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# **Cougar News**





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### SUPERINTENDENT'S COMMENTS Suzanne L. Kelly

### Dear Residents:

On April 16, 2012, the Board of Education adopted a proposed budget for the 2012-2013 school year. This is the budget that will be discussed at the Annual Budget Hearing on May 8, 2012 at 7:00 P.M. in the downstairs cafeteria. To be able to look at this in advance, it is posted on the school's website at www.ekcsk12.org. Edwards-Knox board members have worked diligently to build a budget that balances the ability to offer outstanding educational programs for Pre-K - 12, while considering the hard economic times for the taxpayers. A full budget newsletter will be coming out shortly.

I want to thank those community members that came to the Public Forum and provided us with their input. On that evening, two St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES facilitators lead the audience in a brainstorming activity to find out what people like about the district, what they might want to see added, or how to improve an existing practice. The BOE members and administration were asked not to attend to allow people to speak openly and freely with their feelings. We have received the feedback from the evening and will begin to work through it.

As the weather improves, take the time to enjoy spring and the many beautiful things it brings us.

### Sincerely,

Sue Kelly

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### A Message from the Board of Education

### Dear E-KCS District Residents:



On March 13, 2012 with the help and oversight of Stephan Todd and Nicole Ashley from our local St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, along with E-K Student Government representatives, we conducted an open forum with the residents of our district. This provided an opportunity for the district to give feedback and ideas on how we can be a more effective district and make sure that the Board of Education and the Administration considers your ideas and addresses your concerns. There were a number of themes, or areas of interest, that resulted from the forum. The Board of Education would like to pass on information that speaks to these themes so that each of you, as district members, has current information and can ask questions and generate ideas that are current, relevant and that will help E-KCS achieve our goals and objectives.

The areas of interests that resulted for the forum are:

- Curriculum details and what we can offer our students (See Course Selection Meetings article on page 12 of the newsletter.)
- Sports-athletics & PE,
- Cafeteria offerings and healthy food choices including locally grown produce options,
- Enhancing and strengthening our faculty-student-administration team spirit and positive relationships,
- General facilities information and facility use by district residents,
- Transportation systems,
- · Youth and summer programs,
- Strengthening the communications between the residents of our district and E-KCS leadership which includes the administration and the Board of Education.

Our intent is to provide information on each of these topics in upcoming district newsletters. We will take a single topic and provide information on the subject intended to increase your overall understanding so that you can ask questions and provide feedback. This back and forth communication will be a tool we can use to create an open and engaging environment, that will help us to grow as a district. Your comments and questions are always valued and appreciated. Thank you.

E-KCS BOE



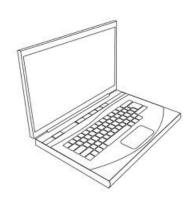
### **SEARCH FOR SUCCESS**

The Edwards Knox school library is proud to announce that all our research databases are now accessible using only one password. In the past each database required a separate username and password. Now, thanks to the efforts of the BOCES School Library System, only one username and password is required.

Username: ekcs2512

Password: search

To access Search for Success type in the website address: <a href="http://sll.auth.orc.scoolaid.net/bin/login">http://sll.auth.orc.scoolaid.net/bin/login</a>? This will bring you to the username and password page. Once you type in the required username and password you will enter a site that lists all our databases by category. They are now accessible without any other passwords required!





Or you can go to my library homepage and click on the link titled **Search for Success**.

http://www.ekcsk12.org/library/default.htm

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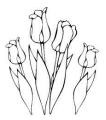
NEW DATES APPROVED FOR UNUSED EMERGENCY/SNOW DAYS

Friday, May 25, 2012 (Monday, May 28, 2012 - Memorial Day) Tuesday, May 29, 2012 Friday, June 22, 2012

# ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S CORNER By: Lauren Shuman

### Happy Spring Everyone!

Thank you for the warm welcome to your school and community! How happy I am to have the opportunity to come and work at Edwards-Knox Central School for the next few months.



I have worked in school districts around the county as a teacher of general and special education, a special education supervisor, an ESL teacher, 12 years as an elementary principal, and 3 as a CSE chairperson. Lots of work, fun, and learning in all these years!

I look forward to working here with these most kind child-centered teachers and staff, administration, and Board of Education as we move forward to the end of the year.

