Dear OCS Staff, Parents and Guardians:

I hope this newsletter finds all of you enjoying the warm summer weather. I am always excited to get another school year started and we are getting close. I am sure everyone is looking forward to being back to school and returning to routines of the school day filled with academic and extracurricular challenges and explorations.

We have had a busy and unusual summer here at Onondaga Central. We have filled many open positions along with all the typical work handled during the summer including making plans for the next school year, closing the academic and financial books for the previous school year, and conducting our annual audit. Please join me in welcoming over a dozen new staff members who are featured in the center pages later in the newsletter. I would like to commend our Administrators and interview committees for their hard work and attention to details interviewing, selecting and recommending our new staff. We are fortunate to have many enthusiastic and highly skilled individuals joining us at OCS in the fall!

Work also continues on the Capital Project. Contractors have been busy remodeling the Bus Garage and a few classroom areas in the buildings. Progress this summer has moved along in waves with shipment of materials, supplies and crews members. As you know the summers in CNY are a very busy time of year with construction projects in full bloom in accordance with the warmer weather. At all three instructional buildings there has been masonry restoration work with Wheeler ES just about complete. The masonry restoration work in all three buildings includes repointing the mortar, replacing bricks as needed, pressure washing and sealing the bricks, mortar and limestone with sealant. This is essential for the preservation of the buildings and maintaining the structures for generations.

Rockwell Elementary School - The Makerspace/STEM Learning area in the library did not require extensive work, but is waiting for the finishing touches and furniture to be installed. This will afford staff an area for hands on learning including but not limited to Legos, robotics, computers and other hands on constructible materials and manipulatives. Repointing of the brick work is underway and will be complete before school opens on September 5th for students.

Wheeler Elementary School - The STEM Lab learning room is getting closer to completion, case work and furniture is coming in with the room ready for installations followed by furniture placement. Staff at Wheeler is excited about the renovations to the room that will be used for Science lessons with various hands on labs and kits to learn about physical and life sciences. This space will also serve as a flexible classroom for all the STEM areas including but not limited to computers, robotics and other hands on materials and manipulatives.

Rob Price
Superintendent of Schools
Message From the Superintendent

Jr./Sr. High School - The Family and Consumer Science Room renovations are underway which includes two instructional kitchens that incorporate an open floor plan connecting the classrooms. This will afford the teachers and students more flexible accommodations for different classroom layouts and uses. The masonry restoration to the building includes repointing mortar of bricks and preservation and sealing of the limestone plus refinishing of the copper lettering on the front the Jr./Sr. High School building. During your visits to the Jr./Sr. High School these past few years you may have noticed that the hallway lockers from the 1935 original building and the main boys' and girls' locker rooms next to the gymnasium were in rough shape. We extended the life of the lockers by repainting them and cleaning up all the scratches from years of use.

Again this year, our staff has been extremely busy doing a great job getting the school buildings ready for classes to start and athletic grounds ready to begin the fall sports season. A notable area of maintenance we work on each summer is updating and replacing old computers and smart boards. Some of our smart boards are 10 years old. As we have done over the past few years, a replacement schedule was built into the budget to include replacing smart boards that failed during the school year. Additionally, we have various areas that were repainted to keep our buildings fresh and welcoming to all stakeholders and visitors.

Our instructional staff in Pre-K through 6th grade spent three days over the summer participating in instructional training for the implementation of Open Court Reading in PreK through 2nd grade and Wonders in 3rd through 6th grade. Additionally, instructional staff in Art, Math, Science and Social Studies worked for a few days this summer reviewing and updating curriculum to remain on the cutting edge and meeting changes of the Next Generations Learning Standards that are replacing the Common Core Learning Standards.

The first day of school is Wednesday September 5, 2018, with school attendance times as follows with changes only to the Jr./Sr. High School start and end times:

- Rockwell Elementary School: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm
- Wheeler Elementary School: 7:50 am - 2:12 pm
- Jr./Sr. High School: 7:45 am - 2:25 pm

Enjoy the last couple weeks of summer break. I look forward to seeing everyone at the start of school and working together towards another successful and rewarding school year!
Homecoming 2018

Homecoming 2018 is scheduled for Friday, September 28th and Saturday, September 29th. Friday night’s activities will include carnival attractions for the younger set, concessions along the Technology Building, and the “Wreck-a-Car” will be in its’ traditional space.

