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Middle School Hosts Inaugural Science and Tech Academy Summer Camp

Whitesboro sixth, seventh and eighth grade students had a unique opportunity this summer to continue their learning and focus on interests in the STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) fields. Twenty-eight students participated in the Whitesboro Central School District's inaugural Science and Tech Academy – a five-day summer camp that covered a variety of topics including solar power, rocketry, electronics, nanotechnology and robotics.

The program is the result of two years of planning by Middle School Principal Mr. Egresits, Technology Teacher Mr. Casler and Science Teacher Mr. Putnam, aimed at providing a fun and educational alternative to traditional summer camps.

"We wanted to develop a program that would engage our middle school students and keep them interested in STEM during the summer break," said Mr. Casler.

Mr. Casler and Mr. Putnam, along with Middle School Teachers Mrs. Butka and Mr. French, began each day of the camp with a 15-20 minute lesson on a STEM topic followed by hands-on activities for students.

"Our goal was to provide different hands-on lessons each day where students could work on projects and create something to take home with them," said Mr. Putnam.

Some of the week's activities included creating a solar cockroach that used the sun to power a vibrating motor and designing a soda bottle water rocket propelled by water and pressurized air. The Science and Tech Academy wrapped-up on July 20 with a field trip to SUNY Polytechnic Institute, where students learned about robotics and got a firsthand look at the school's STEM classrooms.

The summer camp was made possible by a grant through National Grid and planned with assistance from Mohawk Valley Community College.

Mr. Casler and Mr. Putnam hope to continue and expand the Science and Tech Academy next summer with an even larger group of students!

CALENDAR

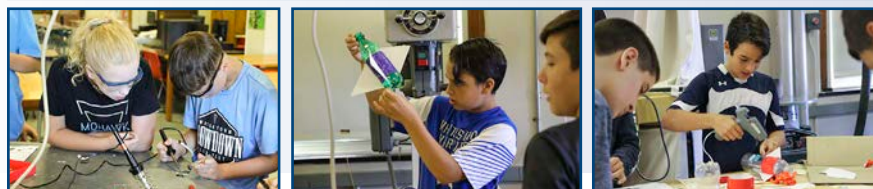
For the complete district calendar, schedule of upcoming events and more district news, please visit www.wboro.org.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6



To view more photos, log on to www.wboro.org.





Dear Parents, Guardians and School Community Members:

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! Together, we have so much to look forward to as we begin a new academic year. As I reflect on what will be my 19th opening of school here in Whitesboro, 3rd as superintendent, my thoughts immediately went to what we aspire to be as a District. Driven by our mission, we are focused on providing the best educational opportunities for our students in an environment that is suited to today's learners. While we have state-of-the-art programs and technology available to our students and staff, if the most basic needs aren't met, the potential they bring will never be realized. One of the most basic needs, safety and security, has underscored much of our planning and work for the upcoming year. To that end, we have done extensive work to ensure our facilities create a safe environment in which teaching and learning can be maximized. Some improvements we have made include:

- Reconfiguring and "hardening" main office reception areas
- Installing a new IP phone system that will allow us to create an integrated safety and security system
- Installing shatter-resistant security film or security screens on all classroom door windows
- Upgrading and expanding our access control system
- Expanding our camera system to better monitor our facilities

As you can see, the safety and security of our schools is, and will continue to be, a focal point of our District. We will continue to provide you with updates as our work is planned and completed.

Of course, our instructional program also underwent considerable review, including the completion of 51 curriculum projects this summer. While too numerous to list here, suffice to say, we are well-positioned to continue providing high-quality educational experiences to our students with the aim of college, career, and citizenship ready graduates - an aim that necessitates a relevant and rigorous K-12 curriculum.

Thank you for your continued support. As a community, we have so much to be proud of and thankful for in our schools. Together, we continue to provide outstanding educational opportunities to our students. Enjoy the rest of your summer. I look forward to our continued work together in pursuit of our mission.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian K. Bellair

Superintendent of Schools

Whitesboro Central School District Welcomes New Staff for the 2018-19 School Year

The Whitesboro Central School District welcomes the following new staff members to the District:

