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Your Johnsburg Central School Newsletter



Superintendent's Corner



Merger Update: The Feasibility Committee has completed its process, CASDA has written the report, and New York State is reviewing it. The State will review the report and let CASDA/us know if additional information is needed and if the information that has been provided is accurate. How long this will take is unknown. Once the State approves the report, it will be presented to both Boards of Education at a joint meeting. At this meeting, the Boards will ask clarifying questions to ensure that they have a clear understanding of what merging the two districts will mean for their school and district communities.

Unlike the feasibility committee meetings, where the public was not allowed to ask questions, at this meeting, community members could ask clarifying questions at the end. This will allow the community to ensure they have accurate information for the next meeting.

The next meeting will be separate for both schools/communities but on the same night. Community members are encouraged to attend this meeting and give their opinions for or against the merger. This meeting is not a debate, it is not set up to agree or disagree with each other's opinions. It is a time to express your thoughts on the merger to the Boards of Education, so when they vote at the end of the meeting they have allowed community members to share their thoughts on the merger. Everyone is expected to respect (may not agree) each other as they share their opinions. We will use the same rules during this meeting as we use with public comments during our regular Board meetings.

At the end of this meeting, both Boards of Education will vote on whether or not to continue the process to a Straw Vote. This vote is the first of two possible public votes. Unfortunately, I do not have dates for this process because we have not received the report back from the State yet. As soon as we do, we will post the dates on our webpage and Facebook.



Budget: On Tuesday, May 21, the Johnsburg Central School Board will be putting forth the 2024-2025 school budget. Please look further in this newsletter for all the budget information that you will need to cast your vote. There will also be a public budget presentation on May 13th, at 5:00 pm, and if you cannot make this meeting but still have questions, please call me at 251-2921 ext. 9.

COFFEE WITH MIKE WILL BE HELD AT 8 AM on May 14th





Principal's Message

Good luck to all of our spring athletes!



Congratulations!

As a result of JCS's educational partnership, funded through a LARAC grant, with the North Creek Railroad Depot Museum, our 5th grade classes were treated to a pizza party and received prizes for their entries in the coloring contest. The goal of the grant is to explore local history and to use art to further involvement. In December students participated in a lesson on the early development of skiing in our area to commemorate the 90th Anniversary of the first Snow Train to North Creek. Students were then challenged to design their own ski gear. Ms. Hayden and Ms. Knickerbocker encouraged their students' creative entries and the children produced some outstanding designs. The board members of the museum were so impressed with the quality and variety of the designs that they increased the number of prizes and one Board member treated both classes to a pizza party to celebrate their work. The winners of the coloring competition were caught in a three- way tie for first place: Connor Briggs, Aurora Hitchock and Jasmine Clark-Lawrence. Honorable Mention prizes were awarded to: Audrie Knickerbocker, McKenna Mahaffey and Autumn Baker.

In addition, two third graders from Mrs. Watson's and Mrs. Turcotte's classes received prizes for their submissions of train designs, Tommy Fuller and Bently LaBounty.

Thank you, Linda Quintavalle and Barbara Westbrook, for coordinating this activity with the kids.





NYS Grade 3-8 Testing Dates Math 3-6 May 7 & 8 Math 7-8 April 30 & May 1 Science 5 & 8 May 14

Thank You!

A huge thank you to Jeremiah Freebern, Peyton Lawrence, Hawk Millington, Clay Morin, Nick Sauer-Jones, Isaac Steele, Craig Ward, and Mason Wing for helping out a staff member during a recent incident with the tractor.

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Facebook

Check out our Johnsburg Central School page on Facebook.

https://www.facebook.com/JohnsburgCentralSchool/



Mrs. Flanagan Building Principal



PreK-4 Student of the Month – April (Listed Alphabetically)

> Cashus Virgil Ian Ferguson Isabella Bennett Jaxon Beaudrot Ruhi Thakor Sadie Mulligan Sierra VanAken Whitney Benton

> > Specials:

Physical Education - Hallie Horton & Sawyer Knickerbocker

> Art – Sawyer Knickerbocker Music – Carson Bradway Library – Shelby Facey

CONGRATULATIONS! Keep up the hard work!





PRE K





KINDERGARTEN





1ST GRADE



2ND GRADE



3RD GRADE



QUESTION OF THE MONTH

This month's question was asked to Miss Eichler's Pre-kindergarten classes.

"What do you want to be when you grow up?"

Alexander Adamzcak- A Wild Kratt so I can learn all about the animals and tell everyone about them.