### **Upcoming Events**

5/1: 8:45-2:00: Homework Excellence trip to Massena

5/2: 8:30: K-4 Awards Assembly in auditorium

5/2: 1:45: 5-8 Awards Assembly in auditorium

5/3: 6:00 pm: Parents' Association meeting in library

5/11: end of 35-week progress reporting

5/11: 8:30-2:00: Ms. Vachev's class to SUNY Potsdam

5/17: grades 5-6 progress reports go home

5/17: 8:30-2:00: 6<sup>th</sup> grade to Indian Creek Nature Center

5/22: 8:30-2:30: 4<sup>th</sup> grade Science Performance Test

5/23: 8:00-3:00: Kindergarten Screening in Media Center

5/24: 8:00-12:00: Kindergarten Screening in Media Center

5/25: NO SCHOOL - GIVE BACK SNOW DAY

5/28: NO SCHOOL - MEMORIAL DAY

5/29: NO SCHOOL - GIVE BACK SNOW DAY

6/4: grade 4 Science Written Test

6/5: 8:30-2:15: 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Cornell Cooperative Extension in Canton

6/7: 6:00 pm: Parents' Association meeting in library

6/8: 8:10-2:20: 4th grade to Boldt Castle

6/8: 8:45-1:40: 5<sup>th</sup> grade to Cornell Cooperative Extension in Canton

6/12: 8:30-2:00: 4<sup>th</sup> grade to Mt. Arab

6/13: 8:30-2:00: 5<sup>th</sup> grade to Mt. Arab

6/14: 6:00 pm: Kindergarten Ceremony

6/19: 8:30: K-4 Awards Assembly in auditorium

6/20: 8:30: 5-6 Awards Assembly in auditorium

6/21: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

6/22: NO SCHOOL - GIVE BACK SNOW DAY

### **Safety Concerns and Summer Attire**

W ith the nicer weather we tend to get students wearing sandals that they seem to have difficulty walking in. Please remember many of our students have to go up and down the steps to get to the cafeteria or other specials. It is always a concern when younger students are wearing flip flops and don't always hold onto the railings. Please keep this in mind as your children go out the door.

Everyone is excited to wear shorts to school with the warmer temperatures. We ask that students don't wear clothes that are distracting to others. Our handbook provides guidelines for appropriate dress. As a reminder, students are not to wear halter tops or bare back shirts.

If a student is wearing an outfit that seems inappropriate, they will be sent to the office. A discussion will take place and, if necessary, parents will be called. In the past, we have had students wearing shorts and midriff tops that were distracting to other students. If students are busy talking about what someone is wearing, they obviously aren't learning. Your help is greatly appreciated.

### KINDERGARTEN SCREENING 2012-2013 School Year

The Edwards-Knox Elementary School will be holding their Kindergarten screening on Wednesday, May 23 and Thursday, May 24, 2012.

If you have a child who will turn five by December 1, 2012, please call the Edwards-Knox Elementary School Office at 562-8132 to set up an appointment for the Kindergarten screening.

Please note you will need to bring your child's birth certificate, immunization record, and completed registration form to your scheduled Kindergarten screening appointment.

# UNIVERSAL PREKINDERGARTEN 2012-2013 School Year

Any child in the Edwards-Knox Central School District who is or will be four years old on or before December 1, 2012, is eligible to attend the Edwards-Knox Universal Prekindergarten program.

If you have a child who is eligible and who wishes to attend the Prekindergarten program, please call the Elementary Office at 562-8132 to request an application be sent to you.

If you have any questions, you may call 562-8132 and speak with Sherry Shattuck in the Elementary Office; ask for Joni Macaulay; or call Joni at home at 287-4517.



New York State's Teacher and Principal Evaluation System New York State recently revised its system for conducting annual teacher and principal performance reviews. **The New York State School Boards Association** has provided some answers to FAQs to help explain the evaluation system.

For more information about *New York State's teacher and principal evaluation system*, contact your school building principal or your superintendent of schools.



What is New York's new process for evaluating teachers and principals?



What happens if a teacher receives a "developing" or "ineffective" evaluation?



New York public school districts are required to evaluate teachers and principals each year through a process known as Annual Professional Performance Review, or "APPR." The new system requires that the annual evaluations of *all* teachers and principals be based, in part, on their students' performance.



Teachers and principals rated as either "developing" or "ineffective" will receive a Teacher Improvement Plan (TIP) or Principal Improvement Plan (PIP), respectively, in order to improve performance. Teachers and principals who have had two consecutive ratings of "ineffective" may be dismissed through an expedited process.



How will teachers and principals be scored?



Will I have access to the rating of my child's teacher or principal?