There will be a spaghetti dinner on Friday from 4:00 -7:00 pm. It is always a Homecoming favorite, serving delicious food at inexpensive prices. The Varsity Boys’ Soccer team takes the field vs. Jordan-Elbridge at 5:00 pm and the Varsity Girls’ Soccer team will also take on the Eagles at 7:00 pm on Friday night. We are encouraging people to utilize the parking lot located behind the District Office. The high school technology building parking lot will be taken up by the bonfire that will start at 6:30 pm. Friday night’s activities conclude with the yearbook sponsored Homecoming Dance from 7:30 to 10:30 pm. The king and queen will be crowned at 10:00 pm.

Saturday’s events begin with the traditional Homecoming Parade down South Onondaga Road. Our parade will follow its’ traditional route. Local law enforcement, fire departments and youth groups will intermingle with the four high school floats. This year we will have two float competitions. The first category is our traditional float competition between the different classes. The second is an open category and everyone is invited to enter. The winners of the float competitions will be announced during half time of the varsity football game.

Onondaga’s Varsity Football team hosts Morrisville-Eaton at 1:30 pm and promises to be a great game. There will be youth attractions and the many food concessions will be open from noon to 4:00 pm. As always, the concession tent will offer a wide variety of Homecoming favorites. Get there early for a good parking space and a seat in the stadium. Hope for good weather and sunshine as you renew friendships and enjoy the day! See you there!
# Upcoming Dates & Information

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## Moving over the summer?

If you know that your child will NOT be attending Onondaga Central School District for the 2018-2019 school year, please call the office of the school your child attends to let us know. We will be sure to complete all the necessary paperwork and have it ready to mail to your new school.

Jr./Sr. High School 315-552-5020  Wheeler 315-552-5050  Rockwell 315-552-5070
Revisions to School Health Services Regulations Effective 7/1/18

Effective 7/1/2018, the mandated years for health exams and screening will change. In addition, only the approved NYS School Health Examination Form may be used to document health exams to provide consistency across the state.

The Changes Are Provided Below

- Health examinations will be required in grades PreK or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.
- Vision screening for distance and near vision acuity will be required within 6 months of admission to school and in grades Pre K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Hearing screening utilizing pure tone testing will be required within 6 months of admission to school and in grades Pre K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Scoliosis screening will be required in grades 5 and 7 for girls and grade 9 for boys.

What You Need To Know

The use of the approved health form and changes to the grade level requirements are not effective until 7/1/18.

- 2018-2019 is a transition year and any health exam form signed by a NYS Physician, Nurse Practitioner, or Physician Assistant may be accepted.
- Changes for screening grades will not be implemented for the 2018-2019 school year.
- Schools should notify parents/guardians whose students will be in grades PreK or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 in the 2018-2019 school year now of the need to obtain a health examination for next school year.
- For the 2019-2020 school year, ONLY the approved NYSED form will be accepted.

OCS Fine Arts

Congratulations to Kelsey Carter (Class of 2018) for creating the winning design for the Annual Design the Tiger Contest! Kelsey's design was selected by administration as this year's winner and will be featured on the cover of the 2018-2019 School Planner for the Junior/Senior High School.

We received many great entries! All of our student artists did a wonderful job. Kelsey's design, as well as some of the others that we received, are on display at the high school through September.
Dear Rockwell Families,

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year! The Rockwell staff and I are looking forward to working with your children. I am anxious to meet our new Kindergarteners, our preschool students and to see our returning first and second graders. The entire building has been cleaned over the summer and looks shiny new. It looks beautiful!

The first day of school on September 5th is a full day of school. It is very important that a note be sent into school on the first day as to where your child will be going if not to their regular bus drop off location. The first few days of school the busses are usually later than the scheduled time due to additions to the schedule, new routes and children being shy and unsure of where they are to go. So the note in the morning will only help us, your child and the drivers get everyone where they need to be in a timely manner.

