

Webster Central School District

Fall Newsletter 2022-23

SCHOOL CALENDAR **BACK TO SCHOOL!** School Opens September 6

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School Directory

HIGH SCHOOL HOURS - 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Webster Schroeder High, 875 Ridge Road	670-5000
Principal Paul Benz	670-5001
A-D Dan Sepka, Assistant Principal	670-5137
E-K Zandy Tasber, Assistant Principal	670-5069
L-Re Krista Quick, Assistant Principal	670-5098
Rf-Z Jacqueline Goodwine, Assistant Principal	670-5094
Registrar's Office Lucia Potenza	670-5010
Attendance Line	670-5022

Webster Thomas High, 800 Five Mile Line Road......670-8000

Principal Glenn Widor	670-8001
A-E Kylene Anson, Gold House, Assistant Principal	670-0802
F-L Jeremy McBride, Gold House Assistant Principal	670-0801
M-R Tara Wade, Blue House Assistant Principal	670-8043
S-Z Susan Clark, Blue House Assistant Principal	670-8044
Registrar's Office Jodi Gloskey	670-8033
Attendance Line	670-8074

MIDDLE SCHOOL HOURS - 8:45 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Spry Middle School, 119 South Avenue	265-6500
Principal Jim Baehr	216-0052
Red House Brandi Wallace, Assistant Principal	216-0044
White House Matthew Mietelski, Assistant Principal	216-0096
Blue House Jackie Saunders, Assistant Principal	216-0093
Report absences to your child's school house office.	

Willink Middle School, 900 Publishers Parkway...... 670-1030

Principal Brian Powers	670-1034
Red House Jason Berger, Assistant Principal	670-1038
Green House Jason Simoni, Assistant Principal	670-1040
Blue House Erin Zeller, Assistant Principal	670-1042
Report absences to your child's school house office.	

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HOURS AS LISTED

DeWitt Road Elementary, 722 DeWitt Road, 7:50 a.m 2:20 p.m.		
Principal Mark Schichtel, Asst. Principal Rob DeRose671-0710		
Attendance Line		

Klem Road North Elementary, 1015 Klem Road, 7:40 a.m.	· 2:10 p.m.
Principal Laura Ballou, Asst. Principal Sarah Welsh	872-1770
Attendance Line	217-4108

Klem Road South Elementary, 1025 Klem Road, 7:50 a.m.	- 2:20 p.m.
Principal Martha End, Asst. Principal Stephen MacAdam	872-1320
Attendance Line	217-4137

Schlegel Road Elementary, 1548 Schlegel Road, 7:50 a.m.	- 2:20 p.m.
Principal Kate Hesla, Asst. Principal TBD	265-2500
Attendance Line	265-2513



ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION HOURS AS LISTED

GOAL,	8:45	a.m	3:15	p.m.
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Rebecca Saiff,	Administrator	& Attendance	670-5265

One Webster Learning (OWL) High, 7:50 a.m. - 2:10 p.m.

Anargyros Halaris, Administrator	217-5770
OWL High Attendance	787-3730

OWL Middle, 8:15 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Chris Callahan, Administrator	.787-3762
OWL Middle Attendance	787-3761

OWL Elementary, 7:50 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Lisa Benson, Administrator	.787-3737
OWL Elementary Attendance	.787-3780

Administrative Directory

Brian Neenan, Superintendent	216-0001
Cynthia Cushman, Assistant to the Superintendent &	
District Clerk	216-0001
Erin Land, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction	216-0040
Brian Freeman, Assistant Superintendent for Business	216-0017
David Swinson, Assistant Superintendent for Administration	on &
Human Resources	
Colleen Armstrong, Assistant Superintendent for	
Student Services	216-0036
Athletics - Spry/Schroeder	670-5230
Athletics - Willink/Thomas	
Buildings & Grounds	265-6585
Communications & Public Relations	216-0013
Community Education	670-5039
Curriculum & Instruction	
District Information Desk	
Food Service	670-5104
Registration	
Safe School Helpline1-800-4-1-VOI	
Safety/Security/Planning	
StudentServices	
Technology Services	
Transportation	
Webster Aquatic Center	
Webster Health & Education Network:	
A Drug Free Community Coalition (WHEN: DFCC)	216-0026

Administrative Appointments

During the past few months, Webster CSD has made several administrative appointments. They are: Erin Land, assistant superintendent for instruction; Colleen Armstrong, assistant superintendent for student services; Dr. Francine Leggett, director of elementary education; Emily Chomyn, director of student services; Lisa Benson, elementary OWL administrator; Matthew Palermo, assistant principal, State Road Elementary School; Erin Zeller, assistant principal, Willink Middle School; Dr. Susan Clark, assistant principal, Webster Thomas High School; Dr. Tara Wade, assistant principal, Webster Thomas High School; Dr. Robert Chalwell, director of family engagement and inclusivity; Katherine Hesla, principal, Schlegel Road Elementary School.

From the Superintendent

Dear One Webster Families,

We are so excited to welcome Webster CSD's students, families, and staff back to school! The 2022-23 school year opens on Tuesday, September 6 for more than 8,000 students and nearly 1,600 staff members, all ready to learn, grow, and enjoy another year together. Our One Webster community members continue to play an integral role in all that our



school district accomplishes on behalf of our students. The strength and support of this community translates into an extraordinary educational experience for all students.

As we anticipate the start of the new school year, there is much information to share with our community. In this back to school newsletter, you will find important details on the district's new school-to-home communication platform ParentSquare. All parents are encouraged to visit parentsquare.com as soon as possible to register in order to receive district, school, grade level, and classroom notifications throughout the year. ParentSquare is an effective way to stay engaged and informed with all that is happening with your children, their school, and the entire district!

Also, be sure to note important dates on the enclosed school calendar and contact information for all schools and departments. In addition to ParentSquare and this newsletter, the district's website, websterschools.org, is a great information resource regarding your One Webster district's new

school year. Check in early and often so you don't miss anything important to your children and family.

