



WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL
September 2019



School Board Members and Meeting Dates

President	Matthew O'Bryan
Vice-President	Gerald Molnar
	Tina Wilson Bush
	Bruce Durant
	Charles Grant
	Brian Hammond
	Richard Hobkirk
	Katheryn Logan
	Jordan Walker

School Hours

UPK	8:45—11:15
	12:40—3:10
Grades K-5	8:45—3:10
Grades 6-12	7:35—2:50

**STUDENTS RETURN TO
SCHOOL ON
WEDNESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 4, 2019**

BOARD MEETING DATES — 2019-2020
All meetings 7:00 PM, in High School Library
unless otherwise noted

- Tuesday, July 3 - Reorganization & Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, August 20 - Regular Meeting; set tax rate
- Tuesday, September 17 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, October 15 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, November 19 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, December 17 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, January 21 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, February 11 - Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, March 17 - Regular Meeting
- Thursday, April 1 - BOCES Annual Meeting
- Tuesday, April 7 - Special Budget Meeting (Optional)
- Monday, April 20 - Regular Meeting; BOCES Vote
- Tuesday, May 12 - Public Presentation of Budget @ 6 PM
- Tuesday, May 19 - Annual Budget & BOE Member
Vote; Bus Vote; Regular Meeting
- Tuesday, June 16 - Regular Meeting



Elementary School Supply lists are available online
under the Elementary tab

Viewing School Tool for Schedules

Middle and High School student schedules
are available to view in schooltool.

Guidance Office will be open
August 26 & 27 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM for sched-
ule questions.

Call to make an appointment.

The weather this summer has been nothing short of spectacular and has certainly made up for a forgettable winter and spring. It is times like this when I am extremely appreciative to be working with the best staff and students in the North Country as it takes the sting away from saying goodbye to summer.

Throughout the summer as part of a New York Power Authority energy efficiency grant all non-LED lights were replaced with LED fixtures. Most spaces were also outfitted with dimmers and occupancy sensors. This was a \$500,000 project completely funded by NYPA with no cost to the district and should save the district approximately \$20,000 per year in energy costs. The entirety of the project is scheduled to be completed by August 28, however if there are any remaining loose ends then the work will be done at times to prevent instructional disruptions.

Through our capital outlay process we will once again be replacing classroom windows this school year with the work being focused on the library side of the grade 4-5 corridor. We will also be adding safety fencing and a new backstop on the varsity softball field. The scope of work should cause minimal disruption and affected classroom teachers will be notified prior to the work being initiated.

Our facilities committee will be meeting regularly over the next few months to map out the priorities for an upcoming capital project. The District has some definite areas in need of repair and renovation so the committee will be diligently working to balance the best interest of our students and community while remaining fiscally responsible. Much information will be rolled out to the community through the fall in the hopes of an early winter referendum and construction commencing during the summer of 2020.

We anxiously await the return of all our students and are excited to start another school year. Enjoy the remaining days of summer and soak in the sunshine.

Cordially,

Eric Burke
Superintendent of Schools



We are no longer mailing the quarterly district newsletters to every household. This is a cost savings measure. You may access the newsletter online at www.mwsk12.org under the District tab; or via a newsletter link on the District's Facebook page. We will also email the newsletter to parents who have provided an email in their School Tool record.

Paper copies may be picked up at school in either the Elementary Main Office or High School Main Office.

A supply will also be made available in both the Waddington and Madrid town libraries.

If you wish to receive the newsletter electronically, please email Patty Bogart at pbogart@mwsk12.org and indicate your request.



When completing your New York State Income Tax Return, please note that our **School District Code Number is 361.**

Enhanced STAR Exemptions for Senior Citizens

If you've been receiving the senior citizens exemption previously, you may recall that the application for that exemption was also the application for the Enhanced STAR exemption. Under the new law, that is not the case. You are now required to apply for the Enhanced STAR and senior citizens exemptions separately. Submit the applications for both exemptions to your assessor. For example, if you own and live in a house that is assessed at \$150,000 and the enhanced STAR exemption for your municipality is \$50,000, the school taxes on your property would be paid on a taxable assessment of \$100,000 (\$150,000 minus \$50,000 = \$100,000).

In future years, you will not need to reapply for the Enhanced STAR exemption; the Tax Department will automatically review your income to determine eligibility.

HOURS OF TAX COLLECTION

Sept. 3 - Sept. 30	Monday - Friday	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Oct. 1 - Oct. 29	Tuesday & Thursday	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM
Oct. 30 & 31	Wednesday	3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Mrs. Andress, our Tax Collector, will be located in the District Office if you wish to pay your taxes in person. Time and days available indicated above; and will also be printed on your tax bill.

PAYMENT OF SCHOOL TAXES

Mrs. Joan Andress, School Tax Collector
315-322-5746, ext. 267 (Dates & Times listed below)

PAY SCHOOL TAX BY MAIL: until October 31, 2019

Make check payable to: Joan Andress, Tax Collector

Mail check & coupon to:

Attn: Joan Andress, Tax Collector

Madrid-Waddington Central School

P.O. Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660

NOTE: To take advantage of installment program, first payment MUST be made on or before October 1, 2019.

OPTIONS FOR PAYMENT

1. Before October 1:

Pay in full or pay first installment, postmarked by October 1, 2019.

2. On or After October 1:

Payment in full, plus penalty of 2%; or pay second installment, postmarked by October 31, 2019.

3. Payments made AFTER October 31, 2019: No longer received at the school location—will be returned to you.

**You must mail check payable to: "St. Lawrence County Treasurer" — mail check and coupon to: St. Lawrence County Treasurer's Office
48 Court Street, Canton, NY 13617**

NOTE for PAID RECEIPT:

If you wish to receive a receipt for a tax payment, please check the appropriate box on your tax bill. **Receipts will no longer be automatically mailed.**

Matthew Daley, Elementary Principal

As I write this letter, August is quickly winding down and our teachers are working hard, setting up classrooms and making curricular preparations for the 2019-2020 school year. I hope everyone had a great summer and were able to enjoy the beautiful weather July and August provided us.

We will, once again, be sending home calendars with your eldest child as soon as they return from the print shop. Please take a moment to sit down with your child and read through the building handbook and code of conduct included in our calendar. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (315) 322-5746 Ext. 201.

This year we have decided to invite all families to the building on Tuesday, September 3rd, from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm to drop off school supplies and assist your child with locker prep etc. This will hopefully reduce 1st day stress on the part of both child and parent. Please understand this is not mandatory. If other commitments make you unavailable that day, we will, as in the past, make sure your child is prepared for a smooth transition back to school.

*****We will still be welcoming families of UPK and Kindergarten Orientation on Tuesday September 3rd, from 1:00-2:00. We ask you to please report to your child's classroom before dropping off supplies for any older children. These teachers have specific items they would like to discuss and we want to make sure all UPK/K parents are present and on time.*****

Once again, we are excited to announce the addition of new personnel to our staff. Andrea LaValley has moved from our AIS Math room to fill a first grade position vacated by Miss Kowalchuk. Bill Todd will be replacing Joanne Deleel and providing instruction to special needs students in grades 4 and 5. We are also excited to welcome Meghan (McGee) VanAcker back to our school as a Kindergarten teacher. We wish our new teachers as well as all returning staff the best as we embark on another important journey in learning.