Under the new evaluation system, teachers and principals will receive a composite score from one to 100 based on the following factors:

- Student growth on state assessments (or a comparable measurement if there is no such data available);
- Student achievement on a local school district assessment; and
- Other measures of the teacher's or principal's effectiveness such as observations, with an emphasis on the teacher's performance in the classroom and the principal's performance in the building.

Based on their scores, teachers and principals will receive one of four ratings: *Highly Effective, Effective, Developing,* or *Ineffective*. If an individual is scored as ineffective in both of the student achievement sections of the evaluation, he or she cannot receive an overall rating of "effective."



Undetermined. State lawmakers have discussed making these evaluations available for parents, but as of this writing the issue is unresolved. However, a court ruling pertaining to New York City specified that teacher and principal ratings must be released.





# 7-12 News Michelle Varian, Principal

#### **Reserved Calendar Dates**

May 3 - Parents' Association Meeting at 6:00 PM in library

May 8 - Annual Budget Hearing

May 11 - End of 35-week progress period

May 12 - Junior/Senior Prom

May 15 - Budget Vote

May 16 - Spring Concert (grades 7-12)

May 17 - Progress Reports Sent Home

May 25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day Weekend - no school

June 7 - Parent association Meeting 6:00 PM in library

June 12 - 9:10 - 10:40 - SWT Awards Assembly @ Gouverneur High School

12:45 - 1:15 - 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards Assembly

1:30 - 2:30 - 9<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards Assembly

June 13-22 - Regents, RCT's and Proficiency Exams

June 19 - 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony at 7:00 PM

June 21 - Last Day of School

June 22 - Report Cards Mailed Home

June 23 - Commencement @ 7:00 PM

### **SOUTHWEST TECH TOP ACHIEVERS**

The following students, who are the Top Achievers at Southwest Tech, are in the top 20 percent of their respective classes for the marking period ending March 30, 2012. Congratulations to them!

Kristina Klock: Alternative Education Alexander McDonald: Auto Tech I

Lucas Fuller: Auto Tech II
Terry Halll: Building Trades I
Kristina Klock: Cosmetology I
Harlee Marschat: Cosmetology II
Caleb Fuller: Criminal Justice II
Tina Paro: Early Childhood I
Paine Morse: Multi-Occupations I

Trevor Whitmarsh: Metal Working Tech II

### SPRING ATHLETIC SCHEDULES

### Varsity Baseball

04/17 vs. Harrisville

04/19 vs. P-H

04/23 @ St. Regis Falls

04/24 vs. Chateaugay

04/30 @ Tupper Lake

05/03 @ Harrisville

05/07 @ P-H

05/11 vs. St. Regis Falls

05/14 vs. Tupper Lake

05/15 @ Chateaugay

05/17 vs. Madrid-Waddington\*

### **Modified Baseball**

04/17 @ Harrisville

04/19 @ P-H

04/30 vs. Tupper Lake

05/04 vs. Harrisville

05/07 vs. P-H

05/15 vs. Chateaugay

05/17 @ Madrid-Waddington\*

05/19 @ Tupper Lake

### Golf

04/30 @ Clifton-Fine

05/02 vs. Heuvelton

05/04 vs. Norwood-Norfolk

05/07 @ Malone vs. C-F, Salmon River, & Tupper

Lake

05/09 vs. Tupper Lake

05/11 @ Brushton-Moira

05/14 @ Madrid-Wadd.

05/16 @ Norwood-Norfolk

05/18 @ Tupper Lake





### Varsity Softball

04/17 vs. Harrisville

04/19 vs. P-H

04/23 @ St. Regis Falls

04/24 vs. Chateaugay

04/28 Big Green Classic

Tourn. @ H-D

04/30 @ Tupper Lake

05/02 @ Colton-Pierrepont

05/03 @ Harrisville

05/07 @ P-H

05/11 vs. St. Regis Falls

05/14 vs. Tupper Lake

05/15 @ Chateaugay

05/17 vs. Madrid-Waddington

05/21 vs. Colton-Pierrepont

### **Modified Softball**

04/17 @ Harrisville

04/19 @ P-H

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05/15 vs. Chateaugay\*

05/17 @ Madrid-Wadd.\*

05/19 @ Tupper Lake

05/21 @ Colton-Pier.