Enjoy the remainder of this beautiful summer! We are looking forward to seeing your children back at school on September 6.

All my best, Brian Neenan Superintendent of Schools

2022-23 School Calendar*

Please note that dates are subject to change. Families are encouraged to note test days and plan vacations around them.

Aug. 30 & 31	Superintendent Conference Days
Sept. 5	Labor Day: No School UPK-12
Sept. 6	School Opens UPK-12
Oct. 7	Superintendent Conference Day: No School UPK-12
Oct. 10	Columbus Day: No School UPK-12
Oct. 20, 21, 27, 28	K-5 Parent-Teacher Conf.: 1/2 days
Nov. 11	Veterans Day: No School UPK-12
Nov. 23-25	Thanksgiving Recess: No School UPK-12
Dec. 26-Jan. 2	Winter Recess: No School UPK-12
Jan. 16	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day: No School UPK-12
Jan. 24-27	Regents Exams
Jan. 27	Superintendent Conference Day: No School Grades 9-12
Feb. 20-24	Presidents' Day/February Recess: No School UPK-12
March 16, 17, 23, 24	K-5 Parent Teacher Conf.: 1/2 days
April 3-7	Spring Recess: No School UPK-12

April 19-20	Grades 3-8 ELA Testing	
May 2-3	Grades 3-8 Math Testing	
May 12	Superintendent Conference Day: No School UPK-8	
May 16	Annual Budget Vote and Election	
May 23-June 2	Grade 8 Science Performance Test	
May 29	Memorial Day: No School UPK-12	
June 5	Grade 8 Science Written Test	
June 13	Last Day of Classes, Grades 9-12	
June 14-22	Regents Exams/Local Exams	
June 16	Last Day of Classes, Grades 6-8	
June 19	Juneteenth Holiday: No School UPK-12	
June 20	Middle School Testing	
June 20	Last Day of Classes, K-5	
June 23	Last Day for Teachers	
TBD	Webster Schroeder Graduation	
TBD	Webster Thomas Graduation	



Meal Costs & Free/Reduced Information

The Webster School Lunch Program offers high quality nutritious meals that comply with all USDA federal guidelines. Student lunch prices for the 2022-23 school year were not yet determined when this newsletter went to print. Your child(ren) may qualify for free reduced priced meals, at a cost of \$.25. For 2022-23 there is no cost for reduced priced meals if you submit an application and qualify in advance.

Free/Reduced Price Meal Applications must be submitted each school year or before September 30, 2022 to continue status for the current school year. Parents can submit applications online and receive a response the same day in the Parent Portal. Applying online speeds up the process and eliminates the need for a paper application. For more information on this program, or to obtain the Free/Reduced Price Meal Application, visit the district website at websterschools.org and select the quick link Food Service. Print and complete the application, or fill out the application and return it to your child(ren)'s school. Only one application is required per family.

Breakfast

All Webster schools offer a hot breakfast every day beginning on the first day of



school. The price for breakfast is to be determined. For children who qualify for free or reduced priced meals

Food Service

there is no charge. We hope children will take advantage of the opportunity to start the day with a healthy breakfast. Your MySchoolBucks account will work for both breakfast and lunch.

Nutrition/Ingredient Information

Visit the Food Service website to access nutrition/ingredient Information. From the school district website click on the quick link Food Service. Then select the link Menus, choose the appropriate menu, and scroll over items to see nutrition information including ingredients and carb counts.

Menu Selections

Menu items designed to appeal to students are offered daily. Webster Food Service encourages students to try these items and welcomes feedback. Snack items such as milk, fruit, yogurt, ice cream, etc., are available daily for an additional cost at all schools. To see the snack price list, look for the link on the Food Service website. It also contains a form to restrict snack purchases. Complete the form for each student and send it to the school kitchen or email Mark Balfour at mark_balfour@webstercsd.org. The snack price list is subject to change at any time.

Menu Publication

Lunch menus are posted at every serving line and on the district website. Menus can be sent to your email by visiting the Food Services website.

Prepaid Point of Sale & Online Prepayment Service

Webster Food Service utilizes a free computerized point of sale system, MySchoolBucks.com, that enables students to participate in a prepaid system for all lunches and snacks. This system is NOT a charge account. Students MUST have money in their account or pay with cash or check made payable to Webster Food Services. Prepayments with paper check may be mailed directly to your child's school or sent with your child to be given to the lunch cashier. If you have more than one child at a school, please include a note that explains how much to deposit into each account. If siblings attend different schools, a separate check must be written for each student. Prepayments can also be made online. Students are encouraged to use the prepaid system to avoid lost money and expedite lunch lines.

High school students can also access MySchoolBucks.com. Simply create an account for your student without the banking information. Heartland offers a mobile app for cell phones to make balance information available at any time.

A flat fee of \$2.49 is charged for all online deposits, regardless of dollar amount or payment type (credit, debit, or eCheck). To minimize online convenience fees, please consider making larger, less frequent payments. As always, cash or paper check prepayments may continue to be made at the school kitchen register with no fee. Free services include transaction history, low balance email alerts, automatic account replenishment. Please visit the Food Service website for more information.

Charge Policy

If a student does not have money for lunch, he/she will receive a full meal and be charged the full lunch price.

Dietary Restrictions

If your child has dietary restrictions based on medical needs, it is possible to have a special meal prepared. Please contact the Webster Food Service Office at 670-5105 for information and necessary paperwork.



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BoardDocs is the New Home for

BOE Agendas & Minutes

2025

The Webster CSD Board of Education is excited to announce that it has begun implementing BoardDocs, a communications tool that makes information more easily accessible for our community. BoardDocs is an easy to use school board management software program. The community is encouraged to

explore this new communication tool. It can be found at websterschools.org > District > Board Home > BoardDocs hot button.

