

2016-2017

CALENDAR



SCHODACK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

HAVE A QUESTION?

Who Do I Contact for Answers About My Child's Education?

1. If you have a question, your first contact should be your child's teacher. Please call the main office of your student's school and they will put you in contact with your child's teacher. Email addresses and phone extensions are also available online at www.schodack.k12.ny.us. Parent-teacher conferences, scheduled in the fall and spring, are great times to ask questions. You may also request a parent-teacher conference at any time.
2. If you are not satisfied after speaking with your child's teacher, please contact your child's principal.
3. If you are not satisfied after speaking with your child's principal, please contact Interim Superintendent Lee Bordick at 732-2297.
4. If you are not satisfied after speaking with Mr. Bordick, please contact the Board of Education by attending a Board meeting or emailing boardofeducation@schodack.k12.ny.us.

Who Do I Contact If My Child Will Miss School or Will Be Late?

If your child will be absent or late, please call your school's Health Office. Phone numbers are listed at the end of this calendar. You can call the Health Office at any time, day or night. If we do not hear from you, we will place an automated phone call to ensure your child is safe and accounted for. If your student is absent for multiple days and we do not hear from you, our school nurses will make a personal call to check on your student. Please send a note with the reason for your child's absence when your child returns to school.

Who Do I Contact for Answers About Student Transportation?

Please contact the Transportation Department at 732-2070.

Who Do I Contact for Answers About School Lunch or Breakfast?

Please contact Director of Dining Services Tom McNay at 732-4269.

SCHOOL START TIMES

	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE SCHOOL	HIGH SCHOOL
Arrival	7:40 – 7:55 a.m.	7:20 – 7:35 a.m.	7:20 – 7:30 a.m.
Start	7:55 a.m.	7:40 a.m.	7:40 a.m.
Dismissal	2:25 p.m.	2:06 p.m.	1:55 p.m.
Late Bus Dismissal	2:55 p.m.	3:00 p.m.	3:00 p.m.
Early Dismissal	11:15 – 11:30 a.m.	10:55 a.m.	10:40 a.m.

CES parents are asked to please wait until after 7:40 a.m. to drop off students. MHMS students should not be dropped off before 7:20 a.m. There is no supervision available until that time.



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SCHODACK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

STAY CONNECTED

Question?

Whenever you have a question, please call your student's school. While Schodack CSD utilizes many communication tools, a phone call or a meeting with a teacher or principal is often the best way to resolve questions about your child's education. Commonly requested phone extensions are available at the end of this calendar and online at www.schodack.k12.ny.us.

School District Website

Community members are encouraged to visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us for the most up-to-date information about the school district. The website is updated regularly and includes resources such as an online calendar, emergency announcements and stories about what students are learning.

eNews

Parents and community members can receive news about the district through eNews, an email notification system. Emails are sent out every two weeks, alerting our community about upcoming events. Emails are also sent in the event of emergencies, such as closing early due to weather. Visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us to sign up for this free service.

Facebook

Join the 1,200 community members already following the district on our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/SchodackCSD. The social media site provides followers with reminders about upcoming school events, announcements and stories about what our students are learning.

Twitter

Each school building, the district and the athletics department has its own Twitter account. The accounts provide announcements similar to the district Facebook page.

www.twitter.com/SchodackCSD

www.twitter.com/CastletonES

www.twitter.com/MapleHill_MS

www.twitter.com/MapleHill_HS

www.twitter.com/MH_Athletics

Many of our teachers also use Twitter to share what is going on in their classrooms. Visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us to see a list of teachers on Twitter.

Parent Portal

Parents can follow their students' education through the district's Parent Portal. The portal offers parents a secure, online way to access attendance, grades and other information about their student. For more information, please visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us or call the main office of your student's school.

Student Portal

Starting in 6th grade, every student is provided his/her own Student Portal account. Similar to the Parent Portal, the Student Portal allows students to check their grades and other pertinent information. Students are encouraged to use the portal throughout Middle School and High School.

Automated Phone Calls

Schodack CSD uses an automated phone system to call parents in the event of an emergency such as closing early due to weather and to share other important information. Please verify that we have your correct contact information on file to ensure we can reach you by checking the Parent Portal or call the main office of your child's school.

