

J-D Journal

by the Jamesville-DeWitt School District for its residents

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BACK-TO-SCHOOL EDITION

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Proposed facilities improvement project nears October 18th vote

In 2015, a detailed survey of the conditions of all of our buildings was completed by architects and engineers as specified by education law. That survey is designed to help districts prioritize the most needed projects to be completed to ensure our facilities are appropriately maintained for student, staff, and community use.

Based upon that survey and discussions with staff, the board of education, after much deliberation, is proposing a capital project. The District has completed the planning process necessary to prepare for a referendum, including project scope, projected cost, and sources of revenue. On July 11, 2016, the Board adopted a resolution to place a facilities improvement (capital) project plan before the voters to meet the identified needs. The general scope of work involves the following:

- Auditorium renovation
- Common space renovation in high school and middle school
- HVAC and electrical upgrades in all buildings
- Fire alarm and smoke detection upgrades in all buildings
- Some pavement re-

Public Presentation

PLEASE ATTEND:
Information session
for proposed facilities project

WHEN:
7:00 PM
Monday, September 26th

WHERE:
High School
Large Group Room

VOTE:
Tuesday, October 18th
7:00 AM to 9:00 PM
High School Main Gym

pair
• Transportation Center renovation
A more detailed scope of the work can be found as you read on.

PROPOSED PROJECT FUNDING

This project has been planned with the goal of controlling project cost with no increase to the current tax rate. The total cost is projected to be \$12.1 million. The majority of the funding for this project is generated from state building aid, which

for Jamesville-DeWitt represents 71.9% of the cost. The project's local funding is planned to coincide with the retirement of existing school district debt. The cost of the new debt incurred will equal the cost of the debt being retired, so there should be no change in local tax rate as a result of this project.

PROJECT SCHEDULE

September 26:
Public presentation
October 18, 2016
Referendum vote
November-April 2017
Final design

May -December 2017
Estimated SED review and approval
Spring 2018
Construction begins

PROJECT SCOPE OF WORK

HIGH SCHOOL

Driveways and Parking:
• Reconstruct campus drive, bus loop, and drive to courtyard area

• Reconstruct east parking lot and drive
• Some minor concrete and masonry repair

Cafeterias:

• Small cafeteria glass corridor wall upgraded to fire resistant
• Replace floor, ceiling and lighting

Gang toilets:

• Renovate 3 upper level and one lower level

Stairwells:

• Renovate

Large Group Room:

• Renovate

Electrical:

• Add receptacles to classrooms

• Replace and upgrade circuit panels

• Label all panels and switch boards

• Provide additional emergency lighting

• Upgrade fire alarm and smoke detection systems

HVAC:

• Upgrade main electric room circulation

• Replace some controls

• Improve air circulation in OT/PT room and fitness center

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Windows:

• Replace windows and flashing

Large Group Room:

• Renovate with level floor space

Pool:

• Replace filter, chlorinator, controller

HVAC:

• Cool server room and main office

• Replace some controls

Electrical:

• Add receptacles to classrooms

• Replace and upgrade circuit panels

• Label all panels and switch boards

• Provide additional emergency lighting

• Upgrade fire alarm and smoke detection systems

• Replace clock system

TECUMSEH

ELEMENTARY

HVAC:

• Cool server room

• Replace some controls

Electrical:

• Add receptacles to classrooms

• Replace and upgrade circuit panels

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Proposed facilities improvement project in hands of voters Oct. 18

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Meetings

The Board of Education meets every first and third Monday of the month at 7 p.m. during the school year. See the calendar on page 2 for details. The Board welcomes your participation and comments throughout the year.

