

FROM THE PRINCIPAL...***Daniel Starr, Ed.D.***

The end of the school year is suddenly staring at us. Graduation is only eight weeks away—that means that there are only six weeks of classes until final exams begin. The New York State Regents exam schedule is enclosed in this newsletter. June's issue of the newsletter will include the complete schedule of exams, both local and Regents.

If you have any doubts about the performance of your son or daughter in a particular class, now is the time that you must make contact with the teacher involved. As much as we want and try to trust what our children tell us, it is good to double check. Remember that there is always more than one perspective to a particular story or situation. Your child may tell you he or she is "doing okay" when you ask about grades. That is the teenager's perspective and often is intended to end what may be an uncomfortable situation.

Did you see your student's report card that was issued Friday, April 26? If not, ask for it. Read it carefully. Do you feel your student can perform better than his or her grades reflect? If you think so, let your son or daughter know. If you have any doubts, questions, or concerns about your child's performance, contact the teachers involved. This cannot be emphasized enough. The faculty in the High School is conscientious about contacting parents, but please work with us. You have your student to worry about, but the teachers have many more. While we try to communicate effectively, we don't always reach every parent to everybody's satisfaction. Your interaction and communication with the school is also meaningful in telling your child, even if he or she is a senior, that his or her performance as the year comes to a close is important.

ATTENDANCE

This is a crucial time for students to be in school! It is quite tempting to take an afternoon off when the weather is so nice, and to minimize the importance of the upcoming exams. We all need to encourage our students to make the good decision to be in school as teachers help them prepare for their finals. This also means being to school on time.

Ashley Pulver
is one of 12
state-wide winners
of a 4-year
NYS PTA Jenkins
Memorial Scholarship.
Congratulations, Ashley!

BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

On May 29, students who have attained High Honor Roll during the course of the year will be honored at the eighth annual "Breakfast of Champions," in celebration of this accomplishment. These students and their parents will hear from speaker Jason Alexander, of Merrill Lynch, who will help us celebrate our students' academic success!

HPT SURVEYS

The House Planning Team (HPT) does a great deal of data analysis during the summer. We look at test scores, attendance data, discipline issues, etc. From this information we generate "Action Plans" that become initiatives for the following year.

Last summer we discussed the need to improve the reading ability of many of our students. We discussed skill work and even incorporating units of teaching study skills in the curriculum. Both of these had merit, but what made the most sense to us and also had a basis in the research was the implementation of a silent reading time every day. Ask your son or daughter about D.E.A.R. This is the 18 minutes we devote to reading every morning between 8:27-8:45 a.m.

One of the Action Plans was to seek information about our school from graduates. We chose the Class of '98 and the Class of '93 to get a recent perspective, as well as that of people who have a more distant one. We have mailed the surveys to both groups. Many are being returned because the address is incorrect. If you have contact with a member of either of these classes, please let them know we want their opinion about how well they were prepared for life after high school.

There are several ways to get a survey. Contact me via e-mail: dstarr@wfmil.williamson-central.k12.ny.us or access the survey on our web page by going to <http://www.williamsoncentral.org>. If you do not have Internet access, call the High School Office at 589-9621, and we can mail one to you. *Thank you for helping us to become better!*

STUDENT DRESS

The **student dress code** developed and accepted by the Williamson Central School District reflects the expectations of the school community for student dress on school property and at all school-sponsored functions. Students need to be aware of the dress code due to the arrival of the summer-like weather. **The following dress code will be enforced this year.**

STUDENT DRESS CODE

All students are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Students and their parents have the primary responsibility for acceptable student dress and appearance. Teachers and all other school personnel should exemplify and reinforce acceptable student dress and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school setting.

A student's dress, grooming and appearance, including hair style/color, jewelry, make-up, and nails, shall:

1. Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process.
2. Recognize that extremely brief garments such as tube tops, net tops, halter tops, spaghetti straps, plunging necklines (front and/or back) and see-through garments are not appropriate. Shirts must be worn.
3. Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing.
4. Include footwear at all times. Footwear that is a safety hazard will not be allowed.
5. Not include the wearing of hats in the classroom except for a medical or religious purpose.
6. Not include items that are vulgar, obscene, libelous, or denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, sex, sexual orientation or disability.
7. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities.

Each Building Administrator shall be responsible for informing all students and their parents of the student dress code at the beginning of the school year and any revisions to the dress code made during the school year.

