

2017-18 DIRECTORY
AND CALENDAR

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the LaFayette School District through the combined efforts of community, parents/guardians and teachers is to develop an environment for each student which will create a positive self-image, a life-long interest in learning, an atmosphere for high academic achievement, foster an understanding and appreciation of cultural diversity, gender equity, stress tolerance and respect for others, so that students become responsible and productive members of society.

# Beliefs of the LaFayette School District

We believe that:

- ◆ Education should foster a lifelong interest in learning.
- ◆ Teachers should provide an environment that creates a positive self-image.
- Students should strive to become productive and responsible members of society.
- ◆ Students should accept individual differences and be tolerant and respectful of others
- ◆ Students should strive for high academic achievement.
- ◆ Parents/guardians bear the primary responsibility for the welfare of their children.
- All students should develop an understanding of and appreciation for cultural diversity.
   Students should endeavor to become critical thinkers and effective communicators.
- Educating students is the combined efforts of community, parents/guardians and teachers.

These beliefs were adopted by the Board of Education on June 8, 1993.

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# **Board of Education Meetings**

The Board of Education (B.O.E.) meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday of each month, at the The Big Picture School Commons Area, unless otherwise noted. The meetings begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. with the adoption of the agenda and approval of meeting minutes. Time is set aside for the public to address the Board. An agenda is posted on the Monday prior to the Board of Education meeting at the District Office, each School Building, the Post Office, and on the District Website. The agenda and materials are posted on the District Website 72 hours before the meeting is to be held. All meetings are open to the public.

#### **Tax Code**

When filing your State Income Tax form, please be certain to fill in the LaFayette Central School District Tax Code number (325) in the appropriate space provided. School Aid will be affected if the school district or code number is incorrect or is missing. You must enter the name and code number of the public school district located in the county where you were a resident on December 31, 2016.

This information applies even if you were:

- ◆ Absent temporarily.
- ◆ If the school your child attended was not in your school district.
- ◆ If you had no children attending school.

#### Where To Go

#### **MAIN OFFICE:**

Visitor's Pass, Locker Problems, Lost and Found P.A. Announcements
Student Activities, Bus/Transportation, Suspension Assignments

#### **GUIDANCE OFFICE:**

Academic, Career, Behavior & Personal Guidance College Information Transfers Student Records/Grades, Working Papers Transcripts

#### **HEALTH OFFICE:**

Sick in School, Accident Report, Late Arrival Early Dismissal Return from Absence

#### Do You Have A Concern?

If you wish to see school personnel, please make an appointment before going to school.

Concerns should be discussed first with:

Teacher, Coach, or other school employee; If unresolved, discuss with Building Principal; If unresolved, discuss with Superintendent; If unresolved, discuss with Board of Education.

#### **Visitors To The Schools**

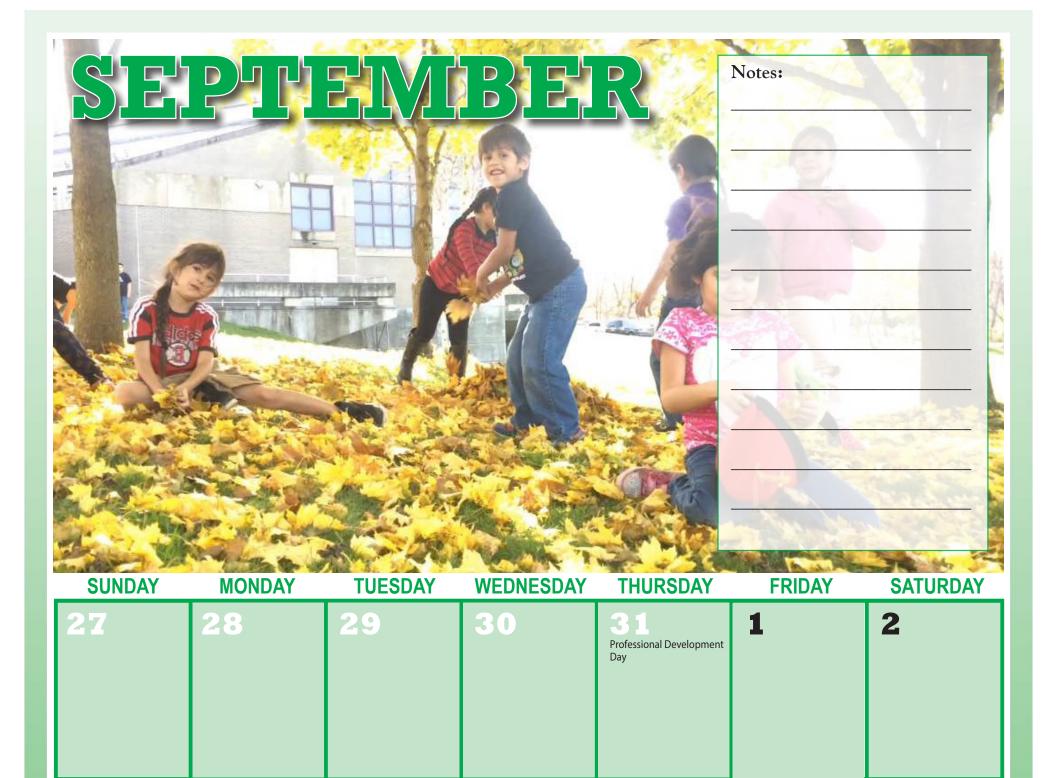
We welcome families and community members to visit our buildings. Our expectation is that all visitors be mindful of our schools as places of learning and that the policies and procedures for each building be respected. Administrators are responsible for all visitors and the following rules apply:

- ♦ A visitor is anyone who is not a student or regular staff member.
- ♦ Visitors must report to the Main Office upon arrival, register and display name tags when requested. These identification tags must be worn for the duration of the visit.
- ♦ Classroom visitations require advance notification to minimize class disruption. Teachers will be unable to engage in individual discussion during class time.
- Unauthorized visitors will be reported to the administration and will be asked to leave. Law enforcement may be notified, if necessary.

