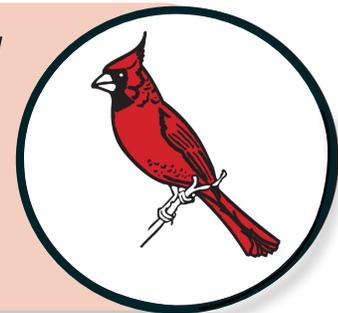


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## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Welcome back for the 2012-2013 school year! As this letter reaches you, I hope that you are still in the midst of enjoying the extraordinary summer weather. These beautiful days seem to make the time pass so much more quickly, and in a few short weeks, we will be welcoming our community's children back to school.

It has been an extremely busy summer in preparation for the upcoming year. As many of you may be aware, New York State has imposed a number of new educational initiatives on districts. The primary change is the new teacher and principal evaluation systems that the governor has signed into law, which require an even greater emphasis on student testing. Teachers at every grade level have spent the summer working on new pre and post test sets for students, as well as modifying curriculum to meet the newly adopted Common Core State Standards. It is our goal to ensure that this work is a meaningful continuation of our efforts to maintain high expectations for our students and ourselves as educators. Likewise, despite the increased emphasis on testing, it remains our mission to deliver a well-rounded education to all of our students, in pursuit of helping them reach their fullest potential.

Activity in other areas of the district has also been proceeding at a rapid pace. By the time you receive this, Nathan T. Hall elementary will be in the midst of some much overdue roof replacement in certain sections. Additionally, the new dust collection system in the high school technology room is fully operational, and we are redesigning and upgrading two computer labs and a science room in the high school. We will continue to evaluate and strive to provide the best possible learning environment for our students, and our facilities staff has done a wonderful job.

In closing, I would like to thank all of you for your continued support of our efforts. Your partnership remains a critical element in moving forward. As always, if I can ever be of assistance, please feel free to contact me at 642-3221.

Sincerely, Ryan Dougherty - Superintendent of Schools, Newark Valley CSD

## Young Poets Participate in Binghamton University's Poetry and the Children Day

An audience made up of over 400 students, teachers, and parents filled Binghamton University's Anderson Center on May 23<sup>rd</sup> for its 35<sup>th</sup> annual Poetry and the Children Day. Months earlier in Newark Valley, third grade and Middle School students wrote poetry, hoping that their original poems would be one of the twenty that teachers would select this year. The following students and their poetry represented Newark Valley at Poetry and the Children Day: From 3<sup>rd</sup> grade; Trinity Bogert, Leah Williams, Ashley Holt, and Morgan Cwynar; from the Middle School; Christian McMurray, Emma Morgan, April Simmons, Ronald Hall Jr., Danielle Hartford, Tyler Stevenson, Anna Simmons, Christian Caskey, Kyle Trescot, Molly Baker, Marisa Longo, Renee Wilcox, Maria Evans, Kaya Luciani, and Brittany Williams. Many parents and caregivers were there to support our young poets as well as several teachers, Newark Valley Superintendent, Mr. Dougherty, and the Middle School Principal, Mr. Schaffer. All students read their poems and each received a book of this year's students' poetry. It was a memorable day for everyone!



Third grade and Middle School students visit Binghamton University for its 35<sup>th</sup> annual Poetry and the Children Day. Students are, left to right, back: Molly Baker, Kaya Luciani, Christian McMurray, Maria Evans, Renee Wilcox, Marissa Longo, and Anna Simmons; middle: Christian Caskey, Ronald Hall Jr., Stephen Cowulich, and April Simmons; front: Danielle Hartford, Trinity Bogert, Morgan Cwynar, Ashley Holt, and Leah Williams

## Class of 2012 Valedictorian and Salutatorian

Susan Durand, daughter of Reed and Julie Durand of Owego, has been named Valedictorian of the Newark Valley High School Class of 2012 with an un-weighted grade point average of 98.38. Susan is a treasurer of National Honor Society, a member of 20/40 Newspaper Club, Valley Masquers Drama Club, symphonic band, jazz ensemble, senior chorus, select chorus, and she plays varsity field hockey and tennis. She is a community minded young woman who is active in her church youth group, teaches religious education and vacation bible school, visits home bound and nursing home residents, sings in the St. John's Choir and participates in the hunger awareness food fast. Susan received a National Merit Commendation and a National Merit Special Scholarship from Lockheed Martin, the New York State Athletic Administrators Association Student Athlete Scholar Award, the RPI Rensselaer Medal Award, the New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence, and will be receiving the Presidential Scholarship and the Maxis-Gillet Service Scholarship from Marywood University, where she plans to study Architecture.



Marley North, daughter of Debra and Thomas North of Newark Valley has been named Salutatorian of the Newark Valley High School Class of 2012 with an un-weighted grade point average of 96.51. Marley plays volleyball, club volleyball and tennis and is President of the Senior Class, Treasurer of Interact Club and a member of National Honor Society, 20/40 Newspaper Club, student council, Show Choir, Women's Chorus, Senior Chorus and the accompanist for women's choir this year. Marley has been an Assistant Coach to the modified Volleyball team for 3 years, a mentor for 3 years and has served as a hospital volunteer and a Sunday School Teacher. She received the New York State Scholarship for Academic Excellence, the University of Rochester Bausch & Lomb Science Award, and will receive a merit scholarship from Syracuse University where she plans to study pre-medicine.

### Class of 2012 Commencement Awards

*The following awards were given to students at Graduation 2012.*

Alumni Association George and Pearl Kobylarz Award:	Lauren Crandall	Florence Barton Tavelli Memorial Award:	Carl Capello
Alumni Association Prospective Teacher Award:	Jessica Darpino	Berkshire Fire Department & Auxiliary Awards:	Tiffani Williamson Shawn Davis
Alumni Association Americanism Award:	Jordan Kalpokas	Jewel Griffith Music Scholarship:	Victoria Gac
Alumni Association Sceone Bean Award:	Jessica Stewart	Booster Club Grants:	Taylor Hamilton, Elizabeth Lindsay, Britney Percey, Travis Phillips, Adrian Race
Alumni Association Vocational Education Award:	Christi Keener	Benjamin Jacob Wilbur Memorial Award:	Lora Stadelma
Alumni Association Business Award:	Nathan Dean	Mary and Warren Lynch Memorial Award:	Jasmine Myrick Kyle Meddaugh
Alumni Association Carole Stelmack Award:	Marley North	Newark Valley United Teachers Association - Ruth E Kinyon Memorial Scholarship:	Jessica Darpino
William H. Stimming Memorial Scholarship:	Sara Stephens Nick Edington	Edna "Kip" Steinkamp Memorial Award:	Jessica Darpino
Jeff Snow Memorial Award:	Nick Edington	Speedsville Fire Department Jason Lanning Memorial Scholarship:	Jasmine Myrick
Mark L. Tull Memorial Scholarship:	Michael DuVarney	Don McLaugh Memorial Award:	Derek Fenn
PEO Sisterhood Award:	Nicole Weeks	Newark Valley Fire Department Auxiliary Scholarship:	Sara Stephens Marley North
Brent Northrup Memorial Fund:	Trevor Schiess	Charles Bartz Memorial Scholarship:	Nicole Weeks
Christopher Malinosky Memorial Scholarship:	Susan Durand Victoria Gac	John Patch Memorial Award:	Connor Cleveland
John Randall Memorial Fund:	Samantha Mertson	Owego Rotary Scholarship:	Victoria Gac
Newark Valley Fire Department Scholarships:	John Galluzzo	Richard and Chad Kerr Scholarship Fund:	Valedictorian - Susan Durand Salutatorian - Marley North
Jack Joslin Memorial Scholarship:	Sara Stephens	Class of 1928 Cup Award:	Nicole Weeks
Margaret Horton Memorial Scholarship:	Sumi Alexander		
Kelli Ford Memorial Tribute:	Sumi Alexander		
Richford Community Auxiliary Scholarship:	Samantha Robinson Brett Wallace		

### Graduate Picnic Tradition

Seniors gathered at the high school on Thursday morning, June 21<sup>st</sup> for more than graduation rehearsal. This is the fifth year, the faculty honored the graduates by hosting a barbecue picnic to celebrate their success. Teachers, administrators, and guidance counselors cooked, decorated, baked, and barbecued to honor the class of 2012.

While Mrs. Ward coached the seniors and practiced for the ceremony, other faculty members, led by Mrs. Dougherty, were busy decorating the Rock On Café, preparing the buffet set up, and barbecuing the hot dogs and hamburgers. The cafeteria tables were proudly adorned with red and white balloons.

This is a wonderful tradition that demonstrates the commitment of our high school staff to supporting the success of our students, as they continue their life's journey.