I would like to welcome our new Second Grade teacher, Ms. Burriesci to Rockwell. She comes to us from Westhill District where she has been for several years. I welcome Mrs. Moen back to second grade. She comes back to us from Wheeler where she taught Third Grade. I would also like to welcome Mr. Logan Aikins as our new Physical Education Teacher. Mr. Aikins comes to us from Morris Central School District.

The first day of school, September 5th we will hold Preschool Open House for both classrooms (4410 and UPK) from 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Parents and students are invited in to see the classrooms and meet the teachers and teacher assistants. Regular preschool classes begin on Thursday the 6th.

All new students, as well as preschool, kindergarten and first grade students must have their updated (within 1 year) immunization, physical and dental records on file. All students that take medication in school must have a NEW medication order each year signed by the physician and the parents. If your child takes emergency medication (epi-pen) the nurse must have that medication and doctor’s order on the first day of school. Forms are available on the web site or from the main office. You may drop forms off, mail them, fax them (552-5076) or send it in your child’s backpack to Mrs. Cormier at any time. The Emergency forms will be sent home the first day and must be returned to school on September 7th.

Our yearly "Meet the Teacher Night" will be on September 20th from 6:30-8:00 PM. There will be time to meet the teacher, see the classrooms, look over your child’s curriculum and a chance to purchase books at the Book Fair. The profits made at the Book Fair will go right back to the children covering items needed for the classrooms.

Rockwell School Picture Day is earlier than normal this year. Pictures will be taken on Thursday, September 20th. More information will be coming home about Picture Day.

Our first Morning Program will be held on September 14th at 9:00 AM. We will be celebrating September birthdays. I hope that many of you can join us for our celebration of learning and community.

If you have any concerns or questions throughout the school year, please do not hesitate to contact me. Just a reminder that the free and reduced lunch paperwork must be filled out each school year and returned to school before September 30th. I look forward to a tremendous year at Rockwell full of learning and fun.
Rockwell School

Celebrating Flag Day at Rockwell

Mrs. Lapine’s class celebrated Flag Day by performing on stage Thursday, June 14th. The students in Room 217 presented flag facts. We celebrated Flag Day by having Rockwell’s very own, Macie Barbuto, sing the National Anthem. Amazing! We finished with a parade of red, white, and blue around the neighborhood.

Engineering Day

First graders at Rockwell celebrated Engineering Day with Mr. Woolery on Monday, June 18th. Students from the Junior/Senior High School came to Rockwell to help teach our students all about science and engineering. Mr. Woolery did many experiments with us and we learned new science vocabulary words. At the end, we built an O Ring Jet Fighter Plane to take home. The big kids from the high school helped us to create our planes. We had so much FUN! Thank you, Mr. Woolery and the high schoolers, for taking time out to teach the students at Rockwell. We appreciate the time you spent with us.

Preschool Summer Fun!!
It is with great expectation that the Wheeler faculty and administration are looking forward to the start of the upcoming academic year. We are excited to see the many bright smiles on our children’s faces as they begin the 2018-2019 school year. The beginning of a new year is an exhilarating time for students, parents, and staff. It is an opportunity for children to continue on their educational journey with new teachers, new students, and new ideas.

As the new school year begins, there are several events that help families get acclimated to the new grade level. Third grade families are invited to come to Wheeler at 6:00 p.m. on August 29 for a presentation and then go to see the classrooms. Please understand that the teachers will not be there on that night. On September 19 from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wheeler School will hold a curriculum night for parents. Teachers will do the same presentation at 6:00 and 6:30 regarding curriculum and classroom expectations. Presentations are done twice so that parents with multiple students in the school can visit both classrooms or visit special area teachers.

As the school year begins, parents are encouraged to keep in touch with teachers. Write notes or e-mails to let teachers know about events at home that might be affecting your child’s learning. Attend conferences to talk about your child’s needs and progress. Finally, remember that there are no bad questions. Teachers love to work with parents who show a genuine interest in their child’s education.

Most families find that September brings the opportunity to help children develop good habits of being on time for school and using backpacks to carry planners and other school materials. Some other positive organizational habits to get into are having a specific spot to do homework each night and then repacking the backpack that night so it is ready for the following morning. Those small organizational practices can make school that much easier for students.