All visitors must abide by the rules for public conduct contained in the Code of Conduct.

# **Visits By Parents/Guardians**

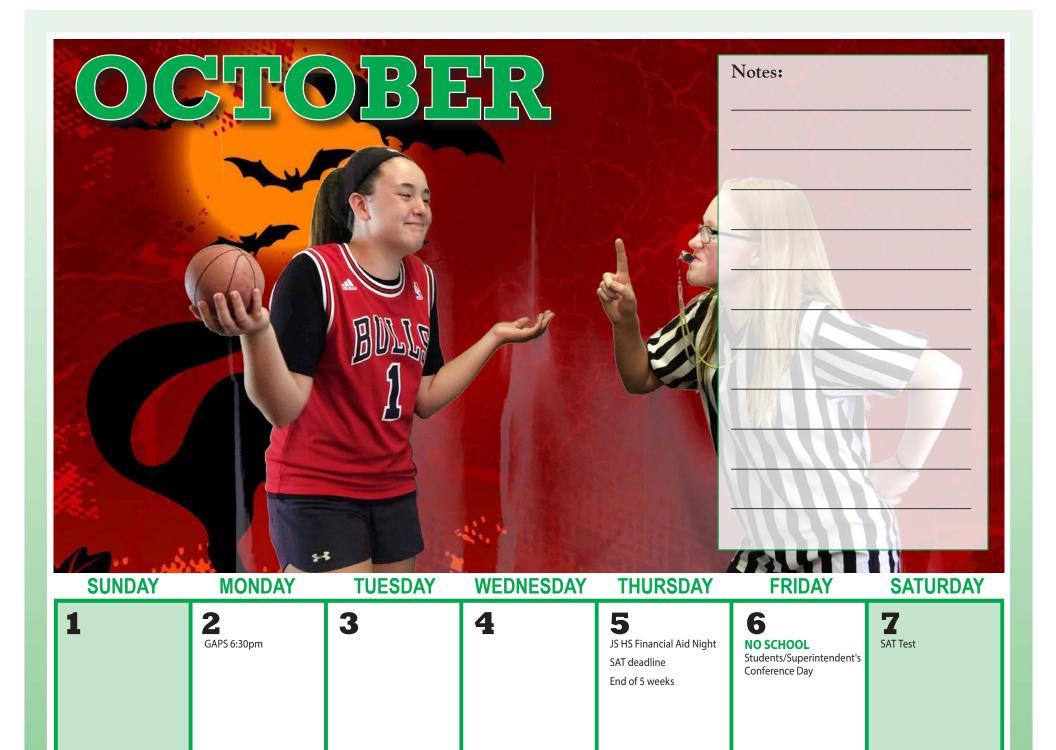
If you would like to visit a classroom, we ask that you contact the teacher at least 24 hours in advance and please sign in at the Main Office upon arrival. We encourage parents/guardians to attend Open House and all extra-curricular events in which their son/daughter participates. We also encourage parents/guardians to become active in the Parents' Group. Please check the School District events calendar for meeting dates and times.



3	4 LABOR DAY NO SCHOOL	<b>5</b> Superintendent's Conference Day	<b>6</b> First Day of School	7	SAT registration deadline	<b>9</b> ACT Test
10	<b>11</b> GAPS 6:30pm	12	13	<b>14</b> BOE Meeting	15	16
17	18	<b>19</b> ONS Welcome Back Dinner 5:30pm Open house 6:30pm	<b>20</b> GS Curriculum Night & Band Info Night	<b>21</b> JSHS Open House	<b>22</b> ACT registration deadline	23
24	<b>25</b> JS HS picture day	26	<b>27</b> Half Day Students/ Professional Development Day	<b>28</b> BOE Meeting	29	30 6:○ 13:♪ 20: ● 27:◀

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8	9 NO SCHOOL Columbus Day GS/HS/BP -	10	ONS Welcome Back Dinner 5:30pm and Open House 6:30pm PSAT Test	<b>12</b> BOE Meeting	13 JSHS Pep Rally	14 JSHS Homecoming
15	<b>16</b> GS Picture Day	<b>17</b> GS Picture Day	18	19	<b>20</b> Jr High Dance	21
22	23	<b>24</b> ONS Picture Day	25	<b>26</b> BOE Meeting	27	28 ACT Test
29	30	<b>31</b> GS Halloween Parade - 1:15pm				5:○ 12: <b>〕</b> 19: <b>●</b> 27: <b>【</b>