**Awards Night 2012**  
**Senior Class Achievement Awards**

English - Terrie Casterline  
 Mathematics - Susan Durand  
 Science - Susan Durand  
 Social Studies - Harper Horton  
 German Language - Nick Lowe  
 Spanish Language - Marley North  
 Business - Mike DuVarney  
 Technology - Shawn Davis  
 Instrumental Music - Tori Gac  
 Vocal Music - Lizz Lindsay  
 Boy's Phys. Ed - Travis Phillips  
 Girl's Phys. Ed - Christi Keener  
 Art- Nicole Weeks

BOCES Achievement Awards:  
 President's Education Award for  
 Outstanding Academic Achievement:  
 Network Systems Analyst Andrew Getzke  
 Cosmetology Christina Shoemaker

President's Education Award for  
 Outstanding Academic Excellence:  
 Criminal Justice Aaron Colvin  
 Electricity Shawn Davis  
 Cosmetology Christi Keener  
 Auto Technology Kyle Meddaugh  
 Community Service Award –  
 Criminal Justice Aaron Colvin  
 Cosmetology Gabriella Gencarelli  
 Christi Keener  
 Christina Shoemaker  
 Amber Thompson

Skills USA Officer  
 Parliamentarian Aaron Colvin  
 Secretary Christi Keener  
 Bausch & Lomb Science Medal: Rachel Sweger  
 Frederick Douglass & Susan B. Anthony  
 Humanities and Social Sciences Award:  
 Katia D'Arcy  
 RIT Computing Award: Michaela Nelson  
 Devlin Farr

Clarkson University Leadership  
 & Achievement Awards: Joe Benjamin  
 Christian Richter  
 Elmira College Key Award: Meredith Friend  
 John Severi

Russell Sage College  
 Student Sage Award: Caroline Durand  
 Mikayla Pirger

George Eastman Young  
 Leaders Award: Jenna Cupp  
 Wells College 21st Century  
 Leaders Award: Emily Costley  
 The Rensselaer Medal: Casey Ford  
 The Xerox Award for Innovation  
 & Information Technology: Troy Meddaugh  
 RIT Creativity &  
 Innovation Award: Mikaela Brown  
 Ryan Coleman  
 Valley Masquers Awards: Conner Cleveland  
 Tori Gac  
 Lauren Crandall  
 Harper Horton  
 Nate Dean  
 Lizz Lindsay  
 Susan Durand

Outstanding Yorker Awards: Nate Dean  
 Nick Edington  
 Shreya Kallingal  
 Art Club Awards: Katarina  
 Geisenhoff  
 Rebecca Miles  
 Rotary Youth  
 Leadership Conference: Meredith Friend  
 Rotary Exchange Student: Shreya Kallingal  
 Salutatorian: Marley North  
 Valedictorian: Susan Durand  
 Kiwanis/Southern Tier Technology  
 Educators Assoc. Award: James Parrish  
 DAR Good Citizenship Award:

Nicole Weeks  
 Newspaper "20/40" Award: Lauren Crandall  
 Tori Gac  
 Nate Dean  
 Elks Citizenship Award: Nate Dean  
 U.S. Marines "Semper Fidelis"  
 Music Excellence Award: Connor Cleveland  
 NYS Scholarship for Academic Achievement:  
 \$1500.00: Susan Durand  
 \$500.00: Nick Edington  
 Harper Horton  
 Marley North

Senior Plaques: Sumi Alexander,  
 Connor Cleveland, Jessica Darpino, Nathaniel  
 Drew, Taylor Hamilton, Derek Fenn, Harper  
 Horton, Travis Phillips, Elizabeth Lindsay, Adrian  
 Race, Samantha Mertson, Conor Young, Jasmine  
 Myrick, Britney Percey, Heidi Riegel, Kristal Ste-  
 vens, Nicole Weeks  
 Outstanding Senior  
 Male Athlete: Adrian Race  
 Outstanding Senior  
 Female Athlete: Taylor Hamilton  
 Outstanding Senior  
 Female Student Athlete: Nicole Weeks  
 Outstanding Senior  
 Male Student Athlete: Connor Cleveland  
 Senator Thomas Libous Senior  
 Community Service Award: Victoria Gac  
 Susquehanna Chapter of NYS  
 Women, Inc. Award: Lora Stadelman  
 Newark Valley United Support Affiliates Award:  
 James Parrish  
 Samantha  
 Robinson

Mildred Faulkner Truman  
 Foundation Scholarships: Susan Durand  
 Victoria Gac  
 Mikayla Rypkema

Glenn A. Warner Post VFW Scholarship:  
 Elizabeth Lindsay  
 Tioga County Music Association Award:  
 Tori Gac  
 Harper Horton

Student Council Outstanding  
 Leadership Award: Andy Otero  
 Lizz Lindsay

Student Council Outstanding  
 Service Award: Jenna Cupp  
 Taylor Cupp  
 Anna D'Arcy  
 Katia D'Arcy  
 Tori Gac  
 Lizz Lindsay  
 Tiffani Williamson

Interact Outstanding Leadership Award:  
 Nicole Weeks  
 Interact Outstanding Service Award:  
 Tori Gac

Newark Valley Eastern Star  
 Agnes Roth Memorial Award: Nicole Weeks  
 Booster Club  
 Tom Malone Memorial Award: Scott Berghorn  
 Mr. Bill Harris Outstanding  
 Teacher Award: Deb Hospie  
 Robert Bleck Memorial Award:

Jasmine  
 Blaskiewicz  
 Western Broome-Eastern Tioga Retired  
 Teachers Association Award: Susan Durand  
 Richford Hotel Memorial Scholarship:  
 Heather  
 Liddington

Betsy Cleveland Memorial  
 Cross Country Award: Harper Horton  
 Derek Fenn

Greater Binghamton Scholastic  
 Challenge Awards: Kedrin Eastman  
 Taylor  
 Spoonhower

Yearbook Award: Jessica Darpino  
 Nicole Weeks  
 Red Cross Scholarship: Conor Young  
 Billy Stadelman Memorial Award:  
 Jonathon Dekar

Class of 1992 Michelle Campbell  
 Memorial Award: Britney Percey  
 Dick Honnick & Thelma Hogg Bowling Awards:  
 Derek Fenn

**NV Student Wins FASST Award**

The Fine Arts Society of the Southern Tier Inc. has named 10 winners of a high school art essay contest that allowed art students to express the importance of art in their lives in words rather than images.

The winners received a \$100 prize and a FASST Certificate of Achievement. They are: Stephanie Zdimal, Chenango Forks High School; Ciara Blakeslee, Harpursville High School; Hye Ran (Rosa) Seo, Seton Catholic Central High School; Emily Venuti, Chenango Valley High School; **Nicole Weeks, Newark Valley High School**; Kaitlin Bartholomew, Vestal High School; Nicholas Gates, Vestal High School; Mary Gasper, Vestal High School; Lesley Tuttle, Vestal High School; and Chris Hoskins, Vestal High School.

## NVHS Students Win Scholastic Challenge

This year Mrs. Alexander's students entered the Greater Binghamton Scholastic Challenge, an entrepreneurial competition amongst local high schools sponsored by Modern Marketing Concepts, Inc. and Career Pathways. The competition involved developing an innovative business and creating a detailed business plan. Taylor Spoonhower and Kedrin Eastman won 1st place in the entertainment category for their business plan, Down the Aisle. They gave a phenomenal presentation to the panel of judges and also created an amazing video for their business using Animoto. Each student received a \$100.00 scholarship.

## ATTENTION!

### Incoming 8th Graders to the High School

There will be an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation to the high school on Thursday, August 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:30 – 12:30. All 8<sup>th</sup> graders as well as any new students to the district are invited to attend. This is the time 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will meet their teachers, get their schedule, try their lockers, and tour the building. A picnic lunch will be provided and Transportation will run a modified bus schedule up and down Route 38. Letters will go out to all new students and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in August. We hope to see everyone there!!

### Welcome Back to the High School

Although summer is often thought of as a time to relax, regenerate, and gear up for the coming school year, the staff at the high school has been moving forward, nonstop. Preparations for September's opening day have long been underway and our building has been bustling with maintenance crews, student athletes, teachers, counselors, and the excitement and anticipation of a new school year.

Our custodial staff has been dancing around all of the athletic activity, computer re-imaging, and teachers preparing for the new year, while they return the classrooms and halls to their sparkling, spotless finish. Many classrooms, as well as the library will have a new look.

Our music department is still experiencing some temporary changes. Mrs. Wilday will be out on maternity leave and we are in the process of hiring a substitute for the first few months of school.

Many of our teachers have been back in school this summer as well. Pairs and groups of teachers are working with other teachers from the Southern Tier to design tests for their content areas. The challenges of our profession keep us energized, on our toes, and always learning.

Before we know it, September will be here. In the meanwhile, enjoy time with family and friends. While the quiet of summer is an opportunity to reorganize, prepare, and plan, we look forward to our halls and classrooms being filled with the voices of our students. I know we will have a great year!

*-Diane Arbes, Newark Valley CSD High School Principal*

### Senior Citizen Breakfast to be Hosted by Student Council

The High School Student Council cordially invites all senior citizens living in the Newark Valley school district to be our guests at a Holiday Breakfast. Please join us on December 21<sup>st</sup> at the Newark Valley Fire Station from 8 am to 10 am. Breakfast will include pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice, tea and coffee. It will be our pleasure to provide this breakfast at no cost to you. We look forward to seeing you there! Any questions, please call Sherrill Ward at NV High School, 642-8351.

### High School - Back to School Supply List

CALCULUS: 1.5" or bigger Binder, Loose leaf paper

ALGEBRA: 1.5" or bigger Binder, Loose leaf paper

SS: 2" Binder, Loose leaf paper

ALGEBRA: 1.5" or bigger Binder, Loose leaf paper

CHEMISTRY: 2" Binder, Loose leaf paper, Blue/blk pens

ILLUSTRATION: Sketchbook (at least 40 pgs 8.5X11")

ENGLISH: Blue/blk pens, Binder, Loose leaf paper, 2 pocket folder, Composition notebook

SCIENCE (9): Notebook or Loose leaf book, Pens/pencils

STUDIO ART: Pencils Sketchbook (at least 40 pgs 8.5X11"), 1 Extra fine Sharpie,

TECHNOLOGY: Pencils, Erasers, Binder w/ Loose leaf paper

ECONOMICS: 1" Binder, Loose leaf paper, Pens

CERAMICS: Sketchbook (at least 40 pgs 8.5X11"), 2 garbage bags, 2 abrasive green scrubbing pads

***Any classes not listed above need the basics: Notebooks, Folders, Pens, Pencils!***

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## Welcome Back Middle School Students

I hope all of our Middle School families are enjoying a safe and relaxing summer vacation. We have been hard at work in the building to ensure that we are ready to have a great start to the 2012-2013 school year.