As always, it has been and continues to be an honor working with families who prioritize their children's education. We will continue to work diligently to maintain an atmosphere that encourages cooperation, character, and work ethic. The summer months spent in the elementary building always gives me the opportunity to reflect on the previous year's accomplishments while, at the same time, plan for challenges that lie ahead. I look forward to the return of our students. They provide the energy that brings life to this building.

Elementary Picture Day: September 18



UPK and Kindergarten Orientation:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 1:00—
2:00 PM

You are invited to bring your child to school to meet their teacher and see their classroom. A school bus will be here at the entry to assist your child in becoming acquainted with bus protocol and expectations.

Grades 1 - 5 Orientation:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019
1:00—2:00 PM

You are invited to bring your child and his/her school supplies to school on September 3rd between 1pm and 2pm. This will be an opportunity for you to help your child organize his/her locker and to drop off school supplies. (If you ordered from 1st Day School Supplies: the boxes will be in your classroom.)

UPK NEWS

Madrid-Waddington Central School District is pleased to announce that there are openings in its Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program (UPK) for the Fall of 2019 for district residents. The Universal Pre-Kindergarten session will represent two and one-half hours of instruction and socialization skills for students who will be four (4) years old on or before December 1, 2019. This program follows the academic school calendar year. If you are interested in having your child participate in this program, please call the school at 315-322-5746, ext. 201 Elementary Office or ext. 221 District Office, to receive an application packet.

You must be a resident of the Madrid-Waddington School District to attend.



ELEMENTARY and HIGH SCHOOL Open House/Curriculum Night will be held

Thursday, September 26 6:00—7:30 PM

Open House for both the Elementary and High School buildings will be on this date.

Elementary Parents

If you plan to have your child get on or off the bus at a location other than your home on a regular basis, you must notify the school in writing or by e-mail to lmacintosh@mwcsk12.org no later than August 28th. This is important since bus routes will be set up at this time. Please call 322-5746, ext. 201 for instructions. Thank you.

ELEMENTARY POLICY

How a student is to be bussed to/from school **MUST BE IN WRITING FROM PARENT/GUARDIAN**. These requests must be DATED and SIGNED so there is no mistake about when the student is to take a different bus.

ONLY IN AN EMERGENCY can the school take a telephone request for a bus change.

THIS POLICY IS FOR THE PROTECTION OF YOUR CHILD

The Elementary Main Office is staffed 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you need to contact the Office concerning emergency changes for the afternoon bus transportation of your elementary student, please call 315-322-5746, ext. 201 before 2:00 PM.

To contact the Bus Garage, call 315-322-5746, ext. 401.

Madrid-Waddington Elementary School Supply Lists

Kindergarten

- ⇒ 4 Boxes Crayons - Crayola - 24 Ct
- ⇒ School Box
- ⇒ Scissors - Fiskar - Kids
- ⇒ Box of Tissue - Kleenex
- ⇒ Wipes - Antibacterial - Hand
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Headphones

First Grade

- ⇒ 4 boxes of 24 Crayons - Crayola
- ⇒ 2 packages of cap erasers - 12 per package
- ⇒ 2 Erasers- Pink Large
- ⇒ 6 Glue Sticks - White
- ⇒ 2 Bottles of Glue - Washable, White
- ⇒ 24 Pencils - Ticonderoga No 2
- ⇒ 1 School Box - 5.6 in x 8.4 in x 2.5 in
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Headphones
- ⇒ 1 Scissors - Fiskar

Second Grade

- ⇒ 1 box Colored Pencils - Crayola - 12 Ct
- ⇒ 2 Composition Books - Wide Ruled
- ⇒ 4 boxes Crayons - Crayola - 24 Ct
- ⇒ 1 package of cap eraser
- ⇒ 30 Glue Sticks - clear or white
- ⇒ 24 Pencils - Ticonderoga No 2
- ⇒ 1 Pencil Sharpener
- ⇒ 1 School Box - 5.6 in x 8.4 in x 2.5 in
- ⇒ 1 Scissors - Fiskar
- ⇒ 1 box of Tissue
- ⇒ 1 package of Wipes - Disinfectant
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Headphones

Third Grade

- ⇒ 1 Colored Pencils - Crayola - 12 Ct
- ⇒ 2 Composition notebook s- Wide Ruled
- ⇒ 1 box of Crayons - Crayola - 24 Ct
- ⇒ 1 package of Cap Erasers
- ⇒ Folders - Plastic & Pocket – 1 each Blue, Green, Yellow & Red
- ⇒ 4 Washable Glue Sticks
- ⇒ 3 Highlighters
- ⇒ 24 Pencils
- ⇒ 1 School Box
- ⇒ 1 Scissors - Fiskar
- ⇒ 2 boxes of Tissues
- ⇒ 1 package of Wipes - Disinfectant
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Headphones

Fourth Grade

- ⇒ 1 box of Colored Pencils - Crayola - 12 Ct
- ⇒ 2 Composition notebooks - Wide Ruled
- ⇒ Folders - Plastic & Pocket – 1 each Blue, Green, Orange, Yellow & Red
- ⇒ 1 bottle Elmers - Washable School Glue
- ⇒ 1 Highlighter - Yellow
- ⇒ 1 package Filler Paper - Wide - 100 Ct
- ⇒ 1 Package of Pencils
- ⇒ 1 Pencil Pouch
- ⇒ 1 Ruler - 12in/30cm - Plastic
- ⇒ 1 box of Tissue
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Earbuds
- ⇒ 1 Scissors - Fiskar

Fifth Grade

- ⇒ 1 boxes of Colored Pencils - Crayola - 24 Ct
- ⇒ 2 Composition notebooks - Wide Ruled
- ⇒ 2 Dry Erase Markers - Black
- ⇒ 1 bottle Elmers - Washable School Glue
- ⇒ 2 Washable Glue Sticks
- ⇒ 2 Highlighters- Yellow
- ⇒ 2 packages Filler Paper - Wide - 100 Ct
- ⇒ 24 Pencils
- ⇒ 1 Pencil Pouch
- ⇒ 1 Ruler - 12in/30cm - Plastic - Clear
- ⇒ 2 Sharpies - Black - Ultra FineTip
- ⇒ 1 Good Quality Headphones
- ⇒ 1 Scissors - Fiskar

Revised: May 22, 2019

2019-2020 School Year

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS — by Sabrina Pribek-Britton and Toni Siddon

As a reminder to students and parents, Guidance Office staff are as follows:

Phone: 315-322-5746, Ext. 218

STAFF MEMBER

STUDENTS RESPONSIBLE FOR:

Mrs. Toni Siddon	Grades 6-12 (Last names beginning with A—L)
Mrs. Sabrina Pribek-Britton	Grades 6-12 (Last names beginning with M—Z)
Mrs. Jodi Fox	Guidance Secretary, Grades 6-12



INFORMATION FOR SENIORS

Guidance meeting with each Senior

Mrs. Pribek-Britton or Mrs. Siddon will be meeting with each senior in the fall to review graduation requirements and to assist students in their planning for post high school options. *Parents who are interested in participating in these senior meetings should contact the Guidance Office at 315-322-5746, ext. 218, to schedule an appointment time.* Meetings usually begin in the third week of September as the first couple weeks of the school year are generally quite busy with schedule adjustments, new student enrollments, and other tasks related to the beginning of the school year. Seniors with questions about the college application process, or issues related to the senior year, are encouraged to check with our office at any time. You need not wait until your individual conference is scheduled!