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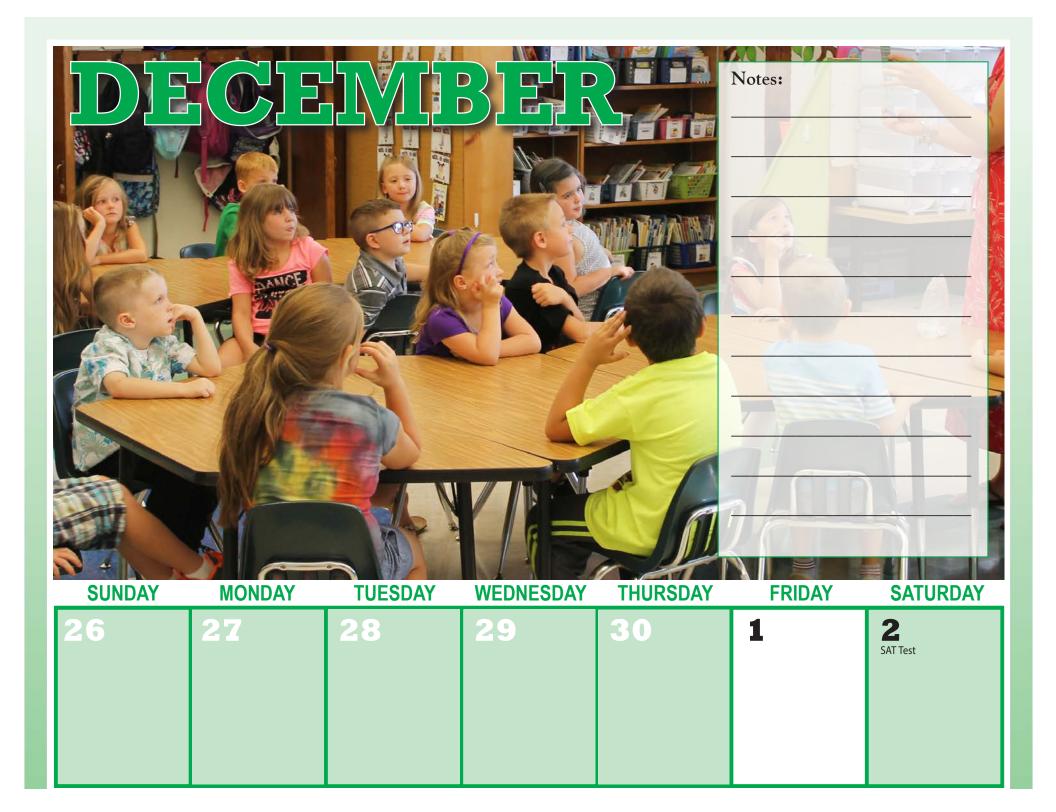
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5	<b>6</b> GAPS 6:30pm	7	8	JS HS Picture makeup day BOE Meeting End of 10 weeks	10 NO SCHOOL Veteran's Day	11
12	13	14	15	16 HALF DAY GS/ONS only Parent/ Teacher Conference	<b>17</b> HALF DAY GS/ONS only Parent/ Teacher Conference	18
19	20	<b>21</b> ONS Harvest Dinner GS Picture Retake	22 NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY RECESS	23 NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY RECESS	24 NO SCHOOL HOLIDAY RECESS	25
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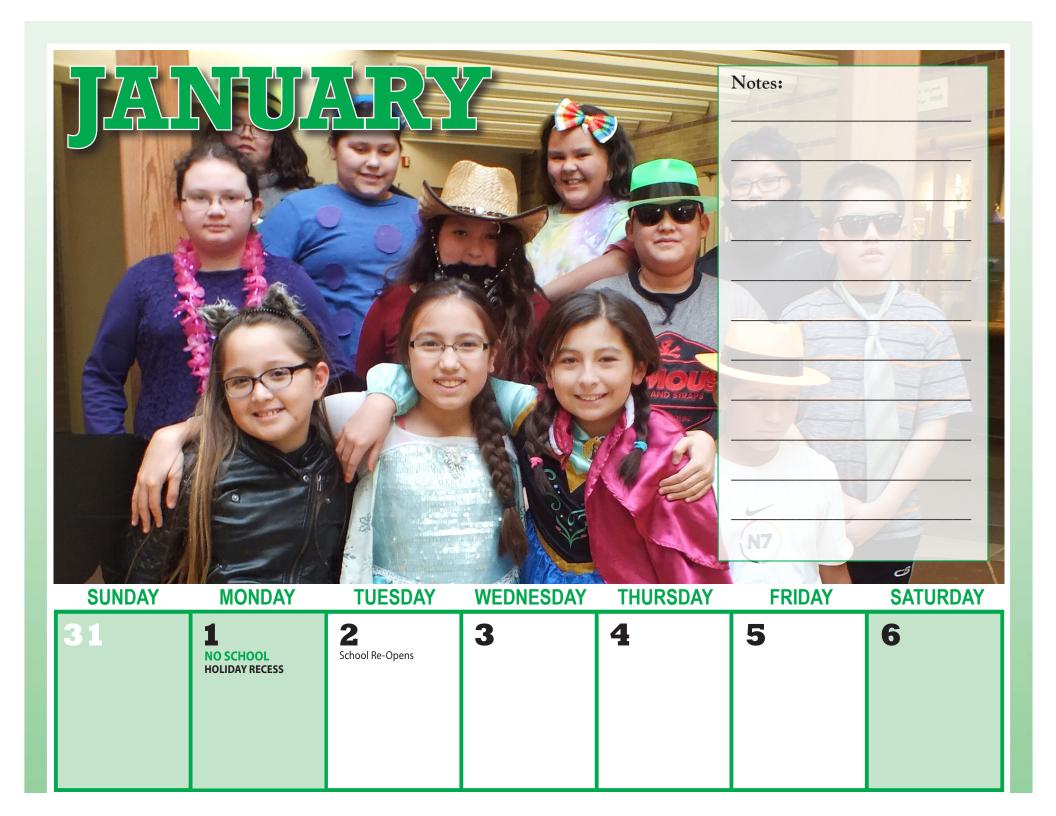
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3	4	<b>5</b> ONS Picture Make Up Day	<b>6</b> GS Concert 7:00pm	<b>Z</b> BOE Meeting	<b>B HALF DAY</b> Students/Professional Development Day	ACT Test
10	11	<b>12</b> JS HS Winter Concert 7:00pm	13	14	<b>15</b> End of 15 weeks	16
17	18	19	20	<b>21</b> BOE Meeting	<b>22</b> JSHS Day of Giving	23
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7	8	9	10	<b>11</b> BOE Meeting	12	13
14	15 NO SCHOOL Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	16	17	18	19	20
21	<b>22</b> JSHS Regents	23 JSHS Regents	<b>24</b> JSHS Regents	<b>25</b> BOE Meeting JSHS Regents	26 HALF DAY for Students - Rating Day JSHS Regents Jr High Career Fair End of 20 weeks	27
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4	5	6	7	<b>8</b> BOE Meeting	SAT deadline	10
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<b>25</b>	<b>26</b> Dr. Suess Week at Grimshaw	<b>27</b> Dr. Suess Week at Grimshaw	<b>28</b> Dr. Suess Week at Grimshaw	1	2	3 7: 15: 23: <b></b> €