This year, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade will be on our second floor, with 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> on our first floor. Basically, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade switched classrooms. This was a lot of work, and the custodial staff did a great job completing the move efficiently and quickly.

The Maintenance crew was also busy helping us update all of the stations in our computer lab. Each new station had to be modified to make sure that we have the most computers available to our students in that room.

I want to send out a special welcome to our new 4<sup>th</sup> grade students who will be joining us in a few weeks. I am confident that this will be a smooth and positive transition. Our Sneak Peek for 4<sup>th</sup> graders will be held on August 29<sup>th</sup> from 10-11am. You will be able to tour the building with your child and visit your classroom. We look forward to seeing you then.

Our first day of classes will be on Wednesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>. The regular school day begins at 7:30am and ends at 2:15pm. There is a late bus available that leaves at 3:35pm each day. Students will need a signed note from a guardian to ride this late bus. Students may enter the building at 7:25am if they choose to eat a school breakfast, and Homeroom will begin at 7:40am.

One of our goals is to have as many families involved in their child's education as possible. We want our families, as well as our students, to feel connected to our school. It is truly a team effort, and we absolutely need and want your support. We would like to start a Middle School Parent email group to keep everyone updated on current news and upcoming events. Please send one e-mail address to Mrs. Snapp at [esnapp@nvcs.stier.org](mailto:esnapp@nvcs.stier.org) to add your information to this group.

Please check to make sure that your child has the immunizations or physicals required for school. Please contact the Nurse's Office if you have any questions.

Lastly, please stress the importance of having good attendance with your child. We want all of our students to be as successful as possible, and regular attendance is a big part of that.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! I am looking forward to seeing you again and having another great year.

*-Todd Schaffer, Newark Valley CSD Middle School Principal*

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### Fourth-Grade Students Visited Tappan Spaulding Library

In June, librarian Mrs. LuAnn Whirl welcomed four fourth-grade classes to the Tappan Spaulding Library in Newark Valley. Students learned about the history of the building, received library cards, checked out books, and learned about summer reading programs offered at the Berkshire and Tappan Spaulding libraries. Mrs. Whirl let students know of the many items that the library has available for patrons to check out, including Kindles and Nooks. Mrs. Whirl has received a grant to offer free tutoring to elementary students over the summer. If you are interested in having your child participate in this program, please contact LuAnn at the TS Library: 642-9960.

### Middle School Garden Club Out and About in the Community

The Middle School Garden Club enjoyed another spring of beautifying the Middle School and learning about gardening. Mrs. Byrne, a Middle School teacher, and Mrs. Odem, a Tiller and Toiler member, helped 20 students in grades 4-7 to discover the joys of gardening. At the Middle School, the group created container gardens to brighten the entry ways. They also spent time in the community, where they assisted the Tillers and Toilers with their plant sale and in planting geraniums around the Village Green. A special treat for the student gardeners was a tour of two community members' gardens. Mr. Miesner and Mrs. Essler took time out of their busy schedules to give the club a tour of their beautiful home gardens. Many thanks to them for their hospitality and for sharing their knowledge with our students.

*Above right: 7<sup>th</sup> grade student, Nina Mounts, carries plants for a customer during the plant sale.*



## Middle School PTS News---Look What We Have Done!

written by Cathy Fiacco

This year the PTS was very proud to have been part of putting together the new playground area at the Middle School. We purchased the basketball equipment over the summer of 2011 with the expert advice of Tom Fabrizio. Then, with partial funding from the NV Basketball Corporation, we had the lines drawn on the blacktop to form a basketball court, two four square games and two hopscotch games. With the tremendous effort of Gary Hoskins and the NV Grounds Maintenance crew, the basketball poles, backboards and hoops went up in January. With such a mild winter, the Middle School students were able to play on the court right away!

On November 3, 2011, Ralph Fletcher, a famous children's author came to the Middle School. PTS is very proud to have been able to provide the funding for his visit. His time at our school provided each student with an amazing opportunity to learn from his assemblies and ask him questions about his works. Thank you Jo Ann Byrne for organizing this event and the entire day!

Throughout the year, we held a Halloween Fun Night, Mini-Golf Night, Christmas-time Scholastic Book Fair, Two Skate Nights at Skate Estate, A Gertrude Hawk Candy Bar Fund-raiser, a Buy One, Get One Free Book Fair and



collected Box Tops and Campbell's Labels for Education. With the funds from these events, we provided partial funding for the Cider Mill trip for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, After School Bingo for all students, tickets to the B-Mets for the 4<sup>th</sup> grade, saved money for DC for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade, provided the school library with more books, balls for the playground and funded supplies for teacher's special projects as requested. This year we were able to provide the funding for the NYSSMA medals for the participants of that program. PTS also provided baked goods on several occasions for Middle School events and a festive week in May for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week.

In addition to the above, we continued to provide Middle School students with the opportunity to purchase Cardinal merchandise each week during lunches at the Cardinal Cart. Thank you to Denise Maule for all of her dedication to keeping this Cardinal Cart available all year long.

On the last day of school, the PTS was thrilled to be able to help the Student Council for the annual, end of the year Field Days held at the Middle School. With the help of our many faithful volunteers, we provided a Carnival game station and numerous (too many to count) snow cones for the entire student body. On such a hot day, the snow cones were a big hit!

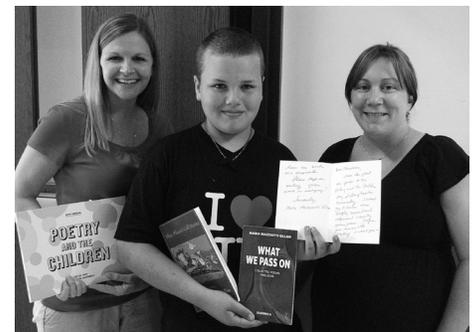
I want to thank each one of the parents, teachers, members, non-members, officers and our Principal for all that they have done this year to support our efforts. The officers this year were Cathy Fiacco as President, Kimberly Holland as Vice-President, Marietta Pianosi as Treasurer and Tonya Martin as Secretary. Together, we can accomplish so much more! Thanks for a fantastic year.

We say good-bye and many thanks to Marietta Pianosi for her time as PTS Treasurer. For the upcoming school year, our officers are: President, Cathy Fiacco, Vice-President, Kimberly Holland, Treasurer, Tonya Martin and Secretary-Open. If interested in filling the open officer position or to become a member, contact me at [cmf333@frontiernet.net](mailto:cmf333@frontiernet.net). Our meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month throughout the school year. All are welcome and our Membership is now FREE!

## Well Known Poet Recognizes Work Of Middle School Student

Sixth grade student, Christian Caskey, was one of several randomly chosen by Maria Maziotti Gillan, a well-known published poet, to read his poem at Binghamton University's Poetry and the Children Day. Christian read his poem, "Junk Car" in front of an audience of over 400 people. Mrs. Maziotti Gillan was so moved by his poem, that she later sent Christian and his teachers, Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Schappert, cards expressing her admiration. She also sent Christian a gift of two of her books of poetry. Congratulations to Christian and his teachers!

*At right: Christian Caskey received two books from poet, Maria Maziotti Gillan. Teachers Mrs. Gould and Mrs. Schappert share the excitement.*



## Middle School 2011-12 Music News

On Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup>, the Newark Valley Middle School Sixth and Seventh Grade Bands and Choruses, under the direction of Mrs. Leslie Steidle and Mrs. Sherry Warchocki, presented their Winter Concert in the Middle School auditorium. Selections performed by the bands and choruses included "The Christmas Parade", "Hot Chocolate", "Feliz Navidad", and "Sabre Dance". The concert concluded with the Sixth and Seventh Grade Chorus, accompanied by the Seventh Grade Band, performing "A Holiday Celebration".

On Tuesday, March 13<sup>th</sup>, the Fifth Grade Band, Sixth Grade Band, and Seventh Grade Bands presented their Spring Instrumental Concert. The audience heard, among other selections, such favorites as "Power Rock", "Sea Song Fantasy" and music from *Titanic*.

The Music Department of Newark Valley Middle School continued to be very busy during the months of March and April. In addition to preparing and performing their concerts, Middle School musicians had the opportunity to participate in several special music festivals.

Fifteen sixth grade and nine seventh grade vocal students were chosen by audition to be members of the Tioga All County Elementary and Junior High Choruses. This Tioga All County Music Festival was held at Waverly High School on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sixth grade students selected to perform in the Tioga All County Elementary Chorus included Molly Baker, Melinda Byrne, Grace Merrill, Lily Morgan, Alexis Mounts, Kelly Perkins, Lauren Tijerina, Susan Armstrong, Robert Beck, Taylor Kalpokas, Mackenzie Rhodes, Jessica Schermerhorn,

Allyah Simmons, Haley Tennant and Morgan Tompkins. Seventh grade students selected to perform in the Tioga All County Junior High Chorus included Kelsey Dyer, Kaitlin Martin, Layna Pratt, Anna Raymond, Maria Evans, Kaya Luciani, Maddie Meagher, Baylee Padgett and Hendrix Welfel.