Whitney Benton- A fire woman, so I can help my daddy.

Daniel Facey III- A racecar driver. **Elliana Harris-** A helicopter pilot.

Colton Hopkins- A racecar driver.

Cooper Jourdan- A Soda Man and deliver soda to people.

Bodhi Lewis- Work with Elliana's mom in the kitchen.

Jaxton McCane-Mohr- A police officer. Mallory O'Hagan- A police officer. Johnathon Russell- A music teacher. Steven Russell- A police officer. Oliver Shaw- Stock shelves at the grocery store.





Our spring sports season is now underway! The Varsity Baseball, Varsity Softball, and Tennis teams are in the midst of their very busy schedules. All Three of our varsity teams have started their season strong with multiple wins under their belts. The Modified Softball and Modified Baseball teams are just beginning their game schedule. Check the facebook page or the school website to be updated on all games for our teams! This is a reminder that if you plan to watch Softball games in Minerva, the field is at Brannon Field! We also want to thank everyone who came out and supported all the teams at our first-ever Diamondfest. It was a great success, and we look forward to putting this event on again next year!

The 2023-2024 Johnsburg-Minerva Sports Awards will be on June 11th in Minerva. Be on the lookout for more information!

As we start to wrap up the 2023-2024 school year, we are looking ahead to our sports programs for next year. Fall Sports sign-ups will be going up soon. If you are interested in playing a fall sport, you will need an up-to-date physical. Please talk to Zach Pierson if you are unsure if you have an up-to-date physical. If you are interested in coaching at the elementary, modified, and varsity levels in all sports. If interested in either being a head coach or assistant, please contact:

Zach Pierson at <u>zpierson@johnsburgcsd.org</u> or Ally Gonyo at <u>agonyo@johnsburgcsd.org</u>

As the weather is beginning to warm up, we will be looking to go outside more often with our PE classes. Please be sure that all students come to school prepared to go outside each day!





Information provided by Mrs. Bruce JCS Class of 2024 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Angelo Galle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Galle of North Creek is Valedictorian.

Caroline Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Williams of North Creek is Salutatorian.

Congratulations to you both!



College Acceptances

Melissa Bibby – SUNY Adirondack

Evan Bonanno – SUNY Potsdam, SUNY Fredonia, and Hartwick College

Cadence Dawson – Columbia Greene Community College, The College of Saint Rose, SUNY Plattsburgh, SUNY Oneonta, and Wells College

Corbin DeGroat – Charleston Southern University, SUNY Oneonta, and Liberty University

Madeline Freebern – SUNY Adirondack, Russell Sage College, SUNY Oneonta, and SUNY Potsdam **Angelo Galle** – Paul Smith's College, Clarkson University, and SUNY Environmental Science and Forestry.

Mackenzie Mulligan – The Paul Mitchell School

Ian O'Connor – SUNY Purchase and Elmira College

Cole Sears - SUNY Canton

Francis Volcheck – SUNY Adirondack

Caroline Williams – Belmont University, Nazareth University, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Purchase, and St. Lawrence University.

Adirondack School Boards Association

Congratulations to Cole Sears on being selected as the recipient of the Adirondack Area School Boards Association Community Service Award for the 2023-2024 school year. A dinner will be held at the Queensbury Hotel on May 16, 2024, honoring one graduating senior from each school district within our region who has demonstrated volunteer service in the community. Each recipient will receive a monetary award of \$400.00.

Scholarships

 Crary Education Fund Scholarship – This renewable scholarship valued up to \$1,300 is for a high school senior living in Clinton, Essex, Franklin, Hamilton, or Warren County who will be enrolling in a vocational program or college. The adjusted gross family income cannot exceed \$90,000. Exceptions to surpassing this limit will be considered but must be justified in writing by providing specific information on the number of children in the household, the number attending college, or any unusual financial circumstances.

Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

The deadline is May 1, 2024

2. The North Creek Rotary Club Scholarship

– This is a \$1,000 scholarship for a senior who:

- a. displays the best combination with their dedication to school; involvement in school activities
- b. volunteers in the community
- c. will be attending college or vocational school after graduating in June.

Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

The deadline is May 17, 2024

3. The North Creek Railway Depot Museum Scholarship – This is a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior from Johnsburg Central School who is continuing their education technical training in a post-secondary program or institution.