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- Label all panels and switch boards
Provide additional emergency lighting
Upgrade fire alarm and smoke detection system

- JAMESVILLE ELEMENTARY HVAC:
Replace some controls
Electrical:
Add receptacles to classrooms
Replace and upgrade circuit panels
Label all panels and switch boards
Provide additional emergency lighting
Upgrade fire alarm and smoke detection systems
Gym:
Replace folding door controls

- MOSES DEWITT ELEMENTARY Parking Lot:
Full depth replacement including sidewalk
Some minor concrete and masonry repair
Kitchen and Cafeteria:
Replace ventilation system
HVAC:
Replace kiln exhaust
Replace some controls
Electrical:
Add receptacles to classrooms
Replace and upgrade circuit panels
Label all panels and switch boards
Provide additional emergency lighting
Upgrade fire alarm and smoke detection systems

- TRANSPORTATION Fuel tank:
Replace
Bus lift:
Replace
Parking Lot:
Replace upper lot



The High School Auditorium stage, seating area, HVAC, and behind-stage areas are among the many parts of the school district that are slated for improvements in the proposed facilities project, which is in the hands of voters on Oct. 18. A public presentation of the project is set for 7 p.m. Sept. 26 in the High School's Large Group Room.

- Bus Storage:
Replace overhead doors
Electrical:
Label panels and switch boards

- AUDITORIUM RENOVATION Seating Area:
New carpet, wood paneling
Paint floor, walls, ceiling
New acoustic panel system
New seating as an alternate
Expand sound booth into foyer
New house lighting
Stage:
Replace curtains, refurbish rigging
Replace doors
Improve catwalk and access
Upgrade theater lighting
Upgrade audio-visual system
New video and CCTV system
New presenter lectern
HVAC:
Replace air handling units
Behind Stage:
Renovate music suite
Increase storage
Practice rooms
Multi-purpose room

VOTING INFORMATION:

WHAT WILL IT SAY

ON THE BALLOT

ON OCTOBER 18TH?

Reconstruction/ Renovation/ Improvement of District Facilities

Shall the Board of Education of the Jamesville Dewitt Central School District (the "District") be authorized to renovate and reconstruct the Tecumseh Elementary School, Jamesville Elementary School, Moses Dewitt Elementary School, Jamesville Dewitt Middle School, Jamesville Dewitt High School and District Bus Garage, including renovation and reconstruction of building exteriors and interiors, refurbishment of mechanical, electrical and plumbing systems, grading or improvement of the sites and acquisition of original furnishings, equipment, machinery and apparatus required for purposes for which such buildings and improvements are to be used at a total estimated maximum cost not to exceed \$12,100,000; and obtain the necessary funds by the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the District to be collected in annual installments in the years and in the amounts as the Board of Education shall determine in accordance with Section 416 of the Education Law, and in anticipation of such tax shall the District be authorized to issue up to \$12,100,000 of obligations of the District?

New York State no longer allows the use of lever voting machines for any school referendums. Districts are authorized to use either electronic voting machines or paper ballots. The district must pay rental and personnel fees to use an electronic machine. Because there is only one proposition on the ballot, the district has opted to conserve financial resources and use paper ballots for this referendum.

Community members are also invited to a public presentation of the proposed project on September 26th at 7:00 PM in High School Large Group Room.

Information will also be available on the facilities page of the district website: jamesvilledewitt.org. Please join us to get your questions answered and please vote on Tuesday, October 18th at the high school main gym 7:00 AM-9:00 PM.

Board of Education meetings for 2016-'17

Table with 4 columns: Month, Meeting Date, Meeting Type, and Additional Info. Rows include Board meetings begin at 7 p.m., SEPTEMBER (26 Regular Meeting & Capital Project Presentation), OCTOBER (17 Regular Meeting), NOVEMBER (7 Regular Meeting, 21 Regular Meeting), DECEMBER (5 Regular Meeting, 19 Regular Meeting), JANUARY (9 Regular Meeting, 23 Regular Meeting), FEBRUARY (13 Regular Meeting), MARCH (6 Regular Meeting, 20 Regular Meeting), APRIL (10 Regular Meeting), MAY (8 Budget hearing and Regular Meeting, 16 (Tuesday) Budget Vote), and JUNE (5 Regular Meeting, 19 Regular Meeting).

From the Superintendent

New year stirs pride in many successes past -- and to come



Alice Kendrick

By Alice Kendrick, District Superintendent

We begin a new school year, proud to be part of a community that has high expectations for all students, a community that enthusiastically provides the necessary resources, and values the work of staff, parents, and community volunteers committed to providing opportunity for every child to experience success. As society becomes more complex, expectations for students continue to rise, in an effort to ensure their ability to lead a productive, fulfilling life. This is the simple explanation for the development of new, more demanding standards in English/language arts, math, so-

cial studies, and science; and college and career readiness expectations discussed so prominently across the nation. The state test scores recently released are designed to help measure student progress in meeting these expectations (standards) year by year. Our staff is committed to using these data as one source of important information to monitor student progress.