Administrative Staff

Angela Aguiar, *School Lunch Director*

Adam Cleveland, *Information & Technology Director*

David Cognetti, *Assistant Principal*

Joseph Muller, *Assistant Superintendent for Business*

Instructional Staff

Rochelle Arcuri, *Teaching Assistant*

John Destito, *Physical Education*

Meghan Dote, *Special Ed./Science*

Charity Dreier, *Music*

Marie Hage, *ELA (term sub)*

John Andrew Massoud, *English*

Craig Mehler, *Instrumental Music (term sub)*

Christina Murphy, *Spanish*

Jessica Norton, *French*

Shannen O'Brien, *Spanish*

Tyler Schermer, *Grade 1 (term sub)*

Lisa Stalder, *Teaching Assistant*

Dylan Trost, *Special Education (term sub)*

Matthew Vedette, *Math (term sub)*

Jennifer Wagner, *Grade 1 (term sub)*

Jacquelyn Webster, *Kindergarten (term sub)*

School-Related Staff

Jill Bauernfiend, *Nurse*

Sherry Brinck, *Senior Office Specialist I*

Sharon Cosamano, *Food Service*

Jill Dangler, *Float Nurse*

Nicole Dziura, *Teacher Aide*

Karen Grogan, *Teacher Aide*

Robert Heitzman, *Facilities*

Nora Lamica, *Office Specialist I*

Lauren Lascala, *Facilities*

James Loy, *Food Service*

Shannon Matrulli, *Food Service*

Garrett Quayle, *Network Administrator*

Amanda Robertello, *Teacher Aide*

Laura Sharkey, *Teacher Aide*

Anthony Smith, *School Safety Officer*

Jason Smoulcey, *Food Service*

Mary Anne Zakris, *Teacher Aide*



2018-2019 Music Concert Calendar

2018

10/1 (Mon.)	OCMEA Teachers' Recital	HS	7:00 p.m.
10/25 (Thur.)	High School Optimist Club "Collage Concert"	HS	7:00 p.m.
11/14 (Wed.)	9th Grade Girls' Choir & High School Bands Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
11/16-11/17	NYSSMA Zone 4 Area All-State Festival	Fulton HS	
12/3 (Mon.)	7th Gr. Band, 7th Gr. Chorus, 8th Gr. Chorus Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12/5 (Wed.)	Parkway Band, Orchestra and Chorus Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12/6 (Thur.)	Deerfield Holiday Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
12/10 (Mon.)	Marcy Holiday Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
12/11 (Tues.)	Hart's Hill Holiday Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
12/12 (Wed.)	Westmoreland Road Holiday Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
12/13 (Thur.)	MS 7/8 Gr. Orchestra, 8th Gr. Band and Chorale Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12/17 (Mon.)	High School Full Orchestra & A'Cappella Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
12/18 (Tues.)	Weather Contingency Date For December Concerts		

2019

1/9-1/10	OCMEA Junior High Festival Auditions	Westmoreland MS	4:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
2/12 (Tues.)	Hart's Hill Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	HH	6:00 p.m.
2/13 (Wed.)	Deerfield Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	D	6:00 p.m.
2/13 (Wed.)	Marcy Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	M	6:00 p.m.
2/14 (Thur.)	Westmoreland Road Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	WR	6:00 p.m.
2/27-3/1	High School Musical	HS	7:00 p.m.
3/2 (Sun.)	High School Musical	HS	2:00 p.m.
3/11 (Mon.)	MS MIOSM Concert – District Band & Orch., 7th Gr. Band	MS	7:00 p.m.
3/13 (Wed.)	HS Orchestra, Concert Band & A'Cappella Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
3/15-3/16	OCMEA Junior-High All-County Music Festival	Westmoreland HS	
3/19 (Tues.)	MS Tri-Band Festival	Clinton HS	7:00 p.m.
3/20 (Wed.)	HS Tri-Band Festival	Clinton HS	7:00 p.m.
3/21 (Thur.)	Weather Contingency Date For March Concerts		
4/3 (Wed.)	MS & HS Jazz Concert & 9th Grade Girls' Choir Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
4/5-4/6	OCMEA Elementary All-County Music Festival	Remsen HS	
4/10 (Wed.)	Student/Faculty Recital	HS	7:00 p.m.
4/24 (Wed.)	OCMEA Scholarship Auditions	New York Mills HS	
5/6 (Mon.)	MS 7/8th Gr. Orchestra, 7th Gr. Chorus, 8th Gr. Chorus Concert	MS	7:30 p.m.
5/8 (Thur.)	High School Full Orchestra & Band Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
5/9 (Wed.)	Parkway Chorus, Orchestra & Band Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
5/10-5/11	NYSSMA Level 1-4	Sauquoit HS	
5/13 (Mon.)	MS 7th Gr. Band, 8th Gr. Band and Chorale Concert	MS	7:30 p.m.
5/13-14	Majors Festival	Holland Patent HS	
5/15 (Wed.)	Marcy Spring Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
5/16 (Thur.)	Deerfield Spring Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
5/17-5/18	NYSSMA 5-6AS	Central Valley Academy	
5/20 (Mon.)	Hart's Hill Spring Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
5/21 (Tues.)	West Rd. Spring Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
5/22 (Wed.)	HS Vocal Concert including Grade 8 Chorus and Chorale	HS	7:00 p.m.
6/4 (Tues.)	Beginning Band/Orchestra Parent Night	HS	6:00 p.m.
6/22 (Sat.)	Senior Choir/Symphonic Band at Commencement	Adirondack Bank Ctr.	9:30 a.m.

