

SCHOOL BEGINS THURSDAY, SEPT. 4



Whitesboro

"Home of the Warriors"

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Central School District Newsletter

Megan Nowak Places in National Skills USA Competition

Whitesboro high school junior Meghan Nowak won fifth place in the Skills USA National Competition for her outstanding work in the area of cosmetology.

Nowak, a student in the cosmetology program at the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES, placed first in Syracuse at the Action Skills State Competition in April, and was thus selected to represent OHM BOCES in the national competition in Kansas City, Missouri in July.

Nowak will continue her education in the BOCES program next year as a Cosmetology II student.

Pictured: Meghan Nowak (far right) accompanied by her model, Lauren Banovic, Westmoreland CSD (far left), Skills USA Co-Advisor Kimberly Petronella, and Trevon Heyward, Utica CSD, Area 2 Vice President and first OHM BOCES state officer for Skills USA.



A Message from the Superintendent

On behalf of the Board of Education, I would like to thank our community for their continued support of the children in the Whitesboro Central School District. As we kick off the 2014-2015 school year, we look forward to the exciting opportunities our students receive from their Whitesboro education. An integral part of our educational program is the extensive extracurricular opportunities that we offer. Students have many options as they progress through their years in our District to become involved with activities that help supplement the learning experiences they receive in the classroom. It is always great to see parents, other family members, and community residents attend

many of the functions and get actively involved in the educational process. Please join us this year and attend many of the events that engage our students.

It is with great enthusiasm that we embrace the new educational challenges that have been presented to us. With your continued support, I am certain that our students will be successful at higher levels than ever before.

Sincerely,
Dave Langone
Superintendent

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 pesticide that is covered by notification requirements, at their child(ren)'s facility. If you wish to be included on the School District Notification List, please contact Kevin Storsberg at 266.3312. You will then receive advance notification of a pesticide application at your child(ren)'s facility of pesticide product 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 266.3312.

TAX INFORMATION

The fall of the year always brings new tax bills for homeowners. Please understand that there are many factors that are involved in determining the total tax contribution. Several factors include:

- ▶ 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 local school boards

SchoolMessenger - School Communication & Notification System

Whitesboro Central School District utilizes the SchoolMessenger automated communication system to provide timely information to parents, faculty and staff on matters such as attendance, general information, campus emergencies, snow closures, and school closings. The system replaced the Ed-Alert system previously used for emergency and non-emergency communications from the District.

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, snow cancellations, 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 important information.

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

Whitesboro Central Schools 2014-2015 Telephone Directory

Central Office Building

Administration.....	266.3300
Fax.....	768.9730
Superintendent.....	266.3303
District Clerk.....	266.3301
Assistant Superintendent for Learning.....	266.3302
Assistant Superintendent for Business.....	266.3306
Dir. of Special Services and Programs.....	266.3309

Business Office Staff

Treasurer.....	266.3317
Payroll.....	266.3329
Accounts Payable.....	266.3333
Employee Health Insurance.....	266.3321
Employee Attendance.....	266.3319
Fax.....	266.3340

Facilities and Maintenance

Director.....	266.3312
Fax.....	266.3346

Information Technology

Director.....	266.3314
Fax.....	266.3342

Food Service Department

Director.....	266.3315
Fax.....	266.3342

Human Resources	266.3338
Fax.....	768.9730

Teacher Center

.....	266.3313
Fax.....	266.3342

Transportation Department

Supervisor.....	768.9740
Fax.....	768.9742

Deerfield Elementary	266.3410
Principal.....	266.3412
Nurse.....	266.3414
Fax.....	797.7145

Harts Hill Elementary	266.3430
Principal.....	266.3432
Nurse.....	266.3434
Fax.....	768.9855

Marcy Elementary	266.3420
Principal.....	266.3422
Nurse.....	266.3424
Fax.....	735.3358

Westmoreland Road Elementary	266.3440
Principal.....	266.3442
Nurse.....	266.3444
Fax.....	768.9789

Parkway Elementary	266.3175
Assistant Principal.....	266.3176
Nurse.....	266.3164
Guidance.....	266.3165
Fax.....	768.9882

Middle School	266.3100
Principal.....	266.3110
Assistant Principal.....	266.3118
Nurse.....	266.3114
Guidance.....	266.3112
Attendance.....	266.3117
Whitesboro Teachers Association.....	736.2365
Fax (Main Office).....	768.9770
Fax (Nurse).....	266.3145