CSE OFFICE

Committee on Special Education

Mrs. Toni Siddon, CSE Chairperson

tsiddon@mwcsk12.org

Diana Cryderman, CSE Secretary

315-322-5746, ext. 217

PSAT INFORMATION FOR JUNIORS

Juniors will have the opportunity to take the PSAT (Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test) - date to be announced. The PSAT gives students the opportunity to practice for the SAT I test. It contains two verbal sections, two mathematical sections, and one writing skills section. Total testing time is two hours and ten minutes. Juniors will receive more detailed information about this exam in late September and will be able to sign up to take it if they choose. There is a fee for the test per student—please contact Guidance Office to inquire about the fee amount. Fee waivers are available for students who fall into specific income eligibility categories.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The Guidance Office has compiled a list of scholarships available to our students on the Madrid-Waddington Central School website: www.mwcsk12.org Click on **Directory**, and in the dropdown menu, choose **Guidance**. You will find a link on this page to access scholarship information.

This website is updated on a regular basis. Please refer to this site often to obtain information about scholarship eligibility and deadlines. Some scholarships can be applied for online. Others require applications which are available in the Guidance Office. The Guidance Office maintains a scholarship file outside Mrs. Pribek-Britton's office. Students are responsible for picking up application materials for those scholarships they wish to apply for.

Please be aware that there are usually more scholarships available during the second semester of the school year.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE



ATTENDANCE—both High School and Elementary students—Parents are reminded on days when a student is absent to please send a written excuse to the student’s home-room teacher the day the student returns to school, stating the reason for the absence. It is also requested that you please try to schedule appointments such as medical, dental, etc., around school exam days if at all possible. Thank you.

The School Nurse will contact parent/guardian after two days absence of your student.

See our website www.mwस्क12.org

for a sample excuse form



**CEEB Code used for financial aid or for use on college applications:
332970**

Education Law requires that the students enrolled in the schools of this District attend school on every school day unless legally excused. The educational program offered by this District is predicated upon the presence of the student and requires continuity of instruction and classroom participation. The regular contact of students with one another in the classroom and their participation in a well planned instructional activity under the tutelage of a competent teacher are vital to this purpose. Absences other than excused absences as defined by State regulations have a highly adverse effect on the student, as well as the entire educational program. Therefore, the Board of Education urges all parents to make every effort for their children to be in attendance.

Based upon our District’s education and community needs, values and priorities, the School District has determined that absences, tardiness and early departures will be considered excused or unexcused according to the following standards:

Excused Absence: An absence, tardiness or early departure may be excused if due to personal illness, illness or death in the family, impassable roads due to inclement weather, religious observance, quarantine, required court appearances, attendance at health clinics, approved college visits, approved cooperative work programs, military obligations, road tests, learner’s permit, or other such reasons as may be approved by the Board of Education.

Unexcused Absence: An absence, tardiness or early departure is considered unexcused if the reason for the lack of attendance does not fall into the above categories (e.g. family vacation, hunting, babysitting, hair cut, oversleeping)

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IMPORTANT DATES FOR SENIORS WHO ARE COLLEGE-BOUND

Seniors should be aware of some important deadlines that can impact the college application process. The college entrance exams (ACT and SAT) have specific registration deadlines. For the **ACT**, students can complete registration materials online at www.actstudent.org. For the **SAT**, registration information can be found at www.collegeboard.com. Please keep in mind that there is a charge to take these exams. If your family meets certain income guidelines, you may be eligible to receive a fee waiver. In addition, some students who participate in STEP may be eligible for a fee waiver through those programs. The Guidance Office has information about the fee waivers if you have questions. **Almost all four-year colleges, and many two-year colleges require an SAT or an ACT. Many scholarship applications also require these scores. SAT and ACT Test deadlines may be found on the websites listed above or by calling the Guidance Office at 315-322-5746, ext. 218.**

Students planning to apply to a college as an early decision candidate, or any student applying for scholarships must also pay close attention to deadlines. **If you are going to be requesting a letter of recommendation from a teacher, be sure to ask them early.** If you wait until the last minute, it is usually impossible for teachers to accommodate your request, and it isn’t really fair to them.

Students who plan to apply to college are encouraged to do so by Thanksgiving vacation and NO LATER than mid-December (prior to Christmas vacation).

New students in the

MWCS District

may contact Patricia Bogart in the District Office to enroll during the month of August. Please call 315-322-5746, ext. 221 to make arrangements to complete enrollment documents.

You may also pre-register online and print out the required forms on the District's website www.mwcsk12.org, click on District and scroll down to Student Pre-Registration Once completed, please call Ms. Bogart for

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) INFORMATION

Students who have enrolled in Advanced Placement Courses must pay a fee to take the AP exams in May 2020. There is a fee per exam—Contact Guidance Office to confirm cost.

Test fees are due in March 2020.

Parents/Guardians will receive notification about required test fees, and payment plans once school is in session. Fee reductions are available to families who meet the necessary income guidelines.

Students who plan to apply to college are encouraged to do so by Thanksgiving vacation, and NO LATER than mid-December (prior to Christmas vacation)



CLASS SCHEDULE CHANGES

CAN BE MADE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

315-322-5746, ext. 218

Please visit Guidance Office

AUGUST 26 & 27, 2019

8:00 AM TO 2:00 PM

HIGHER EDUCATION NIGHT—COLLEGE DAY

On October 1st, Higher Education Night will take place at the Augsburg Physical Education Complex at St. Lawrence University. Many college and military representatives will be available to answer questions and provide information on post graduate opportunities. Parents and all high school students are encouraged to attend this event. Please feel free to contact the Guidance Office if you would like more information.

The same representatives who will attend Higher Education Night will also be at OFA during the morning. Seniors from Madrid-Waddington will have the opportunity to sign up for the College Day at OFA. A bus will be provided so that seniors may attend.

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 ★ **A reminder to Juniors and Seniors--throughout the fall,** ★
 ★ **many college representatives visit our school to speak** ★
 ★ **with students. Listen to announcements or check the** ★
 ★ **bulletin board in the guidance office to find out what col-** ★
 ★ **leges will be sending representatives. Be sure to sign up** ★
 ★ **if you have an interest in learning more about a particular** ★
 ★ **college.** ★
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CAFETERIA NOTES.....

