families are encouraged to join the PTO and become a greater part of their child's educational experience. Contact the school office for details!



OLEAN CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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**We hope
to see you
at Open House!**

Facility

Date

Time

Washington West	September 13th	6:30 pm
Olean High School	September 21st	6:00 pm
Olean Middle School	September 22nd	6:30 pm
Boardmanville	September 27th	7:00 pm
East View	September 29th	6:30 pm
Ivers J. Norton	September 30th	6:00 pm



**OLEAN CITY
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Mission ...

"Home, School and Community
Educating for Life"

Values ...

- Excellence
- Honesty/Integrity
- Learning
- Mutual Respect
- Resourcefulness
- Responsibility & Accountability
- Sensitivity to Diverse Needs
- Teamwork

Strategic Themes ...

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Facilities & Learning Environment
- Finance/Resource Management
- Building Relationships