The eligibility includes:

- a. involvement in school activities
- b. volunteering in the community and an interest in the history of their local community
- c. student must accepted to a college or university; 2 or 4-year, or vocational school upon graduation in June 2024 Applications are available in the

Guidance Office

The deadline is May 1, 2024

On-line Scholarship Websites

Scholarships for New York State students: https://bold.org/scholarships/bystate/new-york-scholarships/ www.fastweb.com www.collegexpress.com www.unigo.com www.scholarships.com www.supercollege.com www.hesc.ny.gov (select pay, then select grants, scholarships tab) www.studentscholarshipsearch.com www.cappex.com



Summer Employment

The Department of Environmental Conservation is accepting applications to fill positions at DEC campgrounds and day-use areas in the Adirondacks that include lifeguard, maintenance, security, supervisor, and more. For a complete list of positions, requirements, and the application visit

www.dec.ny.gov/about/726.html

Paper applications are available in the Guidance Office.

Employment and Career Websites

Do you know what jobs are in demand in New York State?

This link will tell you. <u>https://dol.ny.gov/jobs-</u> <u>demand-today</u>

- NY State Employment Projections for 2020-2030 https://dol.ny.gov/long-termoccupational-projections
- 2. www.learnhowtobecome.org
- 3. www.sciencebuddies.org science careers
- 4. www.nursingexplorer.com nursing careers
- 5. http://exlorehealthcareers.org
- https://www.talentdesk.com/careerfinder - what jobs can I get with my degree?
- 7. www.glassdoor.com
- 8. www.jobzone.ny.gov
- 9. www.AdirondackHelpWanted.com
- 10. www.snagajob.com
- 11. warrencountyny.gov/civilservice





Information from the Health Office:

Johnsburg Families,

Sports Physicals for fall are offered on June 6th to ensure every athlete is up-to-date when Fall sports start in August. Please encourage your athlete to sign up with me in the nurse's office.

Every student entering grades PK, K, 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, and 11th must have a physical within 12 months of starting the upcoming school year. Please schedule your child's well visit before fall to ensure they have an up-to-date physical on file. Make sure to check with your child's healthcare provider to see if they are up to date on the vaccine requirements for NYS school entry. Vaccine requirements must be met within 14 days of the start of each school year. School exclusion is required if vaccine requirements are not met.

COVID-19 Test kits are still available from the Main office should you need any.

As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

I hope you all have a fun and safe summer!

Be well,

Mrs. Amber Aurilio, RN JCS School Nurse <u>aaurilio@johnsburgcsd.org</u> 518-251-2921 ext 5 Confidential Fax 518-251-2367



May 7- Pop Singers and Stage Band Concert 7 pm

May 17- NYSSMA Solo Festival-Queensbury HS

May 21- Jr./Sr. High Spring Concert (Budget Vote) 7 pm

May 27- Memorial Day Parade 10 am (Marching Band, Flags)

June 2- Prospect Mountain POW MIA Memorial Service 1 pm

June 4- Elementary Spring Concert 6 pm (5th and 6th Band, 4-5-6 Chorus)

June 14- Flag Day Parade 9 am (5th and 6th marching band)

June 29- Graduation 10 am





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Dolly Parton's IMAGINATION LIBRARY Official Registration Form

Privacy Statement: This information will not be used for any purpose other than those related to the Imagination Library. PLEASE PRINT

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The University of the State of New York THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT Office of State Assessment Albany, New York 12234

EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JUNE 2024

Students must verify with their schools the exact times that they are to report for their State examinations.

June 4 TUESDAY	Jun 14 FRID		June 17 MONDAY	June 18 TUESDAY	June 19 WEDNESDAY	June 20 THURSDAY	June 21 FRIDAY		June 24 MONDAY _e	June 25 TUESDAY	June 28 WEDNESDAY
8:00 a.m.	8:00 a	m.		8:00 a.m.		8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	Ī	8:00 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	
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* The Conversion Chart for this exam will be available no later than June 26, 2024

 Φ This is the suggested date/time for administering locally developed assessments aligned to the Checkpoint A and Checkpoint B Learning Standards for World Languages. Checkpoint A and Checkpoint B assessments may be administered separately on different dates or at different times. When scheduling the Checkpoint A or Checkpoint B assessments be mindful of conflicts your students may have with other scheduled assessments, including both local assessments and the Regents examinations.



Budget Presentation 5:00 p.m. @ JCS Cafetorium Monday, May 13, 2024 Voting 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 21, 2024 Johnsburg Central School

2024-2025

The Board of Education submits:

Budget

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Johnsburg Central School District, Towns of Johnsburg, Chester and Thurman, in the County of Warren, New York, be and hereby is authorized to expend the sum of \$12,893,528 and to levy the necessary tax therefor during the 2024-2025 school year.