Research has proven that breakfast and lunch participation play an important role in a student's academic achievement. Given the current difficult economic times, I believe it is important to inform families about the continued value of the school lunch/breakfast program. The school meal still represents a cost effective manner to provide healthy, nutritional meals for your children. All school meals comply with state and federal guidelines. Families can be assured that student meals meet the necessary food groups and caloric intake.

An average student spends approximately \$10.00 a week for meals in the school cafeteria. This would be in place of a bag lunch or breakfast prepared at home. While some families may prefer the latter, it is important to note the savings options that are available through the District.

The **MySchoolBucks** on-line payment system allows for monthly budgeting of meal payments. This system has remained up and running during the summer allowing families to make regular deposits to the meal program spread throughout the entire twelve months rather than just the academic year from September to June. Parents/Guardians are also able to monitor daily student spending and meals from their home computer.

The federal **2019-2020 Free and Reduced Meal Program (see pages 11-15 for information and application)** is also designated to assist families with the cost of these school meals. The guidelines change annually so please review the eligibility scale and application included in this newsletter to see if your family is able to possibly receive these benefits. Many District students who are eligible do not take advantage of this financial assistance. They are needlessly paying money or going without meals. There is no longer any identification card attached to participating in this program. Students utilize their School ID number when progressing through the cafeteria line, so confidentiality is always maintained. I am available to assist with the completion of the eligibility application if necessary.



Feel free to call me at school if you have any questions regarding the school lunch/breakfast program.

Stephen Adams,
School Lunch Manager
315-322-5746, Ext. 230



2019-2020

**Breakfast and
Lunch**

Milk \$.50

Breakfast UPK-12

\$1.50

~NEW PRICES ~

Grades UPK-5 Lunch

\$2.25

Grades 6-12 Lunch

\$2.50

Adult Lunch

\$4.00

AFFORDABLE OPTION.....

Fill out the Free & Reduced Lunch Application found on page 13—even if you are unsure you qualify ~ Your child will be able to receive a free or reduced price versus the regular price charged (Breakfast \$1.50; \$2.25 elementary or \$2.50 middle/high school). Confidentiality is maintained as students use an ID Card code to proceed through the cashier. If you need assistance completing the application, please contact School Lunch Manager, Mr. Adams at 315-322-5746, Ext. 230 for advice and assistance.

MySchoolBucks.com — an On-Line Payment System

To access the **MySchoolBucks.com** on-line payment system referenced above, follow these steps:

1. Go to the District website at www.mwcsk12.org
2. Click on the **Cafeteria** link
3. Click on the **MySchoolBucks.com** link in center of this page. From this site you will create your account and add money to your child's account. A **Troubleshooting Guide** is also available on the Cafeteria page, just below the **MySchoolBucks.com** link. Please feel free to call Mr. Adams if you have questions concerning this payment system at 315-322-5746, Ext. 230.

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Children need healthy meals to learn. Madrid-Waddington Central offers healthy meals every school day. **Breakfast costs \$1.50; UPK-5 Lunch is \$2.25; 6-12 Lunch is \$2.50.** Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Reduced price meals cost each eligible student **\$.25** for lunch and **\$.25** for breakfast. To apply for free or reduced price meals, submit a Direct Certification letter from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance **OR** complete the enclosed application, sign it, and return it to **Mr. Eric Burke, Superintendent**, as soon as possible. Please refer to the guidelines contained in this letter when completing the application.

1. **Do I need to fill out an application for each child?** No. Complete one application for **all** family members to apply for free or reduced price meals. *Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household.* We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return completed application to: Stephen Adams Madrid-Waddington CSD, P.O. Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660 **Questions: (315) 322-5746, Ext. 230 or sadams@mwcsk12.org**
2. **Who can get free meals?** All children in households receiving benefits from **SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations** or **TANF** can get free meals regardless of your income. Also, your children can get free meals if your household income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Guidelines.
3. **Can foster children get free meals?** Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income.
4. **Can homeless, runaway and migrant children get free meals?** Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or email **Toni Siddon, 315-322-5746, Ext. 214, or tsiddon@mwcsk12.org** to see if your child(ren) qualify.
5. **Who can get reduced price meals?** Your children can get low cost meals if your household income is within the reduced price limits on the Federal Income Chart, shown in this letter.
6. **Should I fill out an application if I received a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free or reduced price meals?** Please read the letter you received carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 315-322-5746, Ext. 230 if you have questions.
7. **My child's application was approved last year, do I need to fill out another one? Yes.** Your child's application is only good for LAST school year and for the first few days of this school year. You must send in a new application unless the school has informed you that your child is eligible for the new school year.
8. **I receive WIC, can my child(ren) get free meals?** Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out an application. Applications available in District Office or online at www.mwcsk12.org; click on **PUBLIC FORMS**: scroll to Free or Reduced Lunch and click.
9. **Will the information I give be checked?** Yes, and we may also ask you to send written proof.
10. **If I don't qualify now, may I apply later?** Yes. You may apply at any time during the school year if your household size goes up, income goes down, or if you start getting Food Stamps, TANF or other benefits. If you lose your job, your children may be able to get free or reduced price meals.
11. **What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application?** You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: **Eric Burke, Superintendent, MWCS, P.O. Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660. Call 315-322-5746 or email eburke@mwcsk12.org**
12. **May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen?** Yes, you or your child(ren) do not have to be a U.S. citizen to qualify for free or reduced price meals.
13. **Who should I include as members of my household?** You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, relatives, or friends). You must include yourself and all children who live with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.
14. **What if my income is not always the same?** List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally get \$1000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only got \$900, put down that you get \$1000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it; but not if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

15. We are in the military. Do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

16. My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. Is his/her combat pay counted as income? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to basic pay because of deployment and it wasn't received before he/she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.

17. My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for **SNAP** or other assistance benefits, contact your local St. Lawrence County assistance office or call **1-800-342-3009**.

Income Chart: The following chart lists income levels according to household size and income levels received either yearly, monthly or weekly. If your total household income is the same or less than the amounts on the Income Chart below, your children may be eligible to receive free or reduced price meals.

Reduced Price Eligibility Scale					
INCOME CHART - Effective from July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020					
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per month	Every 2 weeks	Weekly
1.....	\$23,107	\$1,926	\$ 963	\$ 889	\$ 456
2.....	\$31,284	\$2,607	\$1,304	\$1,204	\$ 602
3.....	\$39,461	\$3,289	\$1,645	\$1,518	\$ 759
4.....	\$47,638	\$3,970	\$1,985	\$1,833	\$ 917
5.....	\$55,815	\$4,652	\$2,326	\$2,147	\$1,074
6.....	\$63,992	\$5,333	\$2,667	\$2,462	\$1,231
7.....	\$72,169	\$6,015	\$3,008	\$2,776	\$1,388
8.....	\$80,346	\$6,696	\$3,348	\$3,091	\$1,546
For each additional family member add.....	+8,177	+\$ 682	+\$ 341	+\$ 315	+\$ 158

How to Apply: To get free or reduced price meals for your children you may submit a Direct Certification letter received from the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, OR carefully complete one application for your household and return it to the designated office. If you now receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) for any children, or participate in the food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR), the application must include the children's names, the household food stamp, TANF or FDPIR case number and the signature of an adult household member. All children should be listed on the same application. If you do not list a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR case number for all the children for whom you are applying, the applications must include the names of everyone in the household, the amount of income each member and how often it is received and where it comes from. It must include the signature of an adult household member and that adult's social security number, or the word "none" if the adult does not have a social security number. An application that is not complete cannot be approved. Contact your local Dept of Social Services for your SNAP or TANF case number, or complete the income portion of the application.