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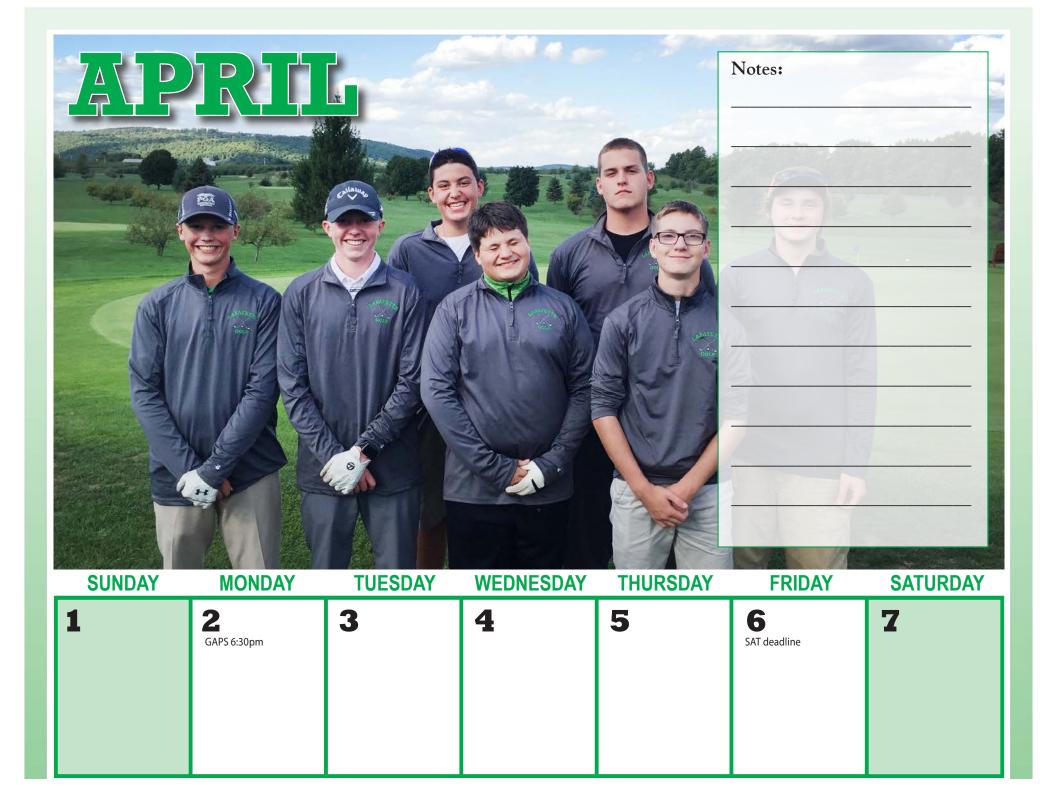
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4	<b>5</b> GAPS 6:30pm	6	7	<b>8</b> GS Open House	ACT deadline  JS HS Drama Production  End of 25 weeks	10 SAT Test JS HS Drama Production
11	12	13	14 NO SCHOOL Superintendent's Conference Day	<b>15</b> College Fair @ OCC BOE Meeting	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	<b>23</b> Rockfest 2018 6-10pm	24
<b>25</b>	26	27	28	<b>29</b> BOE Meeting	30 NO SCHOOL Good Friday	31 1:○ 9:♪ 17:● 24:◀ 31:○

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8	9	10	11	<b>12</b> BOE Meeting	13 End of 30 weeks	<b>14</b> ACT Test
15	16	17	18	<b>19</b> Jr High Honor Society Induction	<b>20</b> ONS Spring Dinner	21
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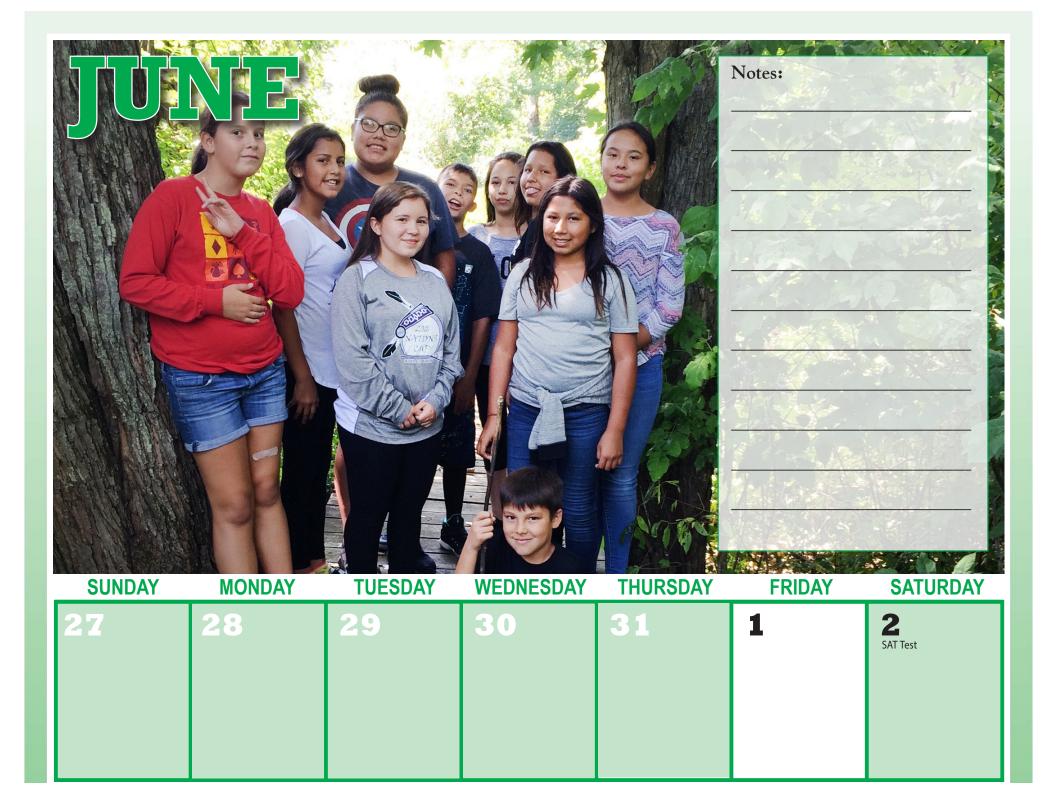
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6	<b>Z</b> GAPS 6:30pm	8	9	<b>10</b> Jr High Oratorical Concert	11	12
13	14	<b>15</b> BUDGET VOTE & BOE Meeting Senior High Spring Concert 7:00pm	<b>16</b> ONS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	Junior High Spring Concert 7:00pm ONS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	<b>18</b> GS Grandparent's Day ONS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	19
20	<b>21</b> GS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	<b>22</b> GS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	<b>23</b> GS Spring Concert 7:00pm GS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	<b>24</b> ONS Spring Dinner GS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration	<b>25</b> GS Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration End of 35 weeks	26
27	28 NO SCHOOL MEMORIAL DAY	29	<b>30</b> JSHS Award Ceremony	<b>31</b> BOE Meeting	1	7: D 15: ● 21: <b>(</b> 29: ○