FALL SPORTS Schedules

**Please note that these schedules are subject to change.*

+ Senior Night

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Sat.	8/25	Away	Fulton (Scrim.)	9:30 a.m.
Fri.	8/31	Home	Auburn	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/7	Away	RFA	7:00 p.m.
Sat.	9/15	Away	Jamesville-Dewitt	2:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Home	Central Square	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Away	East Syr.-Minoa	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	10/6	Home	Pine Bush	2:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/12	Home	Carthage+	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/19	Home	TBA	TBD

JV FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Sat.	8/25	Home	Fulton (Scrim.)	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	9/1	Away	Auburn	9:00 a.m.
Sat.	9/8	Home	RFA	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	9/15	Home	Jamesville-Dewitt	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	9/22	Away	Central Square	10:00 a.m.
Sat.	9/29	Away	Watertown	9:30 a.m.
Thur.	10/4	Home	East Syr.-Minoa	4:30 p.m.
Sat.	10/13	Away	Carthage	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	10/20	Home	Indian River	9:30 a.m.

MODIFIED FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	9/19	Away	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Away	CVA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Home	Donovan	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Home	New Hartford	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/17	Home	Oneida	4:00 p.m.
Mon.	10/22	Home	JFK	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	10/27	Home	VVS	10:00 a.m.

BOYS VARSITY/JV SOCCER **

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	8/28	Home	Canadaigua	1:00 p.m.
Fri.	8/31	Away	Tournament	TBD
Sat.	9/1	Away	Tournament	TBD
Thur.	9/6	Home	CVA (Varsity Only)	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/11	Home	Proctor	6:00 p.m.
Thur.	9/13	Away	ND (Varsity Only)	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/18	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/20	Home	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/22	Home	VVS	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/25	Home	Camden	6:00 p.m.
Thur.	9/27	Away	Proctor	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Home	Clinton	6:00 p.m.
Sun.	9/30	Home	Westhill	2:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/2	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/4	Home	RFA+	6:00 p.m.
Thur.	10/11	Away	New Hartford	5:00 p.m.

BOYS MODIFIED SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Fri.	9/14	Home	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Away	Donovan	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Home	CVA	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Home	VVS	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Away	RFA Orange	4:15 p.m.
Mon.	10/1	Home	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Home	RFA Black	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	10/12	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Mon.	10/15	Home	Camden	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/17	Home	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	10/19	Away	Donovan	4:15 p.m.

GIRLS VARSITY/JV SOCCER **

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	8/29	Home	Jamesville-Dewitt/ Marcellus (Scrim.)	11:00 a.m.
Fri.	8/31	Away	Cicero N. Syr. (Scrim.)	12:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/4	Home	Liverpool	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	9/6	Away	CVA	6:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/11	Away	Proctor	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/13	Home	ND (Varsity Only)	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/18	Home	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/20	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/22	Away	VVS	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/25	Away	Camden	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/27	Home	Proctor	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	10/2	Home	Oneida+	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/4	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/6	Home	Clinton	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	10/9	Home	Holland Patent	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/11	Home	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/13	Home	Cicero N. Syr.	12:00 p.m.

GIRLS MODIFIED SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Fri.	9/14	Away	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Home	Donovan	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Away	CVA	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Away	VVS	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Home	RFA Orange	4:15 p.m.
Mon.	10/1	Away	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Home	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Away	RFA Black	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	10/12	Home	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Mon.	10/15	Away	Camden	4:15 p.m.
Wed.	10/17	Away	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	10/19	Home	Donovan	4:15 p.m.

VARSITY FIELD HOCKEY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	8/28	Home	Little Falls (Scrim.)	8:00 a.m.
Fri.	8/31	Home	NYM (Scrim.)	9:00 a.m.
Wed.	9/5	Away	New Hartford	5:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/7	Home	CVA	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/8	Home	TBA (Tournament)	12:00 p.m.
Mon.	9/10	Away	Fayetteville-Manlius	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/12	Away	VVS	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/14	Home	RFA	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Home	Camden	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Home	Oneida	6:00 p.m.
Mon.	9/24	Home	New Hartford	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Away	RFA	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Away	Cicero North-Syr.	6:00 p.m.
Mon.	10/1	Home	ESM	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Home	VVS	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/5	Away	CVA	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Away	Oneida	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/11	Away	Camden	6:00 p.m.