On March 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, fourteen sixth grade and seven seventh grade instrumentalists, selected by audition in January, participated in the Tioga All County Music Festival at Owego Apalachin Middle School. Sixth grade students selected to perform in the Tioga All County Elementary Band included Lauren Tijerina, Taylor Kalpokas (flute), Paityn Smith, Anna Simmons, Lindsey Diego, (Bb clarinet), Haley Tennant (bass clarinet), Jordan LaBounty (alto saxophone), McKenzie Swansbrough (tenor saxophone), Quartus Steika (baritone saxophone), Daniel Lindhorst (trumpet), Shawn Key, Patrick Stewart (trombone), and Hudson Doolittle, Robert Beck (percussion). Seventh grade students selected for the Tioga All County Junior High Band included Vivienne Westra, Kali Gray (Bb clarinet), Makayla Nalepa-Cottrill (bass clarinet), Hannah Morse (French horn), Thomas Shofkom (trombone), Steven VanPatten (baritone) and Jason Duke (percussion).

Several other important musical events were scheduled for April and May. On April 27<sup>th</sup>, thirty nine sixth and seventh grade musicians traveled to Johnson City High School to participate in the New York State School Music Association Solo and Ensemble Festival. All of our musicians who performed

received one of the two highest ratings of Outstanding or Excellent. These talented musicians received their NYSSMA medals, purchased by the Newark Middle School PTS, at their grade level awards assemblies. Instrumental students who performed at NYSSMA Solo Festival included Susan Armstrong, Robert Beck, Melinda Byrne, Hudson Doolittle, Farrah Fiacco, Samuel Heater, Taylor Kalpokas, Daniel Lindhorst, Quartus Steika, Logan Sweet, Morgan Tompkins, Autumn Wales, Katelin Brown, Jason Duke, Kali Gray, Kaya Luciani, Kristen McKee, Madelyn Meagher, Hannah Morse, Makayla Nalepa-Cottrill, Holly Pianosi, Layna Pratt, Morgan Sherwood, Thomas Shofkom, Gianno Silba, Cherish Simmons, Barak Steika, Steven Van Patten, Vivienne Westra, and Hannah Williams. Vocal musicians who performed included Evan Engelhard, Joanna Logerfo, Marisa Longo, Kaya Luciani, Kaitlin Martin, Kristen McKee, Madelyn Meagher, Ashlynn Payne, Layna Pratt, Anna Raymond, Farrah Fiacco, Jordan LaBounty, Kelly Perkins, and Paityn Smith.

The Sixth and Seventh Grade Choruses also presented their Spring Concert on Wednesday, May 10 at 7:00 P.M. in the Middle School auditorium. The audience was treated to "Selections from *Grease*", and a medley of sea songs entitled "Reflections of a Lad at Sea".

Congratulations to all of the Newark Valley Middle School musicians. We had a great year and we are proud of you and all of your accomplishments!

— HIGH HONOR ROLL - 40 WEEKS —

**GRADE 4**

Marissa Berghorn  
Colin Creeley  
Ryan Iiams  
Katelyn Maine  
Kayla Malarkey  
Riley Malone  
Courtney Maule  
Sarah Mertson  
Emma Morgan  
Joshua Post  
April Simmons  
Mara Skellett

**GRADE 5**

Benjamin Baker  
Hannah Clark  
Alissa Franco  
Emily Holt  
Kiley Kerns  
William Knight  
Sophia Nash  
Gabriel Perkins  
Colleen Riegel  
Brandon Rinkavage  
Madison Sherwood  
Marissa Silba  
Tyler Stevenson  
Alexis Williams  
Micah Williams

**GRADE 6**

Phillip Babey  
Robert Beck  
Melinda Byrne  
Lindsey Diego  
Farrah Fiacco  
Dawn Hartford  
Jordan LaBounty  
Daniel Lindhorst  
Ashlee Marsh  
Amanda McNally  
Kelly Perkins  
Paityn Smith  
Quartus Steika  
Lauren Tijerina

**GRADE 7**

Joshua Blazey  
Evan Engelhard  
Kyla French  
Aaron Gorsline  
Jody Inderwies  
Joanna Logerfo  
Marisa Longo  
Kaya Luciani

**GRADE 7 cont.**

Madelyn Meagher  
Hannah Morse  
Makayla Nalepa-  
Cottrill  
Layna Pratt  
Alicia Scales  
Morgan Sherwood  
Thomas Shofkom  
Cherish Simmons  
Barak Steika  
Steven Van Patten  
Hannah Williams

**GRADE 8**

Jordan Brodfuehrer  
Jordan Burlingame-  
Ortloff  
Anna D'Arcy  
Meagan Diego  
Christopher Dutcher  
Jessica Fitzgerald  
Hannah Luszczek  
Ryan Mathers  
Noah McMullin  
McKayla Parkin  
Palmer Perkins  
Allison Riegel  
Kyle Williams

**GRADE 9**

Maxwell Anderson  
Taylor Cupp  
Cole Ford  
Micah Gorsline  
Mikayla Heiss  
Acala Hill  
Philip Lindhorst  
Jacqueline Maxian  
Rebecca Miles  
Dylan Williams

**GRADE 10**

Amanda Gorsline  
Mackenzie Harris  
Savannah Howland  
Heidi Inderwies  
Kerra Matolka  
Gregory McMullin  
Ashley Pado  
Esther Parmelee  
Hailey Pytel  
Leanne Riegel  
Roman Steika  
Moriah Teed

**GRADE 11**

Emily Costley  
Jenna Cupp  
Caroline Durand  
Kedrin Eastman  
Devlin Farr  
Meredith Friend  
Michaela Nelson  
Rachel Sweger

**GRADE 12**

Carl Capello  
Jessica Darpino  
Susan Durand  
Nicholas Edington  
Victoria Gac  
Marley North  
Sara Stephens  
Kristal Stevens  
Nicole Weeks

**HONOR ROLL -  
40 WEEKS**

**GRADE 4**

Clinton Baker  
Ronan Dougherty  
Elizabeth Ferguson  
Hayden Flesher  
Cassidy Hoffmier  
Michael Kasper  
Regan Lanning  
Ashleigh Miller  
Andrew Obregon  
Nathan Sokol  
Jerry Thompson  
Alexander Umiker  
Brice Wager  
Matthew Waterman  
Piper Workman  
Corey Young

**GRADE 5**

Amber Bean  
Kyle Coffin  
Daniel Cowulich  
Stephen Cowulich  
Kaitlyn Cross  
Jonathan Delles  
Shelby Frink  
Trevor Gerdus  
Emma Gregrow  
Debra Judson  
Kristina Knight  
Brady Mason  
Victoria Mellem

— HONOR ROLL - 40 WEEKS —

**GRADE 5 cont.**

Emma Miller  
Tressa  
Nechwedowich  
Evan Powell  
Kyle Pratt  
Natalie Shofkom  
Faith Stoughton

**GRADE 6**

Susan Armstrong  
Molly Baker  
Tyler Beebe  
Austin Bennett  
Ryan Crispell  
Sydney Dean  
Mariah Dunnett  
Taylor Gregrow  
Chandler Guiles  
Taylor Kalpokas  
Sean McCann  
Nicole McNeal  
Grace Merrill  
Lily Morgan  
Alexis Mounts  
Adam Osborn  
Patrick Pennay  
Allyah Simmons  
Anna Simmons  
Jacob Snapp  
Tate Stoneking  
McKenzie

**Swansbrough**

Haley Tennant  
Kyle Trescot  
Maegan Wahl  
Amber Wales  
Autumn Wales  
Darin Walker

**GRADE 7**

Ashley Brodie  
Katelin Brown  
Hannah  
Crowningshield  
Kelsey Dyer  
Kali Gray  
Ruby Kidwell  
Mya Milewski  
Emily Overstreet  
Justin Post  
Alyssa Sepelak  
Lauren Shrauger  
Jennifer Waterman  
Vivienne Westra

**GRADE 7 cont.**

Renee Wilcox  
Hannah Willard  
Chad Wright

**GRADE 8**

Jacob Antal  
Joshua Babey  
Kevin Basel  
Sean Bigelow  
Megan Botzenhart  
Madeline Byrne  
Victoria Drake  
Davis Eastman  
Ivy Falero  
Nicholas Getzke  
Amy Giblin  
Alissa Goodrich  
Sullivan Harris  
Cassie Hollenbeck  
Madison Howland  
Catherine Lyke  
Kristen Martin  
Madison Obregon  
Peter Ortu  
Girffen Pompilio  
Amber Smith  
Briana Sokol  
Bryanna Thomas  
Ashley Warner  
Emma Willard

**GRADE 9**

Samantha Benjamin  
Lillie Caskey  
Johsua Felicetti  
Brittney Gradel  
Dexter Hamilton  
Haley Hill  
Rebecca Miller  
Blake Novi  
Kaylee Oliver  
Hunter Osborn  
Alaina Persons  
Katie Pirger  
Jasmine  
Rosenberger  
Christina Simmons  
Anthony Spirito  
Kayla Stewart  
Andy Tavelli  
Cassidy Tobey  
Damion Wilcox

**HONOR ROLL -****MERIT ROLL - 40 WEEKS****40 WEEKS****GRADE 10**

Dylan Camp  
Kaitlin Coleman  
Miranda Craft  
Shilo Fuller  
Derek Holcomb  
James Kline  
Troy Primus  
Eleni Riechers  
Cassandra  
Robinson