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3	<b>4</b> GAPS 6:30pm	<b>5</b> GS Kindergarten Olympics	6	GS Kindergarten Olympics (Rain Date) JSHS Scholarship Awards Night	<b>8</b> ACT deadline	<b>9</b> ACT Test
10	<b>11</b> JSHS Local Exams	<b>12</b> Regents Exams	<b>13</b> GS Olympics/Picnic Regents Exams	<b>14</b> BOE Meeting GS Olympics/Picnic (Rain Date) Regents Exams	<b>15</b> Regents Exams	16
17	<b>18</b> Regents Exams	<b>19</b> GS 6th Grade Moving up Regents Exams	<b>20</b> GS Kindergarten Graduation Big Picture Graduation 6:00 pm Regents Exams	ONS Graduation GS Last day of School for students Regents Exams	<b>22</b> High Schol Graduation 7:00pm Rating Day End of 40 weeks	23
24	25	26	27	<b>28</b> BOE Meeting ONS Last Day for Students	<b>29</b> ONS Last Day for Staff/ Professional Development Day	30 6: 13: 20: 28:○

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#### **Use of School Facilities**

The school and its facilities exist primarily for our students and their pursuit of an education.

The Board of Education's policy is that all facilities be used to their fullest extent by community groups providing it does not interfere with the educational program or create additional costs to the District.

Facility use applications may be obtained from the Main Office of each school building. The principal will provide you with the information and application forms which are required to be completed and submitted with a certificate of insurance for approval.

The application forms list in detail the stipulations which must be met in order to gain approval for the use of a school building or facility by a community group.

The school district requests at least one week notice prior to the scheduled event.



# **Food Service Program**

LaFayette Schools offers a breakfast and lunch program. The full price breakfast is \$1.25 and the full price lunch is \$2.55 for students in 7-12 and \$2.45 for students in K-6.

If you feel that your child/children are eligible for free or reduced-price meals, you can obtain an application from the school office or the Food Service Office. You may also submit a Direct Certification Letter. A Direct Certification Letter is sent to the eligible household from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance. Please submit either of these documents directly to the: School Food Service Office, 5955 US Route 20, LaFayette, New York, 13084 or to your child/children's school office.

Those students eligible for free or reduced-price meals may participate in both the breakfast and lunch programs. Those students eligible for reduced-price meals can pay 25 cents for breakfast and 25 cents for lunch. The cashier at each school will accept cash or a check for the pre-paid meals or you may pre-pay online. See the school website for information about registering for MyNutrikids.

Our program also offers a charge policy for elementary students who forget their lunch, money, or wish to have breakfast. A reminder is sent home from the school cashier indicating the amount of the charge. We ask that the charges be paid in a timely manner with cash or a check made payable to the LaFayette School Food Service Program.

Menus are available each month on the LaFayette Central School website at www.lafayetteschools.org.

If there are any questions about these policies, please call Robert Kennedy, School Lunch Manager, at 315-677-9761 or 315-677-9510.

**Reminder** - Last year's free or reduced applications are only valid through September 30, 2017, after which a new application must be on file. Also, please let us know if your kindergartner has a sibling who was eligible for free or reduced-price meals last school year.

#### **Transportation Department**

Pupil transportation is a support system for our students' education. Special emphasis must be placed on safety while meeting the District's transportation needs. Following are major objectives to serve as a guide in the management of our pupil transportation program:

- 1. To provide safe transportation that includes maintaining appropriate school bus behavior by all students.
- 2. To operate the transportation program efficiently and economically.
- 3. To ensure that transportation meets the requirements of the instructional program, as well as the health and welfare of the students.
- 4. To promote school district community awareness of the entire transportation program, including safety, adequacy, efficiency, and standards of service.
- 5. Any questions or concerns about transportation, please call Ron Cooper, Transportation Supervisor at 315-677-9700 or email him at rcooper@lafayetteschools.org.

