

Windsor Central School District

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Summer 2023

Dear Windsor School District Community,

While summer break is a chance for many to enjoy the completion of the school year, I wanted to let you know that we at the Windsor Central School District will continue to work to deliver on our mission to ensure each learner is future-ready by providing empowering educational experiences. Once again, thank you to our voters whose continued support for our annual budget makes this possible.

Our students can enjoy a wide range of academic, athletic, and artistic opportunities in the Windsor CSD summer program. For the first time, many students will be able to enjoy a full day of summer program activities.

Elementary students spend the morning at Knight Lights participating in STEM, literacy, fine arts, and physical fitness activities. Middle school students spend the morning at Windsor Strong Academy learning what makes a community strong.

Then, students entering grades four through nine can participate in our sports camps in the afternoon. Windsor coaches lead these camps to help our student-athletes develop their skills while building the pipeline to our varsity programs.

We also offer our Fine Arts Camp. Teachers in the Windsor CSD Fine Arts help students cultivate their musicality & artistry in this two-week arts immersion camp.

We will also spend the summer preparing to offer greater opportunities to students and parents for the next school year.

Our pathways and partnerships continue to expand heading into the 2023-24 school year. Windsor Central High School Nurse Teacher, Megan Devoe and WCHS Health Teacher Greg McKeon will both train in Project Lead the Way biomedical science courses and project-based learning this summer to enhance the Biomedical pathway. Mr. McKeon will replace retiring teacher Laurie Hulbert as the Human Body Systems instructor and Mrs. Devoe will facilitate students in Medical Interventions.

This will create a three-course sequence designed to provide students with hands-on learning related to a variety of health care related occupations and content in effort to better assist students with post graduate college preparation and career planning.

We are also excited to offer an additional 3-year-old classroom to our early childhood program which will provide one classroom solely dedicated to 3-year-old students in each elementary building.

In addition, we are using grant money to fund increased security measures and create learning environments that better support all students in learning, and provide additional counseling and mental health services to the district.



WCHS Students Build Ramp for Conklin Homeowner in need



Windsor CSD wins Magna Grand Prize for agriculture program



Bell's "Pennies for Patients" campaign raises \$1,800+ for cancer research



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A \$25,000 grant will help the district's agriculture program establish three community farm stands and expand produce production to donate approximately 1,700 pounds of produce to the community by adding a high tunnel and additional plants. We also continue to make progress toward adding cattle to the program. In addition to building student capacity in relation to production and processing of beef, the cattle will provide large animal learning opportunities within Veterinary Science.

You'll also notice changes to our high school campus as the district's capital improvement project continues. The tennis courts will be resurfaced after graduation and the baseball and softball fields will have new artificial turf infields installed beginning in August. That project will be completed in the fall. Interior construction will begin in the fall, beginning with new Art Suite renovations at the High School, as well as infrastructure work for scheduled mechanical upgrades. Work will continue throughout the school year, addressing such areas as the High School locker rooms, Middle School Art and Agriculture classrooms and the elementary classroom restrooms.

We are fortunate to have dedicated faculty and staff committed to the advancement of learning and program opportunities. For the latest on our district, you can go to our website www.windsor-csd.org or go to our Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram pages. As always, thank you to the students, families, and residents who support our efforts. If you have questions about our District, I invite you to contact me or call the District Office at 655-8216.

Sincerely,

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