Reporting Changes: The benefits that you are approved for at the time of application are effective for the entire school year. **You no longer need to report changes for an increase in income or decrease in household size, or if you no longer receive SNAP.**

Income Exclusions: The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care Development (Block Grant) Fund should not be considered as income for this program.

Eric Burke, Superintendent of Schools contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339; or (800) 845-6136 (Spanish). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Meal Service to Children With Disabilities: Federal regulations require schools and institutions to serve meals at no extra charge to children with a disability that may restrict their diet. A student with a disability is defined in 7CFR Part 15b.3 of Federal regulations, as one who has a physical or mental impairment which substantially limits one or more major life activities. Major life activities are defined to include functions such as caring for oneself, performing manual tasks, walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, learning, and working. You must request the special meals from the school and provide the school with medical certification from a medical doctor. If you believe your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please get in touch with us for further information, as there is specific information that the medical certification must contain.

Confidentiality: The United States Department of Agriculture has approved the release of students' names and eligibility status, without parent/guardian consent, to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement of federal education programs such as Title I and the National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP), which are United States Department of Education programs used to determine areas such as the allocation of funds to schools, to evaluate socio-economic status of the school's attendance area, and to assess educational progress. Information may also be released to State health or State education programs administered by the State agency or local education agency, provided the State or local education agency administers the program, and federal State or local nutrition programs similar to the National School Lunch Program. Additionally, *all* information contained in the free and reduced price application may be released to persons directly connected with the administration or enforcement or programs authorized under the National School Lunch Act (NSLA) or Child Nutrition Act (CNA); including the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs, the Special Milk Program, the Child and Adult Care Food Program, Summer Food Service Program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC); the Comptroller General of the United States for audit purposes, and federal, State or local law enforcement officials investigating alleged violation of the programs under the NSLA or CAN.

The disclosure of eligibility information not specifically authorized by the NSLA requires a written consent statement from the parent/guardian. We will let you know when your application is approved or denied.

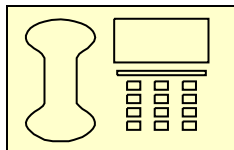
Eric Burke, Superintendent of Schools



DISTRICT CONTACT INFORMATION

Phone: 315-322-5746

Elementary Main Office.....Ext. 201	Fax #: 315-322-0030
High School Main Office.....Ext. 200	Fax #: 315-322-4462
Guidance Office.....Ext. 218	Fax #: 315-322-5769
CSE Office..... Ext. 217	Fax #: 315-322-5861
School Lunch Manager.....Ext. 230	Fax #: 315-322-4462
Bus Garage..... 315-322-5723 or 315-322-5746, Ext. 401	
Superintendent's Office..... Ext. 221	Fax #: 315-322-4462



Date Withdrew _____

Attachment Va F ___ R ___ D ___

2019-2020 Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals/Milk

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on the back, complete **only one** form for your household, sign your name and **return it to the address listed below**. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to: **Madrid-Waddington Central School**
2582 State Highway 345
Madrid, NY 13660

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. **Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.**

Name: _____ CASE #: _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'yes' to step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) **even if they do not receive income**. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of household member	Earnings from work before deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

*Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX-__ __ __ __

I do not have a SS#

*When completing section 3, an adult household member must provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before the application can be approved.

4. Signature: An adult household member must sign this application before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race (Check one or more): American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)
 Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

SNAP/TANF/Foster

Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

Free Meals Reduced Price Meals

Denied/Paid

Signature of Reviewing Official _____

Date Notice Sent: _____

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

To apply for free and reduced price meals, complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to Steve Adams, Cafeteria Manager.

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is not needed. Call the school if you need help: 315-322-5746 Ext. 230. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1 ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

- (1) Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
- (2) List their grade and school.
- (3) Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2 HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

- (1) List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
- (2) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3 ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

- (1) Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
- (2) Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. **Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box.** The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should **not** be considered as income for this program.
- (3) Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
- (4) The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs PART 4 if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. **If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.**
- (5) An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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Elementary School Supply Lists — 2019-2020

Log on to: www.mwcsk12.org and click on [School Supply List](#) link to find grade level lists or for your Teacher's specific listings.



Call 315-322-5746, ext. 201 or 221 to pick up or be mailed a list.



Please visit our school website at www.mwcsk12.org to view:

- This “Back to School” newsletter can be viewed in color on our website under the [District](#) tab; click on [District Newsletters](#)
- Athletics Calendar under the [Athletics](#) tab
- Updated notifications on the District's Facebook page

The following forms are available to the public online at this web address:

<http://www.mwcsk12.org/forms-public.html>

- ~ **Building Use Form**—to be completed by organizations or individuals wishing to use the school building for an activity
- ~ **School Tool Access Form** for Parents/Guardians—gives parents/guardians access to student grades



FALL SPORTS SEASON

Bryan Harmer, Athletic Director

JV and Varsity Soccer Teams will begin practice on Monday, August 19—Check with your child's coach or on the [Athletics Calendar](#) located on the [Athletics webpage](#).

MODIFIED TEAMS begin practice on Monday, August 26

All players should come to practice properly equipped with water, cleats, shin guards and all required medical history forms. You will not be allowed to play without the required forms.

Fall Coaches

Girls Varsity Soccer—Justin Richards

Boys Varsity Soccer—Ryan Robinson

Girls JV Soccer—Brittany Liggio

Boys JV Soccer—Quinn Shoen

Girls Modified Soccer—Buffy Gabri

Boys Modified Soccer—Dave Bailey

Girls Varsity Volleyball—Troy Creurer

Girls Modified Volleyball—Meghan Gabri

Girls JV Volleyball—Charlie French

Joseph Binion, Jr - Sr High School Principal

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians:

After the great summer we have had, I am confident that students and staff are refreshed and ready to come back for another amazing year at Madrid-Waddington Jr.-Sr. High School.

As students come into the building this fall, they will notice that things will seem a little brighter throughout the school. Over the summer crews of electricians have been working to change all of our lighting with brighter and more efficient LED fixtures. Additionally, the library has a new coat of paint.

I would also like to introduce everyone to the new staff members that will be joining us this fall, Courtney McKight and Julie Moots. Miss McMight will be joining our junior high team teaching 6th and 8th grade social studies and Mrs. Moots will be joining our Special Education team as a Teaching Assistant. We are very excited and fortunate to have such great people and educators join our school community.

The Guidance Department has once again been working diligently to balance schedules, especially when adding a couple of courses again this year. Mrs. Burke will continue to expand our coding class offerings by adding some additional high school classes, as well as a new Broadcast Journalism course that will allow our students to stream and commentate live events throughout the year. Mrs. Ruddy and Mrs. Cafarella will again be co-teaching an Art History course for college credit, but this year offering both Art History I and II. Mr. Eldridge's Politics and Protest in America class will also be given for college credit this year.