Board Members Election of two (2) Board Members



Kimberly Burgess: My name is Kimberly Burgess, and I am running for a seat on the School Board. I reside in Riparius with my husband and two children, ages eleven months and two years.

I'm a graduate of Paul Smith's College, with a degree in Culinary Arts and Service Management. After working in the Hospitality Industry for ten years, I pride myself on being a stay-at-home mom.

As a member of the community and the mother of two future Johnsburg School District students, I strongly believe in being an advocate for our children as oftentimes their voices and concerns go unheard. They are the future of our community, and deserve to be given the opportunity to excel in education, expand upon extracurricular activities and programs offered, and access to athletic programs, should they so choose to participate. When we provide our children with the tools now, they have a greater chance of succeeding in their future.

I am confident I can bring fresh ideas and perspectives to the School Board, while also listening to the comments and concerns of our students, parents, educators, and community at large. I am committed to putting in the work because our community deserves it, but more importantly, our children deserve the best we can give them.

Rachel DeGroat: I have called the town of Johnsburg my home for 19 years. My husband and I moved here from Ohio to be near family. We have had three, soon to be four, children graduate from Johnsburg. We also have a 10th grader in Johnsburg and an 8th grade homeschooler. I am currently a stay-at-home mom. My family is committed to this community and the children and families in it. As a family, we have been a foster home for 20 years, trying to support and reunify families as life brings hard circumstances.

I have been a member of the Board of Education for the last 12 years. I have a passion for education and am excited to seek learning in school and out of school. In our home, we do lots of reading and exploring. During the summer and on weekends as a family we enjoy hiking, camping, discovering the outdoors, and being involved at Calvary Bible Church. I care deeply about what goes on at JCS.

It would be my privilege to continue to serve on the JCS School Board to help shape the education of the children of our area, the area where my children have grown up and call home. JCS is a great school and my goal is to represent JCS in the best interest of the students and their families.

Sarah Williams: Hi, I'm Sarah Williams, owner of Cafe Sarah on Main St. and parent of two high school students at JCS. With the privilege of serving two successful terms behind me, I'm asking for your vote for School Board for a third term. I'm committed to fostering programs that promote academic excellence, equity, and innovation. As a parent, business owner, and experienced board member, I understand the importance of collaboration and forward-thinking leadership in shaping the future of our school. If you have any questions, come see me at the Cafe! It would be an honor to continue to serve on the JCS School Board. Thank you.

2024-2025 Budget Summary Revenues

Sources	2023-2024	2024-2025
LOCAL (non-Tax)		
Balance on hand, June 30	\$2,076,248	\$2,339,258
(Including prior year turn back)	+_,	+ - , ,
Less allowed for retention	(\$493,813)	(\$515,741)
Amount applied in Budget Proposal	\$1,582,435	\$1,823,517
Miscellaneous (interest, admissions, late charges, etc.)	\$225,000	\$230,000
Total Local	\$1, 807,435	\$2,053,517
STATE		
Gross State Aid	\$3,846,302	\$3,877,074
BOCES Aid	\$213,211	\$227,173
Textbook/Software/Library Loan Aid	\$22,933	\$20,307
Total State	\$4,082,446	\$4,124,554
TOTAL STATE AND LOCAL	\$5,889,881	\$6,178,071
TAX LEVY	\$6,455,434	\$6,715,457
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TOTAL REVENES and	• • • • • • • • • •	
APPROPRATED FUND BALANCE	\$12,345,315	\$12,893,528

2024-2025 Budget Summary Expenditures

The budget is presented in three components. Totals for each component are shown with 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 comparisons. The budget reflects the District's commitment to providing strong academic programs, alternative pathways for students with needs, and a broad range of extracurricular programs. In addition, computer access with Internet capabilities for all students is provided.

