



# The Perspective

## Welcome Back!

Classes will resume for all kindergarten through 12th grade students in the district on **Tuesday, September 4**. We are looking forward to a great



year and welcome all of our students back after a relaxing summer! All Pre-K students shall report to school on **Wednesday, September 5**.

Preschool and kindergarten parents are encouraged to attend our **Meet and Greet on Wednesday, August 29** from 1-2 pm. Visit your child's classroom, talk with the teacher, drop off their

supplies, and help your child get acclimated before the first day of school.

**Elementary Open House** will be held on **Wednesday, September 12** from 6-7 pm, where you will have a chance to tour the building, talk with your child's teachers and see their classroom in depth.

Please check our [website](#) for school supply lists.

**North Collins**  
Central School District

### Contact Us

**District Office**  
[www.northcollins.com](http://www.northcollins.com)  
337-0101, ext. 1301

**Jr. Sr. High School**  
337-0101, ext. 1303, 1304  
2045 School Street  
North Collins, NY 14111

**Elementary School**  
10469 Bantle Road  
North Collins, NY 14111  
337-0166, ext. 1151

### Also Find Us On



## 7th Grade Orientation

All incoming 7th graders and their parents are encouraged to attend orientation on Wednesday, August 29 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at the High School. The event gives students a chance to load their lockers with all of their school supplies prior to the first day of classes in order to make the transition easier. In addition, students and their parents can tour the building with one of our Student Government volunteers, and participate in fun team-building activities. They will also receive their schedules and agendas at this time, and are encouraged to get answers to all of their questions before the start of middle school. Mark your calendars and get ready for a terrific new school year!

**MOVING**  **UP TO**  
**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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# District News

## From the Desk of the Superintendent



**Mr. Scott Taylor**  
Superintendent of Schools

Join us at our  
**COMMUNITY FORUM**  
August 28 at 5:30 pm  
in the HS Auditorium to  
learn more about and  
provide input on our  
proposed Capital  
Improvement Projects.  
It's important to note  
that there will be **NO**  
additional costs to  
taxpayers!

Our summer has been filled with "closing out" the 17-18 school year in each building and department as well as "preparing" for the 18-19 school year. One of our preparation items is hiring new personnel in the North Collins school district. We said goodbyes to our retirees Dennis Guadagno (Head Custodian), who retired this summer after 30+ years of service to the District as well as John Bruno (Microcomputer Technical Support Specialist), who will be retiring in September 2018 after more than 15 years of service. I would like to personally thank both of them for their outstanding contributions to the North Collins Central School District! We would like to welcome Matt Sanders to the North Collins CSD as our new Director of Facilities. Please feel free to introduce yourself to Matt when you are at the Elementary School or Jr.-Sr. High School.

In addition to personnel preparation, we continue to update our facilities and take advantage of NYSED Capital Outlay Projects (less than \$100,000). We recently completed a Capital Outlay Project at the Jr.-Sr. High School, which included the upgrading of our water filtration system. We are now planning for the same project at the Elementary School this year. As mentioned in previous Perspective articles on the topic of Capital Projects, just like a home, school facilities need regular attention and upkeep to operate year after year as originally intended. The cost of maintaining our facilities with the daily wear and tear caused by hundreds of students, staff and visitors can rise above what the annual school budget can support. Formulation of a Capital Improvement Plan allows districts the funds to complete larger facility work not otherwise possible within the scope of the annual school budget. A proposed Capital Project will be paid for from the District's Debt service and Capital Project reserve fund. **There will be NO additional costs to taxpayers!**

We continue to adhere to the state's mandate to maintain our facilities to meet educational, health, safety and security measures, as well as adhere to energy efficiency guidelines to save taxpayer dollars. We take pride in the upkeep of our buildings and grounds and our district-owned facilities are one of our community's greatest assets. Our past Capital Projects occurred in 2007 and 2001. These previous Capital Projects focused on maintaining our buildings and sites at an appropriate level to support educational programs. We have identified items to be included in the upcoming Capital Project that support the growing educational needs of our students and updating our infrastructure across the district. We met extensively as administrators and supervisors of each department to identify the priorities of the District. We discussed the list of items at building level meetings, committee meetings and Board of Education meetings. As we continue our analysis, we welcome feedback from the community in planning for the capital project. We have a **COMMUNITY FORUM** scheduled for August 28, 2018 at 5:30 pm at the Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium to provide updates on the projects and allow input from the community. Our goal is to finalize our priorities and schedule a Capital Project Bond vote on December 11, 2018. Again, there will be **NO** tax impact to taxpayers for this project. Please check our website for more information over the next few months.

While my schedule will continue to be filled with items in preparation for the 2018-2019 school year, it is my plan to make time to honor your questions, concerns and/or say a quick hello. On behalf of the Board of Education, the faculty and staff, the administrative team, and most importantly, the students, thank you for your continued support.

# North Collins Central School District

## 2018-19 School Calendar

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14	DECEMBER 2018							Student Days - 182 Staff Days (includes 5 Supt. Conference Days) - 187 Total <u>Makeup Schedule of Missed Days</u> Days 1-6 will not be made up *Day 7: March 15, 2019 *Day 8: May 24, 2019 *Snow Recovery Days (if needed)																					
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September 3							Labor Day							January 21							Martin Luther King, Jr. Day								
September 4							First Day Student Attendance							February 18							Presidents' Day								
October 8							Columbus Day							February 19-22							Mid-Winter Recess								
October 26							Supt. Conference Day							March 15*							Supt. Conf./Snow Recovery								
November 12							Veterans' Day							April 19-26							Spring Recess/Holidays								
November 21-23							Thanksgiving Recess							May 24*-27							Memorial Day Recess/								
December 21-January 1							Winter Recess/Holidays														Snow Recovery								
Blue							Regents Exams-January 22-25; June 3, 18-25, 2019 -- Rating Day-June 26, 2019																						
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Green							Superintendent Conference Days																						
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Peach							3-8 Math																						
Tan							Rating Day																						

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# Letter to Parents for School Meal Programs

Dear Parent/Guardian:

Children need healthy meals to learn. North Collins Central School offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.75; Elementary lunch costs \$2.00, High School Lunch costs \$2.25. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price is **\$0.25** for breakfast and **\$0.25** for lunch.

1. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT AN APPLICATION FOR EACH CHILD? No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. *Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: North Collins Central School, 2045 School Street, North Collins, NY 14111; (716) 337-0101 ext. 1309.
2. WHO CAN GET FREE MEALS? All children in households receiving benefits from **SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations** or **TANF**, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorically Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.
3. CAN FOSTER CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.
4. CAN HOMELESS, RUNAWAY, AND MIGRANT CHILDREN GET FREE MEALS? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Jinelle Burger (716)337-0101 ext. 1309; [jburger@northcollinscsd.org](mailto:jburger@northcollinscsd.org) to see if they qualify.
5. WHO CAN GET REDUCED PRICE MEALS? Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this application.
6. SHOULD I FILL OUT AN APPLICATION IF I RECEIVED A LETTER THIS SCHOOL YEAR SAYING MY CHILDREN ARE APPROVED FOR FREE MEALS? Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at (716)337-0101 ext. 1309 if you have questions.
7. MY CHILD'S APPLICATION WAS APPROVED LAST YEAR. DO I NEED TO FILL OUT ANOTHER ONE? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for the first 30 operating days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
8. I GET WIC. CAN MY CHILD(REN) GET FREE MEALS? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEAL application.
9. WILL THE INFORMATION I GIVE BE CHECKED? Yes and we may also ask you to send written proof.
10. IF I DON'T QUALIFY NOW, MAY I APPLY LATER? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.
11. WHAT IF I DISAGREE WITH THE SCHOOL'S DECISION ABOUT MY APPLICATION? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Scott J. Taylor, 2045 School Street, North Collins, NY 14111; (716)337-0101 ext. 1301; [staylor@northcollinscsd.org](mailto:staylor@northcollinscsd.org).
12. MAY I APPLY IF SOMEONE IN MY HOUSEHOLD IS NOT A U.S. CITIZEN? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
13. WHO SHOULD I INCLUDE AS MEMBERS OF MY HOUSEHOLD? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
14. WHAT IF MY INCOME IS NOT ALWAYS THE SAME? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.
15. WE ARE IN THE MILITARY. DO WE INCLUDE OUR HOUSING ALLOWANCE AS INCOME? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.
16. MY SPOUSE IS DEPLOYED TO A COMBAT ZONE. IS HER COMBAT PAY COUNTED AS INCOME? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.
17. MY FAMILY NEEDS MORE HELP. ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAMS WE MIGHT APPLY FOR? To find out how to apply for **SNAP** or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call **1-800-342-3009**.

## 2018-2019 INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE MEALS OR FREE MILK

### REDUCED PRICE ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART

Total Family Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	\$22,459	\$1,872	\$936	\$864	\$432
2	\$30,451	\$2,538	\$1,269	\$1,172	\$586
3	\$38,443	\$3,204	\$1,602	\$1,479	\$740
4	\$46,435	\$3,870	\$1,935	\$1,786	\$893
5	\$54,427	\$4,536	\$2,268	\$2,094	\$1,047
6	\$62,419	\$5,202	\$2,601	\$2,401	\$1,201
7	\$70,411	\$5,868	\$2,934	\$2,709	\$1,355
8	\$78,403	\$6,534	\$3,267	\$3,016	\$1,508
Each Add'l person add	\$7,992	\$666	\$333	\$308	\$154

**How to Apply:** To get free or reduced price meals for your children carefully complete one application following the instructions for your household and return it to the designated office listed on the application. If you now receive SNAP, Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children, or participate in the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for any household member, the application must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each household member, and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and the last four digits of that adult's social security number, or check the box if the adult does not have a social security number. An application that is not complete cannot be approved. Contact your local Department of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number or complete the income portion of the application. No application is necessary if the household was notified by the SFA their children have been directly certified. If the household is not sure if their children have been directly certified, the household should contact the school.

**Reporting Changes:** The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year. You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.

**Income Exclusions:** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age or disability.

**Nondiscrimination Statement:** This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the [USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov).



**Meal Service to Children With Disabilities:** Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability which may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities. Major life activities are defined to include functions such as caring for one's self, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. You must request the special meals from the school and provide the school with medical certification from a medical doctor. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical certification must contain.

**Confidentiality:** The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socioeconomic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, all information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women Infants and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CNA.



**Reapplication:** You may apply for benefits any time during the school year. Also, if you are not eligible now, but during the school year become unemployed, have a decrease in household income, or an increase in family size you may request and complete an application at that time.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

## Pre-Pay for School Meals



[www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com)

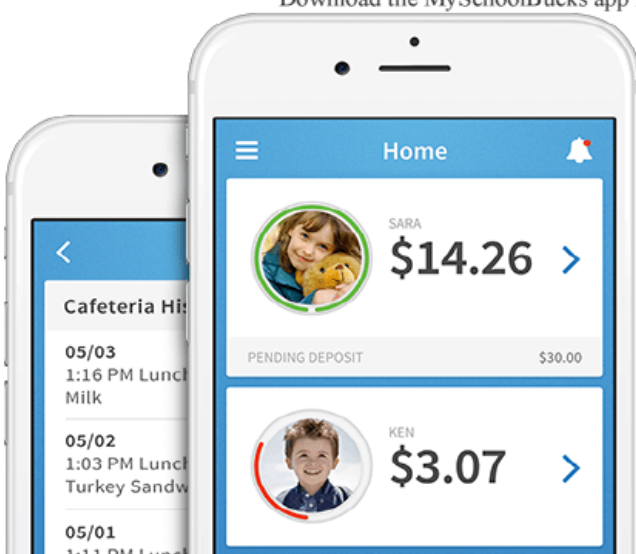



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 Receive low balance alerts

 Set up automatic payments

## 2018-2019 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Call (716) 337-0101 ext. 1309, if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