High School	266.3200
Principal.....	266.3216
Main Office.....	266.3210
Assistant Principal, Student Activities.....	266.3228
Assistant Principal, Curriculum.....	266.3228
Physical Education Director.....	266.3215
Nurse.....	266.3214
Attendance.....	266.3233
Guidance Director.....	266.3240
Transcript.....	266.3222
Psychologist.....	266.3260
Social Worker.....	266.3245
Fax (Main Office).....	266.3223
Fax (Guidance).....	768.9848
Fax (Athletic Department).....	266.3225
Fax (Nurse).....	266.3234

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 at 266.3312 if you wish to arrange an appointment or if you have questions.

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

New School Lunch Pricing

The new 2014-2015 school year prices for all schools are: Breakfast - \$.90; lunch - \$2.20 and milk - \$.50. To meet mandatory regulations from the USDA, the District is forced to increase school lunch prices to \$2.20 this school year. To meet future requirements, lunch price increases will be based on the USDA Equity in School Lunch Pricing equation. The USDA requires school districts to gradually meet the national average school lunch price, which is currently \$2.46. 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 Kate Dorr, director of food service, at 266.3315. Thank you for your continued support of the School Lunch Program.

2014-2015 Concert Dates

10.06.14	OCMEA Teachers' Recital	HS	7:00 p.m.
10.23.14	High School Optimist Club "Collage Concert"	HS	7:00 p.m.
11.20.14	9th Grade Girls Chorus and High School Bands Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
TBA	NYSSMA Zone 4 Area All-State Festival at TBA (Herkimer County)		
12.3.14	Parkway Band, Orchestra, Chorus Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12.4.14	MS 7th Gr. Band, 7th Gr. Chorus, and 8th Gr. Chorus Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12.8.14	Westmoreland Road Elementary Holiday Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
12.10.14	Marcy Elementary Holiday Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
12.11.14	Deerfield Holiday Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
12.15.14	MS 7/8th Gr. Orchestra, 8th Gr. Band and Chorale Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
12.16.14	Hart's Hill Elementary Holiday Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
12.17.14	HS Full Orchestra & A'Cappella Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
12.18.14	Weather Contingency Date for December Concerts		
1.14.15	OCMEA Junior High Festival Auditions (Snow Date: 1/15)	Clinton	
2.4.15	Student/Faculty Recital #1	HS	7:00 p.m.
2.10.15	Hart's Hill Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	Hart's Hill	6:00 p.m.
2.11.15	Deerfield Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	Deerfield	6:00 p.m.
2.11.15	Marcy Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	Marcy	6:00 p.m.
2.12.15	Westmoreland Rd. Beginning Orchestra/Band Concert	West. Rd.	6:00 p.m.
3.4-7.15	High School Musical	HS	7:00 p.m.
3.16.15	MS MIOSM Concert - District Band & Orchestra, 7th Gr. Band	MS	7:00 p.m.
3.18.15	HS Orchestra, Concert Band & A'Cappella Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
3.20-21.15	OCMEA Junior High All-County Music Festival	Clinton	
3.23.15	MS Tri-Band Festival	Whitesboro	7:00 p.m.
3.24.15	HS Tri-Band Festival	Whitesboro	7:00 p.m.
3.25.15	Weather Contingency Date for March Concerts		
4.15.15	Pops Concert - MS & HS Jazz Ensembles, 9th Gr. Girls' Chorus	HS	7:00 p.m.
4.17-18.15	OCMEA Elementary All-County Music Festival	Westmoreland	
TBA	OCMEA Scholarship Auditions	Oriskany	
4.29.15	Student/Faculty Recital #2	HS	7:00 p.m.
5.2.15	4th Annual Richard C. Robinson Memorial Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
5.4.15	MS 7th/8th Gr. Orchestra, 7th Gr. Chorus & 8th Gr. Chorus Concert	MS	7:30 p.m.
5.6.15	Parkway Chorus, Orchestra & Band Concert	MS	7:00 p.m.
5.7.15	HS Full Orchestra & Bands Concert	HS	7:00 p.m.
5.11.15	MS 7th Gr. Band, 8th Gr. Band & Chorale Concert	MS	7:30 p.m.
5.12.15	Deerfield Elementary Spring Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
5.13.15	Marcy Elementary Spring Concert	HS	6:30 p.m.
5.14.15	Hart's Hill Elementary Spring Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
5.19.15	Westmoreland Road Elementary Spring Concert	MS	6:30 p.m.
5.20.15	High School Vocal Concert including Gr. 8 Chorus & Chorale	HS	7:00 p.m.
6.9.15	Beginning Band/Orchestra Parent Night	HS	6:30 p.m.
6.27.15	Senior Choir/Symphonic Band-Graduation Ceremony	Utica Aud.	

