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CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

June 2023

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June 19
(Juneteenth)

June 23
(Superintendent's Day)



Another School Year Has Flown By

A message from Superintendent Chris Fisher

Ten months and perhaps a few new shoe sizes later, we find ourselves approaching the end of another school year. I am truly amazed with the academic, physical, social, and emotional growth that all of the students have made since September. As adults, we sometimes struggle to slow down time long enough to appreciate what is right in front of us. I'd like to encourage all families to come together for a few minutes, perhaps at the dinner table, or while riding in the car, to talk with your child and help to highlight examples of the progress that they have made this year.

It's the big push to the finish over the next few weeks as students will be working through the final units of study in their classes, completing projects, and studying for finals or regents exams. Please continue to help support the district's attendance standing by encouraging your child to attend school daily.

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June is a busy month with celebrations and events. Please mark your calendars with the following:

Wednesday, June 7, 2023- Sports Dessert Reception- 6:00 pm in the Cafeteria

Wednesday, June 7, 2023- Sports Recognition Night- 6:30 pm in the Auditorium

Tuesday, June 13, 2023- Academic Awards Ceremony- 2:00 pm in the Auditorium

Tuesday, June 13, 2023- Last full day of school before regents and final exams for students in grades 7-12

Tuesday, June 13, 2023- Last full day of school for students who attend BOCES

Friday, June 16, 2023- Pre-Kindergarten Moving up Ceremony- 1:15 pm in the Auditorium

Monday, June 19, 2023- Juneteenth Observed (No school)

Thursday, June 22, 2023- Baccalaureate- 6:00 pm Adirondack Bible Fellowship Church

Thursday, June 22, 2023- Last full day of school for students in grades Pre-Kindergarten– Sixth grade.

Friday, June 23, 2023- Superintendent's Conference Day- No school for students

Friday, June 23, 2023- Graduation Rehearsal- Seniors to report at 10:00 am to the Auditorium

Saturday, June 24, 2023- Commencement Ceremony- 11:00 am in the Auditorium

We do hope that you are able to join us for these events!

Adirondack Area School Boards Community Service Award

Please join me in congratulating senior Eric Bush who recently received the Adirondack Area School Boards Community Service Award. Eric, along with twenty eight other seniors from the Adirondack Area School Boards member districts received this award for outstanding community service.

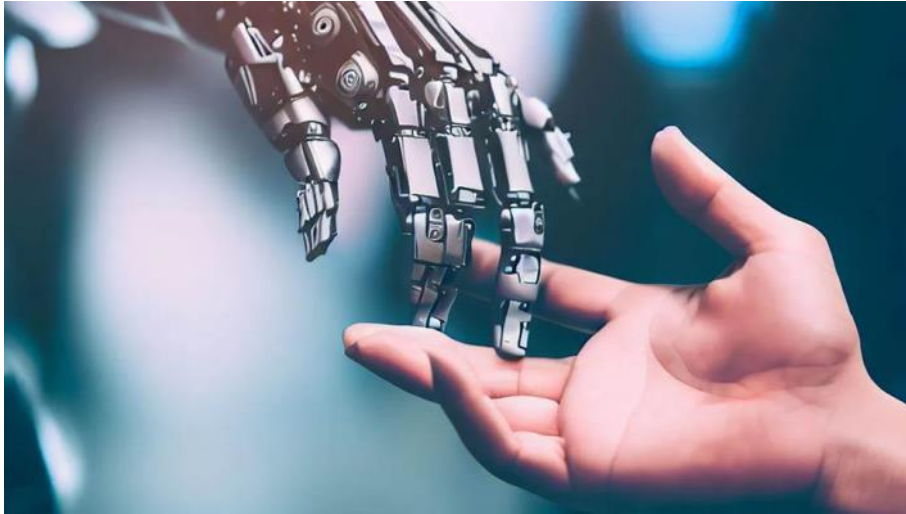
Congratulations Eric!



Have a happy, safe and restful summer!