**Return Completed Applications to: North Collins Central School, Attn: Business Office , PO Box 740, North Collins, NY 14111**

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless, Migrant, Runaway
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2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits: If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CASE #: \_\_\_\_\_

3. **All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).**

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of Household Member	Earnings from work before deductions Amount / How Often	Child Support, Alimony Amount/How Often	Pensions, Retirement Payments Amount/How Often	Other Income, Social Security Amount/How Often	No Income
	\$_____/_____	\$_____/_____	\$_____/_____	\$_____/_____	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Total Household Members (Children and Adults):

\* Last Four Digits of Social Security #: XXX-XX-\_\_\_\_

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I do not have SS#  
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\*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS#" box before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: ☐ Hispanic or Latino ☐ Non-Hispanic or Latino  
Race: ☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Black or African American ☐ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island ☐ White

### DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE—FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only converts when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)  
Weekly x52; Every 2 Weeks (bi-weekly) x26; Twice per month x 24; Monthly x 12

☐ SNAP/TANF/Foster  
☐ Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ Household Size: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Free Meals ☐ Reduced Price Meals ☐ Denied/Paid  
Signature of Reviewing Official: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Notice Sent: \_\_\_\_\_



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## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to North Collins Central School, Business Office, PO Box 740, North Collins, NY 14111

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is no longer needed. Call the school if you need help: (716)337-0101 ext. 1309. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

### **PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION, DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.**

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (school staff will confirm this eligibility).

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### **PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDIPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.**

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDIPIR number.

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### **PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.**

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs **PART 4** if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDIPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

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**OTHER BENEFITS:** Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

### **USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT**

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

### **DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS**

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA [Program Discrimination Complaint Form](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), (AD-3027) found online at: [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture  
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights  
1400 Independence Avenue, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;

- (2) fax (202) 690-7442; or

- (3) email: [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov)

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## FREE AND REDUCED MEAL APPLICATION FACT SHEET

When filing out the application form for free or reduced price meals, please pay careful attention to these helpful hints:

**SNAP/TANF/DPIR case number:** This must be the complete valid case number supplied to you by the agency including all numbers and letters, for example, E123456, or whatever combination is used in your county. Refer to a letter you received from your local Department of Social Services for your case number or contact them for your number.

**Foster Child:** A child who is living with a family but who is under the legal care of the welfare agency or court may be listed on your family application. Let the child's "personal use" income. This includes only those funds provided by the agency which are identified for the personal use of the child, such as personal spending allowances, money received by his/her family, or from a job. Funds provided for housing, food and care, medical, and therapeutic needs are not considered income to the foster child. Write "0" if the child has no personal use income.

**Household:** A group of related or non-related people who are living in one house and share income and expenses.

**Adult Family Members:** All related and non-related people who are 21 years of age and older living in your house.

**Financially Independent:** A person is financially independent and a separate economic unit/household when his or her earnings and expenses are not shared by the family/household.

**Current Gross Income:** Money earned or received at the present time by each member of your household before deductions. Examples of deductions are federal tax, State tax, and Social Security deductions. If you have more than one job, you must list the income from all jobs. If you receive income from more than one source (wage, alimony, child support, etc.) you must list the income from all sources. Only farmers, self-employed workers, migrant workers, and other seasonal employees may use their income for the past 12 months reported from their 1040 Tax Forms.

**Examples of gross income are:**

- Wages, salaries, tips, commissions or income from self employment
- Net farm income—gross sales minus expenses only—not losses
- Pensions, annuities, or other retirement income
- Unemployment compensation
- Welfare payments (does not include value of SNAP)
- Public Assistance payments
- Adoption assistance
- Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Social Security Survivor's Benefits
- Alimony or child's support payments
- Disability benefits, including workman's compensation
- Veteran's subsistence benefits
- Interest of dividend income
- Cash withdrawn from savings, investments, trusts, and other resources which would be available to pay for a child's meals
- Other cash income

**Income exclusions:** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

If you have any questions or need help in filling out the application, please contact Amy Spicola, Account Clerk at (716) 337-0101, ext. 1309.

## District Meal Charge Policy

- Students may charge up to 5 reimbursable meals (that are available to all students) and will not be permitted to exceed this limit until the outstanding charges are paid in full;
- If a student's prepaid meal card on account has been exhausted, he or she will be given a grace period where no more than 5 reimbursable meals (that are available to all students) may be charged, to allow time for the meal card or account to be replenished.
- The only item(s) permitted to be charged are a complete meal or milk. A la carte items such as snacks or ice cream may NOT be charged.
- The District's point of sale system will track all charges and payments.
- If a student comes to school without a lunch, and has exceeded the maximum reimbursable-meal limit, the District may provide a reimbursable meal (that is available to all students) so that he or she does not go hungry that day.
- As appropriate, District administration may contact Social Services to report a student's consistent failure to arrive at school with a meal.

Unpaid meal charges will be addressed directly with the student's parent or guardian who is responsible for providing funds for meal purchases; discreet notifications of low, exhausted, or deficit balances will be sent at appropriate intervals during the school year. The notification may include a repayment schedule, but will not charge any interest or fees related to meals charged during the grace period. District administration will further consider the benefits of attempted collections and the costs that would be expended in collection attempts. The district's policy regarding meal charging and prohibition against meal shaming was updated in June 2018. Please [visit our website](#) to read the latest update.