High School Guidance

2014-2015 Test Dates

ACT		SAT	
Test Date	Registration	Test Date	Registration
Sept. 13, 2014	Aug. 8, 2014	Oct. 11, 2014	Sept. 12, 2014
Oct. 25, 2014*	Sept. 19, 2014	Nov. 8, 2014*	Oct. 9, 2014
Dec. 13, 2014	Nov. 7, 2014	Dec. 6, 2014	Nov. 6, 2014
April 18, 2015	Mar. 13, 2015	Jan. 24, 2015	Dec. 29, 2014
Jun. 13, 2015	May 8, 2015	Mar. 14, 2015	Feb. 12, 2015
		May 2, 2015*	Apr. 6, 2015
		Jun. 6, 2015*	May 8, 2015

* Test offered at Whitesboro High School

CEEB NUMBER

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

335960

Working Papers

Students 14-18 years old are required by New York State law to have working papers before starting on any job. There are restrictions on the type of work and the number of hours students can work, particularly during the school year.

Students should apply for working papers at **least one week before starting work** to allow time for processing the paperwork. 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 school nurse can provide proof of physical fitness for students whose physicals have been done in school for sports. Students may also bring written documentation from their private physician.

Application forms may be picked up in the nurse's office. Students should return the completed form to the nurse at school. She will verify that the student has had a physical within the last year, attach a "Certificate of Physical Fitness" form and forward 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.

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 will park in white lined areas only (including designated parking in the west end of the north parking lot). Staff parking is in 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 are available for health reasons of a student or family member 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.

Any questions or concerns, contact the Student Activities Office between 7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at 266.3230.

Fall 2014 Sports Schedules

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Sat.	8/30	Home	E. Syr. Minoa	10:00 a.m.
Fri.	9/5	Home	Cortland	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/12	Away	Jamesville-DeWitt	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/19	Home	New Hartford	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	9/26	Away	Indian River	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/3	Away	Fulton	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/10	Home	Watertown	7:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/17	Home	Carthage	7:00 p.m.

BOYS JV FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Sat.	8/30	Home	E. Syr. Minoa	10:00 a.m.
Sat.	9/6	Away	Cortland	10:00 a.m.
Sat.	9/13	Home	Jamesville-Dewitt	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	9/20	Away	New Hartford	9:30 a.m.
Thur.	9/25	Home	Indian River	5:00 p.m.
Sat.	10/4	Home	Fulton	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	10/11	Away	Watertown	9:30 a.m.
Sat.	10/18	Away	Carthage	9:30 a.m.

BOYS MODIFIED FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	9/17	Away	Oneida	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/24	Home	JFK	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/1	Away	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/8	Away	CVA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/15	Home	Donovan	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/22	Home	New Hartford	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/29	Away	RFA	4:00 p.m.

BOYS VARSITY SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	8/27	Home	Sauquoit	10:00 a.m.
Fri.	8/29	Away	Poland	11:00 a.m.
Fri.	9/5	Away	Clinton	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/6	Away	Clinton	12:30 p.m.
Tues.	9/9	Home	New Hartford	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	9/11	Away	Central Valley	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/16	Home	Oneida	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	9/18	Away	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/20	Home	RFA	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/23	Home	Proctor	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/30	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/2	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/4	Away	Nottingham	1:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/7	Home	Central Valley	6:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/9	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.

Sat.	10/11	Home	Watertown	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/14	Home	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/16	Away	Proctor	4:15 p.m.

BOYS MODIFIED SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	9/16	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/18	Home	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/25	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/27	Home	CVA	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/30	Home	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/2	Home	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	10/7	Away	CVA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/9	Home	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	10/14	Away	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/18	Home	RFA	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	10/21	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/23	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.