Over the summer our custodial and maintenance team has worked tirelessly to assure that our building looks great and is safe for our students to return to school. Our teachers continue to master their craft to be the best educators they can be by attending conferences and professional development workshops, working on curriculum development, and continuing to read and understand the new standards that drives education. The dedication and professionalism of our entire staff is what makes our school the best in the North Country.

In closing, I want to thank the parents and community for continuing to support our school with donations and volunteerism. I also want to thank the students for continuing to put in the time and effort to be better people and citizens. There are things that you may not know now, but as you grow older, you will understand why your teachers, coaches, counselors, and advisors were hard on you. You will one day look back and understand that they challenged you to be the best person you could be then, now, and forever.

High School Picture Day: September 19

School Supplies for Grade Six 2019-2020

- 1- Trapper keeper
- 1- one-inch binder
- 3-composition** notebooks
- 3-one-subject spiral notebooks
- Loose-leaf paper
- Pencils, black/blue pens (no gel pens), erasers
- Colored pencils
- 4- **Sturdy** two-pocket folders
- Scissors
- Glue sticks
- 1 pack-3x5 index cards
- 1 pair of headphones**

Daily Planner: The school will purchase a daily planner to be used by all sixth-grade students. The planner will be needed every day to record assignments, prepare for tests, and correspond with parents.

General Supply List for Grades 7-12

Suggested Items Include:

- 3 Ring Binders
- Glue Sticks
- Erasers
- White Board Markers (Mrs. Weaver Math)
- Colored Pencils
- Loose Leaf Paper
- No. 2 Pencils
- Blue and Black Pens (NO Gel Pens)
- 5-8 Pocket Portfolios
- Graph Paper (for Math 8)
- Highlighters
- Book Covers
- Spiral Notebooks
- Headphones



SCHOOL BUS ROUTES/RULES

Bus Routes

This fall the bus routes for the district will mostly remain the same as last year. If you are new in the area, please check with a neighbor to determine an approximate time of bus arrival. It is a good idea to be ready a little early the first few days until bus routes are established. All buses are to arrive at the high school by 7:35 a.m. and at the elementary school by 8:40 a.m.

High School students are not allowed to ride the elementary bus runs without prior office approval.



If you are new in the area, please check with a neighbor to determine an approximate time of bus arrival, or call 315-322-5746,

Ext. 401



School Bus Behavior

It is a student's responsibility to behave while riding on a bus. Bus drivers have the same degree of authority on the bus as teachers have in a classroom. You must not interfere with the safe and comfortable transportation of other students.

Inappropriate behavior, such as fighting, objectionable language or other behavior problems may result in losing your privilege to ride on the school bus.

BUS RULES

1. Keep hands and feet to yourself.
2. Never throw anything out the window
3. Don't push or shove.
4. Stay in your seat until the bus stops.
5. Don't yell or shout.
6. Always obey the driver
7. Wait for the driver's signal before crossing road

STUDENT DRIVERS

Secondary students who drive to school must leave home early enough to arrive for 1st period at 7:45 A.M.

Check in at High School Main Office if you arrive late.

Parking - Safety Committee Regulations

For the safety of students and staff, please be advised that the following parking regulations are in effect:

1. Parking in the lane directly in front of both buildings is prohibited. These are fire lanes and must be kept clear at all times by law. Pick-up and drop off only!
2. Please remember to park in district designated parking areas when attending events. Parking on the south end (Madrid side) of building will be restricted to pavement and designated areas.
3. Parking will not be allowed behind the building for sporting events.
4. Unsafe student driving practices may result in loss of privileges.

NOTICE:

High School Students who enter the building prior to 7:35 AM will remain in the Lobby areas until 7:35 AM. Students are not to be in classrooms unsupervised.

School Emergency Days

During the course of the school year, emergencies may cause school to be closed or delayed. In the event that weather conditions appear that this might happen, you are encouraged to tune in to the following radio and/or TV stations.

**WPDM Potsdam; WMSA & WYBG Massena; WSLB, WNCQ Ogdensburg;
WSLU Canton;**

News 10 Now Syracuse; WWNY TV and WWTI TV in Watertown.

Also, please check the school website: www.mwcsk12.org or our **Facebook** page for cancellation notices. **We are also adding a new notification system called "One Call Now"**. Please refer to page 20 for more information.

Also in the event school should be dismissed early due to emergency conditions, please listen to these stations. Parents of elementary children are encouraged to have pre-planned arrangements for their children. Please discuss these arrangements with your child and if it should be other than where they would normally go, let the school know also. *IN THE EVENT OF AN EARLY DISMISSAL, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED FIRST (TO BE HOME FOR YOUNGER CHILDREN).*



Visit our web site
for more information
and news updates.
www.mwcsk12.org

**The complete Student Handbook is available on our
school webpage at
<http://www.mwcsk12.org/highschool/studenthandbk.htm>**

***VISION.....**The Madrid-Waddington Central School, in partnership with home and community, within a safe environment of empathy, compassion and respect, commits to maximizing each student's achievement in all domains regardless of learning style of ability.*

MISSION

Madrid-Waddington Central School District, with the intent to allow all students to meet or exceed standards, will:

- Embrace challenges
- Resolve problems
- Provide varied opportunities to all students
- Promote global, national and local citizenship
- Develop collaborative and communicative skills
- Prepare students for productive employment and lifelong learning
- Accept the responsibility to set and monitor attainable goals for staff and students

HEALTH OFFICE NOTES... Amber Murphy, R.N., School Nurse 315-322-5746, ext. 203

Keep a good record of your children's immunizations. No student will be admitted to any New York State school without proper immunization or a statement from a physician stating the reason for exemption from immunizations. Call our School Nurse, Amber Murphy, R.N. with questions: 315-322-5746, ext. 203

New Kindergarten Students A reminder that all immunization records need to be up-to-date and filed in the Nurse's office. Call offices listed below for an available date.

NEW REQUIREMENTS:

K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th grades —Two (2) doses MMR & two (2) doses Varicella

Grades 6, 7, 8 & 9 —Two (2) doses Varicella

Grades 7, 8 & 9 —One dose Meningococcal

Grade 12— Two (2) doses of Meningococcal or one dose if first dose was received at 16 years of age or older

These vaccinations can be obtained at any Public Health clinic (315-386-2325) or from your private health care provider.

New York State law requires that all new entrants (whether PreK or Kdg), Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11, and all students entering a school district for the first time have a health examination by a New York State licensed provider. This exam must be provided to school within 30 days of entry into school or the grade levels indicated. A review of the immunization certificates and/or other proof of immunity are needed at the time of registration of all students, inclusive of new entrants and transfers.



MEDICATIONS—If a student needs to take a medication while in school, NYS law requires that the parent bring a written prescription by the doctor and that the medication be in the original container from the drug store. Parents must contact School Nurse, Mrs. Amber Murphy, 315-322-5746, Ext. 203 if child is required to take medication during the school day.