Please remember that the first day of school is Wednesday, September 5th. As the new school year begins, families receive a great deal of information about school. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 552-5050. Our faculty thanks you for your ongoing support and involvement. Best wishes to you and your family for an enjoyable and successful school year.
Wheeler School

Special Persons Day!

On May 15th Wheeler Student Council hosted “Special Persons Day” in the school’s small gym. The event, which coincided with the OCS Budget Vote date, was a great success! A delicious buffet of spaghetti and meatballs, salad, and bread, followed by a Green Hills cake for dessert, was enjoyed by special friends invited by both sixth graders and Student Council members. Student Council members set up the gym, greeted and sat visitors, and cleaned up afterward. The Cafeteria and Custodian personnel were a huge help. Entertainment was provided by Wheeler musicians and there was even a sneak preview featuring a scene from the upcoming drama production. Wheeler looks forward to next year and a repeat of this year’s accomplishment!

Wheeler Instrumental Concert!
Donna Alnutt
My Name is Donna Alnutt and I am the Payroll / Accounts Payable Clerk. I have over 25 years of accounting experience, most recently at the Fabius-Pompey School District as the Payroll / Human Services Clerk. I grew up in the Fabius area and have two sons. In my free time I enjoy spending time with my sons and family. I am happy to be part of the Onondaga Central Business Office. I will definitely have to work on changing up some of my red and white wardrobe for some green.

Logan Aikins
My name is Logan Aikins and I grew up in Sherburne, NY. I received a Bachelor Degree from Springfield College (MA) in Applied Exercise Science. I went on to work at Upstate Cerebral Palsy as a Recreation Therapy Specialist for a few years while working towards my Master’s Degree in Health and Physical Education from Canisius College in Buffalo. I look forward to joining the team at Rockwell Elementary School, and meeting all of our students!

Ariana Burriesci
Hi Everyone! My name is Ariana Burriesci and I am so proud to call Rockwell Elementary my new home! I have worked in the education setting for about 10 years now. During this time I worked as a Special Education Teaching Assistant, Substitute Teacher, and a Respite Provider to children with special needs.

I grew up in Syracuse, NY and studied Elementary Inclusive Education at Le Moyne College. I received my Masters in Elementary and Special Education this year.

I am beyond excited to begin teaching second grade! I am looking forward to seeing all of the students’ smiling faces and being able to share with them my love of learning!

Kelly Casey
Hi! My name is Kelly Casey, and I am thrilled to be joining the faculty at OCS Jr. Sr. High School. I have been teaching at Bishop Ludden for the past 2 years, and I hold dual certifications in special education and biology 7-12. I have earned a Bachelors degree in Environmental Studies from SUNY-ESF (2003) and a Masters degree in Education from LeMoyne College (2016).

My husband and I are from Western New York, but have lived in Syracuse for 17 years. We are Syracuse City residents in the Strathmore neighborhood, and have 3 children, Liam (16), Norah (12) and Finnegan (7). In my free time, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, going to the beach, camping, reading, cooking and skiing/snowboarding. A few highlights of my summer were visiting the Outer Banks in North Carolina and participating in a local Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) farm right here in Onondaga, called Stones Throw Farm.

What a great opportunity to be a part of such a great school district as I enter this new chapter of my teaching career. Thank you!
Welcome New Staff

Eileen Dugan
Hi, my name is Eileen Dugan and I am very happy to join the staff at Rockwell Elementary as a speech therapist. I know first hand how wonderful and special the children attending Rockwell are as I served in the position last year as a long-term substitute speech therapist. I’m honored to continue working amongst a team of such dedicated and exceptional teachers. I come to OCS with over 25 years of experience working in my field. I earned my undergraduate degree from SUNY Cortland and my master’s degree from Syracuse University. I have previous experience working in the school system as well as having been a private contractor. I live in Baldwinsville with my husband and we have three grown children. In my spare time I love reading, traveling and spending time with our family and friends. I am looking forward to another great year at Rockwell and being a member of the OCS community.