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STUDENT DROP OFF

Dropping Off Students

If you drop off your child in the morning, please use the designated parent drop off zones. For the safety of our students, please drive slowly and take extra care to look for students. Give yourself enough time to drop off your student safely. Please do not use designated bus loops to drop off students.

Dropping Off Students After School Starts

If your student is going to be late for school, please provide a written excuse for the student's tardiness. Students arriving late to school should report directly to the school's main office. For more information, please see the student handbooks which are available online at www.schodack.k12.ny.us.

Please No Parking in Bus Loop

Please do not park your vehicle in the bus loop in front of school buildings. For the safety of our students, faculty and staff, it is imperative that bus loops be kept clear for emergency vehicles.

Please Drive Carefully

For the safety of our students, we ask all visitors to please take extra caution when driving on school grounds. Drop off location and parking lots can get quite busy so please adhere to the 15 MPH speed limit and watch carefully for students. It is illegal to pass a stopped school bus when its signal lights are flashing.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION

Who Do I Contact for Answers About Student Transportation?

Please contact the Transportation Department at 732-2070.

Signed Note Required for Change in Transportation

If your child needs to take a different bus route home from CES or MHMS in the afternoon, please complete a bus note form and send it in with your child to school. Bus notes for CES and MHMS students are available in the school's main office. It is important that the school has all the necessary information to ensure that your child arrives at the correct destination.

Requesting Someone Else Pick Up Child

If you have arranged for someone other than a parent to pick up your child, please be sure to send a note including the individual's name. That individual will need to have photo identification in order to pick up your child. These requests must be made in writing at Castleton Elementary School.

Early Release Requests

If your student needs to be excused early from school for illness or a medical appointment, please submit a written request to the Main Office before the start of school. Parents are required to pick up students at the Main Office and sign them out for early dismissal.

School Bus Safety

To ensure the safety of students, it is important that parents review the following bus safety rules with their children.

- Students must sit in seats at all times while riding the bus.
- Eating and drinking are not allowed while riding the bus.
- Talking loudly or making noise that could distract the bus driver should be avoided.
- All rules described in the district's Code of Conduct should be followed.

If these rules are violated repeatedly, a student may be suspended from school transportation. Parents would then be responsible for transporting their child to and from school each day, per New York State Education Law.

NOVEMBER 2016

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		1 CES PTO Mtg. CES Cafeteria, 6:15 p.m. Sports Chemical Health & Meet the Coaches Night, HS Aud. 6:30-8 p.m. Athletic Booster Club Mtg. HS Cafeteria, 7 p.m.	2 CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking	3 CES Parent/Teacher Conferences, 3:30-6:30 p.m. All-County Music Festival - Hoosic Valley CSD Emergency Closing Drill - 15 Minute Early Dismissal BOE Workshop Meeting, HS Library, 6 p.m. MS Dance, 7-9 p.m.	4 CES Parent/Teacher Conferences (Daytime) Registration Deadline for 12/10 ACT Testing NO SCHOOL - Superintendent's Conference Day	5 SAT I & II Testing All-County Music Festival, Hoosic Valley CSD
6	7 Winter Sports Practices Begin HS Fall Sports Awards Night, HS Aud. 6:30 p.m.	8 MS Gr. 7 Wall of Honor, MS Cafe. 6:30-8 p.m. ELECTION DAY	9 CES REP Book Fair HS Parent Conferences, 5:30-8 p.m.	10 1st Quarter Ends CES REP Book Fair CES REP Book Fair for Parent Shopping, 5-8 p.m. CES PTO Harry Potter Night, 6:30-8 p.m.	11 VETERANS DAY DISTRICT CLOSED	12
13	14	15	16 CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking Music Parents Association Mtg. HS Band Room, 7 p.m.	17 Board of Education Meeting, HS Library, 6 p.m.	18 Report Cards Distributed	19
20	21	22 CES Monthly Morning Assembly, 8:15 a.m.	23 HALF DAY OF SCHOOL Dismissal Times: HS - 10:40 a.m. MS - 10:55 a.m. CES - 11:15 a.m.	24 THANKSGIVING DAY DISTRICT CLOSED THANKSGIVING RECESS	25 DISTRICT CLOSED	26
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SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Providing children with a nutritious breakfast and lunch is one of the best ways to help them perform well in the classroom. Studies have shown that hungry children find it difficult to concentrate on schoolwork.

