

MADRID-WADDINGTON CENTRAL SCHOOL

December 2017



Greetings,

I am honestly not disappointed to be drafting this letter while still looking at grass outside my office window. Although we have had a generous dose of autumn weather, the slippery substance will soon be stuck to the roads. We are tremendously fortunate to have an exceptional team of drivers and mechanics that provide safe transportation under a variety of conditions. In the event of a weather related closure or delay we will continue to use "One Call Now" in addition to our typical media outlets. I am hoping this will be a rare occurrence, however we will keep student safety as our number one priority when making these decisions.

Our student athletes enjoyed a very successful fall season and garnered many championships and accolades. Congratulations to our boys' varsity soccer team on repeating as Section X champions. This was a truly special team that had great chemistry, personality, and represented our district with dignity. Our merger athletes participating in cross country and swimming also earned Section X team and individual championships.

Most of the Phase II capital project work has been completed with a few items remaining to be completed. There were enough funds remaining to order the installation of a safety gate at the entrance to the bus loop in front of the building. This will help better control the flow of traffic and prevent vehicles from entering the loop when students are loading or unloading from the buses. There has been a decent amount of press coverage lately on the topic of vehicles passing stopped school buses. Our buses are equipped with outside cameras so when we experience one of these infractions we are able to use the footage to capture the license plate and this can result in fines and points on the driver's license. If you have any young drivers at home please remind them to remain observant when driving to and from school.

This fall brought another great drama club performance to the Madrid-Waddington stage under the guidance of first-year director Mark Ruddy. "Moon Over Buffalo" was a great success and allowed our students to display their amazing talents and theatrical abilities. Congratulations to all involved in carrying on a great yellowjacket tradition.

The auditorium will once again be jam packed for several holiday concerts and I would like to say thank you in advance to the many people involved in making these events a great memory for our students.

I would like to wish everyone a safe and festive holiday season.

Cordially,

Eric Burke
Superintendent

Seasons Greeting and Happy Holidays,

The winter season is upon us, and once again this year, Mother Nature has decided to play games with the weather. But the good news is that we are off to another great school year, as the students and staff continue to make our school the great place that it is.

Just last weekend, the Drama Club, under the guidance of director Mark Ruddy, performed Ken Ludwig's comedy "Moon Over Buffalo." Mr. Ruddy and the students worked tirelessly under a tight rehearsal schedule before performing an amazing show that left the audience laughing throughout. We thank the students, parents, and community for coming out to support the show. An additional thanks goes out to the students, parents, and staff that worked behind the scenes to make the show the success that it was.



Directed by Mark Ruddy and performed by Tyler Allen, Katharine Dinneen, Brianna Hammond, Emily Bracy, Thomas Cafarella, Maria Langford, Francis Bateman, Matt Mikolay, Lindsey Baker, Noah Ashley, and Gabe Rutherford

Please also remember to join us during the holiday concert season:

Tuesday, December 12, 7 pm: 4th-6th grade chorus, 5th-6th grade band

Thursday, December 14, 7 pm: Middle School Chorus & Band, High School Chorus & Band

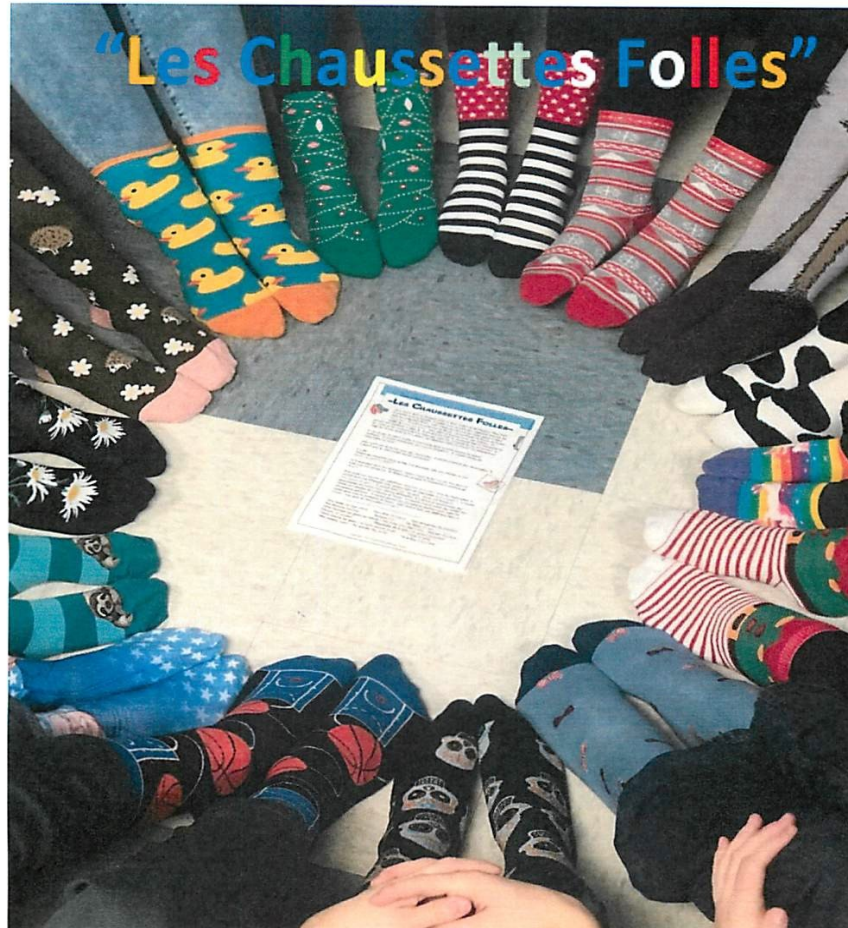
Wednesday, December 20, 6 pm: Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grade concert