Brooke Haines
Hello! My name is Brooke Haines. I am an Onondaga Central School graduate and have an Associate’s Degree in Education from O.C.C. Professionally I have over 15 years of corporate accounting experience and a lifetime of teaching experience from Peer Mentoring in high school to Sunday school teaching at Apple Valley UMC. I am a member of the South Onondaga Fire Department Auxiliary and love helping in the community!
I enjoy time with my family, my husband, our two kids, Aubrey and Jeremy and our cat Heidi. In my spare time I love reading, drinking coffee and growing houseplants. I look forward to working at the Jr/Sr High School as a teaching assistant. I am excited about helping turn challenges into opportunities.

Emily Fitzgerald
Hello! My name is Emily Fitzgerald. I will be teaching 5th grade at Wheeler Elementary this school year while Mrs. Bell is on maternity leave. I graduated from SUNY Cortland in December 2016 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Childhood Education. I was certified in Childhood Education 1-6 in January of 2017; which is also when I started my master’s degree in Literacy Education B-6 through SUNY Oneonta. I will graduate with my master’s degree this upcoming spring. I have had multiple long term substitute positions in 4th, 5th, and 6th grade since graduating from SUNY Cortland. Outside of school I love hiking, biking, reading, and playing with my cat Stella! I am so excited about this opportunity and am looking forward to a great year at Wheeler!

Jerome Pristash
Jerome "Jay" Pristash - was born in Syracuse and was raised in Dewitt. I spent more than 30 years with the New York State Police and worked in a number of different positions across the state. During my career I commanded two different patrol stations as a sergeant. While a lieutenant, I spent time commanding two different narcotics units. I also spent time assigned to Troop D where I supervised the State Police School Resource Officer program. As a captain I did much of the State Police planning for the New York State Fair, as well as being primarily responsible for supervision at the Fair during the afternoon and evening hours. I retired in 2015 as a captain assigned to Troop D Headquarters in Oneida.

After my retirement from the State Police, I worked directly for the State Fair for two years as their Emergency Preparedness Coordinator and also handled special projects for them.
Welcome New Staff

Jamie Reistrom

Hello! Bonjour! My name is Jamie Ann Reistrom and I am extremely excited to join the team as the new English as a New Language Teacher for the Onondaga Central School District. Born and raised in Syracuse, New York, I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I graduated from Henninger High School in Syracuse, New York and then attended SUNY Cortland where I earned my Bachelor's of Science degree in Early Childhood and Childhood Education. To meet the needs of all children, I also attended LeMoyne College where I received certification for Students with Disabilities. I continued my education at SUNY Cortland where I received my Master's in Second Language Education with a concentration in English as a Second Language. My next educational goal is to pursue National Board Certification.

In my spare time, I love to salsa dance, attend yoga and aerial silks classes, and travel whenever I can. I have traveled to London, Paris, Interlaken, Switzerland, Italy, Vienna, and Budapest. This past summer, I traveled to SuQian, China where I taught English to Chinese teachers learning English. The sky is the limit and I cannot wait to engage in new learning adventures with the students in Onondaga Central School District.

Warren Smith

I graduated from Harpursville Central School, which is a small school near Binghamton, New York. From there I went on to graduate from the United States Military Academy at West Point and served in the Army both at home and abroad. After finishing my active duty commitment; I returned to the Syracuse area, earned my teaching certificate at SUNY Cortland, and started teaching math at Chittenango Middle School. I continued my education by completing a Master of Science degree in education (mathematics) at Cortland and a Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) in educational leadership from Syracuse University. I also earned a Master of Strategic Studies degree from the United States Army War College.

Since earning my CAS, I served as an assistant principal with the Fayetteville-Manlius School District and a building principal for the Otselic Valley School District.

I live in Jamesville, New York with my wife and twin boys. Jen, my wife of 26 years, earned her PhD in civil engineering at Syracuse University and is a professional engineer with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation in Syracuse. She is an avid photographer and enjoys sharing her photos. My boys, Caleb and Sam, are active in sports, Boy Scouts, music, and the arts. They are constantly on the go but still enjoy their time with their cat (Snowy Mittens) and their Xbox.

We are excited at the opportunity to join the team at Wheeler Elementary and Onondaga Central School. I’m looking forward to meeting the students, staff, and community over the next several weeks.
The 2018-2019 school year is about to begin, and we're all busy getting ready for your arrival. We are looking forward to your first day of school on September 5th! During the first week of August, OCS families should have received a mailing at their primary home addresses which includes student schedules, permission slips and other important information. There are many forms which students and parents need to review and sign, and others that need to be returned to school at the beginning of the year – so please pay careful attention to the packet checklist and instructions. If you have any questions regarding the information you receive over the summer, please call the Main Office at 315-552-5020 and we will be happy to assist you.