## 2018-19 CAFETERIA PRICES



BREAKFAST - \$1.75

REDUCED BREAKFAST - \$0.25

STUDENT TYPE "A" LUNCH - **ES** - \$2.00

STUDENT TYPE "A" LUNCH - **HS** - \$2.25

ALL REDUCED LUNCHESES - \$0.25

Menus for each month will be available on [our website](#) as well as posted in each school.

# High School News

From the Desk of the HS Principal



**Brandon Wojcik**  
Jr. Sr. High School Principal

**We are proud to announce a makerspace where students can work on projects like computer programming and coding, robotics and electronics, 3D modeling and printing, laser cutting, drones, and more, providing our students the necessary skills for success in the 21st century.**

Hello North Collins Students and Families! As summer vacation is winding down, I'm definitely getting excited to get this year started. Our custodial, cleaning and office staff have been working hard in anticipation of your return. I am also excited to share some of the improvements we have made this summer.

The first one is an upgrade to our safety procedures. Starting Tuesday, September 4, we are transitioning to a **single point of entry** into the Jr.-Sr. High School. All students coming in late, visitors, and parents will be required to ring the buzzer at the main (School Street) entrance only. The door at the Superintendent's office will no longer be a point of entry. This decision was made in cooperation with our Building Safety Committee and our School Resource Officer and is one more step towards securing our school.

Next, we have moved our prestigious Eagle Vision Television production studio to a larger room on the second floor. In addition, we are including a digital video editing lab in this location for students to use for digital projects. We have seen an increase in teachers engaging kids by encouraging production of short videos as culminating activities that demonstrate learning.

We are also proud to announce the addition of a makerspace and fabrication room across from the library. We are still working on an official name for this exciting addition. This space is intended to allow our students to experience technology or activities that were previously unavailable to them. The room will be a resource for students and teachers to work on projects and flex their creativity. Some examples include computer programming and coding, robotics and electronics, 3D modeling and printing, laser cutting, drones, board games, and traditional arts and crafts. I am also pleased to announce that the vast majority of the technology and equipment for this room has been funded by a federal grant!

In a makerspace, teachers are encouraged only to supervise students; the atmosphere of the space allows students to learn from each other, solve problems and experiment rather than receive lessons. Makerspaces can have a significant impact on student learning and development. In fact, makerspaces were recently identified as one of six important developments in educational technology for K-12 education. This innovative technology hub will be another resource for us to effectively address arming our students with the necessary skillsets for success in the 21<sup>st</sup> century, especially problem-solving skills.

## Child Abuse Hotline

Should you suspect or have knowledge that you or a child is being abused or maltreated report it immediately by calling the toll-free telephone number operated by the NYS Office of Child and Family Services at 1-800-342-3720 or online at <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cps>.

### Spanish

Los reportes de sospecha de abuso o maltrato infantil deberían hacerse inmediatamente por teléfono, a cualquier hora y cualquier día de la semana, al Registro Central de Abuso y Maltrato Infantil del Estado (Statewide Central Register of Child Abuse and Maltreatment—SCR). Los números de teléfono a los que puede llamar son: Número de la Línea de Emergencia de Abuso Infantil: 1-800-342-3720.

# Opening Day

for the Jr. Sr. High School

Tuesday, September 4



Schedules for students in Grades 8-12 will be mailed home prior to the first day of school, while incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders will receive their schedules at orientation on Wednesday, August 29. Parents and their 7th grade students are strongly encouraged to tour the Jr./Sr. High School campus and obtain their schedules, locker, and agenda on this date in preparation for opening day.

Locker assignments will be noted on student schedules. Locks are available BY REQUEST ONLY in the High School Office. **All students are STRONGLY urged to use a lock**, as the school cannot be responsible for lost or stolen items. Students wishing to use a lock may pick one up from the High School Office on the first day of school, or at any time during the school year. There is no charge for the use of a lock, however there is \$5.50 fine for locks that are not returned at the end of the school year. You may not use the same lock from year to year; they must be returned in June. Parents may also see school supply lists available on our website.

Students in Grades 7-12 will report to their first period class by **7:45 am on Tuesday, September 4**. An Opening Day Assembly will be held for Jr. and Sr. High students on the first day of school. Thereafter, all classes will meet according to the bell schedule, which is included in the [agenda handbook](#), which students will receive on the first day of classes. We recommend parents and students review the information available in the handbook together as it includes important policies on merit/honor roll, attendance, athletics and code of conduct expectations, and includes several changes from last year's policies. It is **mandatory** for all students to have their agenda handbook with them at all times during each school day as it serves as a passbook for teachers to grant permission to leave classes. Lost agenda handbooks can be replaced at the Main Office for a cost of \$6.00.

As there will be a full day of school on the first day, students are reminded to have lunches or lunch money with them. A student lunch is priced at \$2.25. We will also have a breakfast program at the Jr./Sr. High School, priced at \$1.75 and available in the cafeteria before first period. Students are also asked to arrive with clothing and footwear appropriate for physical education beginning the first day of classes.

This is the best time of year to double check your [PowerSchool Parent Portal](#) username/password to ensure online access to course assignments and grades. Guidance on how to access the Parent Portal is on our website, and as always, please contact the High School Office at 337-0101, ext. 1303 or 1304 if you require further assistance.

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## Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)

The North Collins Central School District seeks to create an environment free of harassment, bullying, and discrimination, to foster civility in its schools, and to prevent conduct which is inconsistent with its educational mission. The District, therefore, prohibits all forms of harassment and bullying of students by employees or other students on school property and at school functions. The District further prohibits discrimination against students, including, but not limited to, those acts based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex by school employees or other students on school property and at school sponsored activities and events that take place at locations off school property. In addition, other acts of harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination which can reasonably be

expected to materially and substantially disrupt the education process may be subject to discipline or other corrective action.