January Regents Exams will take place from Monday January 22nd - Thursday January 25th, 2018. We will be running a normal school week, and those students taking exams will be dismissed when necessary. Morning exams begin at 8:00 am and afternoon exams at 12:00 pm. Students taking afternoon exams will be able to ride the elementary bus home.

Warmest thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful holiday and a very happy new year.

Joe Binion
Jr-Sr High School Principal

John's Crazy Socks



Students in Miss Marrama's French III class participated in an interesting activity in November. The students read a news article about a boy named John Cronin from Huntington, New York who has Down syndrome. He had a dream of starting his own business and with the help of his dad was able to start up an online sock company known as "John's Crazy Socks". The students used their French to discuss future dreams, starting a company and special needs and how small things can make a difference in the world. Later, the class read a follow up article written and published by Miss. Marrama and visited his website to order their own pair of socks! For each sock purchase, 5% was donated to a charitable organization like Autism research and The Special Olympics. Madrid-Waddington French students, like John Cronin, hope to help spread happiness through the purchase of their socks! John hopes that more people will visit his online store and purchase socks! The students were featured in the November 8th issue of the Daily Currier Observer wearing their crazy socks. The students learned that it is easy to contribute to the spread of happiness for a good cause.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Upcoming SAT / ACT Exams and Test Centers 2017-2018

SAT:

* Students must pre-register at www.collegeboard.com

Test Fee: \$46.00 Late Registration Fee: add \$29.00

Without Essay: \$46.00 With Essay: \$60.00

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| March 10, 2018 | Registration Deadline: February 9, 2018 |
| May 5, 2018 | Registration Deadline: April 6, 2018 |
| June 2, 2018 | Registration Deadline: May 3, 2018 |

ACT:

*Students must pre-register at www.actstudent.org

Test Fee: \$46.00 without Writing \$62.50 with Writing Late Registration Fee: add \$29.50

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| April 14, 2018 | Registration Deadline: March 9, 2018 |
| June 9, 2018 | Registration Deadline: May 4, 2018 |

***Students who fall within certain income guidelines may be able to obtain a FEE WAIVER for these exams. If you receive free or reduced lunch, you may be eligible. Please check with the Guidance Office for more information.**

****Some colleges require SAT Subject Tests. Usually they are highly selective colleges with difficult admission requirements. If you have a college in mind, and wonder if any SAT Subject Tests are required, please contact the Guidance Office or go to the college's website and check admission requirements.**

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

Financial Aid Information

Websites that will help you understand the financial aid process include the following:

The New York State Higher Education Services Corporation (HESC): www.hesc.org

- This agency administers the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP). It also administers 25 grant, scholarship and loan programs.



Free Application for Federal Student Aid: There is no fee for this application. www.fafsa.ed.gov

- This application should be completed by all college-bound students & their families.
- It is recommended that this form be completed ONLINE.
- KEEP IN MIND THAT EACH COLLEGE HAS THEIR OWN FINANCIAL AID DEADLINE: BE SURE TO FIND OUT WHEN THE DEADLINE DATE IS, SO YOU CAN GET YOUR FAFSA COMPLETED BY THAT DATE.
- There is NO FEE for this application.

CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE

<http://student.collegeboard.org>

*This financial aid form is only used by some colleges & scholarship programs

*A list of those programs who use the PROFILE is available on the website

*The PROFILE is a fully web-based application system & there is an application fee for this form

CAREER RESOURCE INFORMATION and WEBSITES

Occupational Outlook Handbook:

www.bls.gov/ooh

Prepared by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, this website is updated annually with information on occupations that include nature of the work, working conditions, qualifications and training needed, employment, job outlook, earnings, related occupations and sources of additional information.

Career Info Net:

www.careerinfonet.org

Prepared by the Department of Labor, this site is actually composed of 4 sites in one, so in addition to CareerInfoNet, you will find and be able to directly link to the Career One Stop, the Job Bank and the Service Locator. Though all the sites are job search oriented, the Career Info Net has industry and occupation information, and it is categorized as well by state. There is a Career Tools section that includes a resume tutorial among other exceptional resources, and the entire site is very easily navigable and user friendly.

Guidance Direct: Career Connections

www.guidancedirect.com

This program is available to all students attending Madrid-Waddington. Many of our students utilized the program last spring and were able to complete an interest inventory and/or a resume. College and scholarship information is also available to students. To access Madrid-Waddington's Guidance Direct information, use the following Student Login ID and password:

MWCS School ID: 4692095

MWCS School Password: M32S7862

For students who have already set up an account, you can retrieve information and sign onto your account to access additional information. If you have forgotten your login information, please check with the Guidance Office. For students who would like to set up an account, simply click on "Student Login" and follow the steps. Guidance Direct can be accessed from any computer with Internet capabilities.

CareerZone:

<http://www.careerzone.ny.gov>

CareerZone is an innovative online career exploration and planning system designed especially for today's high-tech youth in New York State. CareerZone presents current and relevant occupational and labor market information in a clear and interesting way, making career exploration and planning fun and easy. CareerZone leverages the power of the web to provide: information on 800 occupations from the national Occupational Information Network (O*NET) Database; the latest labor market information from the state Department of Labor; and interactive middle and high school career portfolios aligned with the NYS Education Department Career Plan initiative. Links to college exploration and planning resources help youth begin their life/work journey. Over 450 career videos provide a visual of the workplace and bring careers to life. Up-to-date job postings provide a glimpse into the local labor market and an ability to apply for positions. The expanded resume builder helps youth prepare one of the most important tools needed for a successful job search.

Youth in grades 6-12 most often use CareerZone to start their career exploration journey by beginning with the Interest, Work Values and Skill assessment tools to explore potential careers. A middle school and high school career portfolio are available to help youth create a meaningful plan for their future education and career choices.

GPS for Success:

mygpsforsuccess.com

About GPS for Success: GPS For Success is a multi-platform website where students and adults can watch, read and learn about career opportunities, income potential and education/training requirements in 16 career clusters outlined nationally as experiencing a shortage of skilled workers entering the workforce. **GPS For Success** was recently awarded a *Certificate of Excellence by the New York State Economic Development Council* in multi-media marketing.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION: A reminder to SENIORS to check the Guidance website on a regular basis to find out what scholarships have been received by our office. Generally, we receive the bulk of our scholarship information in the spring semester.

REGENTS EXAMINATION SCHEDULE: JANUARY 2018

Students must verify with their schools the **exact times** that they are to report for their State examinations.

January 22 Monday

8:00 AM

English Language Arts

12:00 PM

Living Environment

January 23 Tuesday

8:00 AM

RE in U.S. History & Gov't

Geometry

12:00 PM

Algebra 1

January 24 Wednesday

8:00 AM

RE in Global History &
Geography

Physical Setting/Physics

12:00 PM

Algebra II

January 25 Thursday

8:00 AM

Physical Setting/Earth Science

Physical Setting/Chemistry

The University of State of NY, The State Education Department
Office of State Assessment, Albany, NY 12234

College Application Deadlines

Each individual college has their own deadline for applications. Seniors should pay special attention to these deadlines. The Guidance Department recommends that seniors have their applications complete and sent in to the college by December 1. This allows time for transcripts and other important information regarding the application process to be gathered. More importantly, seniors should hear back from the college by early Spring if they have their applications in early, making their remaining months of high school less stressful.