We have some staffing changes at the Junior Senior High School for the upcoming school year: Our new Assistant Principal is Russ Stanton. He has been busy getting acquainted with our school and some staff and students that have stopped by this summer. We also welcome Kelly Casey as our Special Education teacher and Brooke Haines as our Teaching Assistant.

NEW 7th GRADERS: We look forward to meeting you and your parents at our 7th Grade Orientation on September 4th at 5:00. You are encouraged to bring your school supplies to this very important event! Until September, have a wonderful summer, have fun and read a great book!
SAVE THIS IMPORTANT DATE: ONE NIGHT – 2 EVENTS!

7TH GRADE ORIENTATION
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 2018
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM
JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA

Parents and 7th Grade Students are invited to attend this very important event!

Come and meet your teachers, tour the building, find your classrooms, test out your locker combination and enjoy some pizza and drinks!

PLEASE BRING YOUR SUPPLIES WITH YOU TO ORIENTATION
(School supply lists are posted on the OCS High School Website)

The 7th Grade Teaching Team will be discussing goals and expectations, and instructing new students how to organize their supplies for the first day of school.

Join us and get a head start on the 2018-2019 school year!

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MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT/LOCKER NIGHT
GRADES 7 – 12
JR./SR. HIGH SCHOOL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4th, 2018
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Bring your parents and families to school for our annual MEET THE TEACHER NIGHT – walk through your class schedule and visit with your teachers, pick up information in our high school Media Center, and enjoy special presentations and hands-on activities in the classrooms! Test out your locker combination and drop off your school supplies, too.

Meet the Teacher event is for students and families in all Grades 7 – 12. Hope to see you there!
Important Dates for 2018-2019

2019 AP Exams
AP United States Government & Politics – Monday, May 6 at 8:00 AM
AP Psychology – Thursday, May 9 at 12:00 PM
AP United States History – Friday, May 10 at 8:00 AM
AP World History – Thursday, May 16 at 8:00 AM

PSAT – Wednesday, October 10, 2018

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*No test centers are scheduled in New York for the February and July test dates.

January Regents schedule is Tuesday, January 22 – Friday, January 25.
June Regents schedule is Monday, June 3 and Tuesday June 18 – Wednesday, June 26.
Congratulations to the following Social Studies students who scored a 5 on their AP Exams:

AP World History:
• Samantha Geis
• Allee Mack
• Devin Swidowski-Gebman
• Owen Walker

AP US Government & Politics:
• Julia Corrente
• Taylor Featherstone
• Abigail Rumney

Correction!
2017-2018 11th grade student, Carly Smith, should have appeared on the 5th Marking Period Principal’s List. Congratulations to Carly for having a GPA of 100% for the 5th Marking Period!

German-American Society of Central New York Scholarship

Paige Miller was honored as one of six students in all of Central New York to win the German-American Society of Central New York Scholarship. She and her family, along with her German teacher Herr Solan, attended a celebration dinner on April 30th at Turner Hall on the north side. At the celebration each student read his or her acceptance speech in German. The students also enjoyed German songs and dancing. She is very thankful to Herr Solan for all of his help over the past two years. She is pictured here with him on graduation day. Gute Arbeit Paige!
Honor Roll - 6th Marking Period

7th Grade
Adams, Josiah*
Annable, Gavin*
Barr, Cole*
Baxter, Destiny*
Breyette-Fitzgerald, Kye
Chen, Andy*
Cook, Shawn*
Corrente, Prudence*
Donath, Emma*
Frye, Adam*
Geis, Jacquelyn*
Holl, Kaitlyn*
Johnson, Zachary*
Kopp, Julia*
LaMacchia, Hannah*
Loan, Evelyne*
Mackey, Elsie*
Mango, Isabella
Massaro, Jonathan
Mathes, Gabriel*
McIntosh, Samuel*
Murphy, Ava*
Neuser, Kendall*
Patterson, Jenna
Price, Natalie*
Reed, Serenity*
Riker, Angela
Senn, Jarett
Smith, Makenna*
Spicer, Ava*
Stevens, Lily
Stopyro, Alison
Taylor, Faith*
Thivierge, Theodore*
Thurston, Arthur*
Towne, Brooklyn
Turner, Ian*
Underberg, Jonathan*
Vonderweidt, Andre*
Walker, Brigid*
Wilson, Natalie*