GIRLS VARSITY SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	8/27	Away	Baldwinsville	3:30 p.m.
Fri.	8/29	Away	Skaneateles	10:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/2	Away	Cicero-N. Syr.	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/5	Away	RFA	6:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/9	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/11	Home	CVA	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/16	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/18	Home	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	9/23	Away	Proctor	4:15 p.m.
Fri.	9/26	Home	Liverpool	6:30 p.m.
Tues.	9/30	Home	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/2	Home	New Hartford	6:30 p.m.
Tues.	10/7	Away	CVA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/9	Home	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/11	Home	Cicero-N. Syr.	2:00 p.m.
Tues.	10/14	Away	Notre Dame	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/16	Home	Proctor	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	10/18	Away	Liverpool	5:00 p.m.

GIRLS MODIFIED SOCCER

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	9/16	Home	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/18	Away	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	9/25	Home	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	9/27	Away	CVA	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/30	Away	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/2	Away	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	10/7	Home	CVA	4:15 p.m.

Thur.	10/9	Away	Oneida	4:15 p.m.
Tues.	10/14	Home	JFK	4:15 p.m.
Sat.	10/18	Away	RFA	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	10/21	Home	RFA	4:15 p.m.
Thur.	10/23	Home	New Hartford	4:15 p.m.

VARSITY FIELD HOCKEY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Wed.	8/27	Away	Little Falls	5:00 p.m.
Thur.	8/28	Home	Clinton	10:00 a.m.
Fri.	9/5	Away	Mt. Markham	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/8	Home	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/10	Home	New Hartford	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/12	Home	Little Falls	4:30 p.m.
Sat.	9/13	Home	Liverpool	2:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/15	Home	VVS	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	9/17	Away	Holland Patent	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/23	Away	Camden	5:45 p.m.
Sat.	9/27	Away	Liverpool	5:00 p.m.
Mon.	9/29	Home	CVA	6:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/1	Away	New Hartford	4:00 p.m.
Fri.	10/3	Away	VVS	4:00 p.m.
Mon.	10/6	Home	Holland Patent	4:00 p.m.
Wed.	10/8	Away	RFA	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/15	Home	Camden	6:30 p.m.
Fri.	10/17	Away	CVA	4:00 p.m.

GIRLS MODIFIED FIELD HOCKEY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Thur.	9/18	Home	Mt. Markham	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	9/22	Away	New Hartford	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	9/24	Away	RFA	4:30 p.m.
Fri.	9/26	Home	Holland Patent	4:30 p.m.
Tues.	9/30	Away	VVS	4:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/2	Home	Camden	4:30 p.m.
Mon.	10/6	Away	Mt. Markham	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/8	Home	New Hartford	4:30 p.m.
Wed.	10/15	Away	Holland Patent	4:30 p.m.
Sat.	10/18	Home	VVS	11:00 a.m.
Tues.	10/21	Away	Camden	4:30 p.m.
Thur.	10/23	Home	RFA	4:30 p.m.

VARSITY CROSS COUNTRY

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues.	9/9	Home	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	9/13	Away	VVS Invit.	9:00 a.m.
Tues.	9/16	Home	New Hartford	4:00 p.m.
Tues.	9/23	Away	Central Valley	4:00 p.m.
Sat.	9/27	Away	EJ Hermann Inv.	9:00 a.m.

Tues. 9/30	Home	Oneida	4:00 p.m.
Sat. 10/4	Home	Wboro Invit.	9:00 a.m.
Tues. 10/7	Away	Notre Dame	4:00 p.m.
Sat. 10/11	Away	RFA Invit.	12:00 p.m.
Tues. 10/14	Away	Proctor	4:00 p.m.
Sat. 10/25	Away	Adirondack Inv.	9:00 a.m.

VARSITY GYMNASTICS

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Mon. 9/15	Home		Proctor	7:00 p.m.
Mon. 9/22	Home		Baldwinsville	
			Proctor	6:30 p.m.
Tues. 9/30	Away		E. Syr. Minoa	5:30 p.m.
Thur. 10/2	Away		Central Square	5:00 p.m.
Thur. 10/9	Home		New Hartford	6:00 p.m.
Thur. 10/16	Home		Jamesville DeWitt	
			Fayetteville-Manlius	6:00 p.m.
Tues. 10/21	Away		RFA	5:00 p.m.
Fri. 10/24	Away		Sectionals	9:00 a.m.