Component	2023-2024	2024-2025	
Administrative	\$1,645,855	\$1,709,243	
Program	\$9,537,575	\$9,900,085	
Capital	\$1,161,885	\$1,284,200	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$12,345,315	\$12,893,528	

TOTAL EXPENDITURE INCREASE\$548,213

As required by law: Property Tax Report Card

	Budgeted 2023-2024	Budgeted 2024-2025	Percentage
Total Spending	\$12,345,315	\$12,893,528	Increase - 4.4 %
Total estimated School Tax Levy	actual \$6,455,434	estimated \$6,715,457	Estimated Increase 4.03 %
Public School Enrollment	270	267	- (1.1 %)

A detailed budget booklet is available at the school

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
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		Bk. Parfait	Mini Waffles	Egg & cheese on	
Price:		Cereal	Syrup	an English	
Students K-12		Toast	Cereal	Cereal	
Free Adult: \$2.80		Jelly	Toast/ Jelly	English/ Jelly	
		Milk	Milk	Milk	
Fruit 6	Fruit 🏓 7	Fruit 8	Fruit 9	Fruit 10	
Juice	Juice Yogurt	Juice	Juice	Juice	
French toast	Cereal Muffin	Bagel w/ cream	Breakfast bowl	Pancakes	
Syrup Cereal	Milk 💕 🥄 🔊	cheese or	Cereal Toast	Syrup Cereal	
Toast Jelly		peanut butter	Jelly Milk	Toast Jelly	
		Cereal		Milk	
Contractions		English/ Jelly			
		Milk		Ŧ	
Fruit 13	Fruit 14	Fruit 15	Fruit 16	Fruit 17	
Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice	
Breakfast pizza	Scrambled eggs	Waffles	Fruit Smoothies	Bacon & cheese	
Hash brown	Cereal	Syrup	Cereal	on a bagel	
Cereal	Toast	Cereal	Muffins Milk	Cereal	
Toast/ Jelly Milk	Jelly Milk	Toast/ Jelly Milk		English/ Jelly Milk	
Fruit 20		Fruit 22	Fruit 23		
Juice	Fruit 21 Juice	Fruit 22 Juice	Fruit 23 Juice	No School	
Sausage gravy	Choice of cereal.	Bacon Bk. Wrap	Mini Cinnamon		
over biscuits	Toast	Cereal	rolls		
Cereal	Jelly	English	Cereal		
Toast/ Jelly	Milk	Jelly	Toast/ Jelly		
Milk		Milk	Milk		
27	Fruit 28	Fruit 29	Fruit 30	Fruit 31	
	Juice	Juice	Juice	Juice	
***	Breakfast pizza	Mini French	Bagel w/ cream	Breakfast bowl	
MEMODI AL	Hash brown	toast / syrup	cheese or P.B.	Cereal	
MEMUKIXI	Cereal	Cereal	Cereal	Muffins	
DAV	English/ Jelly	Toast / Jelly	English/ Jelly	Milk	
DAI	Milk	Milk	Milk		
BREAKFAST MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE					
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Monday	/ TUESDAY	2024 JCS LUNCH WEDNESDAY	I THURSDAY	FRIDAY		
All bread products are whole grain enriched Nondairy and Gluten Free options available	Juice is offered daily along with fruit for grades 9- 12 Sandwiches &	Italian 1 Dunkers Pasta Vegetables Fruit Juice	Chicken 2 Nuggets Rice Vegetables Muffins Fruit Milk	Hot dogs 3 Potato puffs Vegetables Fruit Milk		
Chicken Raviol 6 In alfredo saud Vegetables Biscuits Fruit Milk	Am. Cheese Smiles Vegetables Fruit Milk	Cheese pizza 8 Vegetables Muffins Fruit Milk	Chicken tenders 9 Rice Vegetables Muffins Fruit Milk	Philly beef 10 Steak sandwich French fries Vegetables Fruit Milk		
Chicken 13 Patty Rice Vegetable Fruit Milk	Tacos 14 L,T French fries Rice Fruit Milk	Hot dog 15 On a bun Pasta Vegetables Fruit Milk	Chicken 16 Caesar salad Bread sticks Fruit Milk	Meatball Sub 17 Baked chips Vegetables Fruit Milk		
Turkey Sub L,T,O French fries Fruit Milk	20 Popcorn 21 Chicken Mac & cheese Vegetables Fruit Milk	Cheese or 22 Buffalo ranch chicken pizza. Vegetables Muffins Fruit Milk	Hamburger 23 Am. Cheese Potato puffs Vegetables Fruit Milk	Norther and the second		
Menore and a	27 Bacon cheese 28 Dreams Smiles Vegetables Fruit Milk	Chicken 29 Nuggets Rice Vegetables Muffins Fruit Milk	Tomato soup 30 Toasted cheese Sandwich Vegetables Fruit Milk	Dorito 31 Nachos Cheddar cheese Fruit Milk		
Lunch menu subject to change without notice						