Students may purchase a complete lunch, milk, or a la carte and snack items. For a monthly menu, visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us. Lunch for Elementary students costs \$2.50. Lunch for Middle and High School students costs \$2.60. Breakfast for all grade levels costs \$1.25. Milk costs \$0.50.

Free or Reduced School Lunch Program

Did you know that your child may be eligible for a free or reduced breakfast and/or lunch? Students from households that meet federal income limits can qualify for the Free and Reduced Price Lunch Program. This is an absolutely confidential program. For more information, visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us or call 732-2124.

Computerized Payment System

Schodack schools use a computerized system for food purchases. Parents are encouraged to take advantage of the system, although cash is accepted at all cafeterias.

All students enter their 4 digit PIN at the cash register to make food purchases. This number will stay the same for the school year. Your child will draw from one account; breakfast, lunch, milk and snack bar are all connected to this one account. If you do not want your child to use this account for the snack bar or if you want to limit the amount your child can spend at the snack bar, please call Dining Services Director Tom McNay at 732-4269 and he will adjust the account accordingly. You may prepay any amount with cash or check made out to "Schodack Central School District," with your student's PIN on the check.

Online Payment System for Cafeteria Plans

Schodack CSD uses an online payment system called **MySchoolBucks.com** that allows parents to put money into their student's cafeteria accounts online. If you need help setting up an account, please visit the Food Services webpage at www.schodack.k12.ny.us for a reference guide and more information.

Reminder About Keeping a Positive Cafeteria Account Balance

If a student's cafeteria account balance falls below \$5.00, Chartwells Food Services will send a reminder to the parent or guardian. If parent or guardian owes more than \$5.00 on the cafeteria account, those charges must be paid before the student can receive a full lunch. No student will be denied a lunch but an alternate lunch of a cheese or peanut butter and jelly sandwich, vegetable, fruit and milk will be offered until a positive account balance is restored. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause but it is necessary to keep the Food Services program a self-funding program without the support of taxpayer dollars.



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4	5 <div>HS Winter Concert, HS Aud. 7-8:30 p.m.</div>	6	7 <div>CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking</div>	8 <div>MS Gr. 6 Winter Concert, MS Cafe. 7-8:30 p.m.</div>	9	10 <div>ACT Testing</div>
11	12	13	14 <div>CES Holiday Bazaar</div>	15 <div>CES Holiday Bazaar Board of Education Meeting, HS Library, 6 p.m. MS Gr. 7/8 Winter Concert, MS Cafe. 7-8:30 p.m.</div>	16 <div>MS & HS Interim Reports Available</div>	17
18	19	20	21 <div>CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking</div>	22	23 <div>CES Monthly Morning Assembly, 8:15 a.m.</div>	24 <div>CHRISTMAS EVE HANUKKAH (Begins at Sundown)</div>
25 <div>CHRISTMAS</div>	26 <div>DISTRICT CLOSED</div>	27 <div>DISTRICT CLOSED</div>	28	29 <div>Holiday Hoopfest on the Hill</div>	30 <div>Holiday Hoopfest on the Hill</div>	31 <div>NEW YEAR'S EVE</div>
HOLIDAY RECESS – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AND FACULTY						

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DISPENSING MEDICATION

It is important to clarify the rules regarding dispensing of internal medication to school children. Compliance with requests that do not follow these rules is contrary to good health practices and statutory regulations outlined in the Nurse Practice Act and provisions of State Education Law.

Internal medication will be dispensed only when the authorized permission form, available at school health offices and the school website www.schodack.k12.ny.us, is completed by the attending physician.

There are three important considerations for the family physician:

1. The child's ability to attend school.
2. The frequency of dosage of medication.
3. Medication given only as necessary.

Medication may be administered if it is accompanied by all of the following:

1. The written order of your physician specifying diagnosis, medication, possible side effects, dosage, frequency, and the time element for administering the medication as ordered.
2. The written request of the parent, requesting that school personnel administer the medication as ordered.
3. The family must provide the medication in a bottle, tube or container that clearly indicates date, name of child and physician, dosage, and frequency. An adult must transport all medication to school.