Thank you to the LaFayette Community for their continued support of the LaFayette Central School Transportation Department.

# **Marking Period Schedule**

1st Quarter:	Oct. 5—	End of 5 weeks
	Oct. 13—	Reports Mailed Home
	Nov. 9—	End of 10 weeks
	Nov. 17—	Reports Mailed Home

2nd Quarter:	Dec. 15—	End of 15 weeks
	Dec. 22—	Reports Mailed Home
	Jan. 26—	End of 20 weeks
	Feb. 2—	Reports Mailed Home

3rd Quarter:	Mar. 9—	End of 25 weeks
	Mar. 16—	Reports Mailed Home
	Apr. 13—	End of 30 weeks
	Apr. 20—	Reports Mailed Home

4th Quarter:	May 25—	End of 35 weeks
	June 1—	Reports Mailed Home
	June 22—	End of 40 weeks
	June 29—	Reports Mailed Home



#### **New York State Regents Diploma Graduation Requirements**

Graduation requirements for the Class of 2018 are summarized as follows:

#### **Regents Diploma:**

English:	4 credits
Social Studies:	4 credits
Math:	3 credits
Science:	3 credits
Art/Music:	1 credit
Health:	1/2 credit
Physical Education:	2 credits
Electives:	3-5 credits
TOTAL:	22 credits

#### **New York State Advanced Regents Diploma**

In addition to the Regents Diploma requirements, students must earn three credits in second language or five credits in art, music, or occupational education. Students must also pass Regents examinations in Global History, U.S. History, English, Second Language, Math (must have all 3) and Science (a minimum of 2).

## **College Entrance Exams**

**SAT** - A four hour exam typically taken by Juniors and Seniors. The SAT was updated in Spring of 2017 and consists of two section scores, one for Math and one for Evidence-Based Reading and Writing.

**ACT** - A four-part, 2 hour and 40-minute test of abilities. The ACT deals more with the use of skills than with specific subject matter. Areas include English Usage, Mathematics Usage, Reading, Natural Science and Writing.

**Registration Forms** - Registration is to be completed on the respective websites **www.collegeboard.com** and **www.act.org**.

**Recommended Testing** - Students should test in April, May or June of their Junior year, and possibly again their Senior year (depending on student satisfaction with scores). Please note: SAT also has SAT II subject tests. Many competitive colleges require these exams. Students should take the SAT II test no later than January of their Senior year.

**College Application Process** - In early September, Seniors will receive detailed instructions on how to apply to college(s). The application process will now be completed online. Contact the School Counseling office at 315-677-7849 should you have any questions.

**College Visitations** - College visitations are considered a legal absence from school. Please submit a permission slip, signed by a parent, to the Nurse's Office before the visit. College representatives regularly visit the high school in the spring and fall. Dates and times are posted for student convenience, as well as announced in the morning on the day of the visit. Students must have pre-signed pass from their counselor to attend.

## **National Junior Honor Society**

The National Junior Honor is sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals. It is a nationally recognized program for junior high school students.

Students are chosen for membership in the National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) on the basis of scholarship, leadership and character. All students have a fair and equal opportunity to be considered for membership. The selection process must be fair and non-discriminatory.

The LaFayette chapter uses the following selection process:

- ◆ All students will be notified by letter of the application procedure.
- ◆ Cumulative grade point averages for all 7th and 8th grade students are calculated. Eligible students must have an average of 85 or above with no quarter or final grade lower than a 70 during the previous year, and no loss of credit due to attendance problems.
- ◆ Applications will be hand delivered to all eligible students. A letter will be sent home to parents.
- ◆ Each eligible and interested student must return the application by the stated deadline. Late applications will not be accepted. Each student will deliver a recommendation form to 3 current or past teachers. The entire Junior High faculty may be asked for assessment of the student, using a 1-5 point scale.
- ◆ A confidential faculty council, consisting of 5 volunteers, is chosen. The members of this council are given copies of the student's activity information, applications, and teacher recommendations in order to rate the students on the qualities of service, leadership, and character.
- ◆ All rating forms are tallied by the advisor(s) and given to the faculty council. The council meets to discuss each candidate's credentials. After due consideration, the council votes on each candidate. A simple majority qualifies the student membership.
- ◆ Candidates and parents are notified as to whether the application was accepted or rejected for the current semester. Those students not selected for admission are encouraged to apply again the following semester.

## **REQUIRED NOTIFICATIONS**

#### **Access to Student Records - FERPA**

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), parents/guardians and students over 18 years of age must be notified of their rights to inspect and review the student's records or request the amendment of records if they believe them to be incorrect. They also must be advised that they can withhold consent on disclosure of personally identifiable information, except in those cases where the law allows for disclosure without consent.

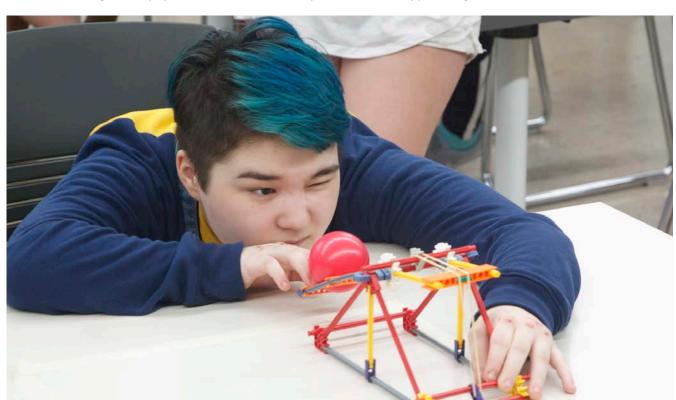
# **Asbestos Management Plan**

Federal regulations require that schools be inspected for the presence of asbestos, a toxic material that has been used in the construction industry for a number of years. The District's schools have been inspected for asbestos containing materials and the results of the inspections are contained in the Asbestos Management Plan. This plan has been sent to the state authority in charge of Asbestos Abatement.