**GRADE 11**

Joseph Benjamin  
Mikaela Brown  
Ryan Coleman  
Evan Cucci  
Katia D'Arcy  
Ciara Davison  
Lauren Engelhard  
Casey Ford  
Gavin Howard  
Shreya Kallingal  
Troy Meddaugh  
Marley Norton  
Makayla Pirger  
Aubrey Pranes  
Christian Richter  
Michael Sarnoski  
John Severi  
Taylor Spoonhower  
Tetiana Steika  
Dustin Thomas  
Joshua Way

**GRADE 12**

Terrie Casterline  
Harper Horton  
Heather Liddington  
Elizabeth Lindsay  
Nicholas Lowe  
Samantha Mertson  
Jasmine Myrick  
Britney Percey  
Teigan Pirger  
Heidi Riegel  
Samantha Robinson  
Mikayla Rypkema  
Lora Stadelman  
Brittany Wahl  
Kristen Worden

**GRADE 4**

Kelsey Bean  
Caden Bennett  
Gavin Blee  
Brandon Christian  
Aryana Ferguson  
Deeken Frost  
Gregor Geisenhof  
Kaili Hulbert  
Jordan Johnson  
Jonathan Marrotta  
Kendra Morris  
Michael Morse  
Patricia-Anne Novak  
Bradley Scymanski  
Savanna Seymour  
Noah Shiel  
Zachary VanOrder  
Shanese Wagner  
Gerrit Westra

**GRADE 5**

Savannah Adams  
Joshua Antal  
Jessica Boyce  
Madyson Colby  
Taylor Edwards  
Jason Graham  
Madison Hartenstein  
Mark Holland  
Isaiah Hunt  
Simon Keller  
Nathan Medina  
Serina Milewski  
Tia Quick  
Jasmine Seymour  
Dominique Spohn  
Sophie Stewart  
Julianne  
Summerfield  
Katerina Vattiato  
Jackson Vaughn  
Elizabeth Zimmer

**GRADE 6**

Julie Brown  
Aiden Cressman  
Ciarra Gee  
Stefan Geisenhof  
Hunter Hoffmier  
Jaysen Jester  
Paxton Jobson  
Shawn Key  
Jesse Kline  
Paige Klinge

**GRADE 6 cont.**

Rebecca Repsher-  
Crandall  
Jessica  
Schermerhorn  
Patrick Stewart  
Logan Sweet  
Morgan Tompkins  
Joshua Updike  
Joshua Van Vorce  
Micheal Walburn  
Noble Walker  
Storm Wilcox

**GRADE 7**

Andrew Coleman  
Cody Coombs  
Corey Coombs  
Kayla Hart-  
Cummings  
Jenna Hilliar  
Shelby Lawrence  
Kiera Malarkey  
Kristen McKee  
Noah Medina  
Lillieonna Miller  
Shane Moshier  
Baylee Padgett  
Ashlynn Payne  
Jacob Payne  
Holly Pianosi  
Anna Raymond  
Gianno Silba  
Brett Stewart  
Hendrix Welfel

**GRADE 8**

Christopher Bartlett  
Connor Coleman  
Jorden Crispell  
Thomas James  
Katie Jobson  
Jamie Kamrowski  
Brittany Molyneaux  
Samantha Persons  
Sierra Post  
Quiashawn Williams  
Andrew Yammine

**GRADE 9**

Henry Armstrong  
Riley Ayers  
Autumn Bean  
Tara Birkmeyer  
Cody Cornell

**GRADE 9 cont.**

Vincent Darpino  
Kalei Fenn  
Nathan Holt  
Michael Hyde  
Devan Kalpokas  
Kyle Martin  
McKayla Pado  
Michael Persons  
Victoria Raupers  
Carlton Snapp  
Brian Spicer  
Cayleen Young  
Christina Zurzuski

**GRADE 10**

Claire Beck  
Kyle Beebe  
Luke Benjamin  
Christine Duda  
Megan Edwards  
Alexis Ellis  
Meagan Ferguson  
Vincent Haus  
Brooke Jordan  
Abby Kohler  
Frances Koziol  
Brielle Mann  
Kayla Martin  
Taylor McNeil  
Randy Miller  
Sean Morrissey  
Victoria Morse  
Jordan Obregon  
Shelby Sodeur  
Sierra Tompkins  
Emily Tottey  
Veronica Warner  
Cassandra Willard

**GRADE 11**

Myrissa Backus  
Craig Basel  
Dakota Bennett  
April Brown  
Deven Conrad  
Lindsay Corson  
Donovan Flanigan  
Fisher Goodwin  
Kaitlyn Gunther  
Angela Kamrowski  
Alexander Knapp  
Cole Liddington  
Andrew Luszczyk  
Rebekah Meyers

**GRADE 11 cont.**

Samantha Mills  
William Murtha  
Andrew Sepelak  
Derick Shrauger  
Elizabeth Sparks  
Donald Thomas  
Sommer Tobey

**GRADE 12**

Adrian Benjamin  
Jasmine Blaskiewicz  
Connor Cleveland  
Aaron Colvin  
Lauren Crandall  
Samuel Cromer  
Nathan Dean  
John Galluzzo  
Andrew Getzke  
Jordan Kalpokas  
Christi Keener  
Kyle Meddaugh  
Andres Otero  
Jordan Rupert  
Christina  
Shoemaker  
Jessica Stewart  
Amber Thompson  
Tiffani Williamson  
Conor Young

## Welcome From NTH Principal

As summer draws to end and the calendar turns another page, we who work with children get more and more excited about the start of another school year. September is a wonderful time for children as well as the adults who chose the rewarding job of shaping our future by becoming educators.

I am very fortunate to work with such dedicated and caring individuals. As always, our teaching staff spent time this summer reading and reflecting to hone their teaching skills. We also will continue to build leadership skills with our students. We are excited about aligning our curriculum to focus on the new Common Core Learning Standards.

As educators, we use data to help plan effective instruction so that all of our students can be successful. We work diligently toward our goal of 90% of our students meeting or exceeding grade level benchmarks, so that when the children leave our building, they have a solid base in order to be successful middle school students. Our excitement for teaching in a caring, nurturing environment and having students read on grade level will not diminish. We continue to have high expectations for our students as well as ourselves.

Our custodial staff under the direction of head custodian, Joel Sherwood, has done their usual outstanding job making our school shine. Mrs. Budney and Mrs. Tomazin have been busy preparing class lists and schedules as well as checking in new material so that our school year will start off smoothly.

Please spend these last days of summer playing outside and reading some good books but also begin preparing for the upcoming school year. Children should remember to fill out their "Pizza with the Principal" form after reading ten books and return to the office (we'll have extra forms available). It is also a good idea to get back into the routine of the school schedule and having your children get to bed earlier. Before we know it, that big yellow school bus will be coming to pick up the wonderful children that make our school the great place that it is.

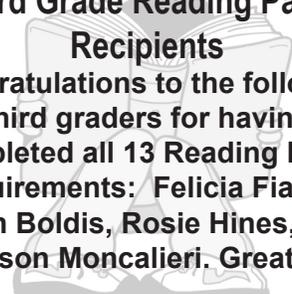
*-Robert Rodgers, Newark Valley CSD Nathan T Hall Principal*

### Pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten Open House

Pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students and their parents are invited to an Open House at Nathan T. Hall Elementary School on Tuesday, September 4, 2012 from 1:30-2:30. This is a wonderful opportunity to make a connection and start the year on a positive note. Please plan to come in and visit your child's teacher and say a quick "hello" as well as visit your new classroom. We look forward to seeing all of you!

### Third Grade Reading Patch Recipients

Congratulations to the following third graders for having completed all 13 Reading Patch requirements: **Felicia Fiacco, John Boldis, Rosie Hines, and Dawson Moncalieri. Great job!**



### Kindergarten Baseball Day at Newark Valley

On May 17<sup>th</sup> two B-Mets players visited the schools to talk to the students about baseball, nutrition and exercise. The students were encouraged to wear baseball jerseys and baseball caps. Any student who bought lunch was given a voucher for discounted tickets for a B-Mets game in May. The players were Josh Rodriguez and Rylan Sandoval. Both players were outstanding interacting with our students, discussing healthy eating habits and sharing in their commitment to exercise. They explained how nutrition and exercise helped their success becoming baseball players. This has developed into a yearly tradition that we hope to continue in the future.



**PE Students Honored**  
**Nathan T Hall students Tanner Tavelli** (pictured above attending a B-Mets game) and **Felicia Fiacco** (unable to attend) were honored at a Binghamton Mets baseball game for being a Gym Class hero at NV. They were fine examples of excellent physical education students.

## Congratulations to NV Retirees



### Elaine Pytel

Congratulations to Elaine Pytel who retired this past December after working for 25 years at Nathan T. Hall. Elaine began her career as teacher's aide and later became a teaching assistant. Most of those years were helping our first graders learn how to read. Elaine's calm demeanor and patience helped numerous children over the years. Beginning in September 2006, Elaine took on the added role of being our Library Teaching Assistant. She made our library into a focal point of our school. Her love of literature was shared with children and she helped turn our library into a welcoming place for children to get books to read as well as to access the latest technology. Elaine is enjoying her retirement by spending more time with her family, especially her grandchildren, and finding time to substitute at NTH.