Students who violate the student dress code shall be required to modify their appearance by covering or removing the offending item, and, if necessary or practical, replacing it with an acceptable item. Any student who refuses to do so shall be subject to discipline, up to and including in-school suspension for the day. Any student who repeatedly fails to comply with the dress code shall be subject to further discipline, up to and including out of school suspension.

FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE...

Cynthia Showman, R.N.

Our Spring Blood Drive is scheduled for Friday, May 17th, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Anyone age 17 or older and who weighs 110 pounds may donate. If anyone is interested in helping with this worthwhile cause please contact me at 589-9625.

I know it is *way too early* to be thinking of Fall Sports, but sign-up sheets were outside my office the week of April 22-26 in order to get paperwork done by the scheduled physical dates -- Tuesday, May 7, and Tuesday, May 21. Students need to return their Health History forms by that time. Any student who wishes will have their physical at school.

I have sent physical exam forms home to all 9th graders. **ALL** students entering the 10th grade are required to have a physical exam. Please call your MD's office to have your student scheduled by September. It is always better for your own Health Care Provider to do the exam, since they know your student. **If I DO NOT** receive a copy of your student's exam by the end of September, I will schedule them at school at our first available date. Thank you for your prompt attention to this.

It's hard to believe that in a few short weeks our seniors will be college bound. If you haven't already scheduled him/her for their college physical, I urge you to do so fairly soon as the offices get pretty booked up at this time of year. Also, be sure you ask about your student's immunizations and that they are up to date.

Note...I have enclosed information in this newsletter about the meningitis vaccine and encourage you to talk with your health care provider about getting your student this vaccine before they go off to college. College freshmen are in the high-risk group for developing meningitis. If you have any questions, you may call me at 589-9625 or the Wayne County Public Health Department at 946-5749 regarding this vaccine.

Final Exam Schedule

THE STATE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

REGENTS EXAM DATES*

JUNE 2002

Morning session — 8:00-11:00 A.M.

	<u>Tuesday</u> June 18	<u>Wednesday</u> June 19	<u>Thursday</u> June 20	<u>Friday</u> June 21	
State Tests:	Comp English (session 1) Earth Science	Comp English (session 2) Living Environment	US History & Govt RCT Global	Spanish French RCT Science	Intro RCT

Afternoon session — Noon-3:00 P.M.

	<u>Tuesday</u> June 18	<u>Wednesday</u> June 19	<u>Thursday</u> June 20	<u>Friday</u> June 21
State Tests:	Global Physics	Course II Math A RCT Writing	Course III Math B RCT Reading	Chemistry RCT US History

***NOTE:** The complete test schedule for the High School will be available in the June newsletter.

The Opportunity Is Now...

*from the Assistant Principal
Norlyn V. Legler*

All students have the right to have the opportunity to learn. In fact, there are **responsibilities that accompany the student's right to learn**. These responsibilities take the students down the road of learning through an action plan. At the beginning of the school year, an action plan was shared with students that explained four basic steps for success.

The first step is simply to **be on time to school and class**. Students need to start their day with the good habit of being on time. The second step is to **be in class**. Students need to be in class in order to receive the knowledge being shared. The third step is to **be an active listener**. It is very important to be a good listener. Good listening skills will be used all throughout life. The last step is to **be an active learner**. Students have the responsibility to use the opportunity to learn in every class period of each day. **It is important that all four steps be fully practiced to make the success formula work.**

Each student has one last ten week opportunity for success this school year. Now is the opportunity to make a huge difference in your academic school performance. **The last few weeks are extremely valuable for earning a good grade for the fourth marking quarter and preparing for final exams.**

In order to complete the success steps, students need to work to the best of their ability in all academic pursuits. This will involve students **following directions given by teachers and administrators**. In addition, this will inevitably mean **seeking help in solving problems and asking questions when there has been a loss of understanding**. Students will be held responsible for their actions in learning. Students, teachers and parents need to hold themselves to the highest standards for learning. The success steps make perfect sense to follow this quarter.

The OPPORTUNITY is NOW...to better your academic status for the 2001-2002 school year.