Questions about this procedure may be directed to the school nurse in each building.

HEALTH SERVICES

The Health Services Program K-12 offers a variety of services to students and their parents. Annual vision and hearing examinations are given to every student, with parents notified of any problems found and counseling and follow-up work where it is necessary. For questions about health, please contact the school nurse at Castleton Elementary School, Maple Hill Middle School and Maple Hill High School or visit the school website, www.schodack.k12.ny.us.

GRADE LEVEL PHYSICALS

New York State Law requires that mandatory physicals be completed BEFORE students enter kindergarten and grades 2, 4, 7, and 10. In order to remain in school, any student who does not have a completed physical when entering these grades will be scheduled for a school physical.

Sports physicals must be reviewed and signed by the school physician before a student is cleared for sports. This will be done when the school doctor is scheduled to come in prior to each season. It is very important that physicals be done by that time. Students are repeatedly informed of the dates. The signing of these physicals will be handled through the Health Office.

Also, before entering grade 6, students must have verification from the doctor of either having had chicken pox or receiving the varicella vaccine.

SCOLIOSIS SCREENING

Scoliosis screening is administered to all students ages 8-16. If your child is in either category and you would like your family physician to perform either of the above, please submit a physical form to the school nurse by October 1. These physicals must be dated from July 1 to October 1 to be current.



HELP STOP THE SPREAD OF THE FLU

Influenza is a highly contagious disease of the lungs that can lead to pneumonia. Each year about 36,000 people die because of the flu. Influenza is spread easily through contact with droplets from the nose and throat of a person who is coughing and/or sneezing. Symptoms include headache, fever, chills, cough or sore throat, and body aches. Although the flu is primarily a respiratory disease, vomiting and diarrhea may also occur, particularly in children. The incubation period is one to five days. A person is contagious for about a week from the day before symptoms appear.

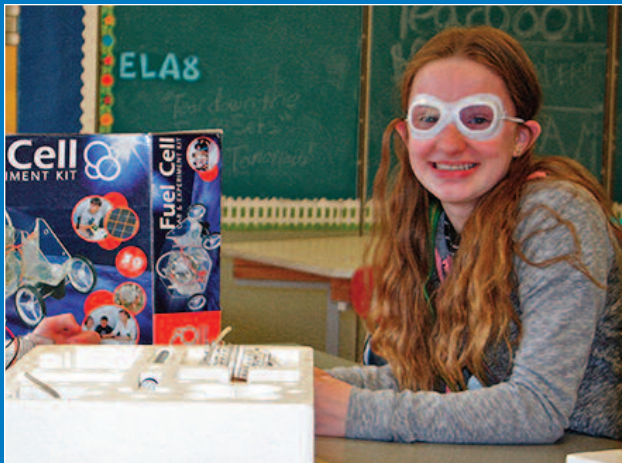
Rest and adequate amounts of liquid are usually the only treatment for the flu, although several new drugs promising to reduce the severity of the symptoms are now on the market. The flu vaccine usually protects most people from the flu and in the cases where a vaccinated person gets the flu, symptoms are not as bad. While the best time to get the vaccine is in October or November, getting immunized later can still offer protection. Frequent hand washing, covering your mouth and nose with a tissue when you sneeze, and disinfecting surfaces can help prevent the spread of the flu.

Please remember, if your child is sick, please keep him or her home to help prevent an outbreak in school.

JANUARY 2017

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1 NEW YEAR'S DAY	2 DISTRICT CLOSED HOLIDAY RECESS	3	4 CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking CES PTO Mtg. CES Cafeteria, 6:15 p.m.	5	6	7
8	9 Athletic Booster Club Mtg. HS Cafeteria, 7 p.m.	10	11	12	13	14 Coach Joe McCabe Wrestling Tournament
15	16 MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY DISTRICT CLOSED	17	18 CES Lunchtime School Store/ School Banking Music Parents Association Mtg. HS Band Room, 7 p.m.	19 Board of Education Meeting, HS Library, 6 p.m.	20 CES Gr. 4/5 Fun Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m.	21 SAT I & II Testing
22	23	24	25 2nd Quarter Ends All-County Music Festival - Lansingburgh CSD	26 NO SCHOOL - Superintendent's Conference Day	27	28 All-County Music Festival - Lansingburgh CSD
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Dignity for All Students Act

All students have a right to attend school in a safe, welcoming and caring environment. To help ensure all schools support a school climate where students can learn and focus, New York State passed the Dignity for All Students Act in 2012 which created procedures to ensure every school environment is free of discrimination and harassment. This includes school property such as playgrounds, athletic fields, school buses and school-sponsored events.