### John Brown

We would like to wish John Brown the best of luck with his retirement. John came to the district five years ago from the Press & Sun-Bulletin where he worked as head of the janitorial department. John worked here at the district as a custodial worker in the middle & elementary schools. John's past experience in the maintenance field made him a great resource for the department and his co-workers. John will move on to work his small farm here in the village, and enjoy time his family. If you should run into John in your travels wish him the best, remind him to enjoy his retirement, and thank him for all his hard work and dedication.

### Suzanne Lachman

In 2012-2013, for the first time in more than 30 years, the academic year will begin without the presence of Mrs. Suzanne Lachman. It is hard to describe the scope of lives touched after three decades in education, and Mrs. Lachman has faithfully served thousands of students in the Newark Valley District during her tenure, as well as remaining a valuable citizen in our community.

As is true in any profession, what you do becomes a part of who you are. But leaving the education profession is especially challenging because of who we serve. I know that Mrs. Lachman will deeply miss her role with children, and we will certainly miss her presence. I am equally certain that she will continue to serve the interests of others no matter what she pursues. We wish her the very best in retirement, and are grateful for the legacy that she has left to our children. - *Ryan Dougherty*



### Deborah Perry

Deb Perry loves books! She always likes to read. She started out as an English teacher in Bath, NY, back in the 1970s. Mrs. Perry started in the Newark Valley School District in the Fall of 2002, right out of graduate (library) school. She decided to go back school when she was over 50. Way to go Mrs. Perry! Deb was hired to be the librarian at NTH in 2002 and was there for 4 years. Then she was transferred to the NV Middle School in 2006, where she has been for the last 6 years.

Mrs. Perry is excited about retirement and has a few things lined up to keep her busy, like enjoying her new home near her sister. She has enjoyed her job here as our Librarian, and now she will have a lot of time to spend time with her family and grandchildren. We wish her all the best in her new adventures ahead. Happy Retirement!



### Laura Stempel

Laura Stempel was an Art Teacher at NV Central Schools for 30+ years. She retired in February of this year. She started her job here at NV Middle School right out of college in the 80's and never left. Ms. Stempel loves art (surprise!), making jewelry and using polymer clay. She put a lot of time and effort into displaying her students' work at the art shows for the Tioga United Way.

Ms. Stempel has many plans for retirement including making more jewelry and relaxing. She will miss the students and her ability to help them with their own art adventures. We wish her all the best in her new adventures ahead. Happy Retirement!



### George Withers

George has been a bus driver with the district for six years. Over the years George has come to be known as a dependable, reliable, hardworking employee. He has developed strong relationships with his students and co-workers, and will be greatly missed as a full time driver. Fortunately for us, George has decided to remain on as a substitute bus driver. Enjoy your retirement George – you deserve it.



## Sports Awards Spring 2012

Athletic Spring Season Commitment Awards: Moriah Teed  
Dakota Bennet

### Baseball

MVP: Mason Shutts  
Coach's Choice: Tim Smith  
Cardinal Pride: Donny Thomas

### Golf

MVP: David Clark  
Most Improved: Donovan Flanigan  
Cardinal Pride: Alex Mattrazzo

### Softball

MVP: Kirsten Chase  
Coach's Choice: Jessica Darpino  
Coach's Choice: Taylor Hamilton  
Cardinal Pride: Sara Stephens

### Tennis

MVP: Susan Durand  
Coach's Choice: Sam Cromer  
Cardinal Pride: Nicole Weeks

### Boys Track

Most Valuable Athlete- Track: Adrian Race  
Most Valuable Athlete - Field: Connor Young  
Outstanding Athlete: Connor Cleveland  
Outstanding Athlete: Nate Drew  
Cardinal Pride: Travis Phillips

### Girls Track

Most Valuable Athlete – Track: Jenna Cupp  
Most Valuable Athlete – Field: Kristal Stevens  
Outstanding Athlete: Heidi Riegel  
Cardinal Pride: Mikaela Brown

## Spring Post-Season Accomplishments

### Baseball:

-Sectionals - First round participant

### Softball:

-Sectional – First round winner,  
Lost in quarter-final round

### Girls Track:

-IAC – Team 5th in division, Class C 7th place  
- Jenna Cupp – IAC 1st place 800m & 2nd place 1500m, Class C 800m Champion, Section IV 800m Champion, took 2nd place at NY State Championships  
- 4X800 Relay Team – IAC 3rd place (Rebekah Meyers, Taylor Cupp, Meagan Diego, Jenna Cupp)  
- 4X400 Relay Team – Class C 3rd place (Sommer Tobey, Katie Jobson, Taylor Cupp, Jenna Cupp)  
- 4X800 Relay Team – Class C winner (Taylor Cupp, Sommer Tobey, Meagan Diego, Jenna Cupp)

### Boys Track:

-IAC – Team 5th place overall & in division  
-Conor Young – IAC & Class C Pentathlon Champion, Sectional Pentathlon 2nd in Division & 3rd overall, Triple Jump – 3rd in IAC, 2nd in Class C, 110 hurdles 3rd in Class C  
-Adrian Race – IAC 2nd place 400m hurdles, IAC 3rd place 800m, Class C 800m Champion & 2nd in 400m, Sectionals – 800m Division 2 Champion, State Championship – 800m 10th in Division 2.  
- 4X100 Relay Team: 3rd Place IAC (Derick Shrauger, Luke Benjamin, Dylan Kalpokas, Evan Cucci )  
- 4X800 Relay Team: 3rd Place IAC (Nate Drew, Sam Stewart, Adrian Race, Connor Cleveland)  
- 4X400 Relay Team: IAC 3rd Place (Luke Benjamin, Derick Shrauger, Nate Drew, Adrian Race)  
- 4X400 Relay Team: Class C Champions, Section 2nd in division & 4th overall (Connor Cleveland Derick Shrauger, Nate Drew, Adrian Race)

**Congratulations NYSPHSAA  
Scholar/Athlete Teams:  
Girls Track & Field  
Boys Track & Field**

## NV High School Booster Club

The Newark Valley High School Booster Club is a non-profit organization comprised of parents, coaches and fans of Newark Valley Cardinal's Sport Teams. Our primary purpose is to support the sports programs and clubs and to foster a sense of community and school spirit.

Funds through membership drives, concessions and sales sold at various sponsored sporting events are used to help support and enhance the athletic teams, clubs, and athletic department when funding is not available through the budget.

This year we have new officers who are eager to promote school spirit and pride in our fine young athletes and scholars. President: Valerie Short; Vice-President: Dennis Wright; Secretary: Jean Ellen Parmelee; Treasurer: Barbara Jordan

Meetings are not mandatory but we love to see parents supporting their child's involvement. Meetings are held to share ideas, suggestions for improvements, assist in planning events or just to sit and observe, and are held the third Thursday of each month at 7pm in the High School Conference Room. Please consider one of the memberships listed at left. Note that promotional items and activity passes for home, regularly-scheduled activities are included with some levels of membership. The first \$5 of your membership will be allocated to the general fund to support all Newark Valley athletic activities. Or, if you prefer, please attend a membership meeting to obtain an expanded membership application that will allow you choose up to four specific sports to benefit from your donation.

Name(s)

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

(Required) E-mail Address

Membership Level (check choice):

- MEMBER \$10 (receive free hot dog)
- BOOSTER \$25 (receive free food item & drink)
- RED \$50 (receive your choice of 1 promotional item)
- WHITE \$75 (receive one single activity pass & your choice of 1 promotional item)
- CARDINAL \$150 or greater (receive a family activity pass & your choice of 1 promotional item)

Make checks payable to Newark Valley Booster Club. Please send this form and check to: Newark Valley High School c/o Booster Club 68 Wilson Creek Rd, Newark Valley, NY 13811

## Notice to Parents of Rights Under FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), a Federal Law, requires that Newark Valley CSD with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Newark Valley CSD may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with district procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the Newark Valley CSD to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- A playbill showing your student's role in a drama production;
- The annual yearbook;
- Honor roll and other recognition lists;
- Graduation programs; and
- Sports activity sheets, such as for wrestling, showing weight and height of team members.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, the New York State Education Law § 2-1 and two federal laws require school districts receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with student names, addresses and telephone listings – unless parents have advised the school district that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent.

If you do not want Newark Valley CSD to disclose some or all directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the district in writing within 30 days after the publication of this notice. Newark Valley CSD has designated the following information as directory information: [Note: Newark Valley CSD may, but does not have to, include all the information listed below.]

1. Student's name
2. Address
3. Telephone listing
4. Electronic mail address
5. Student's Image
6. Date and place of birth
7. Major field of study
8. Dates of attendance
9. Grade level
10. Participation in officially recognized activities and sports
11. Weight and height of members of athletic teams
12. Degrees, honors, and awards received
13. The most recent educational agency or institution attended

FERPA Contact 2012-2013  
Newark Valley Central School District  
79 Whig Street  
Newark Valley, NY 13811

Contact: Ryan Dougherty, Superintendent of Schools

## Notification of Rights Under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Schools

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

(1) The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the school receives a request for access.

Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

(2) The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate.

Parents or eligible students may ask the school to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

(3) The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the school as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the school has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks.

A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

Upon request, the school discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

(4) The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the Newark Valley Central School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are: Family Policy Compliance Officer, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

## Discipline Code - Student Conduct

The Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where students may receive, and district personnel may deliver, quality educational service without disruption or interference. Each school must be a positive forum in which students can express and explore different points of view in a peaceful and constructive manner.