As this transition continues, BoardDocs will become the primary source to find a wealth of information, including the BOE calendar, agendas, and minutes. At this time only meetings and agendas appear; policies and library information will be added at a later



date. The full transition is expected to take place during the current school year.

Board Meetings

Unless otherwise noted on the agenda, the Webster CSD Board of Education typically meets on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. Locations vary as the board travels throughout the district, so please check the agenda for the location of that night's meeting.

BOE meetings are live streamed on the district website at websterschools.org/ boemeetings; previous meetings may also be found there. Agendas are posted at the district administrative offices located on the third floor of Spry Middle School, 119 South Avenue, Webster, and on the district website: webstercsd.org > District > Board Home > Agendas.

Ways to Stay Informed

Webster CSD utilizes a variety of platforms to communicate with our community. The largest resource is the district website, websterschools.org. Additional resources include:

ParentSquare: Webster CSD's new form of schoolto-home communication. ParentSquare is designed to keep parents/guardians informed and encourage greater engagement and connection with One Webster. It provides a safe way for district administrators, principals, teachers, staff, coaches, and parents to communicate, all in one place!

Infinite Campus Parent-Student Portal: This resource (websterschools.org/portal) provides parents/guardians and students with student attendance, student grades, bus schedules, student schedules, report cards, and testing results (New York State testing). The Campus Backpack on the portal also contains previous report cards and additional letters and reports from the school district. Surveys and questionnaires may be found there from time to time as well. **District News**: Online website stories about student and staff accomplishments, district events, etc.

E-flyers: This virtual backpack program enables groups and organizations in the Webster CSD community to share information on events and programs within One Webster. Approved e-flyers are shared on district social media and in newsletter form through ParentSquare.

Newsletters: Several times a year the district mails Webster CSD residents newsletters containing important district information on district events and student and staff accomplishments.

ThoughtExchange: An open-ended, confidential, and easy-to-use community engagement platform.

Videos: The WebsterSchoolsProud YouTube channel provides video profiles.

Social Media: The district utilizes Twitter@wcsdproud and Facebook @WebsterCentralSchools to share information briefs with our followers.





Required Immunizations

Students must meet New York State immunization requirements for age and grade level to enter and attend school. Students whose health records are not in compliance will not be permitted in school. Immunizations must be administered in accordance with the schedule recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) with respect to number of doses, minimum interval spacing between doses, and minimum age requirements. All students must have the following immunizations:

- Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus (DPT, DT, DTaP)
- Hepatitis B vaccine
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella vaccine
 (MMR)
- Polio (OPV, IPV)
- Varicella (Chicken Pox).

In addition to the above:

- Haemophilus Influenzae Type B (Hib) & Pneumococcal (PCV): in UPK
- Tdap: one dose in grades 6-12
- Meningococcal: one dose in grades 7-11; two doses in grade 12.

If catching up on delinquent immunizations, follow-up doses must be administered within 14 days after the minimum interval spacing. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) does not accept "alternative schedules" for required grade level specific immunizations.

Exemptions to immunizations are only permitted for documented medical reasons accepted by ACIP and must be renewed annually. Requests for medi-



cal exemptions must be completed by the student's physician on the NYSDOH form 5077 and

Health Information

submitted to the school nurse. The district physician will review the completed form and has final approval of all medical exemption requests.

For details on state law regarding vaccinations, refer to https://www.health.ny.gov/ publications/2370.pdf.

Monroe County Department of Public Health, 111 Westfall

Road, administers immunization to children free of cost. Call 585-753-5150 to make an appointment or for more information.

Reducing the Spread of Illness

Hand washing and respiratory etiquette help prevent the spread of illness, including COVID-19 and Influenza. Please discuss and practice these healthy habits with your children:

- Wash your hands often with soap and warm water for at least 20 seconds.
- Use waterless hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol when you cannot wash your hands.
- Stay home from work or school if you are ill or have a fever of 100 degrees F or greater.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.
- Cough or sneeze into a tissue or your sleeve; dispose of the tissue and wash your hands.
- Avoid using shared items whenever possible.
- Clean and disinfect shared items such as phones, keyboards, and toys more often.
- Refrain from sharing personal items such as forks, spoons, toothbrushes, and towels.
- Avoid people who are ill.

Communicable & Infectious Diseases

School nurses may exclude any student from school upon suspicion of a communicable disease and until a medically confirmed diagnosis or clearance to return to school is provided in writing. These include, but are not limited to: COVID-19 or influenza-like illness: Students who exhibit symptoms (fever or chills, severe fatigue, headache, congestion or runny nose, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, loss of appetite, cough, nausea, vomiting or diarrhea) should not be sent to school. Please check with your school nurse or the district website for current information about the most current return to school requirements following COVID-19 or Influenza-Like illness.

Strep Throat: Students suspected of having strep throat should have a throat culture and await results before returning to school. If positive, please notify the building nurse. Students may not return to school until 24 hours after the initiation of antibiotic therapy AND the student has been fever-free for 24 hours without the assistance of fever-reducing medication

Head Lice: If a student is found to have head lice or nits, parents will be contacted and the student will be excluded from school until treatment is rendered and nits removed. Please notify the nurse if lice is discovered at home. Parents should accompany their child to school the first day of return so the nurse can confirm that the child is lice and nit-free. Readmitted students will be checked for nits periodically for one month.

Health Appraisals & Dental Certificates

Health appraisals (well-child physical exams) are required and dental health exams are requested for all new entrants to Webster CSD and students in UPK, kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth, and 11th grades. Per NYS law, all physical exams must now be completed on the Required NYS School Health Examination Form. We are no longer permitted to accept other forms.

Exams dated on or after September 1, 2021 meet the date requirement for the 2022-23 school year and should be submitted to the school health office within 30 days of school attendance.