VARSITY TENNIS

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Thur. 8/28	Away		Camden	2:00 p.m.
Wed. 9/3	Home		RFA	4:00 p.m.
Fri. 9/5	Home		New Hartford	3:30 p.m.
Mon. 9/8	Away		CVA	3:30 p.m.
Wed. 9/10	Home		Oneida	3:30 p.m.
Fri. 9/12	Away		Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.

Mon. 9/15	Home	Proctor	3:30 p.m.
Wed. 9/17	Away	VVS	3:30 p.m.
Thur. 9/18	Home	Camden	3:30 p.m.
Fri. 9/19	Away	RFA	4:00 p.m.
Mon. 9/22	Away	New Hartford	3:30 p.m.
Wed. 9/24	Home	CVA	3:30 p.m.
Fri. 9/26	Away	Oneida	3:30 p.m.
Mon. 9/29	Home	Notre Dame	3:30 p.m.
Tues. 9/30	Home	VVS	3:30 p.m.
Wed. 10/1	Away	Proctor	3:30 p.m.

GIRLS VARSITY SWIMMING

Day	Date	Location	Opponent	Time
Tues. 9/9	Away		Proctor	4:30 p.m.
Thur. 9/11	Away		Holland Patent	4:30 p.m.
Sat. 9/13	Away		League Invit.	11:00 a.m.
Tues. 9/16	Home		RFA	4:30 p.m.
Thur. 9/18	Away		W. Canada Valley	4:30 p.m.
Tues. 9/23	Home		Cooperstown	5:00 p.m.
Thur. 9/25	Away		Sherb.-Earlville	4:30 p.m.
Tues. 9/30	Home		Adirondack	4:30 p.m.
Thur. 10/2	Home		Proctor	4:30 p.m.
Tues. 10/7	Away		New Hartford	5:00 p.m.
Thur. 10/9	Home		Holland Patent	4:30 p.m.
Tues. 10/14	Away		RFA	4:30 p.m.
Sat. 10/18	Away		Division Meet	11:00 a.m.
Sat. 10/25	Away		Div. Diving Meet	11:00 a.m.

** Please note that these schedules are subject to change at a moment's notice.*



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.

Preschool Program at the High School

When:

Tuesday & Thursday
1:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Oct. 9 - Dec. 18 and then again March-May

Where:

Room 528 at Whitesboro High School

Information:

For more information, e-mail DHorn@wboro.org or call the high school at 266.3200. Please leave your name and address. E-mails will receive a response, **phone calls cannot be returned**. Registration information will be mailed to you in early September.

Registration:

September 25, from 1:30 - 2:00 p.m. in room 528

This program is run by the Family and Consumer Science teacher Mrs. Horn with her Early Childhood - Preschool class. The students plan activities for the children under the teacher's direction. The program stresses social development and getting used to school transitions by following a schedule of free play, circle time, music or game, arts and other, math or movement/muscle control. It is free of charge.

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 pickup time.

Bus arrival times, routing and stops will become finalized several days into the school year.

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. Plan to 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

- 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.
- Use the handrail when boarding the bus.
- Be courteous.
- Do not walk behind the bus.
- 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 conceived to be a weapon (toy guns, knives, etc.).
- Matches/lighters.

School Bus Rules of Conduct

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

- 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 bus garage personnel, documented on daily log form (probationary period begins). Bus Conduct Form Issued, Parents contacted by Building Administrator, three (3) day bus suspension.
- 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-possible removal from bus.

Severe Disruption

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

- Physical harm to student.
- Physical harm or threat of physical harm to driver. (May result in arrest).

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 it's yellow lights are flashing, the bus is preparing to stop.
- If the buses 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 \$\$

By Conviction	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

Middle School Information

Information regarding Middle School supply lists is available on the web. Simply click on the grade level that your child is entering and read the information carefully. If you have not yet purchased supplies for your child, you may want to take advantage of some of the sales going on.

In addition, any updates to your child's health, including recent physical exams for incoming seventh grade students and vaccination information for sixth grade students can be faxed or mailed in to the appropriate nurse:

Grades 7 and 8: Attention Mrs. Scharbach (fax 266.3145)
Grade 6: Attention Mrs. Farrell (fax 768.9882)

Snow Days or Emergencies

The decision to close schools because of adverse weather conditions is made only after the road conditions in the district are reviewed personally by district staff. The final decision is made by the superintendent after consulting with staff who have checked conditions. News media are then informed of the decision.