Students who have been subjected to harassment, bullying, and/or discrimination, persons in parental relation whose children have been subjected to such behavior, or other students who observe or are told of such behavior, are encouraged and expected to make verbal and/or written reports to the principal, Superintendent, Dignity Act Coordinator, and/or other school personnel.

The following have been designated to serve as the Dignity Act Coordinators for our district: Jr.-Sr. High School – Brandon Wojcik, Principal, 337-0101, ext. 1302; and Elementary School – John Cataldo, Principal, 337-0166, ext. 2150.

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# Volleyball Alumni Match

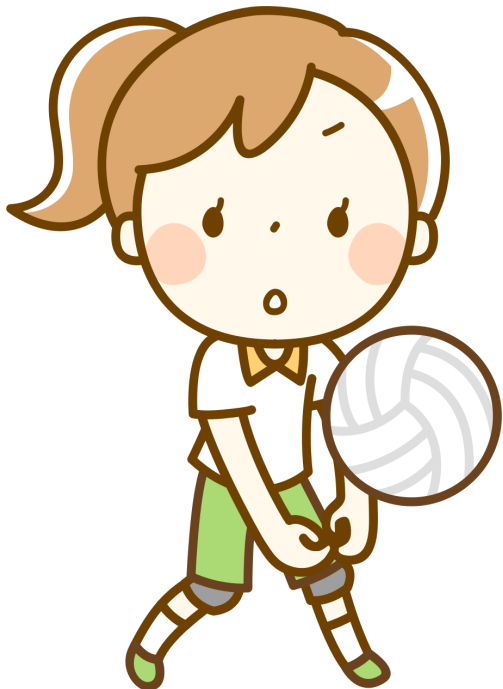
Did you play volleyball for the Eagles? Would you like to recapture the fun, friendship and competition you enjoyed? Then join us for North Collins' second annual women's alumni volleyball match!



The games will be part of the Homecoming celebration on Saturday, September 29 in the North Collins high school gym. Volleyball alumni from all years are welcome to participate!

Schedule of events:

- Alumni match at 10 am
- Varsity Girls vs. Global Concepts at 12 pm



Please come early to be announced with our current varsity team at the start of the match.

Contact Dave Burgstahler at 716 479-6649 or [by email](#) to register. Hope to see you all there!

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## FOSTER CARE NOTICE

In accordance with federal and state law, school districts are required to designate a Foster Care point of contact. The Foster Care point of contact for the North Collins Central School District is the Director of Student Services, Ms. Jinelle Burger, at 716-337-0166, ext. 2153. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 740, North Collins, NY 14111.

# Transportation Hub

## BUS ROUTE ASSIGNMENTS

All students will be notified by postcard with their bus number and approximate morning pick-up time and afternoon drop-off time. Postcards will be mailed by August 18. If there are any questions, please contact the Transportation Office at 337-0166, ext. 2200.



### Please Watch for Stopped School Buses!

When driving please be aware of any school bus stopped with their **red lights** flashing. Please obey the law and help keep our children safe!

- You must **STOP** - *from either direction, even on divided highways* - when encountering a stopped school bus with its **red lights** flashing. The bus is either picking up or discharging riders. Proceed only when the red lights are turned off and the bus is moving again, unless waved on by the bus driver or a police officer.
- Flashing **yellow lights** warn that the bus is about to stop, so slow down and prepare to stop. Children may be coming from any direction.
- Buses are **not** permitted to turn right on red.
- By law, a school bus must stop prior to crossing rail road tracks.

**Any vehicle that passes a school bus that has its flashing red lights activated will be reported to the police and/or the NYS DMV.**

## ALTERNATE TRANSPORTATION

For parents that need alternate transportation for babysitting needs, we ask that you fill out an Alternate Transportation Form by August 31, 2018. You can get copies of this form at [www.northcollins.com](http://www.northcollins.com) or by contact the Main Office of the school your child attends. Forms are also available from the Transportation Department in the Elementary School or from any bus driver during the school year.

### SAFETY TIPS FOR CHILDREN RIDING THE BUS

As school begins, parents and teachers are encouraged to provide special emphasis on school bus safety. Children riding a school bus should practice these safety tips. Please go over these with your children:

**I see you, you see me ...** visual contact between the driver and student is critical. Students should look at the drivers' face while waiting outside in front of the bus. The driver should be able to see the student, which means the child is out of the driver's blind spot in front of the bus.

**Wait for the driver's signal to cross ...** Children can't see traffic through the side of a bus. However, the driver, with side and rear mirrors, can analyze what is happening in traffic. The driver will signal the child to cross the highway only when convinced that traffic is controlled.

**Left, Right and Left Again ...** When crossing a highway, traffic reaches us first from the left. So, looking Left, Right and Left Again greatly enhances the ability to safely cross.

**Use Backpacks or Bookbags ...** Children are less likely to drop something that they'll be tempted to dash into the street to recover.

**Dress for Safety ...** Remove drawstrings from jackets and hoods. Drawstrings, scarves, and loose clothing can become caught when exiting the bus, creating a potential safety hazard.

**The Horn Warns of Danger** - If the driver blows the bus horn, the student should immediately return to the starting point.

**When Parents Meet the Bus** - Parents meeting the bus should wait on the side of the road where the child will be getting off and then follow the above procedures for crossing. Parents need to discourage their children from running across the road to greet them.

# Health Clinic News



## Mandatory Physicals

NYS Dept. of Education requires physicals for any **NEW** student, and **ALL** students entering grades Pre-K, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11. A triennial examination is also required for pupils receiving Special Education Services. Additionally, sports physicals are required **annually** for all athletes. You have the option to take your child to your own healthcare provider, however, NYS has now mandated the school health examination form; the new form is required starting July 1, 2018 and is available on the school [website](#).

**NOTICE: Health Information Privacy** — The health records of individual students will be kept confidential in accordance with the Federal Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and any other applicable federal and state laws.