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WILLIAMSON CENTRAL SCHOOL
Athletic Department
Spring 2002 – High School Schedules

Varsity Baseball

May 1 @ Red Creek (DH)
 May 3 Sodus
 May 7 NR-Wolcott
 May 8 @ Wayne
 May 9 Marion
 May 13 @ Gananda
 May 15 Clyde-Savannah
 May 17 @ Lyons

JV Baseball

May 1 Red Creek (DH)
 May 3 @ Sodus
 May 7 @ NR-Wolcott
 May 8 Wayne
 May 9 @ Marion
 May 13 Gananda
 May 15 @ Clyde-Savannah
 May 17 Lyons

Varsity Softball

May 1 @ Red Creek (DH)
 May 3 @ Sodus (7:00 p.m.)
 May 7 NR-Wolcott
 May 8 @ Wayne
 May 9 Marion
 May 13 @ Gananda
 May 15 Clyde-Savannah
 May 16 @ Bishop-Kearney
 May 17 @ Lyons

JV Softball

May 1 Red Creek (DH)
 May 3 Sodus
 May 7 @ NR-Wolcott
 May 8 Wayne
 May 9 @ Marion
 May 13 Gananda
 May 15 @ Clyde-Savannah
 May 16 Bishop-Kearney
 May 17 Lyons

Tennis

May 1 NR-Wolcott
 May 7 East Rochester
 May 9 Lyons
 May 11 B,C,D Sectionals Tourn.
 May 14 @ Clyde-Savannah
 May 16 @ Marion
 May 22-23 Wayne County Tournament
 May 28-29 Sectionals
 May 30-31 State Tournament

Boys' Track

May 2 East Rochester
 May 7 @ Lyons
 May 9 Gananda
 May 14 @ Marion
 May 16 County Meet (field events) @ ER
 May 17 County Meet (Running) @ NR-W
 May 21 NR-Wolcott
 May 23 Freshmen/Sophomores @ NR-W
 May 24-25 Section V Meet @ Wellsville
 May 28 @ Sodus
 June 1 State Qualifier Meet @ Rush-Hen
 June 7-8 State Meet @ Rush-Henrietta

Girls' Track

May 1 Marion, Gananda @ Gananda
 May 6 Red Creek @ Lyons
 May 8 Sodus, Clyde Savannah
 May 13 @ Gananda
 May 16 Field Events @ ER
 May 17 Track Events @ NR-W
 May 24-25 Sectionals @ Wellsville
 June 1 State Qualifiers @ Rush Henrietta
 June 7-8 State Meet @ Rush Henrietta

Golf

May 6 Marion @ Taranwood CC
 May 13 Red Creek @ Springbrook
 May 16 Sectionals Qualifiers @ Midvale
 May 21 Sectionals – site TBA
 5/31-6/3 States @Cornell University

With the exception of GOLF, all game times, match times, and meet times are 4:15 PM
SCHEDULES SUBJECT TO CHANGE!!!

Williamson Senior High School

May 2002

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>APRIL</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6</p> <p>7 8 9 10 11 12 13</p> <p>14 15 16 17 18 19 20</p> <p>21 22 23 24 25 26 27</p> <p>28 29 30</p>	<p>JUNE</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p> <p>16 17 18 19 20 21 22</p> <p>23 24 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>30</p>		<p>1 B</p> <p>Public Hearing Middle School Auditorium 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>2 C</p>	<p>3 D</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Junior-Senior Prom</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>6 E</p> <p>AP Exam - English Literature & Composition (a.m.)</p>	<p>7 F</p> <p>AP Exam - Calculus (a.m.)</p>	<p>8 A</p> <p>Budget Hearing Middle School Aud. - 7:30 p.m.</p> <p>BOE Meeting - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>9 B</p>	<p>10 C</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Apple Blossom Coronation</p>
<p>12</p> <p>Mother's Day</p> <p>Bus Driver Appreciation Week</p>	<p>13 D</p> <p>Project Graduation 7-8:30 p.m. (Library)</p>	<p>14 E</p> <p>AP Exams - Biology (a.m.) Physics (p.m.)</p>	<p>15 F</p>	<p>16 A</p>	<p>17 B</p> <p>Blood Drive (Aud.) 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.</p> <p>END OF 35 WEEKS →</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Apple Blossom Parade</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20 C</p>	<p>21 D</p> <p>Budget Vote Middle School Multi-Purpose Room from 1:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.</p> <p>BOE Meeting - 7:30 p.m.</p>	<p>22 E</p>	<p>23 F</p>	<p>24 A</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Memorial Day Observed</p> <p>No School</p>	<p>28 B</p>	<p>29 C</p> <p>Breakfast of Champions 8:00 a.m. (cafeteria)</p>	<p>30 D</p>	<p>31 E</p>	<p><u>UPCOMING EVENTS...</u></p> <p>June 4 - Class Night</p> <p>June 6 - Spring Sports Awards</p> <p>June 11 - Music Awards Concert</p> <p>June 14 - Seniors to Darien Lake</p> <p>June 17-24 - Final Exams</p> <p>June 23 - Baccalaureate</p> <p>June 29 - Graduation</p>