



Chatham

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

2015 – 2016 CALENDAR

CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of the Chatham Central School District is to provide students an education that nurtures intellectual curiosity and focuses on academic and cultural foundations. Our students will graduate with the knowledge, problem-solving abilities and character needed to participate ethically, adapt, succeed and contribute in their future educational, career, and community endeavors.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The Chatham School District Board of Education meets two times each month on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library. The meeting dates are listed on the calendar pages.

Community members are encouraged to attend the meetings in order to be accurately informed about the issues and topics the Board is discussing.

The Board agenda is posted on BoardDocs on the Friday before each meeting. You can find the link to Chatham's BoardDocs on the Board homepage on the school district website.

BOE Members and expiration of their terms:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Expires</u>
Denise Barry	2018
Teri Conte	2017
Muriel Faxon	2016
Beth Hover	2018
Chris Kelly	2017
Edward Knight	2017
David O'Connor	2018
Craig Simmons	2016
Melony Spock	2016
Jack McKeon, <i>Student Rep.</i>	2016

EMERGENCY INFORMATION LINE

If school is closed, delayed or closing early due to an emergency or inclement weather, just call **392-2400**, choose "2," and you will hear a complete update of any Chatham School emergency closing. You may visit our website at www.chathamcentralschools.com and the closing will be listed at the top right of the home page, or find us on Facebook. This is much faster than waiting for a television or radio announcement on a snowy morning!

PARENT PORTAL ACCESS

The Parent Portal is an Internet based program which allows families to electronically access some of their child's educational records, including student schedules, grades, attendance and discipline. It's available 24/7 with no restrictions on how often it is accessed. The Portal also allows families to check other personal information that is on record at the school to ensure the district has the most current information in case of an emergency. More information about the Portal and how to sign up can be found on the school website by clicking on the "PARENTS" link or calling the secretary in the main office of your child's school.

PARENTS' EMAIL ADDRESSES

In order to keep parents informed of important events and sensitive information, the District has moved to EMAIL delivery of letters, mailings and flyers that used to be sent via "backpack" mail. This has proven to be a more reliable and secure way of communicating with parents. Please keep your email address current so you will continue to receive important notices – Call Mrs. Haley in our Pupil Services Office at 392-1535 to update your email address.

ADMINISTRATION

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

Cheryl Nuciforo, 392-1501

SCHOOL BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATOR:

Michael Chudy, 392-1534

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR:

Brian Simon, 392-1540

MARY E. DARDESS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

Principal:

Kristen Reno, 392-2255 ext. 3001

Assistant Principal:

Lindsay Morris, 392-2255 ext. 3001

CHATHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL:

Principal:

Amy Potter, 392-1560 ext. 2002

Dean of Students:

Cynthia Herron, 392-1560 ext. 2001

CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL:

Principal:

John Thorsen, 392-4142 ext. 1003

Assistant Principal:

Terry Bordell, 392-4142 ext. 1004

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SPORTS SCHEDULES

Updated sports schedules may be viewed and printed from the Digital Sports website, www.DigitalSports.com. To access, go to the District webpage at www.ChathamCentralSchools.com, click on "Chatham Athletics," then click "view updated scores and schedules." Once at the Digital Sports website, click on "TEAMS" (located within the dark grey navigation bar just below the page header). From the drop-down menu that appears, select the sport and team. Once on the team's page, click the "SCHEDULES" link to access the schedule. You can view or print as desired. Sports schedule changes are immediately posted on this site.

FALL SPORTS

- Cross Country** – Boys'/Girls' Varsity, Modified
- Football** – Varsity, JV, Modified
- Golf** – Varsity
- Soccer** – Boys'/Girls' Varsity, JV, Modified
- Tennis** – Girls' Varsity
- Volleyball** – Girls' Varsity & JV

WINTER SPORTS

- Basketball** – Boys' & Girls' Varsity, JV, Modified
- Bowling** – Varsity
- Indoor Track** – Varsity
- Volleyball** – Boys' Varsity, JV

SPRING SPORTS

- Baseball** – Varsity, JV, Modified
- Softball** – Varsity, JV, Modified
- Tennis** – Boys' Varsity
- Track** – Boys' & Girls' Varsity, Modified