STUDENT INSURANCE

The Board of Education has purchased a student accident insurance policy to pay partial medical expenses if students are injured while participating in school sponsored activities. The policy is a non-duplicating one. This means if a family is covered by their own hospitalization plan, that their personal policy will provide first coverage. If there are expenses not covered by your personal policy or if there is no personal insurance, the student accident insurance will pay the maximum coverage allowable under its policy. Any difference will be the responsibility of the family. Mrs. Murphy, our School Nurse, is responsible for handling all medical claims for the student insurance program.

ONE CALL NOW

Madrid-Waddington Central School District will be implementing the **One Call Now Notification System for emergency and informational alerts.**

The One Call Now System is able to send alerts using telephone calls, text messages, and emails. Parent/guardians of MWCS students will receive a notification based upon the contact information that is currently on file with the District in School Tool. If you need to update your information, please contact Lori MacIntosh at 315-322-5746, Ext. 223 or email her at lmacintosh@mwcsk12.org

FAQ's

Question: How do I opt out of receiving a phone call?

Answer: While listening to a message on your phone, press the Star (*) key to remove your phone number from the list. You may also use the [My Call Now Self-Update Portal](#) to manage your contact information.

Question: How do I get texts instead of calls:

Answer: By opting-In to text messaging, you will receive a text instead of a call when notifications happen. To opt-in: Text the word ALERT to 22300.

Question: Does my contact information get updated for the school if I use the One Call Now Self-Update link?

Answer: NO. You must also contact Lori MacIntosh, District Office at 315-322-5746, Ext. 223 or lmacintosh@mwcsk12.org to update your child's Parent/Guardian contact info.

ADDING CONTACTS: If you would like to add additional telephone contacts, receive text messages or provide an email address for alerts, use the [My Call Now Self-Update Portal](#). To register, you will need to use the telephone number and email address that is on file for your student.

Opt Out of Text Messages and/or Emails:

- ◆ At the bottom of an email message, click the "Opt Out" link to remove your email address from the notification list. This is an immediate opt out.
- ◆ To opt out from receiving a text message on your cell phone: Open a blank text message and in the recipient field type 22300; in the message field, type STOP and click send.

Messages will come from the following sources (to identify One Call Now messages):

PHONE: 877-698-3261 TEXT: 22300

If you have accidentally opted out from receiving notifications and would like to be reinstated, email pbogart@mwcsk12.org and include your full name, student(s)' name(s) and the phone number or email you opted out with.

The MWCS District utilizes mass communication (text messages/email) for District emergency closings, delay or updates. Please be sure to include the parent cell & email address(es) on the Student/Parent Contact Information sheet that will be coming home to you. Parents/Guardians of Grade 6-12 students will receive this form in a late summer mailing. Parents/Guardians of Elementary students will receive this form in early September—it will come home with your student.

The District newsletter can be obtained electronically by emailing your request to pbogart@mwcsk12.org



Public Hours for Fitness Center

5:00—8:00 PM Monday through Friday

Closed Holidays & Emergency School Closings

District residents may access the MWCS Fitness Center during the hours listed above.

Paperless Progress Reports and Report Cards

Due to the success of schooltool's online access for parents/guardians we will continue to send electronic progress reports and report cards that help expedite the process for parents/guardians to monitor their children's progress.

E-mail and facebook notifications will be sent when progress reports and report cards are ready for viewing. You can simply log-in to your schooltool account to view.

Parents/guardians who do not have internet access may still submit a written request to our Guidance Department for progress reports and report cards to be mailed home.

If you are not yet registered in schooltool, you may access the schooltool Parent Portal by completing the registration form located on the District website under the Parent Information Page.

Specific instructions for viewing these reports will be e-mailed when reports are ready to view.

Student Information Reports on Grades 3-8 State Assessments will be available via School Tool upon the State release of the scores anticipated in late Sept.

If you do not currently have access to your student's School Tool records, please contact the District Office to sign up for the Parent Portal. Call Patty Bogart at 315-322-5746, Ext. 221 or email pbogart@mwcsk12.org or mfisher@mwcsk12.org



Dear Parent:

According to the federal legislation, Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), passed on December 10, 2015, as a Parent you are entitled to the following information with regard to the academic qualifications of your child's classroom teacher.

- Whether the teacher has met state qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualification or licensing criteria have been waived.
- The baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree.
- Whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals (teaching assistants) and, if so, their qualifications.

Please contact the District Office if you would like additional information.

Cordially, Eric Burke, Superintendent

Notification Regarding Use of Surveillance Cameras in School Buildings, School Buses and on School Grounds

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to promote and foster school safety and ensure a safe and effective learning environment. After having carefully considered and balanced the rights of privacy with the District's duty to promote discipline, health, welfare and safety of staff and students, as well as that of the general public who has occasion to use school facilities, the Board of Education supports the use of surveillance cameras in its schools, its buses and/or on school grounds. District surveillance cameras will only be utilized in public areas where there is no "reasonable expectation of privacy." Recordings may be shared with law enforcement officials in accordance with their official duties and/or as otherwise authorized by law.

District Policy #5683—Adopted July 22, 2008

New York State Pest Management Plan—New Regulations

Statement of Pesticide use through the Integrated Pest Management Plan (IPM) during a school year.

What is Integrated Pest Management?

IPM is an effective and environmentally sensitive approach to pest management that relies on a combination of common sense practices. IPM programs use current and comprehensive information on the life cycles of pests and their interactions with the environment. This information, in combination with available pest control methods is used to manage pest damage by the most economical means that pose the least possible hazard to people, property and the environment. IPM programs take advantage of all pest management options possible which include but are not limited to the judicious use of pesticides. Understanding pests' needs is essential in implementing IPM effectively. Pests seek habitats that provide basic needs such as air, moisture, food and shelter. Pest populations can be prevented or controlled by creating inhospitable environments, by removing some of the basic elements pests need to survive, or by simply blocking their access into buildings. In the event that these actions are not effective, IPM may require that pests be managed by other methods such as traps, vacuums, biological controls or pesticides. This notice is to inform you of the Integrated Pest Management Program of our school.

Schools are required to maintain a list of staff and parents who wish to receive forty-eight hour prior written notification of pesticide applications at relevant facilities, and procedures on how to register with the school to be on a list for notification.

To be placed on a list to receive 48-hour prior notice of pesticide application, please contact Craig Ashley, Head of Buildings and Grounds, at 315-322-5746 ext. 401

Asbestos Inspection

Madrid-Waddington School facilities have been inspected for both friable (crumbles easily) and nonfriable materials which contain asbestos. All friable asbestos has been removed from the District's buildings. Nonfriable asbestos materials were found in various areas in the buildings. These areas are both accessible and inaccessible to students and staff members. The situation does not pose a health risk at this time and we are carrying on periodic inspections to insure that there is no release of asbestos fibers. The record of the inspection, drawings showing the locations of the friable and nonfriable materials and a copy of the management plan are in the office of the Head of Buildings and Grounds and available for your inspection.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS and PRIVACY ACT (FERPA)

The FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS and PRIVACY ACT (FERPA), a Federal law, requires that Madrid-Waddington Central School, with certain exceptions, obtain your written consent prior to the disclosure of personally identifiable information from your child's education records. However, Madrid-Waddington Central may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow this district to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include: A playbill showing your student's role in a drama production; annual yearbook; honor roll or other recognition lists; graduation programs; and sports activity sheets.