A significant amount of curriculum revision was again completed this summer to better align the work teachers do with students every day to help them meet the new expectations. At the same time, we have other measures of student success. We are particularly proud of the number of students who participate in Advanced Placement courses, which offer college-level instruction and credit. 274 students participated in this program last school year. That represents almost 30% of the high school student body. A remarkable 516 examinations were written. The passage rate

for almost every Regents exam administered last June was higher than the year before. We hear much about being college and career ready as a goal for all students in the United States. These statistics would indicate we have already made significant progress toward achieving that goal. The community has a right to be extremely proud of our youngest citizens.

We are also extremely proud of the fact that J-D is a community that truly values the education of "the whole child." Our mission is at the heart of all we do to help our children develop all the skills, knowledge, and behaviors they will need to experience success, happiness, and fulfillment. Our students experience great success in the many aspects of their schooling, including academics, the fine arts, athletics, and social-emotional development. Our performing arts programs continue to amaze and delight diverse audiences. Our inter-scholastic athletic program continues to

thrive with more student athletes participating in successful team and individual sports. We are particularly pleased that our athletic program was designated as the best in the area for 2015-16. The opportunity for meaningful involvement in community activities becomes more comprehensive with each passing year. They are all important to us and to our students and community.

Our commitment to the community is ongoing attention to all of these critically important aspects of the education of all of our students. Your support is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

Should you have questions or comments about any of these matters, please contact my office at 445-8304. Also, please visit our website (www.jamesvilledewitt.org) to get additional information.

I know you will join me in wishing our students another fantastic year at J-D.

Taxes set for school district residents

The financing of public education continues to be complex and challenging as federal and state governments struggle with the education portion of the budget, while continuing to place more requirements on school districts. In May, J-D voters approved a spending plan for the 2016-17 school year of \$53,641,746. That figure represented a 2.1 percent increase in expenditures in comparison to the 2015-2016 school year. The revenue plan presented in May was based upon state legislation, which places a limit on the tax levy for government entities in New York State. The voters approved a levy

of \$37,856,528, which was within our allowable levy limit. The revenue plan presented in May is always an estimate because we do not usually know exactly how much state and federal aid we will receive, the exact assessment determination in each town, or how much revenue will be available from one fiscal year to apply to the next.

The revenue plan is finalized at the end of August, when more specific information is available. The assessment base in the Town of DeWitt, the majority of the school district, has increased consistently over the past several years. As part of

the tax levy legislation, the district was provided an estimated levy growth factor in January. That estimated growth factor turned out to be a little low when compared to the actual growth of the assessment base as determined in August. In fact, the assessment base grew more than projected. Consequently, the tax rate increase projected in May was high.

The Board of Education at its August meeting approved the 2016 tax levy and finalized the tax rate in the amount of \$23.03 per thousand dollars of assessed value, which represents a rate decrease of 1.45%. In 2015 that rate

was \$23.32, and in 2014 that rate was \$23.03. We have worked hard to keep that rate change as small as possible over time. We are pleased to report the 2016 rate is actually commensurate with the 2014 rate. There is some variation in this rate for residents in the Town of Lafayette due to differing equalization rates. We remain committed to sustaining our quality educational program. We will continue to monitor our expenditures very closely to insure that all of our resources including your tax dollars are used wisely.

J-D welcomes new director, teachers and staff to district Elementary, Middle & High Schools



Jason Crawford
District-wide
Director of
Facilities
Education: B.S.
Business Administration,
SUNY Oswego

Crawford brought extensive experience to his first day of work on July 18. His career includes an eight-year stint as Director of Environmental Services for Crouse Hospital in Syracuse. In addition, he has been Assistant Director for Building Services at SUNY Oswego, and Supervisor of Building Services for Syracuse University. Crawford has also worked for Loretto Health and Rehabilitation in Syracuse, as well as the Onondaga County Department of Social Services.