Schodack CSD fully supports the Dignity for All Students Act. The Board of Education has adopted a policy to help prevent student harassment and bullying. That policy along with additional information is available at www.schodack.k12.ny.us.

If parents have any concerns about harassment or bullying, please report them immediately to your student's principal so we can investigate the concern.

Emergency Closing Announcements

If the district needs to close school because of an emergency or inclement weather, an announcement will be made on our district website, Facebook page, Twitter account, eNews and local television and radio stations.

If the district needs to close school early, an automated phone call will be made to all designated student emergency contacts. Please ensure your Emergency Contact Information is up-to-date to ensure you receive these phone calls.

Safety Drills

To help ensure the safety of our students, faculty and staff, all Schodack schools practice safety drills throughout the school year with the assistance of police and emergency responders. Most safety drills are unannounced to better prepare schools in the event of an emergency. If you have a question about safety drills, please contact your student's principal.

Please Ensure Accurate Contact Information

If you have a new phone number, email address or home address, please call the main office that your student attends to update your information. In the event of an emergency, it is important we have the correct contact information on file.

Visitors to the School

To ensure the safety of our students, faculty and staff, all visitors to Schodack schools must report to the main office. Visitors must sign in, state the reason for the visit and obtain a visitor's pass, which must be displayed at all times. Please be prepared to show identification.

As additional security, all three school buildings use a video monitor and buzzer system for their front entrance. Once the school day starts, front doors and all other school doors will be locked (although all doors can still be used as exits). Visitors must ring the buzzer at the front door and wait to be buzzed in by the main office. Please report immediately to the main office.

Parent Teacher Organization (PTO)

The Castleton Elementary School PTO is a very active partner in our educational program and often in need of volunteers. If you would like to help the PTO help our students, please consider attending one of their monthly meetings listed in this calendar. Additional PTO volunteer opportunities are announced on www.schodack.k12.ny.us as well as our Facebook and Twitter accounts.

Please Label Student Items

Please label your student's clothes, particularly at Castleton Elementary School, and other items to help ensure they are not lost. Each year, the school has dozens of jackets, gloves and other items that end up in the Lost and Found.

FEBRUARY 2017

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PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES

Because the process of growing is a complicated one, parents and students often need advice. For this purpose, the District maintains a staff of professional personnel who may be contacted through the school principals or Michael Bennett, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, Safe Schools and PPS, at 732-2523.

Pupil personnel services include psychological, social work, nursing, occupational, physical, speech and language, and guidance services. These services are available for all students and their families in the District and may be accessed individually or in small groups. Requests for these services are made through the Office of Pupil Personnel Services.

GUIDANCE & COUNSELING

Guidance counselors are professionally trained employees who possess specific skills, knowledge and techniques used in assisting students to better understand themselves, identify and use their personal resources, make realistic educational and occupational plans, and get the most out of learning opportunities.

Staff is available to help your child through interview and consultation with teachers and parents. These interviews are important because we believe that optimal guidance can be accomplished through the cooperation of the student, home and school. Interviews may concern educational, vocational, social, ethical, or health guidance. An interview may be initiated by a student, parent, teacher, advisor, or counselor.

Guidance and counseling services are available by appointment to all former students, as well as all current residents of the Schodack Central School District.

District counselors and social workers are:

High School: 732-7701 —

Teresa Hebert, Lisa O'Leary, Pat Wood

Middle School: 732-7736 —

Cheryl Petilli, Pat Wood

Elementary School: 732-7755 — Jennifer Sober

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

The Committees on Special Education and Preschool Special Education are part of the Office of Pupil Personnel Services. These committees serve to ensure appropriate educational services for students who are 3 to 21 years old and have special educational and/or related services needs. The District offers a continuum of services that range from fully included classrooms within the school district to placements in Questar III BOCES and other outside agencies.