Students in grades seven through 12 participating in Section V sports should have a physical by their own healthcare provider. Physicals are valid for one calendar year only. Contact the school health office for further information.

Medications in School

School personnel may dispense medication to a student ONLY under the following conditions for over-the-counter AND prescription medication:

- The medication is necessary to keep the student in school.
- A written order from the student's healthcare provider, indicating the medication, dosage, frequency, and reason, is provided. (A prescription label or parent instructions from the provider are not considered medical orders.) This must be renewed annually.
- The parent must authorize in writing that school personnel may administer the medication.
- Medication must be brought to school by a parent in the original container. Pills in baggies or in mislabeled Rx bottles are not accepted.
- Parents of children who require special attention should discuss their concern with the nurse.
- Check your school's health office website for information about dates the school nurse is available to accept medication before the school year begins.



Health Screenings

Vision and hearing screenings are required for students in kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, and 11 grades and for all new entrants to Webster CSD. Scoliosis screenings are required for girls in grades five and seven and boys in grade nine. Parents will be notified of any significant findings by the school nurse.

Allergy Protocol

Food, latex, and environmental allergies are prevalent among the childhood population. No food may be consumed on the bus. If shared food is permitted in classrooms for special celebrations, it must be commercially prepared and labeled. In elementary schools only, parents are notified if their child is in a classroom where exposure must be reduced due to food allergies.

Health Insurance

Students injured during school sponsored/supervised activities are first covered under their parents' insurance. Uninsured parents should apply through Child Health Plus. For more information call 1-800-716-4885, TTY 800-421-1220, OR 585-613-7662, or log on to https:// nystateofhealth.ny.gov/.

Potassium lodide

WCSD lies within the Ginna Nuclear Power Plant evacuation area. In the event of a nuclear accident, the Monroe County Office of Emergency Management may determine that students should receive a Potassium lodide (KI) tablet to block the effects of radiation. If you do NOT want your child to receive KI, you must submit a refusal form one time to your child's school. Refer medical concerns to your healthcare provider.

BMI Reporting

WCSD is required to report Body Mass Index (BMI) summary data to the New York State Health Department. BMI is recorded on your child's required physical for kindergarten, first, third, fifth, seventh, ninth and 11th grades. No names or individual student information is shared. You may choose to have your child's information excluded from this report by sending a letter to your child's building nurse in September. This request must be renewed for each physical.

Building Health Office Phone Numbers

DeWitt Elementary	670-1003
Klem North Elementary	217-4107
Klem South Elementary	217-4136
Plank North Elementary	670-4011

Plank South Elementary	670-4054
Schlegel Elementary	216-6023
State Elementary	217-5307
Spry Middle School	216-0042
Willink Middle School	670-1035
Webster Schroeder High	670-5026
Webster Thomas High	670-8019
Flex Nurse	670-5208
Nurse Coordinator	670-5217

Find more health-related information at websterschools.org > Departments > Health Office-District.

Mental Wellness

One of the keys to mental wellness is having balance in our lives. Webster CSD is prepared to support our students in achieving balance between learning new academic content and building Essential Skills. This balance helps our students to be resilient during tough times, use time management skills to keep up on homework, collaborate with others to accomplish projects, communicate needs to others, and use self management skills to advocate for help when needed.

Summer break experiences are unique and varied for each of us. Returning to school can bring excitement, anxiety, or sometimes both for students and families. No matter how you are feeling, Webster CSD is here to support you and we are excited to welcome you to this new school year.

If you or your child ever need assistance, please reach out to your child's building administrator or mental health staff. You can also access help through the Safe School Helpline by calling 1-800-4-1-VOICE ext. 359 (1-800-418-6423) or texting the word "TIPS" to 614-426-0240. Another resource is the 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline. By dialing 988, you will be connected to a trained counselor who will listen, provide support, and connect you to resources.



Webster CSD has much to celebrate in our students. As we look to the opening of a new school year, we share with our One Webster community some of the accomplishments achieved by our students at the close of the 2021-22 school year.

Citizenship Honored: Every school year, the Webster Retired Educators Association (WREA), in conjunction with Webster CSD elementary schools, presents one fifth grader at each building with the WREA Citizenship Award. Recipients model the attributes of scholarship, service, leadership, and sportsmanship in all areas of life. Webster CSD is proud to announce this year's winners: Leah Stronach, DeWitt Road Elementary School; Ivy Cabili, Klem Road North Elementary School; Cesar Acosta Montano, Klem Road South Elementary School; Maeve Fitzgerald, Plank Road North Elementary School; Marne Mazzochetti, Plank Road South Elementary School; Erin Bradford, Schlegel Road

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Elementary School; and Simon Roode, State Road Elementary School.

Each of the 2021-22 WREA Citizenship Award winners was recognized at their school where they received a medallion and their name on a plaque that hangs in their building. They were also recognized by the Webster CSD Board of Education at a meeting this summer.

Willink Award: Congratulations to this year's winners of the Ross J. Willink Award: Cayla Santoleri, Adam Carlin, and Morgan Schaller. Named for former Webster CSD superintendent and the building namesake, the Ross J. Willink Award is presented annually to Willink Middle School eighth graders who demonstrate achievement in academics. character. extracurriculars. hobbies/ interests, and community service. It honors students who are the embodiment of Titans who C.A.R.E. (Cooperation, Accountability, Respect, Excellence) and who demonstrate the desire to go above and beyond in all that they do in

an effort to make a positive difference in the lives of others and their community.

Cayla, Adam, and Morgan were presented with the honor at their end-ofyear house awards.

Student Donation: Spry Middle School students had a great time raising funds for Challenger Miracle Field of Rochester. The Spry Student Council ran a week-long fundraiser that included jar wars, restaurant night, cash donations, concession sales, and ticket sales for a very special kickball game. Played at Challenger Miracle Field in Webster in May, the game blended Spry students with Challenger players on each of Spry's house teams.