SAT Workshop Information

The St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES offers the Spring 2018 SAT Workshop to interested high-school Juniors. Classes will be held at St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES Educational Services Center, 40 West Main St., Canton. The first class is February 24th/25th. Classes run until April 14th/15th. New this year, there are four sections: two sections on Saturdays, either 11:00 AM—1:30 PM or 1:30 PM—4:00 PM, or the same times on Sundays. Registration deadline is February 9th but sections are filled in the order registrations are received, so sign up early for your first choice. To participate in the workshop, students in Canton, Gouverneur, Hermon-DeKalb, Heuvelton and Madrid-Waddington district must register with their Guidance Counselors before February 1st. Home school students and students from other districts should mail the registration form and fee directly to Meg Clements (at 99 State Street, Canton, NY 13617 or FAX 315-386-4614). Registration forms, class information and schedules are available at <http://satactworkshop.weekly.com/>. Deadline is February 9th, but sections are filled in the order that registrations are received so sign up early for your first choice.

BOCES Visit—January 12, 2018

Sophomores will be visiting the Northwest Tech Center to tour the Career and Technical Educational programs. We will leave at 9:30 a.m. and return around 12:45 p.m. For more information about the Career and Technical Education programs available visit www.sllboces.org

Gateways to Careers—March 21, 2018 at SUNY Canton

Juniors enrolled in English 11 and all seniors who attend a Career and Technical Educational program will participate in this program. Gateways to Careers is a college and career readiness workshop, which annually provides more than 1,200 students from component school districts, the opportunity to learn critical job seeking skills as well as the knowledge of how a well-developed resume, solid communication skills, and a positive attitude can impact their future success.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE

Absence is the main cause of failure in school. Unless health forbids or an emergency arises at home, a student should be in school. Responsibility for making up work lies entirely with the student. The student should schedule an appointment with their teachers to determine what is to be made up. **The standards and guidelines for make-up work are presented to the students at the beginning of each course they take. Copies of teachers' make-up policies are available upon request in the high school main office.** Punctuality and regular school attendance are essential to success in school and later on the job.

BE ON TIME AND IN YOUR CLASS EACH DAY.

All absences must be verified by a note from the parent within forty-eight hours of the student's return to school indicating the reason for absence. **Excused absences** include personal illness, medical, dental, or legal appointments, religious observance and death in the family.

All absence, as well as tardiness and truancy are recorded daily. Car problems, oversleeping and personal reasons are not acceptable excuses for being late.

LATE STUDENTS ARE TO REPORT TO THE OFFICE IMMEDIATELY UPON ARRIVAL.
**AND UNLESS SCHEDULED FOR AN ACTIVITY – ALL STUDENTS ARE TO LEAVE THE BUILDING
AT 2:08 PM**



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, or even a one-time change, you must notify the school **in writing**. This is important to insure that your child is transported safely. 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 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

School Emergency Days

Notice of SCHOOL CLOSING or DELAY will be available on our website:

www.mwcsk12.org and on the MWCS Facebook page.

During the course of the school year, emergencies may cause school to be closed or delayed. In the event that weather conditions result in delay or closing, you are encouraged to tune in to the following media.

- ◆ **One Call Now—automatic notifications via email, text or phone (see pages 11-12 for more info)**
- ◆ **Facebook—If you “Like” MWCS Facebook, you will receive an automatic update/notification**
- ◆ **WPDM Potsdam or 99hits.com**
- ◆ **WMSA & WYBG Massena**
- ◆ **WSLB, WNCQ Ogdensburg**
- ◆ **WSLU Canton—North Country Public Radio or online at ncpr.org**
- ◆ **News 10 Now Syracuse or news10now.com**
- ◆ **WWNY TV and WWTI TV in Watertown— wwnytv.com/weather/school-closings**




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, please notify the school’s main office in writing.

IN THE EVENT OF AN EARLY DISMISSAL, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED FIRST.

Paperless Progress Reports and Report Cards

This year, Madrid-Waddington has expanded upon using the Schooltool portal for parents to access their child's school records to include paperless reporting instead of sending paper copies home. Parents will receive emails when progress reports/report cards are ready to view each quarter. With Schooltool access, parents and students can view the following information:

- assignment, progress report, and marking period grades
- attendance records
- discipline records
- a list of contacts provided by the student's guardians
- the student's schedule
- Grades 3-8 NYS Assessment Reports, via WebEdge 

If you do not have access to Schooltool, you can fill out the form to gain access under



the “Parent Information” page on the District Website:
In addition to website access, parents and students can download the free Schooltool Mobile App so they can view the student's Schooltool information via a smartphone or tablet. It is available for iOS and Android devices through the iTunes or Google Play stores.