Anastasia K. Arriaga
Moses DeWitt &
Jamesville
Art
Education: B.S. Studio Art,
SUNY Brockport; M.S. Art Education,
Nazareth College

For the past three years, Arriaga has worked as an art teacher at Porter Elementary (Pre-K through sixth grade), in the Syracuse City School District. While working for the district, she also was involved in district-wide curriculum writing. Arriaga has also taught art at summer camps and in specialized programs, and is an award-winning and exhibited artist herself.



Paul LeBlanc
Moses DeWitt
Physical
Education
Education: B.S. Physical Education,
SUNY Cortland; M.S. Teaching/Health Education,
SUNY Cortland

LeBlanc taught physical education at Townsend Elementary School in Walton, NY, for the past four years. Before that, he worked in health education and elementary physical education for the Marathon Central School District. His many coaching experiences include varsity wrestling (for Walton as well as J-D), varsity assistant girls soccer, and modified baseball.



Katelin Donegan
Middle School
Math
Education: B.S. Adolescent Education,
SUNY Oswego; M.S. Literacy Education,
SUNY Oswego

For the past six years, Donegan taught grades 7, 8, and accelerated 8 at O'Rourke Middle School, in the Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Central School District, in Burnt Hills, NY. Before that, she worked as a substitute teacher in the Oswego City School District. At O'Rourke, she was the Math Club Advisor and the Rubik's Cube Club Advisor, among other activities.



Amy Ebner
Middle School
Art
Education: B.F.A. Art Education,
Syracuse University; M.S. Education,
Syracuse University

Ebner's extensive experience includes teaching art for three years at Paul V. Moore High School, for two years at Millard Hawk Primary and A.A. Cole Elementary, and for seven years at Central Square Middle School, all in the Central Square School District. She has also taught Advanced Studio in Art, Drawing and Painting and Photography, among many other art classes, and was an art instructor at Everson Museum of Art in Syracuse.



Linda Slade
Middle School
Spanish
Education: B.A. Spanish and Magazine Journalism,
Syracuse University; M.S. Teaching,
Le Moyne College

For the past eight years, Slade taught Spanish at Cortland Junior/Senior High School. For five of those eight years, she worked as the World Languages curriculum leader, serving as the liaison between the department and the school community. Before teaching, Slade was a staff writer and editor for newspapers in Auburn and Skaneateles, N.Y., and a freelancer for Arthur Frommer's Budget Travel magazine.



Stephanie Tortorelli
Middle School
Nurse
Education: A.A.S.,
St. Joseph's College of Nursing

Tortorelli has almost nine years of experience working as a registered nurse in East Syracuse for CNY Family Care, a fast-paced family practice office. Before that, she worked for four years at Rapid Response Monitoring of Syracuse, as a central station operator and shift trainer.



Catherine Dovillers
High School
Science
Education: B.S. Biochemistry,
Pennsylvania State University; M.S. Education,
Le Moyne College

Dovillers taught Regents Biology, General Chemistry and Food Science in the Solvay Central Schools for two years, and before that worked for two years as a long-term substitute in the Liverpool Central Schools, teaching Regents Biology, Regents Chemistry, and General Chemistry. She has also worked as a substitute in the J-D District, and as a data-management specialist for The Syracuse Post-Standard.



Elise Jutzeler
High School
Physics
Education: B.A. Physics,
SUNY Geneseo; M.S. Education,
SUNY Geneseo

Last year, Jutzeler taught Regents Physics and AP Physics in the East Irondequoit Central School District. Before that, she taught primarily Physics and Earth Science for seven years in the Dansville Central School District, in southwestern, N.Y. In addition, for seven years, Jutzeler - a J-D graduate - worked as an Adjunct Faculty member at SUNY Geneseo, teaching one course per semester: Analytical Physics I or II, or General Physics I or II.

J-D welcomes new teachers to the school district High School



Samantha Ross
High School
Science
(Reg. sub)
Education: B.S. Environmental and Forest Biology,
SUNY ESF; M.S. Biology

Most recently, Ross taught Living Environment, and Anatomy and Physiology, at Oswego High School. She did her student teaching at Nottingham High School, in the Syracuse City School District, and at Roxboro Road Middle School, in the Cicero-North Syracuse Central School District. Ross has also worked as a teacher naturalist at the Connecticut Audubon Society's Coastal Center at Milford Point.