JV FIELD HOCKEY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	8/28	Home	Little Falls (Scrim.)	8:00 a.m.
Wed.	9/5	Away	New Hartford	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/7	Home	CVA	3:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/8	Home	TBA (Tournament)	9:30 a.m.
Mon.	9/10	Away	Fayetteville-Manlius	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/12	Away	VVS	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/14	Home	RFA	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Home	Camden	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Home	Oneida	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/24	Home	New Hartford	4:30 a.m.
Wed.	9/26	Away	RFA	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/28	Away	Cicero-North Syr.	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	10/1	Home	East Syr.-Minoa	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Home	VVS	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/5	Away	CVA	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Away	Oneida	5:00 p.m.
Thur.	10/11	Away	Camden	4:30 p.m.

MODIFIED FIELD HOCKEY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	9/12	Home	VVS (Scrim.)	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/17	Home	CVA	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Home	Camden	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Away	Oneida	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/24	Home	New Hartford	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Home	RFA	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	10/1	Home	Cazenovia	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/3	Away	VVS	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/5	Away	CVA	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	10/9	Home	Oneida	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/12	Home	New Hartford	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	10/15	Away	Camden	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/17	Away	RFA	4:30 p.m.

BOYS/GIRLS VARISTY & MODIFIED CROSS COUNTRY

Day	Date	Location	Location	Time
Sat.	9/15	Away	Inv. @ New Hart.	9:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/18	Home	Triang. @ Deerfield	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/25	Away	Trang. @ RFA	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	9/29	Away	Inv. @ Proc. Park	9:00 a.m.
Tues.	10/2	Away	Triang./Quad @ Proc. Park	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	10/6	Home	Inv. @ Deerfield	8:30 a.m.
Tues.	10/9	Away	Triang./Quad @ NH	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/16	Away	TVL Meet @ TBA	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	10/27	Away	Inv. @ Adirondack	9:00 a.m.

GIRLS VARSITY TENNIS

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Mon.	8/27	Away	Oneida (Tournament)	9:00 a.m.
Fri.	8/31	Away	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/5	Away	New Hartford	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/7	Away	CVA	3:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/10	Home	Proctor	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/12	Away	Camden	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/14	Home	RFA	3:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/17	Home	Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Home	New Hartford	3:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/24	Home	Oneida	3:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Away	VVS	3:30 p.m.

GIRLS MODIFIED TENNIS

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Mon.	9/10	Away	VVS	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/12	Home	Camden	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/19	Away	Chittenango	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Away	Camden	4:00 p.m.
Mon.	9/24	Away	Oneida	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/26	Home	VVS	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/3	Home	Oneida	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/10	Home	Chittenango	4:00 p.m.

GIRLS VARSITY SWIMMING/ DIVING

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	9/5	Away	Home	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/7	Away	TBA	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	9/11	Home	Adirondack	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	9/18	Away	West Canda	4:30 p.m.
Thur.	9/20	Home	Proctor	4:30 p.m.
Thur.	9/27	Home	Holland Patent	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	10/3	Away	Adirondack	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	10/9	Home	West Canada	4:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/11	Away	Proctor	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/12	Away	TBA	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/19	Away	TBA	4:30 p.m.

VARSITY GYMNASTICS

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Mon.	9/10	Away	Baldwinsville	5:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/15	Valley Gym.	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Mon.	9/17	Valley Gym.	East Syr.-Minoa	6:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/21	Valley Gym.	NH/Proctor	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/29	Valley Gym.	TBA	TBD
Wed.	10/3	Valley Gym.	FM/Jamesville-Dewitt	5:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/9	Away	Central Square	5:30 p.m.

****For Junior Varsity Boys and Girls Soccer game times, please visit www.s3tv.org.**

Any schedule cancellations will be posted to www.wboro.org.



Athletic Contests

Admission will be charged for the following home athletic contests:

**Varsity Football
Boys Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball
Girls Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball
Varsity Ice Hockey**

Adult admission is \$2.00 and student admission is \$1.00. When attending an evening athletic contest, all Whitesboro students under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

VIDEOSTREAMING

The Whitesboro Central School District videostreams select athletic contests and other District events, live, on its website. Broadcasts are typically announced on the website at least one day in advance. To watch a live videostream of an event, or to watch one previously recorded, please visit www.wboro.org/videostream.

GOLD PASSES TO COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community members age 60 and older wishing to apply for a Whitesboro Central School Gold Pass should contact Ms. Kim Bunal, district clerk, at the administration building, 65 Oriskany Blvd., Whitesboro, N.Y., or call 315.266.3301. The pass entitles the card bearer to discounted/free admission to all home events.

Proof of residency is required when applying for the card and the pass is effective only as long as an individual is a legal resident of the Whitesboro Central School District.

