CCMS NEWS

Never be Less than your Best



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Mark Your Calendar

December 1	Musical 2PM & 7PM
December 5	Grade 7 & 8 Winter Concert 7PM
December 12	Grade 5 & 6 Winter Concert 7PM
December 14	Grade 7 & 8 Activity Night
December 21 – January 1	Winter Break No School
January 2	Classes Resume



The Warrior Way Behavior Expectations for Success

Be On Time and Ready Be Respectful Be Responsible Be Safe





December 2018

2018-2019 Student Calendar

CHEEKTOWAGA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2018-2019 Student Calendar

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8/30	Professional Development Day
9/3	Labor Day
9/4	Professional Development Day
9/5	First Student Day
10/5	Emergency Drill/Early Dismissal
10/8	Columbus Day
11/6	Professional Development Day
11/12	Veterans Day (Observed)
11/21-11/23	Thanksgiving Recess
12/21-1/1	Winter Holiday Break

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PreK-12

1/21 Dr. Martin Luther King Day 1/22-1/25 Regents Exams Mid-Winter Recess 2/18-2/22 3/14 Professional Development Day 3/15 No School 4/19-4/26 Spring Recess 5/24-5/27 Memorial Day 6/18-6/25 Regents Exams 6/25 Last Student Day (K-8) Last Staff Day 6/26

Vacation Days will be reclaimed by the Supt. if more student attendance days are needed. Pre K -12: 184 Student Attendance Days including 4 Professional Development Days (8/30, 9/4, 11/6, & 3/14)

ACTIVITY CALENDAR



December 2018



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			Jazz Band A&B days- Gr. 5&6 D&F days- Gr. 7&8 No Thursdays!			1
2	3	4 Lit Club Int'l Club Art Club	S Computer Tech Club Chorale	6	7 Performing Arts Club Math Club STEM Girls	8
9	10	11 Lit Club Chorale Art Club	12 Computer Tech Club Drill Team Gr. 5 Student Council	13 Jr. Challenge Charity Fest 12/13-12/20	14 Student Council Activity Night Gr. 7&8 5:30-7:30pm	15 Chorale Performing Arts Club
16	17	18 Lit Club Chorale Int'l Club Art Club	19 Computer Tech Club Drill Team	20	21 No School Winter Holiday Break	22
23 No School 🗕	24	25 Merry Christmas!	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Years Eve		@ ,			

GERNAL INFORMATION

Middle School Day: 8:06am –2:30pm

The start time for the Middle School is 8:06 am and end of day dismissal is at 2:30 pm. Students may begin entering the building at 7:20 am and go to the cafeteria. First bell rings at 7:50 am. Students may begin going to their lockers at 7:50 am.

Thursday Dismissal

Thursday's (only) throughout the school year will be 1:30 pm dismissal. Parents should plan to arrive by 1:30 if they are picking up their child on these days. Children who ride the bus will be boarding the bus at 1:30 pm. Please plan accordingly.

USE OF PHOTOGRAPHS/VIDEO IN

MEDIA PUBLICATIONS

During the school year there are many times when your child may be photographed or videoed, for example at concerts, plays, sporting events and other special school activities. Occasionally, reporters from television stations or newspapers may also visit school and include your child in a photo or videotape. We will automatically include your child unless you have submitted written notification to the principal that you do not wish your child to be photographed or taped.

IMPORTAN	T PHONE NUMBERS	
Attendance	686-3824	
Main Office	686-3660	
Counseling Cente	r 686-3649	
WNY Bus	681-2100	





GRADE 7 NEWS

7th grade students are currently working on life in the 13 colonies in Social Studies and will have a Colonial Times Picture Book project, in math their are working on Area and Circumference, Science students are learning about classifying living organisms and will soon begin our cell unit in which students will focus on differences between plant and human cells with a Cell Poster Project due in January, and ELA they just finished A Long Walk to Remember and will be writing a short essay on the novel.

And as a friendly reminder please have students remember to bring all class materials to each individual class.