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### 7-12 Guidance News

Linda Alford, Guidance Counselor

#### COLLEGE/MILITARY ACCEPTANCES FOR SENIORS

Making plans for the future is an exciting time for our seniors. I am proud of the work they have done and continue to do. Please help me congratulate the following seniors who have already received their acceptances. This is a list that the guidance office is aware of as of April 17th:

Kylie Averill - SUNY Plattsburgh

Rachel Brazeau - Penn View Bible Institute

Claire Davis - Utica College, Keuka College

Karl Dumoulin - Paul Smith's

Janna Fountain - SUNY Plattsburgh

**Benjamin Fuller** - Tiffin U., University of Findlay, Mansfield U., Ithaca College, RIT, California U. of Pennsylvania, Gannon U., Mercyhurst College, SUNY Brockport, LeMoyne College, SUNY Oswego, SUNY Fredonia

Lucas Fuller - University of Northwestern Ohio

Alexia Hawn - Siena College, LeMoyne College

Cameron Koster - East Michigan U., Kent State U.

Mercedes Mackin - SUNY Plattsburgh

Harlee Marschat - SUNY Canton, Hudson Valley CC, North Country CC

Kevin McNamara - Clarkson U.

Kyrsten Phelps - SUNY Potsdam, SUNY Plattsburgh, Clarkson U.

Jasamin Reese - North Country CC, SUNY Plattsburgh

Madison Tresidder - SUNY Canton

**Veronica White** - Walsh U., Utica College, Daemen College, University of Findlay, Gannon U., D'Youville College, Nazareth College, Clarkson U.

Scott Whitmarsh - SUNY Canton

Trevor Whitmarsh - Mohawk Valley CC

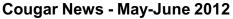
Seniors are encouraged to bring a copy of their acceptance letters to the Guidance office.

### GATEWAYS FOR SENIORS

Edwards-Knox Seniors participated in "Gateways 2012". This program is offered by the Office of Educational Partnerships and is designed to give all St. Lawrence County seniors the opportunity to practice the skills needed to obtain a job. On April 25<sup>th</sup> students will experience mock job interviews, have their resume critiqued, and have discussions about their communication skills. There will be over 100 employers from the area to help with this endeavor.

### **COLLEGE VISIT**

On March 8<sup>th</sup> the High School Guidance Office sponsored a field trip for interested Juniors and Seniors to explore opportunities available to them at SUNY Plattsburgh. Students were presented with great information about the college they visited and had an informative tour of the campus.





E-K at SUNY Plattsburgh

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### **SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

Seniors are encouraged to continue filling out scholarship applications. Information can be found in the High School Guidance office or the E-K Guidance web page at <a href="https://www.ekcsk12.org/guidance/scholarships.pdf">www.ekcsk12.org/guidance/scholarships.pdf</a>

Some Scholarship applications can be printed from the guidance web page at http://www.ekcsk12.org/guidance/ under local scholarship applications.

**Loop Scholarship Applications** are available on the guidance web page: www.ekcsk12.org/guidance/applications/loopscholarship.pdf.

The Ray Loop Scholarship is available for anyone who meets the following criteria:

- 1. Is a graduating senior or a graduate of Edwards-Knox, or Knox Memorial.
- 2. Have an average of at least 85% or a cumulative average of 2.5 GPA
- 3. Studying Theology or a medical field (to be determined by the committee)

### WORKING CARD APPLICATIONS OBTAINED IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Please complete your working card paperwork in May or June if you plan to work during summer vacation.



Students less than 18 years of age who are employed after school or during vacations are required to have a Working Card. This involves filling out and having a parent sign an Application for Employment Certificate and having a doctor complete a Physical Fitness Certification based upon a physical examination performed within a calendar year. These forms can be picked up in the High School Guidance Office. A current sports physical or school physical (given to all 7th & 10th Grade Students at Edwards-Knox) is sufficient to meet the physical requirement. The school nurse can help with the completion of the Physical Fitness Certification for

those students who have had a physical in school.

Students must submit the required completed forms to the Guidance Office.

We will do our best to provide you with the proper forms and knowledge of procedures, but getting things done in a timely fashion is up to you. Please don't wait until the end of June to start this process. During mid-summer there will be times when both Mrs. Finnerty and Ms. Alford will not be available. Be sure to plan ahead!

### 7-12 Guidance News

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## EDWARDS-KNOX TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Edwards-Knox Teachers Association created a \$500.00 scholarship to assist a graduate who has elected to pursue a career in education. The committee will make the selection based on scholarship, leadership, service, character and potential for success. The Scholarship will be presented during the student's senior year. To be eligible students must:

Be a graduate of Edwards-Knox Central School, Edwards School, or Knox Memorial School. Have completed <u>at least</u> the first semester of the Junior year by the end of June and haven't started the senior year<sup>1</sup>.

Hold a Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher.

Complete an application form.

Submit an official transcript that includes grades for all courses taken.

Submit two letters of recommendation (one must be from a college professor).