Artificial Intelligence is Changing Schools

A message from PJ Motsiff - Director of Curriculum and Instruction



“Hey Google,” “Alexa” and “Siri” are part of the multi-billion dollar Artificial Intelligence (AI) industry. Last year over 34 billion dollars were awarded to AI startup companies and it is projected these numbers will double by the end of 2023. We are living in a world with self-driving cars, robots and hand-held computer devices with an app for seemingly everything. One such app is ChatGPT. ChatGPT can do homework, complete an essay, or create a poem that reads similar to the way a human might write. AI is still a hypothetical concept that involves a machine understanding and performing many tasks based on its accumulated experience.

Mega-companies like Google and Microsoft have been major influencers of the AI revolution. They are creating assistive technologies that are about to become powerful tools for teachers and students. The idea is that this will allow for greater amounts of time to be spent on things like critical thinking and problem solving skills. If we can get to a point where education is about application over memorization, we’ll see massive improvements in the quality of our student’s knowledge and skills.

Traditional school models involve students sitting in a classroom and listening to lectures from a teacher. Homework and assignments are typically given as a way to reinforce material covered in class. Regardless of competence, generally speaking, everyone has to do the same thing. AI models can track progress and generate tailored methods to teach and reinforce each student, allowing teachers to have a more detailed and in-depth understanding of individual student needs.

AI software will eventually provide teachers with same-day knowledge, so they know how well their students are understanding concepts and where their weaknesses lie. This would give teachers essential information on what to teach, and more importantly, how to teach it. AI-driven software will eventually identify students who are at risk of falling behind, as well as guide remedial instruction. Teachers will have reports of which learning styles their students learn best from and offer support on how to teach specific material to each type of style. This "individual AI-footprint" software will recognize patterns and understand students like never before.

Our schools will ultimately need to shift from the current model in order to incorporate a more personalized and adaptive learning experience. Instead of a one-size-fits-all approach, students will have access to customized learning materials and resources that are tailored specifically to their individual needs. As students use AI more and more on their school assignments, so too will the teachers. This eventually will give way to a different educational path that will need to be modernized.

FROM THE Health OFFICE

I want to thank everyone for their help this year keeping our school district a healthy space for students!

A few reminders:

- Immunization records for graduating seniors have been mailed home. If you need additional copies or any other documentation please reach out to the health office prior to the last week of school.
- If you need any documentation to support your student attending a summer program (NYS health examination documentation from primary care, immunization records, etc.) please reach out to the health office prior to the last week of school.
- If your student will need working papers for this summer please submit an application prior to the last week of school. The AT-17 application form is available on the district website under the health services tab. Please note that a physical exam conducted within the last 12 months, completed by a physician, PA, or NP licensed to practice in NYS is required.

Looking ahead for next year:

- Letters were mailed home in May if your student has outstanding immunization requirements for the 2023-2024 school year. Please reach out if you have any questions.
- A copy of the health examination form completed by a NYS healthcare provider must be provided to the school within 30 days from **when your child first enrolls at the school (including Pre-K or K)**, or when your child starts **1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th or 11th grades**. It is also required **prior to participation in sports**. Each examination is valid for 12 months. This form is available on the district website, as well as at your primary care providers office.
- While seeing your primary care provider this summer please have them sign the Over the Counter Medication form if you would like your child to be able to take medications such as Tylenol, Motrin, Tums, antibiotic cream, etc., during the school year. The 2023-2024 form will be available on the district website on 7/3/2023 under the health services tab.
- If your provider is ordering prescription medications for your student to take at a scheduled time each day, or to self carry (inhalers, as needed medication, etc.) for the 2023-2024 school year the Permission for Prescribed Medication form must be completed and signed by both the ordering provider and you each school year. This form is available on the district website under the health services tab.

Have a safe and happy summer!

FROM THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

CONGRATULATIONS to the Class of 2023

Valedictorian: Lauren Hai

Salutatorian: Emily Fifield

Daria Atlasova: plans to attend St. Leo University

Eric Bush: plans to get a job working with Heavy Equipment

Abigail Fifield: plans to attend SUNY Adirondack

Emily Fifield: plans to attend The Culinary Institute of America

Lauren Hai: plans to attend State University at Buffalo

Reece Hlavaty: plans to get a job working as an EMT

Paola Sagredo Cano: plans to return to Spain for college

Sofia Nicolis: plans to return to Italy for college

Giorgia Rotolo: plans to return to Italy for college

Siraprapa (Ploy) Kraikaew: plans to return to Thailand for college

Congratulations to our Graduating Seniors! Four years of college goes by so fast! Get involved and explore all that this world has to offer you. Study hard, play hard, be safe and enjoy every minute of this new adventure.