8th Grade
Abbott, Kaitlyn*
Adams, Paul*
Alaniz, Cecilia*
Baker, Alexis*
Bennett, Cody
Bennett, Jeffrey
Briere, Syanna*
Button, Kayla*
Cox, Riley*
Dankiw, Caitlin*
Decker, Joshua
Donath, Joslyn*
Dunmore, Kayla
Fowler, Ryan
Francis, Emily*
Fresina, Gianna*
Griskauskas, Corey*
Gunter, Kathleen*
Hirlic, Muamer*
Holl, Nadia*
Holsinger, Jack
Holsinger, Morgan*
Hourigan, Coleton*
Isgar, Hanna*
Jacobson, Breanna*
Jaynes, Colin
Kopp, Richard*
Murphy, Alexis*
Myer, Sophia*
Rudd, Tala*
Shackleton, Amelia*
Strand, Marah*
Taylor, Nickolas*
Thorpe, Jessica*
Thousand, Lana
Timmerman, Emily*
Toomey, Nicholas*
Woolery, Vanessa*

*Indicates High Honor Roll
Honor Roll - 6th Marking Period

### 9th Grade
- Almaliki, Zahara*
- Baker, Avianna
- Barclay, Daniel*
- Carter, Austin
- Carter, Evan*
- Cutri, Ashlynn*
- Deordio, Macey*
- Derby, Mariah*
- DiLucchio, Alexis*
- Doner, Colin*
- Dooley, Nicole*
- Featherstone, Sophia*
- Field, Cassidy*
- Fitzgibbons, Larissa*
- Flanagan, Bailee*
- Gamlen, Cassidy
- Geis, Tucker*
- Gibbs, Makenzie*
- Grady, Dakari*
- Gregus, Christopher*
- Haines-McLaughlin, Calie*
- Hall, Julie*
- Hayes, Shawn
- Herbst, Elizabeth*
- Hourigan, Sarah*
- Howard, Azaria
- Krell, Jacob
- Lewandowski, Alannah*
- Martin, Mia*
- Miller, Ethan*
- Moore, Lauren*
- Moses, Violet*
- Neidl, Billie
- Neidl, Bobbie*
- Okhman, Paul*
- Owens, King
- Pinkett, Aiden*
- Piron, Bryce*
- Power, Aine
- Price, Dylan*
- Pryce, Tionna*
- Recor, Nathaniel
- Rumney, Emma*
- Southard, Ellie*
- Strand, Colton*
- Sutton, Antoinette*
- Volles, Lauren*
- Walker, Colin
- Williams, Navada*

### 10th Grade
- Amidon, Emily*
- Anderson, Raymond*
- Delaney, Zachary*
- Doupe, MacKenzie*
- Francis, Gracie*
- Freeman, Jaidyn
- Geis, Samantha*
- Green, Iric
- Hartman, Noah*
- Hourigan, Madison*
- Isgar, Morgan*
- Lyons, Lauren
- Mack, Allee*
- Mackey, Aubre*
- Maiorano, Natalie*
- Mango, Danilo
- Mason, Camille
- Massaro, Jake*
- McIntosh, Maia
- Myer, Lauren*
- Nordman, Logan
- Polge, Jordyn*
- Richer, Abigail*
- Roberts, Drevon
- Spicer, Leah
- Stafford, Shannon
- Swidowski-Gebman, Devin*
- Towne, Jaden
- Trimble, Owen*
- Volles, Allison*
- Walker, Owen*
- Williams, Steele*
- Woolery, Ventre*