Proof of enrollment in the field of education or teaching (course schedule, semester bill) for the fall semester.\*

All documents must be postmarked no later than <u>August 31</u> to the following address:

Edwards-Knox Central School % Teachers Association President P.O. Box 630 Russell, NY 13684

Documents that are hand delivered must be dated and initialed by school personnel.

\* The Scholarship recipient who is starting the second semester of the Junior year in September will wait until the Spring semester, when starting the Senior year, to receive the award. Proof of Senior year enrollment will also be necessary at that time.

# APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE EDWARDS-KNOX GUIDANCE OFFICE

or by visiting www.ekcsk12.org

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> criteria subject to change without notice



The National Honor Society inducted students into the Edwards-Knox Chapter on April 20th. These students were selected based on scholarship, leadership, character, and

service. Student applications for acceptance are reviewed by a faculty council and a rubric is in place to determine what students are eligible for membership.

Congratulations to this year's new inductees: Samantha Ellison, Brianna Farr, Katie Hale, Harleigh LeBarge,



Alyssa Parker, Sarah Rice, Kate Rowe, Alison Thompson, and Tyler Tresidder.

### **COURSE SELECTION MEETINGS**

Students have been spending time with Ms. Alford in her guidance office over the last month determining what courses they will choose to take in their junior senior high school careers at EK. The state requires many classes but the student does begin to have more choice as they move up in grade. Last year we expanded the Enriched English courses offered in the high school and put a reading class into place for students who still could benefit from reading instruction. A one year accelerated Global program was introduced as well as Enriched US History for eleventh graders. College Algebra and Accounting were added also and are approved for college credit through Paul Smiths College. A Leadership elective has been offered and designed by Mrs. Sykes for students seeking leadership skills. We implemented a Project Based Learning Science class for some of our seventh graders to experience science from a problem-solving perspective.

Improved program options for next year include two new AP courses, Modern European History and US History, and the offerings of Business Math and Project Based Science at the high school level. (Two courses that had been dropped this year.) Enriched English will be offered at all high school levels. Students continue to be provided as many options as possible to meet their individual needs. Electives in foreign language, business, art, and agriculture continue to be an important part of our high school program along with the core curriculum courses.

### POLICY COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Committees are being formed to look at our retention policy for grades 5-8, the athletic policy, and the electronic device policy. If you are interested in being part of these committees please contact Mrs. Varian at <a href="mailto:562-8131">562-8131</a> or by e-mail at <a href="mailto:mvarian@ekcsk12.org">mvarian@ekcsk12.org</a>. The committees will begin work in May.

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E-KCS Drama Club presented Cinderella, the musical, by Rogers and Hammerstein, on April 28th and 29th. The cast and stage crew had over thirty students in grades 6-12 involved. In addition to that students in 7th grade art classes made paper mache turkey legs and t-bone steaks, a wedding cake, and DVD covers for the video. Students from Mr. Gault's woodworking class and metal work students created back drops and the carriage for the musical. The multi-media class contributed the video transformation of the Fairy Godmother's magic turning the pumpkin to a carriage and the mice to white horses.



Many hours of work and practice went into this adventure and I would like to thank the people involved. Hats off to Mrs. Doyle, Mrs. Truesdell, Ms. Eipp, Ms. Rickett, Mrs. Rice, Mr. Coon, Mr. Gault, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Alford, Mr. Varian, and Mr. Remington. Thanks to the custodial staff, Ms. Kelly, Lindsay and Dan from SUNY Potsdam, the SUNY Potsdam theater department and the St. Lawrence University theater department. Thanks to Anisa's grandmother, Ashley's brother and sister, and all the community members who attended the performance. Thank you to all the musicians in the orchestra pit who brought live music to our show.

Congratulations to the students who took a risk, put themselves on stage for all to see, and in the end became more well-rounded by participating in the arts: Anisa Hotaling, Jarrett Bullock, Harlee Marschat, Patty Colton, Nicole Hendricks, Makayla Bartocha, Ciara Bates, Kara Davis, Jeremy White, Katelynd Hill, Scott Whitmarsh, Tamara Watson, Alyssa Allen, Ashley Robidoux,

Emily Kerr, Lexi Hebb, Joe Powers, Julie Ashley, Kaleb Bartocha, Hunter Phelps, Nick Wolfe, Peyton DaFoe, Cheyann Tate, Nick Dinino, and Cheyenne Schwartfigure. Technical support students Tyler LaPlante, Jesse Bullock, Tyler Tresidder, Marissa Johnson, Jason Burke, Will Smith, Kaden Dandrow, and Hunter Tuttle.