Vitaliy Yanchuk
High School
Social Studies
Education: B.A. Adolescence Education,
SUNY Cortland; M.A. Public Administration,
Cornell University

Since 2014, Yanchuk has worked as a teacher assistant/tutor, and/or an interpreter, in the Cortland Enlarged City School District. He did his student teaching at Chenango Forks Middle/High School. Yanchuk speaks English, Russian and Ukrainian, and basic Spanish.

Good luck to the new director, teachers, and staff members!

Education Notebook: As new year opens, turning page on recent student success stories

AP Success Soars

Jamesville-DeWitt High School students continue to achieve at very high levels on a record number of AP (Advanced Placement) examinations, which are based on college-level AP courses they elect to take. These courses are taught by J-D teachers at the high school.

In the 2015-2016 school year, 274 students took 516 exams in May 2016 - both of those all-time record numbers for the high school. On those exams, 83% of J-DHS students scored with 3 or above, 3 (out of a possible high score of 5) being the mark needed to earn course credit at many colleges and universities. This 83% scoring 3 or above far outdistances other New York State students (65%) taking these exams, as well as students in the rest of the United States and abroad (60%). Moreover, it is nearly a 10% increase over the number of J-DHS students scoring a 3 or above (74%) fewer than five years ago, during the 2013 AP exam period.

Just five years ago, in the 2010-2011 school year, 211 J-DHS students took 346 AP exams, while in the 2000-2001 school year, only 88 J-DHS students took 157 AP exams.

"As students continue to challenge themselves," says Paul Gasparini, high school

principal since 2001, "we find they continue to be successful."

Hitting Musical High Notes

Our Jamesville-DeWitt students involved in the band, choral, and musical programs continue to meet high standards of excellence at the elementary-, middle-, and high-school levels.

This is typified by a recent week when the Middle School band trip to Hershey Park resulted in nearly perfectly competition scores, followed just days later by the 6th Grade Band earning the "Gold With Distinction" Award at the annual NYSSMA Performance at Mexico Middle School.

To back up, at the Hershey competition, J-D earned scores of 98.5 and 98 from two independent judges. For perspective, that compared with the second-place band's scores of 79 and 82, according to Anthony Greene, J-DMS Band Director.

Within days of the sweet Hershey showing, the 6th Grade Band worked its magic at NYSSMA where, again, musicians were evaluated by two independent adjudicators. This marks the 15th consecutive Gold Award earned by the 6th Grade Band at J-DMS.

CNY's Top Sports Program

Recent student successes include the State Champion girls' basketball team, which helped earn J-DHS the title of CNY's top sports program. In addition, our elementary-, middle-, and high-school students achieve at the highest levels in band, choral, and musical pursuits. For details, see the article at left.



The student-athletes of Jamesville-DeWitt High School recently received the highest of accolades when The Post-Standard recognized J-DHS as having the best high school sports program in Central New York for 2015-16.

J-DHS capped the list of Section III's Top 20 high school sports programs in a ranking that used a points system keyed to team-sports performance. Points were given for Sectional championships and for advancing through State playoffs, with State Championships - of which J-DHS won two (girls' basketball and boys' lacrosse) - garnering the largest cache of points.

Along with the State Championships, girls' soccer made a State title game appearance, and J-DHS teams also won Section III titles in girls' basketball, girls' and boys' indoor track, boy's lacrosse, girls' outdoor track, girls' soccer, girls' softball, girls' swimming, boys' tennis, and girls' gymnastics (team combined with F-M).

In addition to the Post-Standard award, it's worth noting that most of these teams throughout 2015-16 also earned scholar-athlete designations from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association for academic excellence.