The district has a long-standing set of expectations for conduct by students based on the principles of civility, mutual respect, citizenship, character, tolerance, honesty, and integrity. This policy is intended to support and supplement the efforts of teachers to ensure effective instruction. Accordingly, the focus of the policy is on changing student behavior for the better, not merely punishing unacceptable or disruptive behavior.

The Board recognizes the need to clearly define expectation for acceptable behavior by students when on school property or attending a school function. To that end, the Board adopts this Student Conduct Policy.

### I. Prohibited Student Conduct

The Board of Education expects all students to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, district personnel and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

The best discipline is self-imposed, and students must learn to assume and accept responsibility for their own behavior, as well as the consequences of their misbehavior. District personnel who interact with students are expected to use disciplinary action only when necessary and to place emphasis "on the students' ability to grown in self-discipline.

The Board recognizes the need to make its expectations for student conduct while on school property or engaged in a school function specific and clear. The rules of conduct listed below are intended to do that and focus on safety and respect for the rights and property of others. Students who will not accept responsibility for their own behavior and who violate these school rules will be required to accept the penalties for their conduct.

A student may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension from school, when they:

A. Engage in conduct that is disorderly. Examples of disorderly conduct include:

1. Running in the hallways.
2. Making unreasonable noise.
3. Using language or gestures that are profane, lewd, vulgar, or abusive.
4. Obstructing vehicular or pedestrian traffic.
5. Engaging in any willful act that disrupts the normal operation of the school community.
6. Trespassing. Students are not permitted in any school building, other than the one they regularly attend, without permission from the administrator in charge of the building.
7. Computer/electronic communications misuse, including any unauthorized use of computers,

software, or internet/intranet account; accessing inappropriate websites; or any other violation of the district's acceptable use policy

- B. Engage in conduct that is insubordinate. Examples of insubordinate conduct include:
  1. Failing to comply with the reasonable directions of teachers, school administrators or other school employees in charge of students or otherwise demonstrating disrespect.
  2. Lateness for, missing or leaving school or class without permission.
  3. Skipping detention.
- C. Engage in conduct that is disruptive. Examples of disruptive conduct include:
  1. Failing to comply with the reasonable directions of teachers, school administrators or other personnel in charge of students.
- D. Engage in conduct that is violent. Examples of violent conduct include:
  1. Committing or threatening to commit an act of violence (such as hitting, kicking, punching or scratching) upon a teacher, administrator or other school employee, or attempting to do so.
  2. Committing an act of violence (such as hitting, kicking, punching or scratching) upon another student or any other person lawfully on school property or attempting to do so.
  3. Possessing a weapon. Authorized law enforcement officials are the only persons permitted to have a weapon in their possession while on school property or at a school function.
  4. Displaying what appears to be a weapon.
  5. Threatening to use any weapon.
  6. Intentionally damaging or destroying the personal property of a teacher, administrator, other district employee, another student or any other person on school property.
  7. Intentionally damaging or destroying school district property, including graffiti or arson.
- E. Engage in any conduct that endangers the safety, morals, health or welfare of others. Examples of such conduct include:
  1. Lying to school personnel.
  2. Stealing the property of other students, school personnel or any other person lawfully on school property or attending a school function.
  3. Defamation, which includes making false or unprivileged statements or representations about an individual or identifiable group of individuals that harm the reputation of the person or the identifiable group demeaning.
  4. Intimidation, which includes engaging in actions or statements that put an individual in fear of bodily harm.
  5. Hazing, which includes any intentional or reckless act directed against another for the purpose of initiation into, affiliating with or maintaining

## Discipline Code - Student Conduct continued

- membership in any school sponsored activity, organization, club or team.
  - 6. Selling, using, or possessing obscene material.
  - 7. Using vulgar or abusive language, cursing or swearing.
  - 8. Smoking a cigarette, cigar or pipe or using chewing or smokeless tobacco.
  - 9. Possessing, consuming, selling, distributing or exchanging alcoholic beverages or illegal substances, drug paraphernalia or being under the influence of either. "Illegal substances" include, but are not limited to, inhalants, marijuana, cocaine, LSD, PCP, amphetamines, heroin, steroids, look-alike drugs, and any substances commonly referred to as "designer drugs".
  - 10. Inappropriately using or sharing prescription or over the counter drugs.
  - 11. Gambling
  - 12. Indecent exposure, this is exposure to sight of the private parts of the body in a lewd or indecent manner.
  - 13. Initiating a report warning of fire or other catastrophe without valid cause, misuse of 911, or discharging a fire extinguisher.
- F. Engage in misconduct while on a school bus. It is crucial for students to behave appropriately while riding on district buses to ensure their safety and that of other passengers and to avoid distracting the bus driver. Students are required to conduct themselves on the bus in a manner consistent with established standards for classroom behavior. Excessive noise, pushing, shoving, fighting, and the use of vulgar or abusive language, cursing or swearing, or inappropriate sexual behavior will not be tolerated.
- G. Engage in any form of educational misconduct. Examples of academic misconduct include:
- 1. Plagiarism
  - 2. Cheating
  - 3. Copying
  - 4. Altering records
  - 5. Assisting another student in any of the above actions
- H. Engaging in any act of discrimination or harassment as defined in this code.

## Section 504 Annual Notice

In accordance with the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 commonly known as Section 504, the Newark Valley Central School District hereby notifies disabled children and their parents of the School District's duty under the Regulations to Section 504.

Newark Valley School District shall provide a free appropriate public education to each qualified disabled child who resides in the Newark Valley Central School District regardless of the nature or severity of the disability. Newark Valley Central School District shall educate each qualified disabled child with children who are not disabled to the maximum extent appropriate to the needs of the disabled child, and shall also ensure that disabled children participate with non-disabled children in nonacademic and extra-curricular activities to the maximum extent appropriate. A disabled child shall be afforded an equal opportunity for participation in such services and activities.

Newark Valley Central School District shall provide disabled children an equal opportunity for participation in physical education courses, interscholastic, club or intramural athletics.

Newark Valley Central School District shall conduct pre-placement evaluations, and shall establish standards and procedures consistent with Section 104.35 for the evaluation and placement of children who need or are believed to need special education or related services. Periodic reevaluation shall be conducted of children who have been provided special education or related services.

Placement decisions shall draw upon information from a variety of sources and shall be made by a group of persons knowledgeable about the child, the meaning of the evaluation data, and the placement options. The Newark Valley Central School District shall establish and implement a system of procedural safeguards that includes notice, an opportunity for the parent to examine relevant records, an impartial hearing with the opportunity for participation by the parent and representation by counsel, and a review procedure.

## Dignity for All Students Act Compliance

The Newark Valley Central School District hereby advises students, parents, employees, and the general public that it offers educational opportunities, including vocational education opportunities, without regard to sex, race, color, national origin, weight, ethnic group, sexual orientation (real or perceived) or handicap. Grievances in violation of the Dignity for All Students Act of 2010 should be brought to the attention of the Dignity for All Students Coordinator, Robert Rodgers, Principal, NTH School, 607-642-3340.

## BMI Reporting

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure out the student's body mass index or 'BMI'. The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or is too high or too low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group be included as part of the student's school health examination. Our school district may be selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health. If our district is selected, we will be reporting to New York State Department of Health information about our students' weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names and no information about individual students are sent. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

The information sent to the New York State Department of Health will help health officials develop programs that make it easier for children to be healthier.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey this year, please print and sign your name below and return this form to your school nurse by January 2 of the current school year.

<p>Newark Valley Central School District          BMI reporting          District Office, P.O. Box 547, Newark Valley          13811. (607)642-3221          Fax (607)642-8821</p> <p>Please do not include my child's weight status information in the School Survey.</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Child's Name <i>(please print)</i></p> <p>_____</p> <p>Parent's Name <i>(please print)</i></p> <p>_____</p> <p>Parent's Signature</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Date</p>
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## Pesticide Application Notification

New York State Education Law Section 409-H and Commissioner of Education Regulation 155.24, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The Newark Valley Central School is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72-hours following an application;
- anti-microbial products;
- nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- the application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- the application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25;
- the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school or building, please complete the form below and either fax or mail it to Gary Hoskins School Pesticide Representative. The FAX number is (607) 642-3200. The mailing address is Newark Valley Central Schools, Facilities Services Dept., 91 Whig St. Newark Valley NY 13811. If you need further information on these requirements. Mr. Hoskins can be reached at (607) 642-3219.