Thank you to the community businesses and individual patrons who donated to our musical. We have tried to represent our school and community with much pride and effort. Your support is

appreciated as well. I had a vision of bringing a group of people together with a goal in mind, a musical that everyone could take ownership in being part of and I have felt much satisfaction in being involved in this experience. There is much talent in this school and community.



### E-KCS COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY



E-KCS students gave back to their communities on April 5, 2012 in various forms of community service. Students had the option of choosing an activity they wanted to participate in. The junior high stage band and the cast from Cinderella travelled to the Maplewood Campus senior housing and the United Helpers Russell apartments for senior citizens to perform songs from the musical and band music. The National Honor Society hosted a blood drive here on school grounds with many students donating blood as well as some community members. A bus load of

students traveled to Huckleberry and Moon Lake to walk the trails and pick up trash. They came back with four bags of garbage and a toilet seat! Members from student government traveled to Gouverneur's Save-a-Lot to collect food to be donated to the local food pantry.

Some students worked with elementary students as they prepare for a joint Spring Olympics activity. They made banners and played games and read with students from the grades they will be connected to for the day in May. Another group of students chose to create cards and care packages for our military men and women who are committed to serving our country. A couple of Veterans were able to spend the morning with our students as they worked on this project. The last group of students raked the Russell Cemetary, removing leaves and debris from the area.





One of our goals for the day was to reach out to people older and younger to develop relationships and a comfort level to interact with people at various stages of their lives. A good day was had by all. If you can think of a project you would like us to include next year please contact the high school office. We are always looking for ideas so all the students find an activity they feel is worthwhile. I would encourage those students who did not attend school that day and their parents to reconsider the value of giving back to the community through the meaning of this community service day so that next year we have one hundred percent participation by our students.

### **TERM 3 HONOR ROLL 2011-2012**

### **GRADE 12**

### Outstanding Honor Roll (95.0-100)

Janna Fountain

### High Honor Roll (90.0-94.99)

Kylie Averill	Kendra Horne	Shelby Searles
Caleb Fuller	Mercedes Mackin	Michael Smith
Lucas Fuller	Kevin McNamara	Veronica White
Alexia Hawn		

### Honor Roll (85.0-89.99)

Claire Davis	Harlee Marschat	Brody White
Lateia Gravett	Kristopher Matthie	Trevor Whitmarsh
Jacob Kingrey	Ryan Meilleur	Takumi Yamada
Cameron Koster	Kyrsten Phelps	

### **GRADE 11**

### **Outstanding Honor Roll**

none

### **High Honor Roll**

Zachary Allen	Brianna Farr	Tina Paro
Samantha Ellison	Alexander McDonald	Alison Thompson

### **Honor Roll**

Jesse Bullock	Katie Hale	Alex Parrish
Chistopher Davison	Terry Hall	Tyler Tresidder
Nicholas Davison	Kristina Klock	Nicholas Wolf
Morgan Deon		

### **GRADE 10**

### Outstanding Honor Roll

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### **High Honor Roll**

Kaden Dandrow	Katelynd Hill	Sarah Rice
Kyle Gotham	Alyssa Parker	Kate Rowe

### TERM 3 HONOR ROLL 2011-2012 CONT'D.

**Honor Roll** 

Jordan Davis Jesse Fenlong Nicole Hendricks Marissa Johnson Harleigh LeBarge Leonard Walrath

Cody White Chloe Wilson

**GRADE 9** 

**Outstanding Honor Roll** 

Molly Burger Darrick Cutway

Richard Finnerty

**High Honor Roll** 

Makenna Ashley Megan Farr Rhiannon McBride Paine Morse Katelynn Smith Shaye Taylor Michaela Wilson

**Honor Roll** 

Nicholas Davis Mason Fountain Abbie Hale Brandon McKim Mackenzie Tresidder

**GRADE 8** 

**Outstanding Honor Roll** 

Catherine Curley Heather Finnerty

Nathan McCoy

Noah White

High Honor Roll

Dakotah Bacon Makayla Bacon Darian Fenton Luke Fenton

Caleb Rowe Trenton White

**Honor Roll** 

Kaleb Bartocha Joshua Brassard Jason Burke Rebecca Hathaway Anisa Hotaling Kassidy Keegan Allison Pharoah William Smith Kelsey White Nicolas Wolfe

**GRADE 7** 

**Outstanding Honor Roll** 

Mackenzie Frary Karlie French Arael Scott Cheyanna Tuttle

Alaina White

### TERM 3 HONOR ROLL 2011-2012 CONT'D.

### High Honor Roll

Ciara Bates Paige Clary Kayla Covey Shaylyn DeVito Jacob Fenlong **Brooke Fenton** 