WHERE TO GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Accounts Payable/Purchasing	Patricia Juliano	392-6262, ext. 4009
Adult & Continuing Education	Ann Flanagan, Coordinator	392-1501
Athletics	Scott Steltz, Athletic Director	392-4142, ext. 1045
ATTENDANCE REPORTING		
Elementary School	Nancy Doyle	392-2255, ext. 3009
Middle School	Ann O'Neill	392-1560, ext. 2068
High School	Maureen DePew	392-4142, ext. 1005
Buildings & Grounds Office	Steven Nieto, Superintendent	392-1534
Communications/Media	Adam Charbonneau	392-6262, ext. 4045
Dean of Students @ CMS	Cynthia Herron	392-1560, ext. 2001
Discrimination/Sexual Harassment	John Thorsen	392-4142, ext. 1003
District Clerk	Deborah Pottenburgh	392-1501
Driver's Education Program	Ann Flanagan, Coordinator	392-1501
Employment Applications	Superintendent's Office	392-1501
Food Services Program	Barbara Murray, Supervisor	392-1536
GUIDANCE OFFICES		
Elementary School (Gr. 5)	TBD	392-2255
Middle School	Jacqueline Hoffman	392-1560, ext. 2005
High School	James Lombardi/Amanda Carroll	392-4142, ext. 1080
HEALTH OFFICES		
Elementary School	Mary-Noelle Fabiano, Nurse	392-2255, ext. 3004
Middle School	Erica Febus-Akers, Nurse	392-1560, ext. 2010
High School	Valerie Persons, Nurse	392-4142, ext. 1006
Home Schooling	Lindsay Morris	392-1501
Music Events	Lucas Christensen, Coordinator	392-1535
Payroll Department	Teri Howard	392-6262, ext. 4005
Registration of New Students	Michele Haley	392-6262, ext. 4051
School Psychologist	Winston Hagborg	392-1560, ext. 2011
Social Worker (High School)	Tracy Kelly	392-1595
Special Education Director	Brian Simon	392-1535
Summer School Coordinator	Cynthia Herron	392-5160, ext. 2001
Tax Collector	Lauren Phillips	392-1508
Technology Department	Giles Felton, Comp. Network Admin.	392-1527
Transportation/Busing	Stephen Oleynek, Supervisor	392-2415
Treasurer	Jonathan Boehme	392-6262, ext. 4006
Use of School Facilities	Beth King, Bldgs & Grnds	392-1534
Voter Information	Deborah Pottenburgh, District Clerk	392-1501

DIGITAL sports

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ANNUAL CHILD FIND MESSAGE FROM THE SPECIAL EDUCATION OFFICE

(Adapted from District Policy 4321 and 4321.2)

The Board of Education of the Chatham Central School District is committed to providing all students, including those with disabilities, a free appropriate education in the least restrictive environment.

The Committee on Special Education (CSE) will identify, evaluate, and recommend placement of students with disabilities who are in need of special services or programs.

The Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE) is responsible for evaluation, recommendation and provision of special education programs and services for preschool students, ages 3-5, with a disability.

District residents with questions about CSE or CPSE programs may call the Director of Special Education at 392-2417.

SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

If you suspect that your child may have a physical, cognitive, or emotional disability, you have the right to refer your child to the District's Committee on Special Education for an evaluation and a determination as to whether or not your child is eligible to receive special education services and programs.

More information regarding your rights is available at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/policy/partentsguide.pdf>, or by calling Brian Simon, Director of Special Education, at 518-392-2417. Email: simonb@chatham.k12.ny.us

WORKING PAPERS

Working papers are available in the main office at the Middle School year-round (392-1560 ext. 2001), or in the nurse's office at the High School during the school year (392-4142 ext. 1006), or the High School main office (392-4142 ext. 1003) during the summer. Working papers may be obtained from 7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. during the school year and from 8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the summer.

TRANSPORTATION TO CHILDCARE LOCATIONS & PRIVATE SCHOOLS

If you are requesting transportation to and/or from a childcare provider, or if your child will be attending a private school, you must complete a Transportation Request Form each school year, even if your childcare or private school arrangements have not changed. Requests must be completed and returned to the following offices by April 1st in the school year prior to the need for transportation.

- Childcare Transportation Requests: Superintendent's Office, 392-1501
- Private School Transportation Requests: Transportation Office, 392-2415

MANDATORY IMMUNIZATION

Prior to entering school, children must be fully immunized. Documentation of immunization is required. For more information, call the health office in your child's school building.

SMOKING

The Board of Education has a policy declaring Chatham Central School District a tobacco-free environment. The use and possession of tobacco products by students is prohibited on all school properties and school sponsored events. The use of tobacco products by staff, parents or visitors is prohibited at all times within the school buildings or on school property.

The screenshot shows the Chatham Central School District website. At the top, it says "CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT" and "District Home". Below that, there are navigation links for "DISTRICT HOME", "CHATHAM HIGH SCHOOL", "CHATHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL", "MARY E. DAVISON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL", "CONTACT US", and "ABOUT". There are also "QUICK LINKS" for "Parent Services", "Special Services", "Transportation", "School Calendar", "Performance", "Emergency Drills", and "Registration". The main content area features a "NEWS" section with a headline "Construction to Close M.E.D. Playground Area for the Summer" and an "ANNOUNCEMENTS" section with a headline "ONE IMMUNIZATION REQUIRED". At the bottom, there is a red banner with the text "Visit our Website: www.chathamcentralschools.com or find us on Facebook" and a Facebook logo.