<p>Newark Valley Central School Request for          Pesticide Application Notification  <i>(please print)</i></p> <p>School Building: _____</p> <p>Name: _____</p> <p>Address: _____</p> <p>Day Phone: _____</p> <p>Evening Phone: _____</p> <p>E-Mail Address: _____</p> <p>* Written notification must be provided to all persons in parental relation and staff at the following intervals throughout the school year: at the beginning of the school year; within two school days of the end of winter recess; within two school days of the end of spring recess; within two days of the end of summer school and within ten days of the end of the school year.</p>
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## Health Office News

1. New York education law requires a written excuse for every absence, tardy or early dismissal. Please be sure you send a note with your child. Just a reminder that if you do not send a written excuse, the absence will be considered an unexcused absence. Excessive unexcused absences can be considered educational neglect.
2. Please, if your child is going to be absent, call the school and inform them. This does not take the place of a written note, but it does save the school from trying to contact you regarding your child's absence. (NTH 642-3340; MS 642-5524; HS 642-8351)
3. New York State Immunization Requirements for school attendance:
  - a) 3 doses-Diphtheria (DPT, DT, DTaP)
    - dose- Tetanus, Diphtheria and Pertussis Booster (Tdap) - Students born on or after 1/1/94 and enrolling in 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - 3 doses-Polio
  - 2 doses- Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)
  - 3 doses-Hepatitis B
  - 1 dose- Varicella (chickenpox) Born on or after 1/1/98 or born on or after 1/1/94 and enrolling in 6<sup>th</sup> grade.
- b) If a student is going to participate in sports he/she must have had a tetanus toxoid-containing vaccine within the last 10 years (DPT, DT, Td, and DTaP)
4. New York state requires physicals for students entering the following grades: kindergarten, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>. Students in 7<sup>th</sup> grade and 10<sup>th</sup> grade who have a current physical for sports do not need another physical. Students that do not have a physical with their family physician will be scheduled in October to have one with the school health provider.
5. Sport physicals- students must have a current (within the past 12 months) physical by the first day of practice. Sport physicals for winter sports will be scheduled in October, spring sports in February and next fall sports in April and May. If your child chooses not to have a physical with the school health provider, please contact your family physician and make an appointment before the start of the sport season.
6. The Tioga County dental van is scheduled to visit all 3 schools. As soon as the schedule is available, the school nurses will notify parents. This service is available for just a short time at each school.
7. Substitute nurses- the district is in need of substitute nurses for all 3 school buildings.

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## Pupil Insurance

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If your child is injured while participating in a school-sponsored activity, the injury may be covered by the school district's policy with the Pupil Benefits Plan, Inc. There are several essential points you need to know regarding this insurance coverage.

- Verify with the school that your child's injury has been reported to the Pupil Benefits Plan.
- You have 45 days from the date of injury to seek medical treatment for your child.
- Pupil Benefits Plan is secondary insurance coverage. If you have health insurance that covers your child, you will need to report to Pupil Benefits the Explanation of Benefits or Rejection from your carrier.
- Coverage is provided only for accidents. Illnesses are not covered by this insurance.

To obtain a claim form and parent information regarding this insurance, please contact Michelle Tavelli at 642-3219.

## Medication Policy

Pursuant to New York State Education Law, school nurses can not administer any medication without a doctor's written permission. This includes not only prescription medication, but also all over-the-counter medications such as Tylenol®, Caladryl®, cough drops, throat lozenges or spray, antiseptic ointments, etc. The school nurse can only administer these medications if the parents provide a note from the family physician, a note from the parent, and the medication in the original container marked with the student's name.

## Protection of Pupil Rights Policy

The district has a policy 8213 "Protection of Pupil Rights". The policy deals with a parent's rights in areas such as: instructional materials, student surveys as part of a US Department of Education-funded program, and non-emergency physical examinations. A copy of the policy may be obtained in the Main Office of any school building or by contacting Tina Engelhard, District Clerk, Newark Valley Central School District, 79 Whig Street, PO Box 547, Newark Valley, NY 13811.

## Asbestos Management Plan

In accordance with the EPA's Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 (AHERA), notification is being given of the Availability of the Asbestos Management Plan for the Newark Valley Central School District. A record of the management plan and other related records are available in the office of the Director of Facilities Services at the Bus Garage.

For further information please contact the Local Education Agency Designated Person: Gary Hoskins, Director of Facilities Services at 642-3219.

## NCLB-Notice to Parents

As a parent of a student in the Newark Valley Central School District, under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, you have the right to know the professional qualifications of the teachers and teaching assistants instructing your child. The No Child Left Behind Act gives you the right to ask for the following information about each of your child's classroom teachers and teaching assistants:

- 1) Whether New York State has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grade level and subject the teacher teaches,
- 2) Whether the teacher is teaching under an emergency or provisional certificate by which State certification criteria have been waived,
- 3) The academic degrees held by the teacher as well as the teacher's college major,
- 4) The qualifications of any teaching assistants providing services to your child.

If you would like to receive any of this information, please send your request, in writing, to:

Ryan Dougherty, Superintendent  
Newark Valley Central School District  
79 Whig Street, PO Box 547  
Newark Valley, NY 13811

Your request should include your child's name and the classroom teacher(s) and/or teaching assistant for which you are requesting information. When the processing of your request is completed, the information will be mailed to you.

### Attention Parents

Would you like to earn some extra cash while your children are in school? Follow your children's schedules, make some money, and still be home in time for the school bus. We have openings in the cafeterias for substitute food service workers. No experience necessary, we will train you. If interested contact Lorraine Trotman at the Newark Valley High School Cafeteria, 642-8606.

## From The Transportation Department

Everyone in the Transportation Department hope you are having a safe and enjoyable summer. The beginning of the school year is just around the corner and everyone in the bus garage is gearing up for the new year. Making bus repairs, setting up the bus routes, and many other summer duties.

There are few things that we would like to share with you in preparation for the new school year. First and foremost the safety of your children is our number one responsibility. The Newark Valley bus drivers do an outstanding job of transporting our students throughout our 143 square mile district. To help us ensure their safety we need your cooperation and assistance.

- It is important that students understand and obey all of the bus rules. The rules are posted on each bus and the bus drivers will review these rules throughout the school year.
- Please have your student at the bus stop 5 minutes prior to the pickup time. This is especially important at the beginning of the school year. Sometime towards the end of August you will receive a post card in the mail with the bus number and the pick up/drop off times. Please keep in mind we may have to revise these times after school has started.
- It is against the law to pass through the red lights of a school bus. This is the case whether it be on the road at a bus stop or in the school parking lot.
- If for whatever reason your student will not be riding the bus on a certain day please give us a call.
- If you have to change a drop off location you have to notify the school so that a bus pass can be issued.

If you have questions at anytime during the year please call us at 642-8560. Have a wonderful remainder of your summer.

*Randy Zukowski - Director of Transportation*

### Civil Rights Compliance

The Newark Valley Central School District hereby advises students, parents, employees and the general public that it does not discriminate in employment, or in the education programs and activities which it operates, on the basis of race, creed, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, disability, or marital status in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972, or §504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the New York State Human Rights Law. Grievance in violation of the above should be brought to the attention of our compliance officer:

Mr. Robert Rogers  
Principal, NTH School  
86 Whig Street, PO Box 547  
Newark Valley, NY 13811  
(607) 642-3340

## OPENING/CLOSING TIMES

### Nathan T. Hall Elementary Grades K-3

Bus Arrival: 8:50 a.m.  
Homeroom Begins: 9:00 a.m.  
Dismissal: 3:35 p.m.  
642-3340 or 642-3424

### Newark Valley Middle School Grades 4-7

Bus Arrival: 7:30 a.m.  
Homeroom Begins: 7:40 a.m.  
Dismissal: 2:15 p.m.  
642-5524 or 642-8175

### Newark Valley High School Grades 8-12

Bus Arrival: 7:45 a.m.  
Homeroom Begins: 7:52 a.m.  
Dismissal: 2:30 p.m.  
642-8351 or 642-3220

## School Tax Collection Procedure

2012-2013 school tax bills will be mailed to district property owners. Tax bills paid on or before October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 are not subject to a 2 percent late penalty.

Tax bills paid during the period of October 4 to November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012 require the additional late fee of 2 percent. No school tax payments will be accepted by the school district after November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. Unpaid school taxes on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012 are returned to the county for inclusion in the January Town & County tax bill.

School taxes may be paid by mail or in person. If paying in person, the tax collection office is located at the District Office, 79 Whig Street, Newark Valley. Collection hours are 1:30 to 4:30 PM, MONDAY THRU FRIDAY, September 4<sup>th</sup>, to November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012. There are no collections on Holidays.

## 2012-2013 School Calendar

### Broome-Tioga BOCES Component Schools

Approved by BTACSA 2/8/2012 - Approved by BT Board 2/15/12  
Approved NVCSO BOE 2/27/12 \*10/4/12 Early Dismissal Drill

SCHOOL DAYS	
183	Student
3	Conference
186	Total

SEPTEMBER (18) + 1						
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Total Possible Days of Attendance:  
Students: 183  
Staff: 186

#### School not in session:

Labor Day – 09/03  
Columbus Day – 10/08  
Veterans Day – 11/12 observed  
Thanksgiving Break – 11/21-11/23  
Winter Recess – 12/24-01/01  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – 01/21  
Mid – Term Recess – 2/15-2/18  
Spring Recess – 3/29-4/5  
Memorial Day – 05/24-5/27

#### LEGEND

	Conference Days 9/4, 10/5, 3/15
	Schools Closed
	Regents Exams tentative

Priority of Make-up Days:  
February 15  
May 24  
April 5  
April 4

## Pre-K Visits Tappan Spaulding Memorial Library



The NTH Pre-Kindergarten classes took a trip to the NV Library on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Our classes walked to the library and had the opportunity to learn about the importance of our town's library. Ms. LuAnn, the librarian, was a wealth of information and got our students excited about visiting libraries and having the opportunity to take out books. Each child was able to get a library card that can be used at any Tioga County Library. We would encourage our students to continue to visit our local libraries.

## Need to bring in a treat for your child's birthday?

Let the cafeteria help you out! Call us and order a giant decorated cookie or order an assortment of regular sized cookies (*call for flavors*). Giant cookies are \$7.50 & serve 12. Regular cookies are \$11 for 2 dozen. Or for a low fat alternative that meets the "Choose Sensibly" guidelines, we can provide Marshmallow Krispy Bars & 100% 4oz. juices for \$6/dozen. We will deliver to your child's classroom. Please call the Food Service Office at 642-8606, and give one week advance notice.