In June, student council representatives Jack Frenzel and Jayna Zimmerman along with advisor Ms. Zenkel visited Miracle Field again, this time to present a check in the amount of \$2,107.76 to Challenger Miracle Field of Rochester.



Celebrating Our Seniors



Another Outstanding Senior: Webster CSD is delighted to share that Emerson Ormond was the Eastern Monroe Career Center (EMCC) recipient of the Monroe County Outstanding Senior Award!

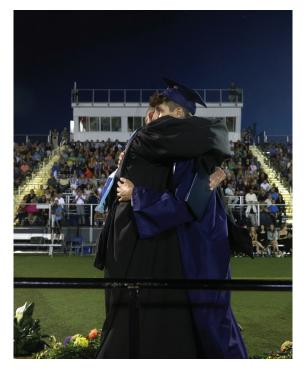
The Monroe County Council of School Superintendents honored students from throughout the county at the annual Dr. Michael C. O'Laughlin Outstanding Senior Recognition Dinner, held at Shadow Lake Racquet and Golf Cub in Penfield on May 18.

Emerson, who just graduated Webster Schroeder High School, studied at EMCC through the New Vision Education Professions program. She is now off to Houghton College for a dual major in elementary education and intercultural studies (for a missions route).

Sixth in the Nation: Webster Schroeder High School senior Joshua Michaels took part in the Young Entrepreneurs Academy (YEA!) Saunders Scholars National Competition in June, presenting his business Oncall. Josh, an active member of Webster YEA!, won his round of semi-finals and went on to finish in the top six in the nation! Oncall is a digital application that would be the "Uber" for nurses. It would allow hospitals to post shifts for nurses to select at their convenience. In return, Oncall could recruit their own nurses to pick up more or less shifts at their own convenience. Josh came up with the idea from watching his

mom, a nurse staffing coordinator who has seen the many challenges that nurses face.

Josh is attending Rochester Institute of



Technology for marketing and entrepreneurship to continue to pursue his



business knowledge and idea.

Seal of Biliteracy Awarded: Congratulations to the 80 One Webster students who achieved the Seal of Biliteracy

during the 2021-22 school year! Eighty-four seals were awarded to students for at least one of the following languages: Spanish, French, German, Turkish, Russian, and Portuguese.

The Seal of Biliteracy is a backing from New York State (NYS) that the student has demonstrated at least an intermediate high level in English and another world language. Students who earn the NYS Seal of Biliteracy earn the seal for their diploma, a medal, and a certificate of recognition.

EMCC Award: Eastern Monroe Career Center (EMCC) honored its students in its end-of-year recognition ceremony. Held at the Kodak Center in Rochester, the ceremony was full of EMCC staff, families, parents, students, and staff from component districts. During the event, one senior from each district was recognized for their outstanding work. The honoree for Webster CSD was Matthew Walters, then a senior at Webster Thomas High School.





See Something Unsafe? Contact the Safe School Helpline

See a health or safety concern? Say something!

Webster CSD continues to be enrolled in the Safe School Helpline, a toll-free number anyone may call to anonymously report health and safety concerns. The number 1-800-4-1-VOICE, ext. 359, is monitored 24-7. Reports may also be made by texting the word "TIPS" to 614-426-0240 or online at safeschoolhelpline. com. The company also has introduced the Safe School Helpline app, which quickly gives users all three options for reporting valuable information.

Callers are able to reconnect with the agency to be advised as to what actions were taken on the information they provided.

In most cases, Safe School Helpline sends the district transcripts of calls they receive the next day; however, if the matter is urgent, school officials are contacted immediately, day or night.

For more information on Safe School Helpline, please visit their website at safeschoolhelpline.com.

And please remember, IF YOU SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING!

Safety & Security

Sex Offender Registry

Persons who wish to be informed regarding registered sex offenders residing in the Webster CSD area can go to the district website: websterschools.org > Departments > Safety and Security. There they will find links to local, state, and national organizations tracking registered sex offenders, including NY ALERT, a site where persons may register with the state to receive notifications when moderate to high risk sex offenders (Levels 2 and 3) move into the school district.

School Closings, Early Dismissal & Emergency Evacuation

If weather prohibits students from attending school, this information will be communicated as soon as it is available using the district's ParentSquare system. Information will also be provided on the district website, websterschools.org, on district social media, and provided to local television and radio stations.

Parents/guardians are encouraged to develop a plan for their children in the event of a closing. Please note that when school is closed due to weather, all aquatics, community education, and evening classes and activities are cancelled as well. WonderCare may be an exception; please consult their website, websterschools.org/wondercare, and social media Facebook.com/WonderCare and Twitter @wondercarewcsd.

Should evacuation be required due to a Ginna-related emergency, parents/ guardians will be notified through ParentSquare. Information will also be shared through the district website, district social media, and local media outlets. Monroe Community College's Brighton Campus is the designated site for a district-wide evacuation of this nature.

Should a need arise to evacuate an individual school or schools, students and staff will be relocated to predetermined sites, and parents will be notified as described above.

Visitor's Pass Requirements

In the interest of safety, a camera and intercom entry system are located at each Webster CSD building. Visitors must press the red call button to alert building staff of their presence. Office staff then speak via intercom with the visitor to determine the nature of the visit prior to allowing entry. Per board of education policy visitors must provide photo identification, sign in, and wear a visitor's pass.

Community Connections: Volunteers Make Mock DWI Crashes a Success

Webster CSD is grateful to be part of the greater One Webster community, where groups, organizations, and businesses work cohesively with district staff to enrich the lives of our students. Thank you to the volunteers who took part in the mock DWI crashes performed at our two high schools this past May and June.

First responders from Webster Police Department, West Webster Fire Department, Webster Fire Department, Webster EMS, and North East Quadrant ALS provided "crash" scenarios, and Webster Thomas and Webster Schroeder students acted them out for their fellow juniors and seniors.