School Bus Information

The Bus Schedule

Morning pick-up times will begin at the approximate time stated. We ask that students arrive at their bus stop five minutes prior to pick-up time.

Bus arrival times, routing and stops will become finalized several days into the school year. Post cards with initial route/bus information will be sent home the last week of August.

All routes are **subject to change** during the school year.

Stop and Pick-up Times

Approximate times are given for the bus stop on each run. A time pattern for all stops will be established within a few days. Students should be ready at the stop five minutes ahead of the estimated time. Exact arrival times are affected by many factors, including weather, traffic, substitute drivers and mechanical problems. These are suggested times for the first week of school and are **subject to change**. Drivers will notify students of changes.

Bus Safety Guidelines

1. Line up single file as soon as you see the school bus approaching. Do not start toward the bus until it has come to a full stop and the driver has opened the door. If you have to cross the street, wait for the bus driver to signal.
2. Use the handrail when boarding the bus.
3. Be courteous.
4. Do not walk behind the bus.
5. Bus passes must be obtained from school

personnel (available with written permission from parent or guardian) in order to discharge student at another stop other than his/her normal stop.

Items Prohibited on School Buses

For the safety of all riders, students are requested not to carry potentially harmful items on the bus. Nothing should be carried that will interfere with seating, space or safety. The following are examples of items prohibited on the bus:

- Insects or animals of any kind.
- Glass objects and breakable objects.
- Balloons.
- Skate boards.
- Sleds and skis of any kind.
- Any sharp or pointed objects.
- Medicine, medications.
- Projects that don't fit on a student's lap.
- Large musical instruments.
- Weapons of any kind or any object that could be perceived to be a weapon (toy guns, knives, etc.).
- Matches/lighters.

School Bus Rules of Conduct

1. Follow directions of the driver at all times.
2. Stay seated in your seat at all times.
3. Keep all parts of your body in the bus and to yourself.
4. No pushing, shoving or fighting.
5. No eating, drinking, smoking or spitting.
6. Do not litter, write on or damage the bus in any way.

7. Do not use profanity, rude gestures, tease or harass anyone on the bus.

Bus Discipline

Improper behavior may result in the suspension of bus riding privileges. The following procedure is followed when a student's conduct may warrant suspension.

If a Student Chooses to Break a Rule:

- 1st time:** Driver verbally warns student and documents on daily log.
- 2nd time:** Parents contacted by driver or transportation department personnel, documented on daily log form (probationary period begins).
- 3rd time:** Bus Conduct Form issued, parents contacted by Building Administrator, three (3) day bus suspension.
- 4th time:** Five (5) day bus suspension.
- 5th time:** Principal's Hearing (10-30 day bus suspension).
- 6th time:** Superintendent's Hearing.

Severe Disruption

The following inappropriate behavior will result in suspension of transportation privileges **IMMEDIATELY:**

1. Physical harm to student.*
2. Physical harm or threat of physical harm to driver.*

*May result in referral to law enforcement

It's "Back to School" time. School buses are back on the roads, and students are walking along the side of the road and waiting for buses.

- Please watch carefully for children near school buildings, in areas where school buses are traveling or where there are signs for school zones or bus stops.
- Remember that if you are approaching a school bus from either the front or behind, and its yellow lights are flashing, the bus is preparing to stop.
- If the bus' red lights are flashing, **YOU MUST STOP. It's the law!**

This **includes** school buses that are: on the opposite sides of divided highways, on multiple lane roadways, in parking lots and on school grounds.

NOTE: The **only** exception to this law is if the bus driver or a police officer signals that you may pass the bus.

PENALTIES FOR PASSING A STOPPED SCHOOL BUS			
	Minimum Fine	Maximum Fine	Possible Imprisonment
First Conviction	\$250.00	\$400.00	Up to 30 days
Second Conviction (within 3 years)	\$600.00	\$750.00	Up to 180 days
Third or Subsequent Conviction (within 3 years)	\$750.00	\$1,000.00	Up to 180 days

Pesticide Notification

School districts and BOCES are required to maintain a list of parents or guardians who wish to receive written notification 48 hours prior to application of a pesticide that is covered by notification requirements, at their child(ren)'s school/facility. If you wish to be included on the School District Notification List, please contact Kevin Storsberg, director of facilities, at 315.266.3312. You will then receive advance notification of a pesticide application at your child(ren)'s facility of pesticide products covered by notification requirements.

For further information about the products being applied, including any warnings that appear on the label of the pesticide(s) that are pertinent to the protection of humans, animals, or the environment, call the National Pesticide Telecommunication Network at 1.800.858.7378 or the New York State Department of Health Center for Environmental Health at 1.800.458.1158. For additional information on the District's pesticide program, contact Kevin Storsberg at 315.266.3312.