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		Board of Education Business Mtg., 6:30 p.m., CHS Library	Faculty vs. Faculty Basketball Game, 6:30 p.m., CHS Gym		MED Halloween Parade with CMS Band, 1 p.m. Senior Program CV Binders/ Electronic Portfolios Due																																																																																					

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MED PTA FALL BOOK FAIR						
8 CMS MUSICAL "Annie Jr." 2 p.m., CMS Auditorium	9 Fine Arts Booster Club Mtg., 7 p.m., CHS V/JV Winter Sports Begin MED Parent Conf., 11 a.m. Dismissal – MED Only	10 5th Gr. Parent Conferences Board of Education Workshop Mtg., 6:30 p.m., CHS	11 VETERANS DAY SCHOOLS & OFFICES CLOSED	12 4th Gr. Parent Conferences	13 CMS & CHS First Marking Period Ends 3rd Gr. Parent Conferences Shakespeare In-school Perf., 12:30 p.m. FALL FESTIVAL OF SHAKESPEARE – 7 p.m., CHS	14 FALL FESTIVAL OF SHAKESPEARE – 7 p.m., CHS
SHAKESPEARE TECH WEEK						
15	16 CHS SR. PORTRAITS DUE 11 a.m. Dismissal – CMS Only CMS Parent Conferences, 12-3:30 p.m. 2nd Gr. Parent Conferences 6-Hr. NYS Point & Ins Reduction Course (Part 1), 6-9 p.m.	17 2nd Mandatory Bus Drill; Dismissal for MS 2:00; HS 2:15 1st Gr. Parent Conferences College Financial Aid Night, 6 p.m. @ Ichabod Crane HS	18 Kindergarten Parent Conferences Financial Aid Night, 6 p.m. @ ICC (<i>Snow Date</i>) 6-Hr. NYS Point & Ins Reduction Course (Part 2), 6-9 p.m.	19 CMS Parent Conferences, 5-8 p.m.	20 CMS & CHS 1st Quarter Report Cards Issued MED PTA Family Night, 6:30-8:30 p.m. MED & CMS Picture Retakes	21
FALL FESTIVAL OF SHAKESPEARE – LENOX, MA						
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THANKSGIVING RECESS – SCHOOL NOT IN SESSION						
29 "Have a Bite, Help a Family," CHS Community Serv Club Fundraiser, 1-4 p.m. @ CHS	30					

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CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



Parental Right to Request and Review Information Regarding Teacher Qualifications

Dear Parents and Guardians:

In accordance with the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, parents and guardians have the right to request specific information about the professional qualifications of their children's classroom teachers. As a parent/guardian of a student in the Chatham Central School District, you have the right to request the following information:

- if the teacher has met New York State qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas he or she teaches
- whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived

- the teacher's college major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and, if so, the subject of the degrees
- if your child is provided services by any instructional aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications

Requests for information about the qualifications of your child's teacher can be directed to your child's building principal. All requests will be honored in a timely manner. Thank you for your continued support and interest in your child's education.

Request for Pesticide Application Notification

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Chatham Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notice of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are *not* subject to prior notification requirements:

- anti-microbial products
- nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper-resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children
- nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper-resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children
- silica gel and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children
- boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate
- the application of EPA-designated biopesticides
- the application of EPA-designated exempt materials under 40 CFR §152.25
- the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets

In addition, there will be no written notice of such application when a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following an application.

School District Request for Pesticide Application Notification

SCHOOL BUILDING NAME: _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE – Day: _____ Evening: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good-faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please duplicate and complete this form and return it to the Main Office in your child's school by September 18, 2015.

CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY SUMMARY

Harassment of students and staff on the basis of sex or sexual orientation is:

- abusive and illegal behavior
- behavior that harms victims and negatively impacts the school culture
- behavior that creates an environment of fear, distrust, intimidation and intolerance

The Chatham Board of Education:

- is committed to providing an educational and working environment that promotes respect, dignity and equality and that is free from all forms of sexual harassment
- condemns and strictly prohibits all forms of sexual harassment on school grounds, school buses and at all school-sponsored activities, programs and events including those that take place at locations outside the District

It shall be a violation of the District's Sexual Harassment Policy for any student, staff member or third party (school visitor, vendor, etc.) to sexually harass any student, staff member or third party.

It is essential that all victims of sexual harassment and persons with knowledge of sexual harassment **report the harassment immediately**. The District will promptly investigate ALL complaints of sexual harassment.