The purpose of these mock DWI crashes, which took place as the two schools entered into ball, prom, and graduation party season, was to provide a not-so-subtle reminder to our One Webster juniors and seniors of the dangers of driving under the influence. They also provided local emergency responders with training opportunities.



Thank you, also, to Wilbert's U-Pull It for donating the vehicles and Barth Towing & Auto Repair for getting them to and from the "crash" scenes.



Dignity for All Students

In Webster CSD, incidents of discrimination/harassment are taken very seriously and are not tolerated. It is important to work initially with your school teams, including teachers, counselors, administrators, etc., to ensure that they are aware of the concern and are able to address, without delay, situations related to discrimination and/or harassment.

The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) (§§10-18 of Education Law) defines harassment as the creation of a hostile environment by conduct or by verbal threats, intimidation or abuse that has or would have the effect of unreasonably and substantially interfering with a student's educational performance, opportunities or benefits, or mental, emotional or physical well-being; or conduct, verbal threats, intimidation or abuse that reasonably causes or would reasonably be expected to cause a student to fear for his or her physical safety. DASA prohibits harassment against students based on, but not limited to, a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation, or gender (including gender identity and expression).

Dignity Act coordinators are assigned to each school building. To learn more, contact your building's main office or consult Student Services under Departments on the district website, websterschools.org.

Notice of Non-Discrimination

Webster CSD does not discriminate on the basis of an individual's race, color, creed, religion, religious practice, national origin, ethnic group, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, political affiliation, age, marital status, military status, veteran status, disability, or any other basis prohibited by New York State and/or federal non-discrimination laws in its programs and activities. Any parent, student, or employee who has questions regarding this non-discrimination policy or who wishes to report a violation of the policy may do so by contacting David Swinson, Title IX coordinator, or Colleen Armstrong, Title IX and Section 504 coordinator, at Webster CSD, 119 South Avenue, Webster, NY 14580; telephone: (585) 216-0036.

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Discipline

Students engaging in inappropriate behavior are subject to disciplinary action such as reprimand, parent contact, detention, and suspension. Examples of student behaviors that may result in an out-of-school suspension include, but are not limited to: actions that endanger the health, safety, or welfare of others; violation of criminal code; possession, sale, use, or manufacture of drugs, alcohol, or weapons; verbal abuse toward a staff member or student; and assault of a staff member or student.

For complete information see the Code of Conduct and Regulation 5201 on the district website, websterschools.org.

No Smoking Policy

Federal and state laws prohibit smoking in schools, on school grounds, and in school vehicles.

Pesticide Notification

School districts are required to provide residents and staff with information about pesticide and herbicide applications that may be made periodically throughout the school year. These are posted on the district website: websterschools.org > Departments > Buildings & Grounds > Pesticide Notification.

Residents and staff who wish to be informed in advance of applications during the school year are asked to call Blaine Cunningham, manager of buildings and grounds, at 265-6585. Your name will be kept on a contact list until July 1, 2022.

Photo, Video Consent

Throughout the school year, photographs or video may be taken of students for use in Webster CSD produced social media, publications, videos, podcasts, website, promotional or marketing materials, or by the news media. Parents/guardians who do not wish their child to be photographed or videotaped must indicate this in writing to their child's school principal before the start of school in September. Email does not constitute a written request; please provide a typed and signed written request via traditional mail or delivery. Parents/ guardians with children in multiple buildings will need to submit a letter to each



child's principal. **This request must be updated annually.** Be sure to include all instances in which you do not want your child's image used.

Public Records

In accordance with the state Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) and Article 6 of the Public Officers Law, requests for access to public records are to be made through the FOIL Office, Cynthia Cushman, Webster Central School District, 119 South Avenue, Webster, NY 14580; (585) 216-0001, or Cynthia_Cushman@ webstercsd.org.

Wellness Policy

Webster CSD is committed to providing a school environment that promotes and protects children's health, well-being, and ability to learn by fostering healthy eating and physical activity. The district collaborates with the Webster Health Education Network: A Drug Free Community Coalition to develop the district's proposed local wellness policy (5170), making such policy recommendations for review and adoption by the board of education. The goal is to promote student wellness through nutrition education and physical activity. The primary goal of nutrition education is to influence students' healthy eating habits and other nutrition-related behaviors conducive to health and well-being. The primary goals for the districts' physical activity components are: to provide opportunities for every student to develop the knowledge and skills for specific physical activities, to maintain and enhance students' physical fitness, and to promote regular participation in physical activity as a lifelong healthy lifestyle choice.

The district's complete wellness policy may be found in its policy manual, which is available in school main offices and

online at websterschools. org > District > Board of Education > Policies and Regulations.



Family & Student Rights

Under provisions of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA), and the No Child Left Behind Act, parents and guardians must be notified of their rights annually with regard to student records and information. These rights transfer to the student when he or she reaches the age of 18.

FERPA

Webster CSD complies with FERPA, a federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. FERPA provides parents certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when the student reaches the age of 18 or attends a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

- Parents or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school.
- Parents or eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records that they believe to be inaccurate or misleading.

Personally identifiable information contained in a student's educational records will not be disclosed without parental consent, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes. Under the provisions of FERPA, the district may release student directory information without parental consent. In addition, two federal laws require the district to provide military recruiters, upon request, with names, addresses and telephone listings unless parents have advised the district that they do not want their student's information disclosed to military recruiters without their prior written consent.

FERPA allows schools to disclose records, without consent, to other school officials within the district whom the district has determined to have legitimate educational interests. Personal identifiable information may also be disclosed to officials in another school in which the student seeks or intends to enroll or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for the purpose of the student's transfer or enrollment. Student education records may be released to authorized representatives of certain designated federal and



state agencies pursuant to a lawfully issued court order or subpoena; and persons who need to know in case of a

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health or safety emergency.