Elise Franck Kristen Kroniser James Rice

### **Honor Roll**

Jarrett Bullock Alexander D'Agostino Kara Davis

Lilly Gladle

Daniel Gotham Emma-Lee Gotham Tera Mason Levin McIntosh

Aubrey Snell Tileigh Sturtevant Taylor Whitmarsh

### **BOCES TOP ACHIEVERS (Top 20% of their respective classes)**

Alternative Education

Kristina Klock

Auto Technology I Alexander McDonald

Auto Technology II

Lucas Fuller

**Building Trades I** Terry Hall

Cosmetology I Kristina Klock

Cosmetology II Harlee Marschat

Criminal Justice II Caleb Fuller

**Early Childhood** 

Education I Tina Paro

Metalworking Technology

Trevor Whitmarsh

Multi-Occupations I

Paine Morse

# TERRIFIC **IOB!!**

# CAFETERIA NEWS Kathleen Whitmarsh, Manager

#### Dear Residents:

The cafeteria just completed the SMI REVIEW (School Meals Initiative). The NYS Education Department visits and reviews all the menus, production records and watches the line run for a day. They plug the menus into their software and run a report that details all the calories, cholesterol, sodium, fiber, iron, calcium, vitamin-A, vitamin-C, protein, carbohydrates, Trans fat, Saturated Fats, and total fat in each meal for a week. They review menus for the month they visit, as well as the previous month. They state their findings and send copies to Ms. Kelly and to me.

Minor issues were uncovered such as a shortfall in fiber on a particular day, or a slight amount of extra sodium in a particular item. However, overall we were found to be in compliance in most areas. I wrote a letter stating how we will fix those few issues and most of the solutions are in the way the production records are being done, more so than in the food recipes.

Next year we will be complying with the new regulations. The minimum calories allowed per meal are lower and there is an upper cap for calories as well. With new regulations all students will have to take a full cup of fruit, or a full cup of vegetable, or ½ cup of each. We serve many choices so we are hopeful we will not have as big a change as other schools who only offer the bare minimum.

We also had the CRE REVIEW (Co-ordinated Review Effort) on April 18, 2012. Again, the NYS Education Department comes in and reviews all meal applications, all money that comes in and how it is spent, all production records, our wellness policy, our standard operating procedures, watches the lines at meal times to make sure everyone is being charged correctly and enough to cover the meal cost within guidelines, all menus, health inspections, expenses, and several other areas.

The finding of the review showed there were no violations financially and no violations in the general cafeteria. They did state that we serve more food at breakfast than required, which may not fit the new guidelines. However, they don't take affect until the 2013-2014 school year.

We plan to have a Stone Soup Day in early June. Hopefully all elementary students will get to hear the story of "STONE SOUP" and I hope many others will reread the book and refresh their memory. Each elementary class will be assigned a vegetable to bring to the kitchen to put in the soup that I will make just as the villagers do in the story. Teachers will teach their class a little about the vegetable they are bringing and students will be called to the cafeteria, for example, "Will the carrot people please bring the carrots to the kitchen." After all the vegetables are brought down and added to the soup and the soup is cooked, we will have it for lunch for the next few days. I am very excited about this and thank all the staff for all their ideas and their willingness to participate. As we work out the details, I just want to say THANK YOU!!

We are also having a school-wide picnic and Olympics day, weather permitting. We have a rain date so hopefully the weather will cooperate at least one of the days. There will be more details about this as it draws near at the end of May.