If you have any questions, would like help setting up the app, or assistance accessing your child's online record, please feel free to contact Michelle Burke, mburke@mwcsk12.org, 322-5746, ext 161.



MATT DALEY, ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL



I hope this letter finds everyone in great spirits as we make preparations for the holiday season. Our school year kicked off on August 31st with our annual UPK/KIndergarten orientation day. On September 21st, we welcomed district families to our annual Open House to meet staff and share student work. This event is always very well received. It provides an opportunity to welcome back families and allows new families a chance to meet staff and become acquainted with our building. On September 22nd, our first grade students welcomed their grandparents to our school for some fun fall activities. Refreshments were provided by Mr. Adams and his crew in the cafeteria. I would like to personally thank them along with a number of high school students who volunteered to assist with serving our revered community members.

The month of October brought us visits from our local fire and rescue departments. As always, these important members of our community did an outstanding job teaching our students how to assess and respond to a potentially dangerous situation. Again, many thanks to these valued community servants for setting an excellent example for our future volunteers. It is heartening to see them enthusiastically interacting with the students.

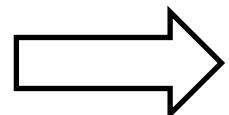
This year our PTO graciously offered to organize Red Ribbon Week. A number of activities were created to specifically teach our students about the dangers of illicit drugs and to assist them in discovering proactive approaches to handling peer pressure along with common stressors.

On November 17th, we held our first student recognition assembly. This year we identified three important qualities essential for success. Each characteristic was given a title keeping in line with our Yellow Jacket theme. The awards were as follows:

1. The "Hive" Award- Presented to a student demonstrating great responsibility in all areas of school and community life.
2. The "Stinger" Award- Presented to a student who demonstrates grit, perseverance, and a spirit of never giving up on learning.
3. The "Yellow Jacket" Award- Presented to a student who demonstrates kindness and cooperation in school.

Students were recognized in front of family and peers with a certificate. Recognition was also given to students "Caught Being Good" and classes demonstrating excellent cafeteria behavior.

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As always, our staff works diligently each day to meet ever changing curriculum demands while continuing to teach important character qualities essential for success. The Madrid-Waddington staff sincerely appreciates the support we receive each and every school year. Our mission is always to implement new and innovative ways to make learning fun. We look forward each year to discovering new ways to enhance our student's educational experience. My philosophy continues to be utilizing the school as a community hub; uniting home and school to foster a positive learning environment for all kids. As I have expressed before, my door is always open.

I wish you all a happy and safe holiday season.

Sincerely,

Matt Daley
Elementary Principal

Elementary Winter Concert Dates:
Grades 4-6, December 12th @ 7 PM
Grades K-3, December 20th @ 6 PM

INJURIES and SCHOOL ACCIDENT INSURANCE: Please report all injuries immediately! We cannot stress enough the importance of prompt reporting to the School Nurse when your child is injured in a school activity. **If a Student Accident Claim form is not completed on your child within 72 hours of the injury, our supplemental insurance plan (Student Accident Insurance administered by Philadelphia Insurance Company) may not be able to make payment.**

Coverage is only for school-sponsored, teacher supervised activities which are a part of the regular school program.

This is an excess coverage, your primary insurance comes first. Benefits are available only after all other insurance has been utilized. Please submit to your own insurance(s) first before submitting any balances to the school Philadelphia Insurance Company will require itemized bills from all dates of services, as well as the EOB (Explanation of Benefits) from your insurance company. Submit claims as promptly as possible as there is a one year deadline for all claims. The claim must be mailed within one year from the date of injury. The Plan has a schedule of benefits, and pays according to that schedule. Please do not expect the plan to pay all of the excess medical charges. If your medical bills are in excess of the scheduled plan payments, the difference is the responsibility of the parents. Under this policy, the school may not be held legally responsible for the remaining unpaid balance.

Your child is covered by this insurance program once he or she gets on a school bus on the way to school and until he or she gets off the bus on the way home. Students who: walk to school, drive cars, or ride bicycles are not covered until they enter the school building.

Please contact the School Nurse and Philadelphia Insurance Company with all accident/injury related questions. The Student Accident Claim form is available from the School Nurse.

Text Message Notification for School Closings or Delays

Madrid-Waddington Central School will send notifications of school closings and delays via a text message using **ONE CALL NOW Notification System**. If you would like to receive a text message on the days school may be closed, closed early, or delayed due to poor weather conditions or other unforeseen circumstances, you will need to provide the following information: Your name, cell phone number and cell phone carrier. This information will be used for the purpose of notifying you of school closings or delays, of reminders regarding school events.