FALL VARSITY SPORTS CALENDAR

GIRLS' SOCCER			BOYS' SOCCER			GIRLS' SWIMMING & DIVING		
9/3	11:00 AM	H Baldwinsville/NL	9/2	1:00 PM	A LIVERPOOL TOURN.	9/7	6:00 PM	A West Genesee
9/6	5:00 PM	A @ Westhill / NL	9/3	3:30 PM	A Liverpool/K. Classic	9/13	5:00 PM	H New Hartford
9/9	7:30 PM	A @ Marcellus / NL	9/10	2:00 PM	A @ F-M / NL	9/20	5:00 PM	H Christian Bros
9/13	6:00 PM	A @ Homer	9/13	4:30 PM	H Homer	9/27	5:00 PM	A Mexico
9/15	4:30 PM	H Fulton Jr/Sr High	9/16	7:00 PM	A @ Fulton Jr/Sr High	9/30	4:30 PM	A Auburn
9/17	12:00 PM	A @ West Genesee / NL	9/20	4:30 PM	H Oswego	10/5	5:00 PM	H Oswego
9/20	6:30 PM	H Oswego	9/22	7:00 PM	A @ Christian Bros	10/14	6:00 PM	A TBA
9/22	4:30 PM	H Christian Bros	9/24	3:00 PM	H Whitesboro	10/15	10:00 AM	A OHSL @ Mexico
9/27	4:30 PM	H Mexico Central	9/27	4:30 PM	A @ Mexico Central	10/18	7:00 PM	A F-M
9/29	7:00 PM	A @ Cortland	9/29	4:30 PM	H Cortland	10/20	5:00 PM	H Skaneateles
10/5	4:30 PM	H Homer / NL	10/1	6:30 PM	H East Syracuse Minoa	10/26	5:00 PM	A @ Liverpool
10/8	6:00 PM	A @ East Syracuse Minoa	10/5	7:00 PM	H Marcellus / NL			
10/13	4:30 PM	H Central Square School	10/8	3:00 PM	H George W Fowler			
			10/15	4:00 PM	A @ Central Square			
GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL			GIRLS' GYMNASICS			GIRLS' TENNIS		
9/9	6:00 PM	A LA FAYETTE JR HIGH	9/12	4:30 PM	H Baldwinsville	9/1	4:30 PM	H Cortland
9/10	10:00 AM	A Fayetteville - Manlius	9/16	4:00 PM	H New Hartford	9/6*	4:30 PM	A Mexico
9/13	6:30 PM	H Oswego	9/20	4:00 PM	H Rome Free Academy	9/7	4:30 PM	A Auburn
9/17	9:00 AM	A Baldwinsville Tourn.	9/29	4:00 PM	H Central Square School	9/8	4:30 PM	H Homer
9/20	6:00 PM	A @ Central Square	10/1	1:00 PM	A Invite at Valley Gymn	9/9	4:30 PM	H Baldwinsville
9/22	6:30 PM	H Auburn	10/13	6:00 PM	A F-M, Proctor @ Whitesb.	9/13	4:30 PM	A Central Square
9/27	6:30 PM	H Cazenovia	10/17	4:30 PM	H East Syracuse Minoa	9/15	4:30 PM	H Oswego
9/29	6:30 PM	A @ Oswego	10/21	9:00 AM	H Sec. Championships	9/20	4:30 PM	A Fulton
10/1	9:00 AM	A MARCELLUS TOURN.				9/22	4:30 PM	H E-S M
10/5	6:30 PM	H Fulton Jr/Sr High				9/27	4:30 PM	A Christian Bros
10/7	6:30 PM	H Central Square School				10/17	5:00 PM	A Tournament
10/14	6:00 PM	H Mexico Central						
10/15	9:00 AM	A JD VARSITY TOURN.						
10/18	6:30 PM	A @ Auburn						
10/20	6:30 PM	H Cicero - N. Syracuse						
10/22	9:00 AM	A OHSL Tourn. at Caz.						
10/25	6:30 PM	H George W Fowler						
10/27	5:00 PM	H Tournament						
BOYS' GOLF			BOYS' VOLLEYBALL			CROSS COUNTRY		
9/1	3:30 PM	H Oswego	9/2	8:30 AM	A Varsity at B-Ville Tourn.	9/10	12:00 PM	A Chitt./BOYS ONLY
9/6	3:30 PM	A @ East Syracuse Minoa	9/7	6:30 PM	A Cicero - North Syracuse	9/17	9:00 AM	A ES-M/BOYS ONLY
9/8	3:30 AM	H Central Square School	9/10	12:00 PM	A Fayetteville - Manlius	9/21	4:30 PM	A Mexico @ Auburn
9/14	3:30 PM	A @ Tully Jr/Sr / NL	9/12	6:30 PM	A Baldwinsville Central	9/24	10:00 AM	A B'ville/BOYS ONLY
9/19	3:30 PM	A @ Fulton Jr/Sr High	9/14	6:00 PM	A Nottingham	9/28	4:30 PM	H C. Square, Oswego
9/20	3:30 PM	H Auburn	9/19	6:30 PM	H Baldwinsville Central	10/1	8:00 AM	A McQuaid/BOYS ONLY
9/22	3:30 PM	A @ Oswego	9/21	7:30 PM	H Oswego	10/5	4:30 PM	A ES-M @ Homer
9/26	3:30 PM	H East Syracuse Minoa / NL	9/24	11:30 AM	H Living Word Academy	10/8	9:00 AM	A Man. Invit./BOYS ONLY
9/28	3:30 PM	A @ Chittenango Central	9/26	6:30 PM	H Fayetteville - Manlius	10/13	4:30 PM	H Cortland, Fulton
9/29	3:30 PM	A @ Homer	9/29	6:00 PM	A Central Square	10/15	12:30 PM	A Tully/BOYS ONLY
10/4	9:00 AM	A Sectional Tournament	10/4	6:30 PM	H Nottingham	10/18	4:00 PM	A OHSL Meet @C. Square
			10/6	6:30 PM	H Liverpool	11/5	10:00 AM	A Sect. Champ. @Chitt.
			10/14	6:30 PM	A Oswego	11/12	8:00 AM	A NYSPHSAA/GIRLS ONLY
			10/17	6:30 PM	H Living Word Academy			
			10/19	6:30 PM	H Cicero - North Syracuse			
			10/22	3:30 PM	H North Rose - Wolcott			
			10/24	6:30 PM	H Central Square School			
			10/27	6:30 PM	A Liverpool			
			10/31	5:00 PM	H Tournament			
			11/8	5:00 PM	H Tournament			
			11/12	5:00 PM	H BOYS REGIONALS, 5-7 PM			