Use of Surveillance Cameras

The Whitesboro Central School District promotes student, staff and visitor safety in all District facilities, grounds and buses. In an attempt to ensure a safe and effective learning environment, the Board of Education supports the use of surveillance cameras, when necessary, in all District facilities, grounds and buses. Surveillance cameras will not be used in public areas and other non-public areas, such as restrooms and locker rooms, where there is reasonable expectation of privacy. Audio recordings will not be made in conjunction with the use of cameras. Such prohibition does not preclude the use of audio recordings by law enforcement or District personnel when used in accordance with their official duties as authorized by law.

Free/Reduced Lunch Application

The Whitesboro Central School District participates in the Federal School Lunch Program and offers free or reduced meals to qualifying students.

Families must apply for these benefits each school year. To avoid a lapse in benefits, applications should be completed no later than October 17. Families can apply at any point throughout the year, especially if family size or income status changes. All applications and resulting eligibility statuses are kept confidential.

Applications are available in the Food Service Office, each building's kitchen and principal's office, as well as online at <http://www.wboro.org/freeandreduced>.

Please call the Food Service Office at 315.266.3315 if you have any questions or need assistance with this process.

AHERA Annual Notification

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA) and the regulations of the Commissioner of Education that require an annual structural safety inspection, a copy of each report is available for review during school hours by appointment. Please contact Kevin Storsberg, director of facilities, at 315.266.3312 if you wish to arrange an appointment, or if you have questions.

Safety staff from the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES performed the inspections as per guidelines.

Tax Information

Please understand that there are many factors that are involved in determining the total tax contribution. Some of the main factors are:

- ▶ The property value assessment determined by each town
- ▶ The equalization rate determined by New York State
- ▶ STAR program adjustment determined by New York State law
- ▶ The tax levy set by the local school board

New School Lunch Pricing

The new 2018-2019 school year prices for all schools are: Breakfast - \$1.25; lunch - \$2.50 and milk - \$.50. To meet mandatory regulations from the USDA, the District must increase school lunch prices to \$2.50 this school year. Prepayment of meals is advised at the elementary level. Details of the prepayment plan will be included in the packet sent home the first day of school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call Angela Aguiar, school lunch director, at 315.266.3315. Thank you for your continued support of the School Lunch Program.



SchoolMessenger - School Communication & Notification System

The Whitesboro Central School District utilizes the SchoolMessenger automated communication system to provide timely information to parents and staff on matters such as attendance, general information, campus emergencies and school closings and delays.

There is no need to sign up for SchoolMessenger, as it uses contact information stored in our student information system. All households with students in the District will be notified by phone when important information needs to be communicated, such as

delays, early dismissals, closings, emergency situations or other important messages.

Please ensure that the District is informed of any changes to your address, home phone, cell phones or place of business throughout the school year. If you do contact the District to update your contact information, please note that it may take up to 24 hours for the information to change in SchoolMessenger.

In the event that you receive an automated call, please listen to the message in its entirety to hear the important information.



Snow Days or Emergencies



The decision to close school, delay the start of school or release students early because of adverse weather conditions (or another emergency situation) is made only after the road conditions in the District are reviewed personally by District staff. The final decision is made by the Superintendent of Schools. If a closing, delay or early dismissal occurs, the media is informed as a soon as possible. Please listen/tune in to the following stations for closing and delay information:

WIBX-950 AM
WRUN-1150 AM
WTLB-1310 AM

WADR-1480 AM
WOUR-96.9 FM
WFRG-104.3 FM

WOKR-93.5 FM
WKLL-94.9 FM
Spectrum News

WUTR-TV Utica
WKTV Utica
WTVH Utica
WIXT-TV Syracuse

All closings, delays and other emergency notifications will be posted to www.wboro.org.

NOTICE OF COMPLIANCE

The Whitesboro Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of gender, race, color, national origin, handicap or age in employment or in providing student access to educational programs, courses and activities. This policy is in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. Any alleged grievances should be reported to the appropriate compliance officer. Compliance officers are as follows: Section 504/ADA Coordinator Beth Ann Blynt, Director of Guidance, Counseling and Pupil Personnel, Whitesboro High School, 6000 State Route 291, Marcy, N.Y. 13403, (315) 266.3240 or the Title IX Coordinator, which is also Beth Ann Blynt.

SPECIAL EDUCATION NOTICE

If you believe your child may have an educational disability and is in need of special education services, please contact the Office of Special Programs at 315.266.3309.

If you are interested in serving as a parent member for the Whitesboro Committee on Special Education, please call the Office of Special Programs at 315.266.3309 for information and eligibility criteria.

Medication During the School Day

School policies regarding administration of medication are consistent with procedures established by state education law.