Complete information may be found in the Board of Education Policy #5210, which was updated in 2017, and on the district website, websterschools.org.

PPRA

PPRA affords parents certain rights regarding our conduct of surveys, collection and use of information for marketing purposes, and certain physical exams. The rights under PPRA transfer from the parents to a student who is 18 years old or an emancipated minor under state law. These include the right to:

- Consent before students are required to submit to a survey that concerns one or more of the following protected areas ("protected information survey") if the survey is funded in whole or in part by a program of the U.S. Department of Education (ED):
 - Political affiliations or beliefs of the student or student's parent;
 - Mental or psychological problems of the student or student's family;
 - Sexual behavior or attitudes;
 - Illegal, anti-social, self-incriminating, or demeaning behavior;
 - Critical appraisals of others with whom respondents have close family relationships;
 - Legally recognized privileged or analogous relationships, such as with lawyers, doctors, or ministers;
 - Religious practices, affiliations, or beliefs of the student or parents; or
 - Income, other than that required by law to determine eligibility for participation in a program or for receiving financial assistance under such program.
- 2. Receive notice and an opportunity to opt a student out of:
 - Any other protected information survey, regardless of funding;
 - Any non-emergency, invasive physical exam or screening required as a condition of attendance, administered by the school or its agent, and not necessary to protect the immediate health and safety of a student, except for hearing, vision, or scoliosis screenings, or any physical exam or screening

permitted or required under state law; and

- Activities involving collection, disclosure, or use of personal information obtained from students for marketing or to sell or otherwise distribute the information to others.
- 3. Inspect, upon request and before administration or use:
 - Protected information surveys of students;
 - Instruments used to collect personal information from students for any of the above marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes; and
 - Instructional material used as part of the educational curriculum.

Webster CSD has developed policies, in consultation with parents, regarding these rights, as well as arrangements to protect student privacy in the administration of protected information surveys and the collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales, or other distribution purposes. The district will notify parents of these policies at least annually at the start of each school year and within a reasonable period of time after any substantive changes in such policies. The district will also directly notify parents, such as through U.S. mail or e-mail, at the start of each school year of the specific or approximate dates of the following activities and provide an opportunity to opt a student out of participating in:

- Collection, disclosure, or use of personal information for marketing, sales or other distribution.
- Administration of any protected information survey not funded in whole or in part by ED.
- Any non-emergency, invasive physical examination or screening as described above. For surveys and activities scheduled after the school year starts, parents will be provided reasonable notification and an opportunity to opt their child(ren) out of such activities and surveys.

Parents/eligible students who believe their rights have been violated may file a complaint with the Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20202-4605.

Annual Professional Performance Review

In accordance with New York Education Law Section §3012-c(10)(b), parents/ guardians may request the final quality rating and composite effectiveness score for each of the teachers and for the principal of the school building in which their student is assigned for the current school year. The district will also provide an oral or written explanation of the composite effectiveness scoring ranges for final quality ratings, and an opportunity to understand such scores in the context of teacher evaluation and student performance. Parents/guardians interested in obtaining this information should contact Eric Blask at 216-0055 or eric blask@webstercsd.org for the request form that needs to be completed before any information can be released.

Attendance

New York State Education Law requires that all children attend school until the last day of the school year in which they turn 16. Attendance will be taken every day as school districts must record all absences, tardiness, and time lost by a pupil. The board of education has established 85 percent as its minimum attendance standard. Therefore, parents must inform their school if their child will be absent for any part of the day.



School personnel will contact parents whose children are absent and have not been reported as such.

Absenteeism is classified as excused or unexcused. Excused absences are those that are due to unavoidable circumstances or are related to the educational needs of the student, such as personal illness, religious observance, weather conditions, required legal appearance, approved college visits, military obligations, or other reasons as may be approved by the commissioner of education.

Absences for activities that could have been done outside of the school day or avoided with appropriate planning, such as vacations and baby-sitting, are considered unexcused. School principals or their designees will determine whether an absence is excused or unexcused.

Code of Conduct

Webster CSD is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where students receive and district personnel deliver quality educational services without disruption or interference. Respectful and responsible behavior by students, teachers, other district personnel, parents, and visitors is essential to achieving this goal.

The board of education recognizes the need to clearly define expectations for acceptable conduct on school property, to identify the possible consequences of unacceptable conduct, and to ensure that discipline is administered in a prompt and fair manner. It has adopted a Code of Conduct that is in compliance with the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education Act. A copy of the district's Code of Conduct is available in every school office, and on the district website: websterschools.org > District > Board of Education > Policies & Regulations > Code of Conduct.

Tax Rates

Tax rates are published on the district website. They will be available at websterschools.org > Departments > Business Department > Tax Information at a later date.

Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy & Security

Webster Central School District is committed to ensuring student privacy in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations and district policies. To this end and pursuant to U.S. Department of Education (DOE) regulations (Education Law §2-d), the district is providing the following Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security:

- A student's personally identifiable information cannot be sold or released for any commercial or marketing purposes.
- Parents have the right to inspect and review the complete contents of their child's education record.
- State and federal laws protect the confidentiality of personally identifiable information and safeguards associated with industry standards and best practices, including but not limited to, encryption, firewalls and password protection, must be in place when data is stored or transferred.
- A complete list of all student data elements collected by the state is available for public review both online and via regular mail from the New York State Education Department (SED).
- Parents have the right to have complaints about possible breaches of student data addressed. Complaints should be directed to:

Brian Zimmer, Director of Educational Technology and Information Data Protection Officer Webster Central School District 110 Sanford Street Webster, NY 14580 brian_zimmer@webstercsd.org 585-216-0099 And to:

Chief Privacy Officer New York State Education Dept. 89 Washington Avenue Albany, NY 12234 cpo@mail.nysed.gov



The bill of rights is subject to change based on regulation of the Commissioner of Education and the SED Chief Privacy Officer. Changes/Additions are also anticipated as SED releases further guidance documents.