If the weather is bad, please tune in to one of the following stations, and/or check the district website at www.wboro.org.

WIBX - 950 AM
WRUN - 1150 AM
WTLB - 1310 AM
WADR - 1480 AM
WOUR - 96.9 FM
WFRG - 104.3 FM

WKLL - 94.9 FM
WLZW - 98.7 FM
TIME WARNER CABLE NEWS - Syracuse
WKTV - Utica
WIXT-TV - Syracuse
WTVH - Syracuse

Check Us Out on the Web

www.wboro.org

As part of continuing efforts to provide updated information to parents, students, community members, and staff, the Whitesboro CSD has transitioned to a redesigned website. The district website includes streamlined navigation menus and dedicated buttons to help district stakeholders quickly find the information they need.

The District website also includes a district calendar, a consolidated "Upcoming Events" feed, news and announcements, and more. The calendar system enables visitors to view all school and district calendars on a single page, with the ability to filter events by type. The website is accessible from mobile devices, such as tablets and smartphones.

Website content will continually be added and updated during the 2014-2015 school year.

Special Education Notice:

If you believe your child may have an educational disability and in need of special education services, please contact the Office of Special Programs at 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 266.3309 for information and eligibility criteria.

Use of Surveillance Cameras

The Whitesboro Central School District promotes student, staff and visitor safety in all District facilities, grounds or buses. In order that we may ensure a safe and effective learning environment, the Board promotes the use of surveillance cameras when necessary in all District facilities, grounds or buses. Surveillance cameras will be used in public areas and other nonpublic areas; except areas such as restrooms, where there is reasonable expectation of privacy. Audio recordings may be made in conjunction with the use of cameras.

Gold Passes to Community Events

Community members age 60 and older wishing to apply for a Whitesboro Central School Gold Pass should contact Ms. Elsa Davis, district clerk, in the administration building, 65 Oriskany Blvd., Whitesboro, N.Y., or call 266.3301. The pass entitles the card bearer to discounted/free admission for all events involving Whitesboro Central School students in or on Whitesboro Central School property.

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.

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 start of school as the first music lessons will begin the week of September 8. 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 (jdecke@wboro.org)

Orchestra – Lauralee Driscoll (ldriscoll@wboro.org)

Hart's Hill Elementary Schools

Band – Gregory Clark (gclark@wboro.org)

Orchestra – Lauralee Driscoll (ldriscoll@wboro.org)

Westmoreland Road Elementary School

Band – Gregory Clark (gclark@wboro.org)

Orchestra – Susan Gadbow (sgadbow@wboro.org)

Marcy Elementary School

Band & Orchestra – Gregory Clark

(gclark@wboro.org)

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 nonprescription, including cough drops and other "over-the-counter" drugs) 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 the school

authorities together with a written request from the prescribing physician indicating the frequency and dosage.

- The medication must be brought to the school by a responsible adult in the original container labeled with the name of the drug and the dosage.

Unless these procedures are followed, medication will NOT be administered in school.



Student Physicals

The Education Law of New York State requires that each new entrant to the district and students in kindergarten, second, fourth, seventh and 10th grades must have a physical examination, either by the school doctor or family physician. A vision, hearing, growth and scoliosis screening will be done by the 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 District website under Health and Safety.

STUDENTS MAY NOT CARRY MEDICATION WITH THEM!

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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. 13403-3037, (315) 266-3240 or the Title IX Coordinator Assistant Superintendent for Learning and Accountability Susan Synakowski, District Administration Building, 65 Oriskany Blvd., Whitesboro, New York 13492, 266.3302.

Board of Education Meeting Dates

September 2, 2014	March 3, 2015
September 16, 2014	March 24, 2015
October 7, 2014	April 7, 2015
October 21, 2014	April 21, 2015
November 4, 2014	May 12, 2015 -
November 18, 2014	Public Budget Hearing
December 2, 2014	May 19, 2015
January 6, 2015	School Budget Vote
January 20, 2015	June 2, 2015
February 3, 2015	June 16, 2015
February 24, 2015	

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