Sincerely,

Kathleen "Kathy" Whitmarsh Cook/Manager Cougar News - May-June 2012



# **MAY 2012 MENU**

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri
Prepayments Happily Accepted	1 Sausage or Corn Dog Peppers/Onions Frozen Veggies Milk Fruit	2 Pillsbury Pancake Sausage Hash Browns Milk Fruit	3Chicken Dinner Baked Potato Green Beans Bread Cranberry Sauce Milk Fruit	4 Fishburger on a bun Unbreaded Fish Fresh Veggies Mixed Veggies Milk Fruit
7Hamburger Bun	8 Chicken	9 Spaghetti w/ Meatball	10 Taco Day	11 Chicken
Tortilla Chips & Salsa Corn Milk Fruit	Nuggets Pasta Salad w/ Veggies Bread Milk Fruit	Tossed Salad Bread Milk Fruit	/Wrap Rice, Lettuce, Cheese, Corn Milk Fruit	Noodle Soup Tuna or Egg Sandwich Fresh Veggies Mllk Fruit
14 Goulash	15 Chicken	16 Hot Dog/	17 Turkey	18 Fishburger
Tossed Salad Bread Mllk Fruit Ice Cream	Patty / bun Unbreaded Chicken Broccoli Milk Fruit	<b>Bun</b> French Fries Mixed Veggies Milk Fruit	Dinner Mashed/Gravy Sweet Potato Bread Peas Cranberry Sauce Milk Fruit	on a bun Unbreaded Fish Fresh Veggies Mixed Beggies Milk Fruit
21 Pizza Green Beans Milk Fruit	22 Hot Dog/ Bun Mac & Cheese Mixed Veggies Milk Fruit	23 Pork Rib-B-Q/Bun Cole Slaw Tossed Salad Milk Fruit	24 PICNIC DAY  Hamburger  Hotdog/Bun  Fresh Veggies  Bag Chips Milk  Watermelon and  Fruit Choice  RAIN DAY 30th	25 NO SCHOOL Unused Emergency/ Snow Day
Memorial Day Memorial Memorial MEMORIAL DAY	29 NO SCHOOL Unused Emergency/ Snow Day	30 PIZZA Green Beans Milk Fruit Change with 24 if RAIN DAY	31 Chicken NUGGETS Pasta Salad w/ Veggies Bread Milk Fruit	
Kathy Whitmarsh Cafeteria Manager 562-8310, ex. 1507 Fax: 562-2477 kwhitmar@ekcsk12.org P.O. Box 630 2512 Co. Rt. 24 Russell, NY 13684	Breakfast Every Day Cereal, Milk, Juice Some Days: Bagels/ Cream Cheese, English Muffins, Danish, fresh fruit, breakfast bars, donuts, eggs.	subs offered eve choice. Milk, fr	Jelly, wraps and ry day as a lunch ruit, & vegetable ef Salad Tue &	7:45 A.M.

Menu subject to change without notice.



### JUNE 2012 MENU

Mon Tues Wed Thur Fri

**Kathy Whitmarsh** Cafeteria Manager 562-8310. ex. 1507 Fax: 562-2477 kwhitmar@ekcsk12.org P.O. Box 630 Russell, NY 13684

Breakfast Every Day: Cereal, Milk, Juice. Some Days: Bagels/Cream Cheese, English Muffins, Danish, fresh fruit, breakfast bars, donuts. eggs.

Do you think you qualify for free and reduced meals? If so, our school receives many benefits. Please apply or call us to discuss your eligibility.

Peanut Butter & Jelly and subs offered every day as a lunch choice. Milk, fruit, & vegetable every day. Chef Salad Tue & Thur. Trail Mix most days.

**Breakfast:** 7:45 A.M. Lunch: 11:00 A.M. -1:00 P.M.



1 Fishburger on a bun Unbreaded Fish Mixed Veggies Fresh Veggies Milk Fruit

4 Hamburger /Bun Tortilla Chips w/ Salsa Corn Milk Fruit

5 Spaghetti/ Meatball Bread **Tossed Salad** Milk Fruit

12 Sloppy Joe/

Bun

Chips

Tossed Salad

Milk

Fruit

Ice Cream

6 Pillsbury **Pancakes** Sausage Hash Browns Milk

Dinner **Mashes Potatoes** Gravv **Sweet Potato** Cranberry Sauce Peas Bread Milk Fruit

**Turkey** 

8 Pizza Green Beans Milk Fruit

11 Chicken Patty/Bun Unbreaded Chicken Broccoli Milk Fruit

Pizza

Green Beans

Milk

Fruit

18

25

19 Hot Dog/ Bun **Tossed Salad** Mixed Veggies Milk Fruit

13 Taco Day/ Wrap Rice Cheese, Lettuce

Fruit

Corn Milk Fruit 14 Hot Dog/ Bun French Fries Mixed Veggies Milk Fruit

15 Fishburger on a bun Unbreaded Fish

Mixed Veggies Fresh Veggies Milk Fruit

20 Hamburger on a bun Tortilla Chips & Salsa Corn Milk Fruit

21 Chicken Nuggets French Fries Bread Milk

Fruit

28

22 NO SCHOOL

> Unused Emergency/ **Snow Day**

26 27 29

### SUMMER VACATION





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### REMINDER: UNUSED EMERGENCY/SNOW DAYS - NO SCHOOL

Friday, May 25, 2012 Tuesday, May 29, 2012 Friday, June 22, 2012

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