## Immunization Requirements

In order to protect our children from vaccine-preventable diseases, the NYS Public Health Law has updated immunization requirements for the 2018-2019 school year. Now required is meningococcal vaccine for all students entering 7th and 12th grades. Please contact the school nurse Mrs. Habermehl (Elementary) at 337-0166, ext. 2101 if you have any questions.



## Medications in School

If your child will need medications during school hours, the appropriate forms must be completed and on file in the school health clinic by the beginning of the school year. If you have not received these forms or have any questions, please call the school nurse in the building your child will be attending:

Elementary School — Mrs. Habermehl, RN 337-0166, ext. 2101

High School — Mrs. Senus, RN 337-0101, ext. 1234



## Attendance Policy

Your child's safety is important to us, and we are responsible for their whereabouts during the school day. If your child is going to be absent or tardy, you must contact the school your child attends:

High School — Main Office 337-0101, ext. 1303

Elementary School — Health Clinic 337-0166, ext. 2101

**Please Note:** Automated calls to parents whose children are reported absent are conducted daily. At the high school, if your child is reported absent in first and second period, you will receive the recorded call after 9:30 am. If the student is reported absent in all classes, you will receive another recorded call at about 6:00 pm.

**IMPORTANT:** An accumulation of 5 or more Unexcused Absences from school shall subject the student to detention in accordance with the attendance policy outlined in the student handbook agenda. Additional detentions may be assigned for each subsequent unexcused absence per this policy. Please review the changes carefully to ensure you and your student understand the consequences of unexcused absences.

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## **FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT OF 1974**

### **ACCESS TO STUDENT RECORDS - MILITARY RECRUITERS' ACCESS TO DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), any student 18 years or older and the parent(s) or legal guardian of any student under 18 years of age may inspect and review any and all official records, files and data directly related to pupils. Student records are private unless the parent or student older than 18 consents to disclosure of personally identifiable information. Parent(s) or legal guardian and students are also entitled to an opportunity to request amendment of records believed to be inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of the students.

The following directory information may be released without written consent provided the student or parent does not inform the district of their objection to such release within 30 days of the mailing of this notice: the student's name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, grade level, participation in sports and activities, weight and height (for members of athletic teams), dates of attendance, honors, degrees and awards, email address, photograph, and the name of educational institution previously attended.

In compliance with the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) of 1965, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB) and the National Defense Authorization Act, and in accordance with FERPA, the district shall comply with a request by a military recruiter for names, addresses, and telephone listings of eligible students. Parents may notify the school in writing of their objection to release of student directory information to the military.

Related links: [Policy 7240 – Student Records – Access and Challenge](#)

[Policy 7241 – Student Directory Information](#)

[Policy 7242 – Military Recruiters' Access to Secondary School Students and Information on Students](#)

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## **OCR / EOE Notification**

The North Collins Central School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer. District officers and employees shall not discriminate against any student, employee or applicant on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, gender, sexual orientation, age, marital status, veteran status, or disability in admissions, participation or employment. Any member of the North Collins Central School District staff or any pupil or parent believing discrimination has occurred on the basis of the above should address questions and complaints to: Scott Taylor, Superintendent and Title IX/Section 504/ADA Compliance Officer at 337-0101, ext. 1300.

## **Student Privacy**

Parents and guardians may provide written consent or opt their child out of participation in any survey that reveals information on certain types of personal behavior or political beliefs. Parents may also exclude their child from any activities in which personal information will be gathered from students and used for marketing purposes.

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## **Annual Fire Inspection**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Fire Inspection for the North Collins Jr.-Sr. High School, North Collins Elementary School, Bus Building, and Elementary Storage Shed, of the NORTH COLLINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT for fire hazards that might endanger the lives of students, teachers, and employees therein, has been completed and the report thereof is available at the District Office located at North Collins Jr.-Sr. High School at 2045 School Street, North Collins, New York for inspection by all interested persons. The Annual Fire Inspection was completed on July 24, 2018.

## **Asbestos Inspection**

The 6-month re-inspection of the North Collins Central School District was performed on August 8, 2018, as required under AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act). The triennial re-inspection was completed by a State Department of Labor certified asbestos inspector on February 9, 2016. The District Management Plan is available for inspection in the District Office.



# Elementary School News

## A Word from the Elementary School Principal



**John Cataldo**

Elementary School Principal

It is a distinct pleasure to welcome everyone back for the 2018-2019 school year. To our hard-working, deeply-caring faculty and staff, I hope you are rested, recharged, and ready for an absolutely "wonder"-ful year. To our parents and families, I hope you spent valuable time connecting this summer and are excited to join us in watching your children learn and grow.

Please add the following highlights to your calendar to start the year:

- Wednesday, Aug. 29 - PreK and Kindergarten Meet & Greet from 1-2 pm
- Tuesday, Sept. 4 - First Day of School Kindergarten-Grade 6
- Wednesday, Sept. 5 - First Day of School for Pre-Kindergarten
- Wednesday, Sept. 12 - Open House from 6-7 pm
- Friday, Sept. 14 - Picture Day (Make ups Oct. 19)
- Monday, Sept. 17 - First PTA meeting

The first day of school will be on Tuesday, September 4 for most students (all but PreK). The school day officially begins at 7:40 am. When the bell rings, students may walk to their classrooms. Attendance is taken at 8:00 am when the daily announcements begin. Those arriving after 8:00 am will be marked as tardy and must report directly to the Main Office. Students walking, biking, or being dropped off may enter the cafeteria doors beginning at 7:30 am. Supervision will be provided in the cafeteria. Dismissal will begin at 2:20 pm when the parent pick up is announced. Parents should be in the cafeteria by 2:15 pm to sign out their child. Any children not picked up by 2:35 pm will be placed on their assigned bus. Our buses leave school by 2:40 pm each day.