For updated schedules and other athletic information, visit: www.jamesvilledewitt.org/athletics.

Be A Groupie Go PTG

PTG AND BOOSTER PRESIDENTS INVITE YOUR PARTICIPATION. IF INTERESTED, CALL:

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Coach Joe Roach

Varsity Girls' Soccer
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Varsity Girls' Tennis
Coach Yong Sul


Varsity Girls' Gymnastics
Coach Tracey Fishkin

Varsity Cross Country
Girls' Coach Jim Lawton
Boys' Coach Emily Rowles

Varsity Boys' Golf
Coach Paul Valentino

Varsity Girls' Volleyball
Coach Patty Ferris

Varsity Boys' Volleyball
Coach Kyle Michael



DISTRICT CALENDAR

September						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
				Supt. Conf. Day (Staff ONLY) TEC - Kindergarten Preview 2:30-3:30 pm		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	NO SCHOOL - Labor Day	Supt. Conf. Day (Staff ONLY) JE - K-gr. 4 Preview 2:45-3:30 pm Booster Club 7pm Modified Sports begin	1 st Day of School - ALL STUDENTS		MS - Picture Day	Player/Parent/Coach Workshop (MS Fall sports) 9am @ HS
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	BOE - 7pm TEC - Elem. parents new instrument music night (gr. 4) 7-8pm	MS - PTG 5pm HS - Picture Day MS - 5 th gr. Welcome Back Picnic 6-7pm	HS - Picture Day MD - Picture Day JE - PTG 7pm TEC - Welcome Back Picnic 6-8pm	MD - Welcome Back Ice Cream Social 5:30-7pm JE - Fall Family Picnic 5-7pm TEC - Welcome Back Picnic (rain date)		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		MS - Curriculum Night (6&8) 6:30pm	MS - Curriculum Night (5&7) 7pm	HS - Financial Aid & College Planning Info. Night-Sr. Parents 7pm MD - Curriculum Night (K-4) 6:30-7:30pm JE - Curriculum Night (K-2) 6:30-7:30pm TEC - Curriculum Night (3&4) 6:30-7:15pm (K-2) 7:30-8:15pm	HS - Homecoming: Pep Rally (6 th period) Football Game 6:30pm	
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	BOE - 7pm		JE - Curriculum Night (3&4) 6:30-7:30pm TEC - Picture Day	HS - Open House 7pm		