“A journey of a thousand miles must begin with a single step.” -Lao Tsu

You have taken that first step! Best of luck to you as you begin your new journey!

Reminder to parents of students in 8th grade:

The 8th grade science exam will be given on June 5, 2023. Please try not to make appointments on this date. It is extremely difficult to make up tests for students who are not in school on these days. Thank you.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer!

Mrs. Markwica



EXAM SCHEDULES JUNE 2023

REGENTS & FINAL EXAMS

THURSDAY, JUNE 1

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
US History (Gr. 11 & IS)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

NONE

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
English Language Arts (Gr. 11)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

- **REGENTS:**
Living Environment

- **FINAL EXAMS:**
Social Studies (Gr. 7&8)

THURSDAY, JUNE 15

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
Global Studies (Gr. 10)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

- **REGENTS:**
Algebra I (Gr.9&10)
- **FINAL EXAMS 12:00 noon**
Math (Gr.7&8)

FRIDAY, JUNE 16

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **FINAL EXAMS: 8 a.m.**
Science (Gr. 7&8)
Spanish (Gr. 9)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

NONE

TUESDAY, JUNE 20

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
Geometry (Gr. 10)
Check Point A (Gr. 8)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

- **REGENTS:**
Check Point B (Gr. 10)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
Algebra 2 / Trig (Gr. 11)

- **FINAL EXAMS:**
English (Gr. 7&8)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

NONE

THURSDAY, JUNE 22

AM SESSION: 8 a.m.

- **REGENTS:**
Physics (Gr. 11&12)

PM SESSION: 12:00 noon

NONE

RATING DAYS

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

No Classes for Students

***Regents Exams** will be given in the **GYM**.

STUDENTS 7-12 ONLY NEED TO ATTEND SCHOOL ON DAYS THEY HAVE A REGENT'S OR FINAL EXAM DURING REGENTS WEEK, WHICH BEGINS WEDNESDAY, JUNE 14TH



The
NCS 2023 Yearbook
is here!

**Yearbooks cost \$30.
Return the bottom half to purchase.**

Contact Miss Skiba (nskiba@newcombcasd.org) or
Mr. K (skeglovits@newcombcasd.org) with any questions!

Name: _____

Number of
Yearbooks: _____ at \$30 each
(\$25 for seniors)

Total Cost: _____

Checks payable to
Newcomb Central School
Yearbook

CLASS OF 2025

GOLF

TOURNAMENT

JUNE 10, 2023

HIGH PEAKS GOLF COURSE



REGISTRATION:

\$55 for a
team of 4

Contact: Miss Nicole Skiba((518) 582-3341
x 1001) or Mr. Edward Lacourse for more
info.