For information on programs or the committee, contact Michael Bennett, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, Safe Schools and PPS, at 732-2523.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS NEEDED

Schodack CSD is always in need of substitute teachers. If you are interested in being a substitute teacher please visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us and click on the Employment webpage where you will find applications and other information.

You do not need to be a certified teacher to be a substitute teacher. If you are a college student pursuing an education degree you can gain classroom experience. If you are looking to make a difference in a young person's life, you can do that by being a substitute teacher. Call the district office at 732-2297 option 1 for questions.

CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATES

If you would like to learn more about the district's Capital Project, please visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us and click on "Capital Project". The district will continue to update our community about progress on the project, which is expected to be completed for the beginning of the 2018-19 school year.



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Office of Continuing Education

From yoga to free business classes, Schodack CSD offers a wide variety of Continuing Education programs. For a list of classes, visit the school website, www.schodack.k12.ny.us, or call the Continuing Education Coordinator, Lisa Smith-Auer at 732-4982.

Use of School Facilities

The use of school facilities has increased each year as more groups and organizations request permission to use them, so the availability of the gyms and cafeterias is extremely limited. Fees are charged when a group's use has a financial impact on the District.

Prioritization of facilities use is at the discretion of the District and is set by Board policy as follows:

1. Regular K-12 programs
2. Extra-curricular/Interscholastic programs
3. Continuing/Adult Education programs and alumni activities
4. School support group programs
5. Community group activities

Applications and inquiries should be made to the Buildings and Grounds Department at 732-4982.

Care of School Property

The Schodack Central School District has a responsibility to protect school property. The District will take any and all legal action to prevent damage to or destruction of District property. In addition, the District will seek restitution from, and prosecution of, any person or persons who willfully damage school property.

Organizations using school athletic fields and individuals attending athletic contests must park in the school parking lots. Cars should not be parked on school lawn areas.

South Schodack Road is extremely unsafe for parking and has been posted for no parking. Vehicles must not be driven on lawns to access athletic fields.

- The roadway directly behind the high school must be kept free of vehicles in case of emergencies.
- Skateboarding is not permitted on school grounds.
- Those using the high school track must wear appropriate footwear. No motorized vehicles, bicycles, baby carriages, etc., are permitted on the track, as they damage the track surface.
- People who walk or exercise their dogs on school property must pick up any animal waste their pet may leave as it may transmit diseases.

Smoking Prohibited on School Property

Consistent with state and federal laws, the use of cigarettes, e-cigarettes and any other tobacco products is prohibited on school property. This applies to all individuals on school grounds, including at sporting events and any school-sponsored events.

Possession of tobacco products by students while at school is also prohibited. If there is a reasonable suspicion that a student possesses tobacco products, the principal may search a student's locker, car, possessions or person. Parents and/or guardians will be notified if a student is suspected of smoking. A student who possesses tobacco products, lighters or matches will have these items confiscated.

Additional information about specific disciplinary action is included in the Code of Conduct.



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A Vision for the Schodack Central Schools

The Schodack Central School District offers a small nurturing setting that will expand the educational, cultural, and social opportunities for our children and adult citizens through the use of thought-provoking experiences, high-quality resources, and technology. The community will be engaged in the life of the schools and, in return, the schools will serve the community through the use of their facilities and resources. The quality of life will be enriched through access to adult education, college and job related educational opportunities, as well as social opportunities and supports. The whole community will proudly celebrate academic, cultural, competitive and social successes that stem from our schools. The resulting high quality of life will attract citizens who enjoy sharing their talents with neighbors and the school.

Students of Schodack Central will graduate with strong academic competencies from a challenging curriculum, and will have opportunities to earn credits from our educational partners. They will have learned to value societal and global diversity, communicate effectively, collaborate by working in teams, and demonstrate self reliance and self responsibility. They will develop lifelong learning skills grounded in their curiosity, creativity, and problem solving skills. Their citizenship skills will be enhanced through community and peer to peer service, and a commitment to civility. They will be prepared socially and ready to make healthy productive choices. Their exposure to technology and knowledge of how to use it will also prepare them for an ever-evolving future.

Schodack Central School District students will be nurtured and taught by passionate and caring teachers, staff, administrators, and board members all of whom serve as good role models, in a district that is exemplary, innovative, community involved, and a valued asset to our entire greater community.