More information

If you would like more information, please contact Mr. Zimmer at 585-216-0099. More information is also available on the following websites:

- New York State Education Department guidance document issued on July 29, 2014 (PDF)
- U.S. Department of Education press release: Guidance for Schools Issued on How to Keep Parents Better Informed on the Data They Collect on Students (PDF)
- Privacy Technical Assistance Center (PTAC): newly established one-stop resource for education stakeholders to learn about data privacy.



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- Having a voice in your child's education
- Access to local discounts



Congratulations again to the Class of 2022! We were thrilled to share in your success by celebrating every graduating senior at our co-sponsored luminary walk event in May!



We always welcome volunteers in roles small and large. Many Central and building committee positions are still open!

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Webster Marching Band & More!

The motto of the Webster Marching Band is, "Excellence through Class, Style, and Pride!" They were the true embodiment of this as they won the New York State Field Band Conference Large School 2 Class State Championship last fall!

Webster Marching Band encompasses commitment, discipline, unselfishness, pride, and the dignity of each member. The basic goal of the band's staff, students, and parents is to work together toward excellence in musicianship and marching.

The band includes students from all four of the district's secondary schools and typically competes weekly with other field bands across New York State through the fall, as well as various regional and national competitions throughout the year. They also host the annual Autumn Fanfare, which will be held this year on October 8 at Warrior Stadium in Webster.

The marching arts program also hosts Webster KIDets Marching Band and Webster Percussion Theatre. The KIDets introduces marching band to fifth and sixth graders in all of the district's elementary and middle schools. This band typically performs in the Webster Fireman's Kiddie Parade. Webster Percussion Theatre is open to all current marching band members plus secondary school students within the district. They compete in the New York State Percussion Circuit during the winter months and give current and new musicians the opportunity to maintain or learn and perform on percussion instruments.

To learn more about Webster Marching Band or any of its groups, visit their website at webstermarchingband.webs. com.



The state championship Webster Marching Band!

Community Use of District Facilities

Community members and organizations may use district facilities for social, civic, and recreational activities when they are not being used for school events. Under education law, such events must be non-exclusive and open to the general public. If admission is charged, proceeds must benefit an educational or charitable program. Facilities must be booked in advance. For use of:

• Athletic fields, gyms, school classrooms, cafeterias, or auditoriums, please contact Jane Laskey at (585) 670-8066 or jane_laskey@webstercsd.org.

• Swimming pools, please contact Ben Whipple at (585) 670-1082, benjamin_whipple@webstercsd.org, or Brian Wilcox at (585) 670-5260, brian_wilcox@webstercsd.org.

Please note that all events at district facilities (with the possible exception of WonderCare) are cancelled when school is closed due to inclement weather.



On August 10, in front of family and fans, Webster Schroeder High School's state champion softball team was recognized by the Rochester Red Wings on the infield at Frontier Field. Coach Meaghan Keil got to throw out the first pitch prior to the start of the Red Wings' evening game against the Lehigh Valley IronPigs.

Webster Athletic Booster Organization

Webster Athletic Booster Organization (WABO) supports and enhances the district's interscholastic athletic program. Parent volunteers work at concession stands at Webster Schroeder and Webster Thomas high schools as a service to event participants as well as a way to raise funds that support Webster's teams and student athletes. For more information, please contact Shawn Strege, Webster Schroeder Director of Physical Education, Athletics, and Health, at 670-5230, or Steve LaMonica, Webster Thomas Director of Physical Education, Athletics, and Health at 670-8065.

Titans & Warriors Register Online for School Sports

Webster CSD student athletes are reminded that all district sports in every season are available for registration online at familyid.com. This secure website provides families with an easy, user-friendly way to register for athletic programs throughout the year. When you register through FamilyID,



the website keeps track of your personal information in your FamilyID profile. You enter your personal information only once for each family member for multiple uses and multiple programs.



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School Starts September 6. Is Your Child Registered?

School opens for Webster CSD students on Tuesday, September 6, and all students new to the district need to be registered.

Parents/guardians with a child who will be 5 years old on or before December 1, that child is eligible for kindergarten enrollment. Families new to the district with children grades 1-12 should also enroll their children at this time. Parents/ guardians can go online to websterschools.org/registration to complete a 100% online registration process.

School registration is based on residency. Webster students attend the school assigned to their home address. Use the School Locator Tool on the Student Registration web page for placement information.

For further information, please contact Carla Watkins, district registrar, at carla_watkins@webstercsd.org or (585) 216-0029.



Incoming kindergartners enjoyed the Strive for Five for School Bus Safety program offered by the district transportation department earlier this month.



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Capital Project to be Presented to Voters

This December, Webster CSD will be presenting voters with a proposed capital project that will improve air quality, expand learning opportunities during the warmer months, and extend summer learning. Preliminary information on the proposed project was shared with the board of education at its July 5 meeting (Capital Project Planning Presentation) and its May 10 workshop (Building Condition Survey). To see these go to websterschools.org > District > Board Home > BoardDocs > Board of Education > 2022.

Further information is forthcoming. Please check back to the website.

Work Permits for Teens

Any student under the age of 18 who seeks employment must obtain a work permit. While school is in session, students may pick up applications in any of the district's secondary schools. They are also accessible on their high school's websites:

• For Schroeder and Spry students: websterschools.org > Schools > Webster Schroeder HS > Work Permits.

• For Thomas and Willink students: websterschools.org > Schools > Webster Thomas HS > Nurse's Office > Work Permits for Thomas High School Students.

For further information about employments for minors, please visit the Department of Labor's website: dol.ny.gov.

When to Expect Report Cards

Report cards for Webster CSD students are published to the Infinite Campus Parent-Student Portal at websterschools.org/portal. For secondary students this will take place in late November, early February, late April, and at the close of the school year. For elementary students this will be in early February and at the close of the school year.