BREAKFAST

JUNE 2023

NEWCOMB CENTRAL SCHOOL

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

5
Milk, Yogurt
Oatmeal or Cereal
Whole Grain Muffin
Fruit, Juice

6
Milk, Yogurt
Husky Sandwich (Bacon)
Or Cereal
Whole Grain Muff
Fruit, Juice

7
Milk, Yogurt
Bagels & Cream Cheese or
Cereal
Whole Grain Muffins
Fruit, Juice

8
Milk, Yogurt
Scrambled Eggs
Or Cereal
Whole Grain Muffins
Fruit, Juice

9
Milk, Yogurt
French Tst Sticks &
Sausage
Or Cereal
Whole Grain Muffins
Fruit, Juice

12
Milk, Yogurt
Oatmeal or Cereal
Whole Grain Muffin
Fruit, Juice

13
Milk, Yogurt
Husky Sandwich (Bacon)
Or Cereal
Whole Grain Muff
Fruit, Juice

14
Milk, Yogurt
Bagels & Cream Cheese or
Cereal
Whole Grain Muffins
Fruit, Juice

15
TO
BE
ANNOUNCED

16
TO
BE
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19
NO SCHOOL
JUNETEENTH
HOLIDAY

20
Milk, Yogurt
Husky Sandwich (Bacon)
Or Cereal
Whole Grain Muff
Fruit, Juice

21
Milk, Yogurt
Bagels & Cream Cheese or
Cereal
Whole Grain Muffins
Fruit, Juice

22
TO
BE
ANNOUNCED

23
NO SCHOOL
Superintendent
Conference Day

26
SCHOOL IS
Out For The
SUMMER

27
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Breakfast Alternative Daily: Cereal, Milk, Fruit, Juice, Yogurt and Whole Grain Muffin. In the operation of National School Food Programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age or disability. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write immediately to the Department of Agriculture. Please note that our menu is subject to change based on availability of food items.



LUNCH

JUNE 2023

NEWCOMB CENTRAL SCHOOL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit White Pizza w/ Broccoli or Cheese Pizza	6 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Rice Bar (Beans, Corn, Cheese) Salad Bar	7 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Baked Ziti, Dinner Roll Salad Bar	1 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Porcupine Balls w/ Sauce Mashed Potatoes Salad Bar, Roll	2 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Ranch Burger w/ Cheese & Bun, Chips Cowboy Corn Salad
12 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Mac & Cheese w/Chick. Peas Dinner Roll	13 Milk, Cottage Cheese Fruit Sloppy Nachos, Beans Rice, Cheese Salad Bar	14 TO BE ANNOUNCED	15 TO BE ANNOUNCED	16 TO BE ANNOUNCED
19 NO SCHOOL JUNETEENTH HOLIDAY	20 TO BE ANNOUNCED	21 TO BE ANNOUNCED	22 TO BE ANNOUNCED	23 NO SCHOOL Superintendent Conference Day
26 SCHOOL IS Out For The SUMMER	27 SCHOOL IS Out For The SUMMER	28 SCHOOL IS Out For The SUMMER	29 SCHOOL IS Out For The SUMMER	30 SCHOOL IS Out For The SUMMER

LUNCH ALTERNATIVE DAILY: Whole Grain Sandwich, Milk, Fruit, Vegetable and Cheese Stick. In the operation of National School Food Programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, color, national origin, age or disability. If you believe you have been discriminated against, write immediately to the Department of Agriculture. Please note that our menu is subject to change based on availability of food items.

CLASS NEWS

News From the Shop

Students in the Materials Processing class have been learning the art of craftsmanship this spring as they work towards the final assembly stages of creating "killer" Adirondack chairs. Pictured is Logan Bush who triple checked his final measurements before scribing an arc on the back of his chair. Mr. Gazaille, the class instructor, said that he was very proud of how well the students have worked these past months using their skills to complete such an involved project. "The students listened and took the time to do it the right way. Norm Abram (New Yankee Workshop) would approve." Other students making chairs include Reece Hlavaty, Emily Fifield and Marcus Armstrong.



Students in the Adirondack Technologies class collected maple sap and made maple syrup this spring. Pictured is Reece pouring fresh sap into an evaporator while Marcus and Logan give their approval and eagerly await the outcome of the process.



Photo by Rowan



THE STOCK MARKET GAME™

Each year NCS Business and Home & Careers students participate in a real time simulation in which they are given the opportunity to build and manage their own investment portfolios in *The Stock Market Game*.

Newcomb's 7-12th grade students have had a rich history of success in this activity for several years dating as far back as to Mr. Duggan's time before me. I am honored to have kept that tradition alive for the last 19 school years with achieving several top placing teams each season. Although our teams usually compete in the shorter range Spring and Fall sessions, this year I decided to enter each student as an individual team for the full year of competition that ran from early October through late April.

With up to \$100,000 in seed money to start with, each student is tasked with identifying their own investment opportunities exactly as they would if they were investing in the New York Stock Exchange. Students learn to read graphs, analyze data, and seek out real life newsworthy events that may lead to stock price fluctuations.

At the end of the competition and with a portfolio now valued at \$155,352.94, NCS Junior Marcus Armstrong not only placed 1st in our region ahead of 670 other players, but Marcus also placed 1st in all of New York State beating out 2866 other players! Congratulations to Marcus on a job well done as well as to all that participated in this year's challenge!