Directory information, which is information that is generally not considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if released, can also be disclosed to outside organizations without a parent's prior written consent. Outside organizations include, but are not limited to, companies that manufacture class rings or publish yearbooks. In addition, two federal laws require location education agencies (LEA's) receiving assistance under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA) to provide military recruiters, upon request, with three directory information categories—names, addresses and telephone listings— unless parents have advised the LEA that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior consent.¹

If you do not want Madrid-Waddington Central School to disclose directory information from your child's education records without your prior written consent, you must notify the District in writing by **September 13, 2019**. Madrid-Waddington Central School designates the following information as directory information: (NOTE: an LEA may, but does not have to, include all the information listed below.)

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|--|----------------------------|--|--|
| - Student's name | - Grade Level | - Address | - Electronic mail address |
| - Major field of study | - Date and place of birth | - Telephone | - Weight & height of members of athletic teams |
| - Photograph | - Degrees, honors & awards | - Dates of attendance | |
| - Participation in officially recognized activities & sports | | - Most recent educational agency or institution attended | |

VISITORS

For security purposes, all doors to the building are locked after 8:30 AM. —Elementary and High School. We utilize a buzzer and intercom to allow you access to the buildings. Visitors must report to the Main Office to sign in and receive a Visitor's pass. To insure student safety, parents or visitors are not permitted to go directly to a student's classroom.

¹These laws re: Section 9528 of the ESEA (20 U.S.C. 7908) as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (P.L. 107-110), the educational bill, and 10 U.S.C. 503, as amended by section 544, the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 (P.L. 107-107), the legislation that provided funding for the Nation's armed forces.

NOTIFICATION TO SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mail to: Guidance Office
Madrid-Waddington Central School
P.O. Box 67
Madrid, NY 13660

**RE: Reservation of Consent for the Release
of Certain School Information Under the
Every Student Succeeds Act**

Please **DO NOT** release the name, address or telephone number of _____ to the military recruiters, institutions of higher learning or outside agencies. Do not include my student's photo or directory information in school publications.

Parent Signature

Date: _____

Student Signature, if 18 years or older

Date: _____

SCHOOL CALENDAR

MADRID-WADDINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

2019-2020

JULY 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

July 4 – Independence Day

AUGUST 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Aug. 28 - Staff Development Day

SEPTEMBER 2019						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Sept. 2 - Labor Day

Sept. 3 – Staff Development Day

Sept. 4 – School Opens

OCTOBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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27	28	29	30	31		

Oct. 14 - Columbus Day

NOVEMBER 2019						
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Nov. 11 – Veteran’s Day

Nov. 12 – Staff Development Day

Nov. 27-29 - Thanksgiving Recess

DECEMBER 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Dec. 23-31 - Holiday Break

JANUARY 2020						
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19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Jan. 1-3 - Holiday Break

Jan. 20 - Martin Luther King Day

Jan. 21-24 - Regents Exams

FEBRUARY 2020						
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16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29

Feb. 17-21 - Mid-Winter Break

MARCH 2020						
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

Mar. 20 – Staff Development Day

Mar. 24-31 – ELA 3-8 Testing Dates

APRIL 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

April 10-17 – Spring Break

April 20 – 27 - Math 3-8 Testing Dates

MAY 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						

May 20 – 29 - Science 4 & 8

May 25 - Memorial Day

JUNE 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				



June 1 & 2 - Science 4 & 8

June 17-25 - Regents Exams

June 26 - Rating Day

August	1	February	15
September	20	March	22
October	22	April	16
November	17	May	20
December	15	June	20
January	19	Total Days	93
Total Days	95	187 Day Calendar	

September 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 9 Calzone Steamed Carrots Fruit & Milk	10 Chicken Parm Sandwich Waffle Fries Fruit & Milk	11 Homemade Pizza Caesar Salad Fruit & Milk	12 Pasta with Meat Sauce Iceberg Garden Salad Fruit & Milk	13 Mac & Cheese Garlic Breadstick Red Pepper Strips Fruit & Milk Sample-3 Mozz Sticks, 3 Boneless Wings 1-Cheese Filled Breadstick Stick Three Bean Salad Fruit & Milk
16 Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Cole Slaw Fruit & Milk	17 Orange Chicken Steamed Rice Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Milk	18 Homemade Pizza Iceberg Garden Salad Fruit & Milk	19 Roasted Turkey Mashed Potatoes Stuffing - Butternut Squash Fruit & Milk	20 Hot Meatball Sub Steamed Carrots Fruit & Milk
23 Hamburger on WW Roll Sweet Potato Fries Fruit & Milk	24 Chicken Caesar Salad w/Garlic Breadstick String Cheese Stick Fruit & Milk Alt Veg:Caesar Salad	25 Homemade Pizza Three Bean Salad Fruit & Milk	26 Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Steamed Corn Fruit & Milk	27 Boneless Chicken Wings Rice Pilaf Carrots & Celery Sticks Fruit & Milk
30 Buffalo Baked Stuffed Pasta/Stuffed Shells Cheese Filled Breadstick Stick Cucumber Slices Fruit & Milk	31 PB & J Sandwich w/Cheese Stick* Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chicken Tenders w/Garlic Breadstick	 PB & J Sandwich w/Cheese Stick* Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chef Salad w/Garlic Breadstick	PB & J Sandwich w/Cheese Stick* Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chicken Burger on Roll	PB & J Sandwich w/Cheese Stick* Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Baked Haddock Sandwich
Monday's Alternates French Toast Sticks	Tuesday's Alternates Pancake Blites	Wednesday's Alternates Fresh Baked Cinnamon Rolls Breakfast	Thursday's Alternates Breakfast Pizza	Friday's Alternates Egg & Sausage Sandwich
Daily Alternates: Mini Donuts, Bagel, Poplar®ogurt or Cereal Daily Breakfast Offerings: 100% Fruit Juice, Fruit, Milk This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer.				
Prices Breakfast \$1.50 PK-5 \$2.25 \$1.50 6-12 \$2.50 \$0.25 Reduced \$0.25 menu subject to change without notice				

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POSTAL PATRON

Application for Free and Reduced Price School Meals

Federal Funding to schools is based on eligibility numbers. We encourage all families, who may be eligible, to complete the school meals application contained in this newsletter. Please read the information regarding Free & Reduced eligibility and complete the application on Page 13. Return it to school as soon as possible in August or September.

An application is also available by calling 315-322-5746, Ext. 221 or Ext. 230 to request a copy; or stop by the Superintendent's Office to pick one up.

Call 315-322-5746, Ext. 230 for assistance in completing this application.

Help us to provide your child a nutritious meal which aids in academic success! Research indicates that students who eat breakfast and lunch increase achievement in school. Confidentiality is maintained by use of an ID # at the register.