A parent packet of very important information should have reached you by now. It was sent home with the Teacher Assignment letters. Please take the time to read through this packet carefully for some very important information. Please complete and return the necessary forms to your child's teacher on the first day, September 4 (or 5 for PreK). Many critical forms are in this packet including health record needs, transportation information, and the most important piece, the "Update Form". The update is absolutely imperative to allow us to reach you quickly in the case of emergency.

I am very excited about the opening of the 2018-2019 school year! I am eager to see all of you and your children very soon. Please contact me with any questions or concerns that you may have. Enjoy the remaining few weeks of summer! See you soon!

**To our parents and families, I hope you spent valuable time connecting this summer and are excited to join us in watching your children learn and grow.**

If you are interested in volunteering in either of our schools in any capacity, please visit our [website](#) (home > parent > volunteer), or contact us at 337-0101, ext. 1301 to request an application. We welcome interested parents who are willing to assist in the educational process!





## NORTH COLLINS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT INFORMATIONAL MEETING

Tuesday, August 28, 2018 – 5:30 pm  
Jr.-Sr. High School Auditorium

Topics for discussion are: Project Criteria, Proposed Renovations and Financing, and Long-Term Planning. Please feel free to contact Mr. Taylor, Superintendent, at 337-0101; ext. 1301, or email [staylor@northcollinscsd.org](mailto:staylor@northcollinscsd.org), with any questions, comments or concerns.

The regular Board of Education Meeting will be held at 6:30 pm, following the Capital Improvement Project Meeting. Voting on the proposed Capital Improvement Project by district residents will be Tuesday, December 11, 2018, from 12 noon until 9 pm in the Jr.-Sr. High School Gym.

## Opening Soon — Jr.-Sr. High School Bookstore!



The Jr.-Sr. High School will now feature a bookstore, which will be run out of the cafeteria during school hours. The bookstore is run by our brand new Entrepreneurship Club, which introduces students to small business ownership and management by practicing skills such as salesmanship, inventory control, re-stocking,, managing cash transactions and more. You now have a one-stop location for all of your school needs, such as pens/pencils, paper, binders, etc. Plus, the bookstore will feature branded North Collins apparel for sale as well, so you can always show your Eagle Pride! Best of all, proceeds will go toward a scholarship for one graduating senior who plans to major in business studies.

**ATTENTION DISTRICT RESIDENTS:** If you are interested in learning the residence of registered sex offenders living in our community, please refer to the sex offender tab on the following link to review all updated listings: <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/>.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**Music Boosters Sub Sale**

Saturday, October 20

More information coming next month!

# Fall Sports Schedules

## Boys Varsity Soccer

### AUGUST

31 **FRONTIER** (scrimmage) 10:00

### SEPTEMBER

7 at Lakeshore 4:30  
8 **SC/FORESTVILLE** 10:00  
11 at Frewsburg 5:00  
14 **FRONTIER** (scrimmage) 4:30  
15 at Springville 10:00  
18 **PINE VALLEY** 4:30  
20 at Maple Grove 5:00  
25 at SC/Forestville 6:00  
27 **FREWSBURG** 4:30  
28 **GLOBAL CONCEPTS** 4:30  
29 **EDEN** (Homecoming) 10:00

### OCTOBER

2 at Westfield/Brocton 5:00  
4 at Pine Valley 5:00  
9 at Global Concepts 5:00  
11 **MAPLE GROVE** 4:30  
13 at Eden 5:00

## Boys JV Soccer

### SEPTEMBER

5 **SPRINGVILLE** 4:30  
7 at Lakeshore 4:30  
14 **HUTCH TECH** (Elem. School) 5:00  
15 at Springville 10:00  
24 **HUTCH TECH** 5:00  
29 **EDEN** (Elem. School) 10:00

### OCTOBER

13 at Eden (grass field) 3:00



## Girls Varsity Soccer

### AUGUST

30 **BFLO SEMINARY** (scrimmage) TBA

### SEPTEMBER

5 at Catt-LV 4:30  
7 **SC/FORESTVILLE** 4:30  
10 at Westfield/Brocton 5:00  
12 **CASSADAGA VALLEY** 4:30  
17 at Frewsburg 5:00  
19 **PINE VALLEY** 4:30  
21 at Maple Grove 5:00  
24 at SC/Forestville 5:00  
26 **WESTFIELD/BROCTON** 4:30  
28 at Cassadaga Valley 5:00  
29 **EDEN** (Homecoming) 12:30

### OCTOBER

1 at Catt-LV 5:00  
3 **FREWSBURG** 4:30  
4 at Lakeshore 5:00  
5 at Pine Valley 5:00  
10 **MAPLE GROVE** 4:30  
11 **ST MARY'S** (scrimmage) 4:30  
13 at Eden TBA

## Girls JV Soccer

### AUGUST

29 **HAMBURG** (scrimmage) 4:30

### SEPTEMBER

5 at Alden 5:00  
7 at Iroquois 5:00  
10 **HAMBURG** 5:00  
12 at Ellicottville 4:30  
20 **SPRINGVILLE** 4:30  
25 **IROQUOIS** 5:00

### OCTOBER

1 **ALDEN** 5:15  
2 **ELLICOTTVILLE** 4:30  
5 **ST MARY'S** 4:30  
18 at St Mary's 5:00

## Boys Modified Soccer

### SEPTEMBER

8 **SC/FORESTVILLE** 10:00  
11 at Frewsburg 5:00  
13 **WESTFIELD/BROCTON** 4:30  
18 **PINE VALLEY** 4:30  
19 at Maple Grove 5:00  
21 at Catt-LV 5:00  
25 at SC/Forestville 4:30  
27 **FREWSBURG** 5:00  
28 **GLOBAL CONCEPTS** 4:30