If, after appropriate investigation, the District finds that a student, a staff member or a third party has violated this policy, prompt corrective action will be taken in accordance with the applicable collective bargaining agreement, District policy and state law.

All complainants and those who participate in the investigation of a complaint of sexual harassment have the right to be free from retaliation of any kind.

The information here is an excerpt from the Board of Education policy that was adopted in July, 2003. If you would like to see the full policy and detailed Sexual Harassment Regulations, please ask in any building office or the Superintendent's Office.

Students or parents should report any alleged misconduct to one of the building principals or the Sexual Harassment Compliance Officer, John Thorsen at 392-4142. Complaint Forms are available in any school office.

DIGNITY FOR ALL STUDENTS ACT (DASA) – INFORMATION ABOUT BULLYING

Bullying of a student by another student is strictly prohibited on school property, school buildings, school buses, and at school sponsored events or activities occurring on or off campus. The District also prohibits "Internet bullying" (also referred to as "cyberbullying") including the use of instant messaging, emails, websites, chat rooms, and text messaging when such use interferes with the operation of the school; or infringes upon the general safety and welfare of others.

Any student who believes that he/she is being subjected to bullying behavior, as well as any other person who has

knowledge of or witnesses any possible occurrence of bullying, is urged to report the bullying to any staff member, the building principal, or one of the DASA coordinators listed below. Bullying allegations will be treated as confidential and private to the extent possible within legal constraints.

Concerns about bullying in our schools can be addressed to one of our building-level DASA Coordinators:

- **MED Elementary School**
Renee Morgan, 392-2255 ext. 3014
morganr@chatham.k12.ny.us

- **Chatham Middle School**
Cynthia Herron, 392-1560 ext. 2001
herronc@chatham.k12.ny.us
- **Chatham High School**
Tracy Kelly, 392-1575
kellyt@chatham.k12.ny.us

More DASA information, including a DASA Incident Reporting Form, may be found on the School's website by choosing "Bully Prevention" under Quick Links which is located on the top, right side of the homepage.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION ABOUT A STUDENT

The School may disclose directory information about a student to appropriate persons without prior parental consent. This may include:

- Student's name, address, telephone number (s) and e-mail address(es)
- Student's date and place of birth
- Major field of study and participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Student's weight and height for members of athletic teams
- Dates of attendance ("from and to" dates of enrollment)
- Student's achievement awards or honors, date of graduation
- Student's grade level
- The most recent educational agency or institution attended
- **Photographs and video/digital images are also considered to be "directory information" by the District and may be shared with the public through, for example, public media outlets, the District newsletters, reports, web site and other District communications, unless the parent/guardian or eligible student requests, in writing, that videotapes, digital movies or photographs of the student not be publicized**
- **Parents or eligible students (age 18 or older) have a right to request that such information NOT be released by the school. It is the responsibility of the parent or student to make these wishes known, in writing, to the building principal or superintendent.**

See more details on next page: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

CHATHAM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Notification of Rights – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age (“eligible students”) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records. These rights are:

1. **The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access.** Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal or Director of Special Education a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The District official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
2. **The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate.** Parents or eligible students may ask the District to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate. They should write the school principal or Director of Special Education, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate. If the District official decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
3. **The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.**
 - a. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is a person employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the District Board of Education; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another District official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.
 - b. FERPA also authorizes the release of “directory information” without prior consent, unless the parent/guardian or eligible student (age 18 or older) requests, in writing, that directory information not be disclosed. The District considers the following information “directory information”:
 - Student’s name, address, telephone number(s) and e-mail address(es);
 - Student’s date and place of birth

- Major field of study and participation in officially recognized activities and sports
- Student’s weight and height for members of athletic teams
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- Student’s grade level
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Two federal laws require the District to provide military recruiters and institutions of higher education, upon request, with three directory information categories of its secondary students: names, addresses and telephone numbers, unless parents or students have advised the District that they do not want this information disclosed without their prior written consent.

Those parents/guardians or eligible students who do not want directory information released and/or do not want videotapes, digital movies and/or photographs published and/or do not want the limited release of directory information to military recruiters and/or institutions of higher education, must notify the District in writing by September 18, 2015 regarding the desired limitations on release of directory information. Written requests should be sent to your child’s building principal.

- c. The District, as authorized by FERPA, discloses personally identifiable student information without consent to other schools, school systems or institutions of postsecondary education in which a student seeks or intends to enroll or that are providing services to the student, upon receiving a request from any such institution. Parents/guardians or eligible students can receive a copy of all information disclosed upon request.
4. **The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the Chatham Central School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.**

The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is:

**Family Policy Compliance Office • U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW • Washington, DC 20202-4605**



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