# **Athletic Program - Safety**

The District will take reasonable steps to see that physical risks to students participating in the interscholastic athletic program shall be kept at a minimum by:

- 1. Requiring medical examinations of participants.
- 2. Obtaining certificated personnel to coach all varsity, junior varsity, and modified games.
- 3. Ensuring that equipment is both safe and operative within approved guidelines.



# **Attendance Policy**

It is the belief of the faculty and administration of LaFayette Central School that there is a direct correlation between academic success and school attendance. We feel it is the responsibility of parents/guardians and students to ensure that students attend school and classes on a regular basis. Our philosophy for attendance is that regular class attendance and participation is needed for optimal mastery of each and every course. Also, regular attendance is essential in preparation for the "real world" where promptness and responsibility are important ingredients for career success. We believe that the school and the home must work together to promote these essential values.

The attendance policy of LaFayette Central Schools is designed to not only encourage all students to attend school on a regular basis but also to encourage their diligence in making up work missed during an absence. This policy is one, which hopefully will cause students to prioritize and to be selective in choosing activities, which take them out of their classes. The teacher, regardless of the reason, legal or illegal, will record a class absence.

When a student is absent, the student is expected to contact the teacher(s) to determine what is required to make up the class work or time missed.

Students are expected to be in school except in cases of emergency and/or for reasons listed:

- **♦** Illness
- Sickness/Death in Family
- ◆ Court Appearance
- ◆ Road Test
- ◆ Bus Tardy
- ◆ Inclement Weather
- ♦ Religious Observation
- ♦ Medical Appointment
- ◆ Educational Field Trip
- ◆ College Visitation

Poor attendance and tardiness negatively impact Co-Curricular activities, senior privileges and driving privileges. Please refer to the Student Handbook for further information.

When students are absent or tardy, a written excuse signed by a parent or guardian is required when they return to school. If it is necessary to be excused before the end of the school day, the parent or guardian is expected to sign the student out in the Health Office. For specifics regarding the attendance policies, please consult the Student/Parent Handbook or call the respective building principal.

## **Directory Information**

The LaFayette CSD has designated certain categories of student information as "directory information." Directory information includes a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, major course of study, participation in school activities or sports, weight and height if a member of an athletic team, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, most recent school attended, class schedule, photograph, email address, and class roster. If you object to the release of any or all of the directory information listed above, you must do so in writing to the building principal.

#### **Health Guidelines**

The health of your child is very important to us. In order to promote health and wellness and decrease the spread of infectious disease, the following guidelines have been approved by the school physician. We are asking your cooperation in following them and please, for the health of all the students, keep your child home if he/she is sick.

- 1. Please stress the importance of a good night's sleep for maximum performance in the classroom.
- 2. Encourage yoru child to eat a healthy breakfast and lunch. A breakfast program will be available in all 4 schools this year.
- 3. To help decrease the spread of lice, please ask your child not to use anyone's comb or brush or wear anyone's hat. Rashes need to be identified by your physician.
- 4. A student with a temperature of 100 degrees or more will be sent home. If a student has a fever, they should remain home for 24 hours after their temperature returns to normal.
- 5. A student should be kept home for 24 hours after vomiting and will be sent home if he/she vomits in school.
- 6. A student must be kept home a minimum of 5 days after the onset of chicken pox and until all lesions are crested. A child with an ear ache lasting more than 24 hours should be seen by a physician.
- 7. A child with a sore throat lasting more than 3 days should be seen by a physician.

#### **Limited English Proficiency Students**

Within 30 days of the start of the school year, parents of limited English proficient students must be notified if their child is participating in or eligible for a language instruction program for LEP students. After the beginning of the school year, this notification must occur within two weeks. Parents must also be informed of their right to decline their child's enrollment in language instruction programs.

## **Non-Discrimination Policy**

The LaFayette CSD does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, national origin, marital status or sexual orientation in the employment and educational opportunities it offers, including vocational educational opportunities. The District is committed to adhering to the non--discrimination provisions of Title VI and Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Age Discrimination in Employment Act and the New York Human Rights Law.

The LaFayette CSD also does not discriminate on the basis of sex with respect to employment or in the educational programs and activities it provides (including vocational programs), including the appointment of employees, employment pay, benefits and opportunities, counseling services for students, access by students to educational programs, course offerings, textbooks and student activities, as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972.

The LaFayette CSD does not discriminate on the basis of disability in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act and the New York Human Rights Law. Furthermore, the District does not discriminate on the basis of disability in admission or access to its programs. No person shall be denied employment or employment advancement solely because any physical, mental or medical impairment, provided the individual is capable of performing, with or without reasonable accommodation, the essential functions of the job applied for or held.

Inquiries regarding the District's Non--Discrimination Policy should be directed to:

- Title IX Coordinator Jeremy Belfield, Superintendent of Schools
- Section 504 Coordinator Karen Ocque, Director of Special Education
- 3. District Records Access Officer Jeremy Belfield, Superintendent of Schools

# **Physical Exam Policy**

School children in New York State are required to have physical examinations in grades Pre-K, K, 2, 4, 7 and 10. All students participating in interscholastic sports must also receive an exam. These exams must be performed after June 1st for the following school year. In addition, all new students are required to have an exam on file within 30 days of entering school. An exam done within one year prior to entrance will be accepted. A physical may also be required for a student being evaluated by the Committee of Special Education.

Each Building nurse may schedule their own physicals directly with the health provider as needed. During physical exams one Registered Nurse and 1 assistant (aide or another nurse) must be present.

Required physicals will be done according to grade level even when repeating a grade. If this presents a financial problem, physicals may be done at school for free.