For students to receive medication (prescription or non-prescription, including cough drops and other "over-the-counter" medication) during the school day, the following procedures **MUST** be followed and renewed each year:



- The parent or legal guardian must submit a written request to school authorities, along with a written request from the prescribing physician, indicating the frequency and dosage.
- The medication must be brought to school by a responsible adult in the original container labeled with the name of the medication and the dosage.

These procedures must be followed in order for medication to be administered in school.

STUDENT PHYSICALS

New York State Education Law requires that each new entrant to the District and students in kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th and 11th grades must have a physical examination, either by the school nurse practitioner or family physician. Vision, hearing and scoliosis screenings per NYS regulations will be done by the school nurse.

Please communicate with the school nurse if you will have your family physician provide the physical examination. The family physician will need to complete a physician's report form (available from the school nurse) and submit it to the nurse.

For complete New York State Immunization Requirements for School Entrance/Attendance, please refer to the Health Department page on www.wboro.org.

STUDENTS MAY NOT CARRY MEDICATION WITH THEM

ATTENTION PARENTS OF FOURTH GRADE BAND AND ORCHESTRA STUDENTS:

Please make sure to reserve or make arrangements to have an instrument for your child by the start of school - music lessons will begin the week of **September 10**. If you have any questions or need any assistance, please contact the appropriate teacher listed below. We look forward to your child's participation in our program!

Deerfield Elementary School

Band – Jessica Decker (jdecker@wboro.org)
Orchestra – Lauralee Driscoll (ldriscoll@wboro.org)

Hart's Hill Elementary School

Band – Gregory Clark (gclark@wboro.org)
Orchestra – Lauralee Driscoll (ldriscoll@wboro.org)

Westmoreland Road Elementary School

Band – Gregory Clark (gclark@wboro.org)
Orchestra – Nicholas Limina (nlimina@wboro.org)

Marcy Elementary School

Band – Gregory Clark (gclark@wboro.org)
Orchestra – Charity Dreier (cdreier@wboro.org)

2018-2019 Test Dates

ACT		SAT	
Test Date	Registration	Test Date	Registration
Oct. 27, 2018*	Sept. 28, 2018	Oct. 6, 2018	Sept. 7, 2018
Dec. 8, 2018	Nov. 2, 2018	Nov. 3, 2018*	Oct. 5, 2018
Apr. 13, 2019	Mar. 8, 2019	Dec. 1, 2018	Nov. 2, 2018
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	Mar. 9, 2019	Feb. 8, 2019
		May 4, 2019*	Apr. 5, 2019
		June 1, 2019*	May 3, 2019

* Test offered at Whitesboro High School

CEEB NUMBER

Parents of students filling out the FAFSA, SAT or ACT forms will need to know the school code number, which is:

335960

Working Papers

Before starting employment, students 14-18 years of age are required by New York State law to have working papers. There are restrictions on the type of work and the number of hours a student can work, particularly during the school year.

Students should apply for working papers at least one week before the start of employment to allow time for the paperwork to be processed. Students must provide proof of age and proof of physical fitness to work. School records can provide proof of age for students registered at Whitesboro High School. The high school nurse can provide proof of physical fitness for students whose physicals have been done in school for sports. Students may also submit written documentation from their private physician.

Application forms (working papers) can be picked up in the High School Nurse's Office. Students should return their completed form to the nurse's office. The nurse will then verify that the student has had a physical within the last year and will attach a "Certificate of Physical Fitness" form, forwarding everything to the Student Activities Office, where the student will pick up their employment certificate (working card).

Student Directory Information Policy

New York State law allows school districts to release student directory information to an outside group without individual consent. Parents or eligible students have the right to refuse the release of such information by notifying Mrs. Beth Ann Blynt, Records Information Officer, in writing, no later than October 1 of the school year. Following this response period, the District may release such information.

The Family Education and Rights Privacy Act (FERPA) defines student directory information as the following: name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height (if members of athletic teams), degrees and awards received and the name of the educational agency or institution previously attended by the student.

High School Student Parking

Driving a motor vehicle and parking on school property is a privilege granted to seniors first. If there are available spaces, juniors may become eligible through a lottery held in October.

There are designated areas for parking at the High School. Students must park in white lined areas only (including designated parking in the west end of the north parking lot). Staff parking is indicated by yellow lines; signs designate visitor areas. Anyone using a handicap space must have appropriate handicap identification on their vehicle or, for temporary reasons, must contact the Student Activities Office to secure permission.

Daily parking permits may be issued to students for medical reasons or for an out-of-district education program for which transportation is not provided. Unacceptable reasons for granting day passes are:

- Participation in school sports or activities
- Work
- Tutor
- Any other reason not specified in acceptable criteria listed above

If you have questions or concerns, contact the Student Activities Office between 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at 315.266.3230.