### OCTOBER

2 at Westfield/Brocton 5:00  
3 at Pine Valley 5:00  
9 **CATT-LV** 4:30  
11 **MAPLE GROVE** 4:30

## Girls Modified Soccer

### SEPTEMBER

8 **SC/FORESTVILLE** 10:00  
11 at Frewsburg 5:00  
13 **WESTFIELD/BROCTON** 4:30  
18 **PINE VALLEY** 4:30  
19 at Maple Grove 5:00  
21 at Catt-LV 5:00  
25 at SC/Forestville 5:00  
27 **FREWSBURG** 5:00  
28 **GLOBAL CONCEPTS** 4:30

### OCTOBER

2 at Westfield/Brocton 5:00  
3 at Pine Valley 5:00  
9 **CATT-LV** 4:30  
11 **MAPLE GROVE** 4:30

## Girls Varsity Volleyball

### AUGUST

28	at Catt-LV (scrimmage)	4:00
31	<b>FRONTIER</b> (scrimmage)	1:00

### SEPTEMBER

4	at Forestville	6:00
6	<b>SILVER CREEK</b>	6:00
8	at Falconer Tourney	TBA
11	at Gowanda	6:00
13	<b>FREDONIA</b>	6:00
14	at Maple Grove	5:00
18	<b>BROCTON/WESTFIELD</b>	6:00
20	<b>DUNKIRK</b>	6:00
21	<b>ELLCOTTVILLE</b>	6:00
25	<b>CASSADAGA VALLEY</b>	6:00
27	<b>FORESTVILLE</b>	6:00
29	<b>GLOBAL CONCEPTS</b>	12:00

### OCTOBER

2	at Silver Creek	6:00
4	<b>GOWANDA</b>	6:00
5	at Ellicottville	6:00
9	at Fredonia	6:00
11	at Brocton/Westfield	6:00
16	at Dunkirk	6:00
18	at Cassadaga Valley	6:00



## Girls Modified Volleyball

### SEPTEMBER

5	<b>PINE VALLEY</b>	4:30
7	at Fredonia	5:00
10	<b>SILVER CREEK</b>	4:30
17	<b>PINE VALLEY</b>	4:30
19	at Gowanda	4:30
24	at Forestville	5:00
26	at Pine Valley	5:00

### OCTOBER

1	<b>FREDONIA</b>	4:30
3	at Silver Creek	4:30
12	at Pine Valley	5:0
15	<b>GOWANDA</b>	4:30
17	<b>FORESTVILLE</b>	4:30

**NOTE:** Sports schedules are subject to change throughout the season for a variety of reasons. Always consult **our website** for the latest information.

## Boys Varsity Football

(with Eden)

### AUGUST

31	at Dunkirk	7:30
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### SEPTEMBER

8	<b>LAKESHORE</b>	7:00
14	<b>FREDONIA/BROCTON</b>	7:00
21	at Burgard	7:30
28	<b>TONAWANDA</b>	7:00

### OCTOBER

5	<b>ALDEN</b>	7:00
13	at Newfane	2:00



## Boys Modified Football

(with Eden)

### SEPTEMBER

6	at Falconer	5:00
13	<b>FREWSBURG</b>	5:00
20	<b>CASSADAGA VALLEY</b>	5:00
27	<b>CHAUTAUQUA LAKE</b>	5:00

### OCTOBER

4	<b>LAKESHORE</b>	4:30
11	at Southwestern	5:00
18	at Maple Grove	5:00

## Disclosure of APPR Data

Upon request, the District will release to parents/legal guardians the final quality ratings and composite effectiveness scores for teachers and Principals to which their student is currently assigned. The District's obligation to disclose this information is limited to those teachers and Building Principals subject to Education Law 3012-d. Upon request, parents will receive an oral or written explanation of the composite effectiveness scoring ranges for final quality ratings and be offered the opportunity to understand such scores in the context of teacher evaluation and student performance. When a request for this information is received, reasonable efforts will be made to verify that it is a bona fide request by a parent/legal guardian entitled to review the data.

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## POSTAL PATRON

## EVENT CALENDAR

### August

- 14 Board of Education Work Session, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 28 Capital Project Info Meeting, HS Auditorium, 5:30 pm
- 28 Board of Education Meeting, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 29 Board of Education meeting, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 29 7th Grade Orientation, High School, 6 pm
- 29 Pre-K and K Meet & Greet, Elementary School, 1-2 pm
- 31 Senior Picture Day, HS Aud (by appointment only)

### September

- 3 NO SCHOOL—Labor Day
- 4 First Day of Class for All Students K through 12
- 5 First Day of Class for Pre-K
- 11 Board of Education Work Session, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 12 Picture Day
- 12 Elementary Open House, 6-7 pm
- 13 Sports Boosters Chicken BBQ, HS Cafeteria
- 19 Music Boosters Meeting, HS Guidance Conference Room, 6:45 pm
- 25 Board of Education Meeting, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 26 WNY College Consortium, HS Cafeteria, 10:45-11:30 am
- 28 Homecoming Parade and Bonfire, 6 pm
- 29 Alumni Soccer & Volleyball Games, HS Turf & Gymnasium, Time TBA
- 29 Homecoming Dance, grades 9-12, HS Gymnasium, 7 pm

### October

- 5 Emergency Drill/Early Dismissal
- 8 NO SCHOOL—Columbus Day
- 9 Board of Education Work Session, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 17 Music Boosters Meeting, HS Guidance Conference Room, 6:45 pm
- 20 Music Boosters Sub Sale, HS Gym foyer & locations around town, 11 am
- 22-26 Red Ribbon Week
- 23 Board of Education meeting, HS Library Media Center, 6:30 pm
- 25 Picture Retake Day
- 26 NO SCHOOL—Superintendent's Conference Day
- 30 Blood Drive, HS Gymnasium, 9 am-1 pm