Any student not in compliance with a required physical by the end of the school year will be referred to the building principal and should NOT be re-admitted in September unless their physical is on file in the Health Office.

# Release of Information to Another Educational Institution/ Military Disclosure

The District may disclose any and all educational records, including disciplinary records, and records that were created as a result of a student receiving special education services under Part B of IDEA, to another school or postsecondary institution at which the student seeks or intends to enroll, or after the student has enrolled or transferred, so long as the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer.

Pursuant to the No Child Left Behind Act, the LaFayette CSD must disclose to military recruiters or institutions of higher learning, upon request, the names, addresses, and telephone number of high school students. The District must also notify parents of their right and the right of their child to request that the District not release such information without prior written parental consent.

Parents wishing to exercise the option to withhold their consent to the release of the above information to military recruiters or institutions of high learning must do so in writing to the building principal.



# S.A.V.E. Legislation

The Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (S.A.V.E) legislation became effective July 1, 2001. S.A.V.E. is divided into 5 major sections which include:

- 1. A Code of Conduct
- 2. A School Safety Plan
- 3. Violent Incident Reporting
- 4. Character Education
- 5. Fingerprinting of New Employees

The following discipline guidelines applies district wide: Pride and Respect: Having a sense of pride in, and respect for, oneself is essential for a happy and successful life. A person who has neither often finds it difficult to have respect for anyone else. Within a school setting or the work place, having respect for others and their belongings is critical. If you expect to be treated with respect, you must treat others in the same fashion.

In the classroom, respect is lost or earned by the way the student responds to the teacher as well as to classmates. The student who seldom comes to class prepared, and who is intent on class disruption, will not only risk involvement with the discipline policy but will also lose a most valuable possession...respect.

The Disciplinary Policy is a guide for disposition of standard discipline cases and indicates what can be expected when a student breaks a rule. Discipline cases with extenuating circumstances will be subject to administrative discretion.

# Student Conduct Considered Unacceptable and Requiring Disciplinary Action:

- ◆ Use of obscene language, apparel with obscene language, possession of obscene literature (including audio recordings).
- Disrespect to a staff member or student. Harassment of a staff member or student. Theft or vandalism of school property.
- ◆ Gambling.
- ♦ Fighting.
- ♦ Cheating.
- ◆ Skipping class or leaving school without permission.
- ♦ Reckless driving on school property. Assault of a staff member or student.
- ◆ Possession of alcohol, narcotics or weapons on school property. Smoking in the building or on school grounds.
- ♦ Endangering the safety and welfare of others in the building.
- Displays of affection involving inappropriate physical conduct. Threats against students, staff or building (verbal or physical).
- ◆ Any violation of local, state and/or federal law not previously mentioned.

#### **Student Health Records**

The District shall keep a convenient, accurate, and up--to--date health record of every student. Insofar as the health records include confidential disclosures or findings, they shall be kept confidential.

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) is a federal law that protects the privacy of students' "education records." For Pre-K through grade 12 students, health records maintained by the School District, including immunization records, and school nurse records, are generally considered "education records" subject to FERPA. In addition, records that the District or school maintains on special education students, including records on services provided to students under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) are considered "education records" under FERPA. Since student health and medical information in education records is protected by FERPA, the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPPA) Privacy Rule excludes such information from its coverage.

Generally, these records may not be shared with third parties without written parental consent unless the disclosure meets one of the exceptions to FERPA's general consent requirement. One exception permits the disclosure of education records, without parental consent, to appropriate parties in connection with an emergency, if knowledge of the information is necessary to protect the health and safety of the student or other individuals.

Parents have a right under FERPA to inspect and review those health and medical records that are considered "education records" under FERPA. Individual records may be interpreted by the school's registered professional nurse to administrators, teachers, and other school officials, consistent with law.

# **Student Photographs and Work**

Photographs/videotapes of students and/or student work may be used occasionally in district and community publications. If you object to your child(ren)'s photograph or work being used in these publications, you must do so in writing to the building principal.

# **Student Privacy**

Parents must be notified of the District's privacy policy. It must offer them the opportunity to excuse their child from any survey that reveals information on personal behavior or political beliefs. Parents must also be notified and offered the chance to exclude their child from activities that include the gathering of personal information about students that could be used for marketing purposes.

## **Teacher Qualifications**

In accordance with the Federal No Child Left Behind Act, parents and guardians have the right to request specific information about the professional qualifications of their children's classroom teachers. As a parent/guardian of a student in the LaFayette CSD, you have the right to request the following information for whether:

- 1. The teacher has met NYS qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas he/she teaches;
- The teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- 3. The teacher's college major, earned advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees;
- 4. The qualifications of any instructional aides or similar paraprofessionals who provide services to your child.

Requests for information about the qualifications of your child's teacher(s) should be directed to the building principal. All requests will be honored in a timely manner.

# IMPORTANT CONTACT INFORMATION

		<b>District Offices</b>
Jeremy Belfield	Superintendent	(315) 677-9728
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Jason Ryan	7-12 Principal	(315) 677-3131	
Bill O'Leary/Kristeen Cool	Guidance	(315) 677-7849	
Jerry Kelly	Athletic Coordinator	(315) 677-3087	
Jennifer Gates	School Nurse	(315) 677-5507	

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(315) 504-1000	Principal	Susan Osborn
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#### C. Grant Grimshaw School (GS):

Jennifer Blossey	Principal	(315) 677-3152
Paula Bush	School Nurse	(315) 677-5501
Jennifer Ousby	GAPS President	

#### **Onondaga Nation School (ONS):**

(315) 469-6991	Principal	TBA
(315) 469-0994	School Nurse	Kerry Allocco
(315) 469-6991	Community Liaison	TBA
	PTS President	Ashley Bennett

# **Department Directors & Supervisors:**

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