KEY

MD	Moses DeWitt Elementary
TE	Tecumseh Elementary
JE	Jamesville Elementary
MS	Middle School
HS	High School
PTG	Parent Teacher Group
DO	District Office

October						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
						SAT Exam 8am
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	NO SCHOOL - Rosh Hashanah	Booster Club 7pm	HS - Eastside College Fair @ FMHS 6:30-8pm MD - PTG 6:30pm JE - PTG 7pm		HS/MS - 1 st Mid-marking period ends	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	NO SCHOOL - Columbus Day		NO SCHOOL - Yom Kippur HS/MS - 1 st MM reports available		MS - Picture Makeups	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	BOE - 7pm	Facilities Improvement Project Vote 7am-9pm @ JDHS	JE - Picture Day	HS - Picture Retakes		ACT Exam 8am
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					MS - Activity Afternoon 2:45-4pm Dance 7-8:30pm MD - Halloween Parade 2pm TEC - Halloween Parade 2pm JE - Halloween Parade 2:15pm	
30	31					
	HS - Senior Dress-up Day					

**District
Notes**

District gives notification under the No Child Left Behind Act

According to the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act of 2001, parents may request specific information as to the qualifications of their children's classroom teacher(s) and teaching assistants.

The following may be requested:

- * Whether the teacher has met State qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade level and subject area in which the teacher provides the instruction;

- * Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional

status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;

- * The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of

the certification or degree; and

- * Whether a child is provided services by teaching assistants, and, if so, their qualifications.

Please direct any questions to Peter Smith in the Assistant Superintendent's Office.

District notes availability of asbestos management plan

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY Asbestos Management Plans

As provided under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act, (AHERA - EPA § 40 CFR 763), The Jamesville-DeWitt Central School District hereby makes known the steps it has taken to comply with AHERA and the availability of Asbestos Management Plans.

1. Beginning in 1989,

all District owned facilities were inspected for asbestos and management plans were developed for each building according to the requirements of AHERA. The District conducts re-inspections every three (3) years. Onondaga-Cortland-Madison B.O.C.E.S. Safety Department was contracted to complete the 2013 AHERA Triennial Inspection of all facilities and update the Asbestos

Managements Plans.

2. Periodic surveillance of asbestos containing building materials is conducted every six (6) months.

3. The Custodial and Maintenance staff has undergone annual asbestos awareness training.

4. All response actions taken are within Federal and State guidelines.

Asbestos management

plans may be viewed at the Maintenance and Operations Department during normal hours of 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For more information, please contact the following individual:

Jason Crawford, Director of Facilities, L.E.A. Designee, (315) 445-8300.

J-D outlines policy on matters of harassment and discrimination

J-D officials and board members take seriously concerns about and complaints of discrimination and harassment based on race, sex, sexual orientation, age, color, creed, national origin, ethnic background, disability, weight, religion, religious

practices or gender. District residents, employees and students who feel they have been discriminated against or harassed on school property or at school-sponsored events have rights under the law and board policy.

Anyone wishing to lodge

a complaint should contact the district's compliance officer, Peter Smith. The compliance officer has 10 days to respond to a complaint, and the person filing the complaint can appeal the decision. All complaints of discrimination or harassment are

handled confidentially and with discretion.

For more information about this grievance procedure or other board policies, contact Superintendent Alice Kendrick at 445-8304.

District does not plan to use pesticides on its grounds

State law requires all schools to provide written notification regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the year.

The district does not plan to use any

pesticides requiring notification. 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 a 48-hour prior notification list.

If a pesticide application was to be scheduled and you would like to receive 48-hour notification of that application, please feel

free to contact the following individual: Jason Crawford, Director of Facilities, at 445-8300 for further information on these requirements.

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