### 11th Grade
- Bailey, Jack*
- Baker, Kaylee*
- Barclay, Jacob*
- Bower, Kiersten*
- Brill, Ryan*
- Brown, Mercedes
- Casolare, Jessica
- Cook, Maryah*
- Corr, Wesley*
- Cutri, Emily*
- Field, Danielle*
- Fisher, Logan*
- Fisher, Patrick*
- Frye, Nathan*
- Gantley, Brian*
- Garbutt, Madeline*
- Gentile, Ethan*
- Germain, Michaela
- Grolling, Madison
- Haney, Paige*
- Holbrook, Jason*
- Jaynes, Madison*
- Johnson, Alexis*
- Jones, Diamond*
- Juratovac, Hope*
- Lettsome, Malik
- Lewis, Victoria*
- Loan, Hayden*
- Luchinger, Jacob
- Marcy, Katelyn*
- McClure, Lindsey
- Moses, Steven*
- Naughton, Austin*
- Oswald, Gabrielle*
- Pitre, Nathan*
- Seton, Theresa*
- Smith, Carly*
- Toomey, Rachel*
- Vierow, Kelsey*
- Wachna, Julia*
- Wadsworth, Abigail*
- Wadsworth, Morgan*
- Wood, Adam*

### 12th Grade
- Becher, Bailey*
- Bennett, Jada*
- Bloss, Ashley
- Brill, Aleksa*
- Brown, Jennifer
- Carter, Kelsey*
- Casper, Daniel*
- Corrente, Julia*
- Crews, Candice*
- Cutri, Christopher*
- DelGuidice, Antonia*
- Donath, Briahna*
- Featherstone, Taylor*
- Frey, Abigail*
- Gravante, Michael*
- Hiric, Muhamed
- Johnson, Kyle*
- Lightenfield, Alexandra*
- Martin, Bailey*
- Miller, Paige*
- Mims, Phillip
- Moore, Shane*
- Myer, Alyssa*
- Myles, Riley*
- Nyoni, Neo*
- Romano, Spencer*
- Rumney, Abigail*
- Scott, Trevor*
- Sipes, Jacob
- Smith, Abigail*
- Southard, Jessika*
- Stellmack, Dylan*
- Taylor, Christina
- Timmerman, Carley*
- Westman, Kayla*

*Indicates High Honor Roll
After a full summer of practices, clinics, camps, leagues, and weight room hours we are heading into our fall sports season. I would like to thank our dedicated coaches who give so much of their time and effort to providing meaningful opportunities for our student athletes. I also would like to thank the families and students who participated, for the time they have given to honing their skills in preparation for upcoming athletic seasons.

There is no perfect formula for the right amount of off season work. It really depends on the values and priorities of each individual and their family. Our kids play sports for all different reasons. They play for the love of the game, the social interactions, the exercise, the competition, a reason to get out of the house, and for some, the chance to play at a higher level in the future. A major challenge our coaches face is trying to lead a team made up of kids with different motivations. It can be like working with people who speak different languages and trying to get them to sing the same song. The off season is a great time not only to get better individually but also for players and coaches to build bonds and develop their understanding of each other.

As spectators of the continual effort of our kids in athletic competition I would like to ask for your help in ensuring that the experience is positive for all involved. Please appreciate the efforts of the kids and coaches who are working hard to be their collective best. Please presume that officials, even if you disagree, are doing their best to provide fair, safe, and unbiased structure to our contests. Please respect that our opponents work hard too and that their spectators love their kids as much as we love ours. And please, when things get heated, remember that these are junior and senior high school students playing games and nothing more. Mistakes by players, coaches, and officials will be made because they are human. The way we respond as spectators when mistakes are made goes a long way to defining what the experience will be. If you have been to enough games you have probably seen a "fan" that becomes more a part of the game than they should. It is one thing to cheer positively and celebrate success. It is another to try to influence the outcome of games by distracting or taunting opponents and harassing officials. Our game supervisors and administrators will be on hand to help ensure that the atmosphere of Onondaga Athletics is positive. Please join us in this effort and let sportsmanship prevail!
Rockwell/Wheeler PTO Officers for 2018-2020

President: Lindsey Yonko
Vice President: Toni Walsh
Treasurer: Megan Morris
Yearbook Coordinator: Tracy Pierce
Secretary: Lauren Winters

The Rockwell/Wheeler PTO still needs a member at large. If you are interested, please contact a PTO officer.

PTO meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Please see the District Calendar of Events for locations.