Listed below are telephone numbers for the Whitesboro Central School District. Please clip and save.



Whitesboro Central Schools

2018-2019 Telephone Directory

Central Office Building

Administration.....	315.266.3300
Fax.....	315.768.9730
Superintendent.....	315.266.3303
District Clerk.....	315.266.3301
Assistant Superintendent for Learning.....	315.266.3302
Assistant Superintendent for Business.....	315.266.3306
Director of Special Programs and Services.....	315.266.3309

Business Office Staff

Treasurer.....	315.266.3317
Payroll.....	315.266.3329
Accounts Payable.....	315.266.3333
Employee Health Insurance.....	315.266.3321
Employee Attendance.....	315.266.3319
Fax.....	315.266.3340

Facilities and Maintenance

Director.....	315.266.3312
Fax.....	315.768.9745

Food Service Department

Director.....	315.266.3315
Fax.....	315.266.3342

Human Resources.....

Fax.....	315.768.9730
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Information Technology

Director.....	315.266.3314
Fax.....	315.266.3351

Teacher Center.....

Fax.....	315.768.9770
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Transportation Department

Director.....	315.768.9740
Fax.....	315.768.9742

Deerfield Elementary.....

Principal.....	315.266.3410
Nurse.....	315.266.3412
Fax.....	315.266.3414
Fax.....	315.797.7145
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3416

Hart's Hill Elementary.....

Principal.....	315.266.3430
Nurse.....	315.266.3432
Fax.....	315.266.3434
Fax.....	315.768.9855
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3435

Marcy Elementary.....

Principal.....	315.266.3420
Nurse.....	315.266.3422
Fax.....	315.266.3424
Fax.....	315.735.3358
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3443

Westmoreland Road Elementary.....

Principal.....	315.266.3440
Nurse.....	315.266.3442
Fax.....	315.266.3444
Fax.....	315.768.9789

Parkway Elementary.....

Assistant Principal.....	315.266.3175
Nurse.....	315.266.3176
Guidance.....	315.266.3164
Fax.....	315.266.3165
Fax.....	315.768.9882
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3128

Middle School.....

Principal.....	315.266.3100
Assistant Principal.....	315.266.3110
Nurse.....	315.266.3118
Guidance.....	315.266.3114
Attendance.....	315.266.3112
Whitesboro Teachers Association.....	315.266.3117
Fax (Main Office).....	315.736.2365
Fax (Nurse).....	315.768.9770
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3145

High School.....

Principal.....	315.266.3200
Main Office.....	315.266.3216
Assistant Principal, 9-10.....	315.266.3210
Assistant Principal, 11-12.....	315.266.3228
Director of Health, Phys. Ed. & Athletics.....	315.266.3228
Nurse.....	315.266.3215
Attendance.....	315.266.3214
Guidance Director.....	315.266.3233
Transcript.....	315.266.3240
Psychologist.....	315.266.3222
Social Worker.....	315.266.3260
Fax (Main Office).....	315.266.3245
Fax (Guidance).....	315.266.3223
Fax (Athletic Department).....	315.768.9848
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3225
Fax (Nurse).....	315.266.3234



WHITESBORO CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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The Whitesboro Central School District Board of Education meets at 7:00 p.m., unless noted otherwise. Meetings are held at the Administration Building at 65 Oriskany Blvd. in Whitesboro, or at one of the school buildings in the District. Please visit www.wboro.org/boemeeting for the complete meeting schedule.

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

High School

September 24, 6:55 p.m.

Middle School (Grades 7/8)

September 20, 6:30 p.m.

Parkway (Grade 6)

September 17, 6:30 p.m.

Deerfield Elementary

September 11, 6:00 p.m.

Hart's Hill Elementary

September 12,

K-2: 6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m.;

Special Area: 6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m.;

3-5: 7:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Marcy Elementary

September 13,

K-2: 6:00 p.m.-6:40 p.m.;

Special Area: 6:30 p.m.-7:15 p.m.;

3-5: 6:50 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Westmoreland Road

Elementary

September 26, 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Board of Education Meeting Schedule

September 11, 2018 - Parkway

October 2, 2018 - Deerfield Elementary

November 6, 2018 - Marcy Elementary

December 4, 2018 - Parkway

January 8, 2019 - Westmoreland Road Elementary

February 5, 2019 - Hart's Hill Elementary

March 12, 2019 - Middle School

April 2, 2019 - Parkway

April 23, 2019 - Parkway

May 14, 2019 - Public Budget Hearing, High School

May 21, 2019 - **School Budget Vote and BOE Election**

June 11, 2019 - Parkway

All meetings begin at 7:00 p.m. unless noted otherwise.