MISSION STATEMENT

To develop our students to become active, reflective, creative learners. In our schools, they will engage in rewarding work and practice behaviors that are intelligent in both an academic and a practical sense. Students will develop the attitudes, skills and understandings that will allow them to fulfill their potential and to function successfully in their individual and social roles.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Board of Education consists of nine community members elected to serve three-year terms of office without pay. The Board acts as a collective body to establish the policies under which the Schodack Central School District operates. The Superintendent of Schools is responsible for administering the school program within the context of these policies.

The Board holds meetings on the third Thursday of most months at 6 p.m. in the High School library. Please see this calendar or visit www.schodack.k12.ny.us for a list of meeting dates and locations. Board agendas and meeting minutes are also available online or by calling the district office at 732-2297.

The public is encouraged to attend Board meetings and share thoughts during the public comment period, which starts each meeting. Individuals who would like to speak are recognized by the Board president and asked to state their name. Any questions raised by community members will be answered as soon as possible, typically within a few days.

The Board and administration believe the community's input is critical to decision making. We strive to be as transparent as possible and strongly encourage our community to provide input whenever they have a question or concern.

If you have a question for the Board of Education, please attend a meeting, call District Clerk Michele Reickert at 732-2297 option 1 or email boardofeducation@schodack.k12.ny.us (your email will be sent to all Board members).

2016-17 Board of Education

Michael Hiser, *President*
Michael Charsky, *Vice President*
Vicki Adler
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WHERE TO GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Castleton Elementary School

Main Office.....	James Derby, Principal	732-7755, option 3
School Nurse.....	Heather Brewer	732-7755, option 1
Social Worker	Jennifer Sober.....	732-7755, option 4

Maple Hill Middle School

Main Office.....	Jacqueline Hill, Principal	732-7736, option 3
School Nurse.....	Deborah Sweet.....	732-7736, option 1
Guidance Counselor	Cheryl Petilli	732-7736, option 2

Maple Hill High School

Main Office.....	Ron Agostinoni, Principal	732-7701, option 3
School Nurse.....	Betsy Croft.....	732-7701, option 1
Guidance Counselors	Teresa Hebert and Lisa O'Leary	732-7701, option 2

District

Superintendent	Lee Bordick	732-2297, option 1
Superintendent's Secretary/District Clerk	Michele Reickert	732-2297, option 1
Transportation Supervisor	Michael Hoen	732-2070
Athletic Director	Dave Austin	732-7701, option 4
Food Services Director.....	Tom McNay.....	732-4269
Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment	Jason Chevrier	732-7701, option 6
Asst. Supt. for Human Resources, Safe Schools & PPS ...	Michael Bennett.....	732-2523
Buildings and Grounds Superintendent.....	Matt LaClair	732-4982
New Student Registration	Jill Hanrahan	732-7701, option 6
Continuing Education Coordinator	Lisa Smith-Auer	732-4982
Director of Business and Support Services.....	Monica Kim.....	732-2297, option 3

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CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

September 1 & 6 Superintendent's Conference Day – No School
September 7..... First Day of School
October 3 Superintendent's Conference Day – No School
October 10 Columbus Day Holiday – No School
October 21 Superintendent's Conference Day – No School
November 4..... Superintendent's Conference Day – No School
November 11..... Veterans Day – No School
November 23..... Early Dismissal – HS at 10:40 a.m.;
MS at 10:55 a.m.; CES at 11:15 a.m.
November 24 – 25..... Thanksgiving Recess – No School
December 26 – January 2... Holiday Recess – No School
January 16..... Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School

January 27 Superintendent's Conference Day – No School
February 17 Early Dismissal – HS at 10:40 a.m.;
MS at 10:55 a.m.; CES at 11:15 a.m.
February 20 – 24 Winter Recess – No School
April 14 Good Friday – No School
April 17 - 21 Spring Recess – No School
May 16 School Budget Vote – 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
May 29 Memorial Day Holiday – No School
June 22 – 23 Early Dismissal – MS at 10:55 a.m.; CES at 11:15 a.m.
June 22 8th Grade Graduation – 6 p.m.
June 23 Last Day of Classes
June 23 High School Commencement – 6:30 p.m.

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