Mr. Doyle
Business Education



Marcus Armstrong and Logan Bush
Captains of Stock Market Club

Birds of a Feather Flock Together! Benefit Concert by Newcomb CSD students

The Newcomb Central School Music Department under direction of Ms. Zhanna Pendell, the entire student body, staff, and community came together and held a benefit concert on May 11th, 2023 in support of the North Country Wild Care Organization chapter of Wildlife Institute of Eastern New York, and their mission. The concert showcased PK-6th grade students in the performance of a witty musical “Tweet!” and featured community wide “Owl About Me” posters organized by the Shared Decision Making Committee led by Miss. Nicole Skiba, as well as featured a vocal student recital and 2 instrumental groups- the elementary band and MS/HS Jazz Ensemble.

Joining us at intermission were representatives from the North Country Wildlife Institute of Eastern NY with their live presentation through Silent Wings program on raptor care and education led by Ms. Trish Marki. The Newcomb community in attendance of the concert that evening also enjoyed this meaningful experience with up close and personal encounters with live, soaring through the auditorium birds! Needless to say, our community was very generous in donating to their great cause! It was an unforgettable evening for all involved!

We would like to Thank the Newcomb community, NCS Board of Education, members of the National Honor Society and our Superintendent, Mrs. Christian Fisher for their support during this Benefit Concert!

Sincerely, Ms. Zhanna Pendell and NCS Music students



Equestrian Club

We would like to give a big thank you to Troy and Jimmy for allowing our students to visit their barn during the month of May! Students learned basic facts and safety regarding horses, how to groom them, how to muck stalls, how they are fed, and much more!

The students were especially excited to see the goats each week.

Thank you!



Some of Our Favorite Memories This Year





Sports Banquet

Please join us for our 2023 Sports Banquet to recognize our 7th-12th grade student athletes!

Monday, June 5th
6:00 pm Dessert in the Cafeteria
6:30 pm Recognition in the Auditorium



Congratulations



Notice to all 7th through 12th graders:

Please remember to turn in your school assigned Chromebooks and chargers after your last exams have been completed. The last date to return student devices is Thursday June 22nd! Please hand both your Chromebook and charger to either the main office or Mr. Paniccia so we can mark you down as having returned your school devices.

Any questions/concerns
please reach out to:
Mr. Paniccia
npaniccia@newcombcasd.org

Notice to all students:

Library books and other materials need to be returned to the libraries soon so that inventory can be completed. If you have any library materials signed out, please return them as soon as possible.





Hosts Needed!

Newcomb International

Students

SINCE 2007
OVER 200 STUDENTS
FROM 27 COUNTRIES
HAVE MADE NEWCOMB THEIR HOME

BE A PART OF THE TRADITION!

Who Can Host?

Families. Singles. Couples. Retirees. Empty Nesters.

Requirements?

Home with a bedroom. Three meals and snacks per day. Integration into the family. Participation in family activities, emotional and academic support.

Why Host?

Learn about another culture and traditions. Help students understand about American life. Build lasting relationships.

What do we offer you?

Annual housing stipend, help selecting just the right student, student orientation, ongoing support

Questions? Interested?

PJ Motsiff

pjmotsiff@newcombcasd.org

(518) 582-3341

UPCOMING IN THE DISTRICT

June 2023

- 1 Regents– U.S. History and Government
- 2-4 Jazz Band Trip
- 5 Grade 8 Science Written Test
- 7 Sports Recognition Night, 6pm
- 8 BOE Meeting, 6pm
- 13 Last Day of BOCES and High School Classes
- 13 Academic Awards Ceremony, 2pm
- 14-16 Regents/Competency Exams
- 16 Pre-K Moving Up Ceremony, 1:15pm
- 19 Juneteenth– No School
- 20-22 Regents/Competency Exams
- 22 Last Day for Students in Grades Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth
- 22 Baccalaureate at Adirondack Bible Fellowship Church, 6pm
- 23 Superintendent’s Day– No School
- 23 End of 4th Marking Period
- 24 Commencement Ceremony, 11am
- 29 BOE Meeting, 6pm

July 2023

- 6 BOE Reorganizational Meeting, 6pm

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