CCMS 5th Graders Enjoy VIP Lunch Privileges

The fifth graders at CCMS are earning Warrior Way tickets for following the 5 B's. One way they enjoy spending their tickets is in the weekly VIP lunch raffle. Every Friday during lunch, students may deposit one or as many Warrior Way tickets as they wish into a container. At the end of the period, one VIP lunch winner is chosen. The winner receives a free ice cream treat and the privilege of inviting up to 7 friends to a reserved table in the cafeteria that eats first for the following week. A new addition this year is a second winner for lunch with Ms. Coates. This second winner chooses one friend for a private lunch with Ms. Coates in the Counseling Center.

Both prizes have been a huge hit with students who continue to show great behavior for more chances to win.



6th Grade Camp Weona Update

There is no December payment scheduled. If you have not made the initial deposit of \$40.00 or the November payment of \$35.00 please send these in as soon as possible. Cash or checks made out to Class of 2025 will be accepted. The next payment of \$35.00 is due on 1/14/19. Paperwork for the trip will be coming home the first week of December, it is due 1/14/19.

Camp Paperwork:

1. A medical form. This form MUST BE NOTARIZED, signed in the presence of a notary. If your child takes ANY medication (including allergy medications) your pediatrician must complete the medication portion of the form.

- 2. A Risk and Waiver form (signed and dated by parent and student)
- 3. A Permission Slip (signed and dated by parent and student)

If you participated in the Mixed Bags fundraiser and sent in orders to school, they will be shipped to school and sent home the week of 12/10/18.

Ms. Lewis & Mrs. Kwilas









Our 5th and 6th grade students practiced picking up, holding and changing life-like baby dolls during the FACS Child Care Unit. Miss Wild brought in farm fresh apples from her family's orchard and the students made homemade applesauce, while learning about baby food.











Measuring Up - Molasses Cookie Lab FACS students from Mrs. Dempsey-Newell's and Miss Wild's classes measured up ingredients to make molasses cookies during a recent baking lab. Students studied, practiced measuring dry and liquids using measuring centers and finally made molasses cookies to test their skills.







National Junior Honor Society [N.J.H.S.]



The National Junior Honor Society (N.J.H.S.) is the nation's premier organization established to recognize outstanding middle school students. More than just an honor roll, N.J.H.S. serves to honor those students who have demonstrated excellence in the areas of Scholarship, Leadership, Service, Character and Citizenship. These characteristics have been associated with membership in the organization since its beginning in 1929. The purpose of N.J.H.S. is to create enthusiasm for scholarship, to stimulate a desire to render service, to promote leadership, to develop character, and to encourage citizenship. The Cheektowaga Central Middle School Chapter of the N.J.H.S. is administered by Mrs. Lynnae Kwilas, the induction process is demanding and the selection process is extremely

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How do you become a member?	What are the membership expectations?:
#At Cheektowaga students are considered for	#Maintain a minimum grade point average of
membership when they are 2 nd semester 7 th or 8 th	93%
graders.	#Demonstrate character, leadership, citizenship,
₩Students must have a semester cumulate grade	and service
point average of 93% (This includes 6th grade).	#Attend all meetings and participate in group
#Students must demonstrate excellence in	service projects
character, scholarship, leadership, service, and	#Complete 3 hours of community service
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What is the selection process?:

Step 1: If students qualify academically for the N.J.H.S., they are notified in February. To be considered INCOMPLETE DURING INTO POINT AND IN for membership, students must fill out the information sheet, and write an essay.

Step 2: The teachers and staff at Cheektowaga provide feedback about students who are seeking membership. They are asked to comment on the students' strengths and weaknesses in the areas of character, leadership, service, and citizenship.

Step 3: A Faculty Council is assembled to review the information sheets, essays, and staff recommendations. When reviewing candidates, the Faculty Council will not have the names of the recommendations. When reviewing candidates, the Faculty Council will not have the names of the candidates while making the decision for membership. The actual selection of new members must be made by a <u>majority vote of the five appointed members of the Faculty Council</u>. With the vote on each candidate, those candidates receiving a majority vote of the faculty council should be invited for induction into the chapter.

Step 4: Formal notification of all selected and non-selected candidates and their parents will be done with a letter by the chapter advisor to inform them about selection and the timing of the induction ceremony.

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The N.J.H.S. Selection Process as outlined above conforms to the national guidelines, is applied fairly and consistently to ALL candidates, and provides a meaningful recognition of deserving students.



NOVEMBER WARRIORS OF THE MONTH, TEACHER WARRIOR OF THE MONTH & WARRIOR'S TO WATCH