If you wish to use this service, please provide the information below to the main office of the school your child attends. If you have more than one child, you only need to fill out one form. It may be returned to either the Elementary or High School main offices.

If you have any questions, please contact the District Office at 322-5746, Ext. 221.

Thank you,
Eric Burke
Superintendent of Schools

Return the bottom portion to the main office of the school your child attends.

I have a child(ren) in the following buildings(s). Please circle ALL that apply.

Elementary UPK-5

Middle School 6-8

High School 9-12

Parent/Guardian (please print): _____ Relationship to Child(ren): _____

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____

Cell Phone # _____ Carrier (Circle One): AT&T Verizon Other: _____

Cell Phone # _____ Carrier (Circle One): AT&T Verizon Other: _____

Home Phone # _____ Carrier (Circle One): AT&T Verizon Other: _____

Email Address: _____

By signing this form, you give permission for the Madrid-Waddington Central School District to add this information to our student database, School Tool and ONE CALL NOW.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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 322-5746, Ext. 223 or email her at Imacintosh@mwcsk12.org.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

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 contact Lori MacIntosh, District Office at 322-5746, Ext. 223 or Imacintosh@mwcsk12.org to update your child's Parent/Guardian contact info. In SchoolTool.

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.

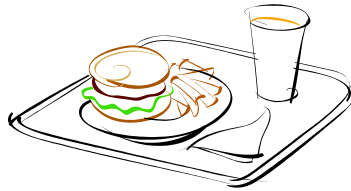


Scholarships for Seniors—Class of 2018 Madrid-Waddington Central School

If you have considered sponsoring a scholarship or award for a graduating Senior, but not sure how to go about it, here is some information for you. Scholarships will be announced at our June 2018 graduation ceremony. Scholarships may be donated by individuals, families, organizations and corporations. Donations are made for varied reasons: *In memory of a loved one, in recognition of a well-deserved accomplishment, or to help a student that is continuing in a certain trade or continuing on to college.*

Recipients are chosen in several different ways: by the MWCS Scholarship Committee, by the donor, or by committees organized within the donating business or charity. Our Madrid-Waddington Central School graduates always appreciate the recognition and monetary support.

It's never too early to consider donating a scholarship or award for a member of this year's graduating Class of 2018. In fact, in late January, informational letters will be mailed out to past donors outlining the timeline for scholarship donations. If you would like to receive this information, please email Lori MacIntosh at lmacintosh@mwcsk12.org or call 315-322-5746, Ext. 223.



FREE & REDUCED LUNCH APPLICATION

(find application on page 15) → →
Fill out and return to MWCS
following instructions below... →

A Free & Reduced Lunch Meal Program is available to assist families with the cost of school meals. Please complete the application found on page 15 of this newsletter and mail to **Mr. Stephen Adams, School Lunch Manager, MWCS, P.O. Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660.**

Confidentiality is maintained as students utilize a school ID number when progressing through the cafeteria line.

This program will ensure that all students have the opportunity to receive a healthy, nutritious meal.

Please call 322-5746, Ext. 230 for assistance in completing this application.

This application has to be completed on a yearly basis—every September when school begins, or throughout the year if your financial circumstances have changed. Please utilize this program to be sure your student receives a healthy meal—breakfast and/or lunch every day!

If you wish, please call District Office at 322-5746, Ext. 221 to request an application be mailed to you.

**Every child should have the opportunity
to enjoy a nutritious breakfast and lunch each day!**

Date Withdrew _____

Attachment Va F ___ R ___ D ___

2017-2018 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.**

Return Completed Applications to: Madrid-Waddington Central School

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

| Student Name | School | Grade/Teacher | Foster Child | Homeless Migrant, Runaway |
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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 |
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Total Household Members (Children and Adults)

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

*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: 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 _____.

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is no longer needed. Call the school if you need help: _____. 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.



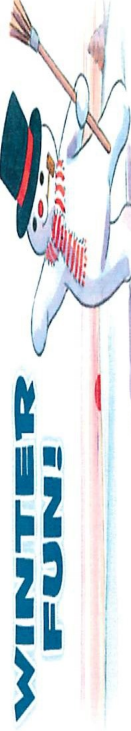

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities 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.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

DECEMBER

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|--|--|---|--|---|
| MEAL PRICE GRADES K-5 Milk: \$0.50 Breakfast: \$1.25 Lunch: \$2.10 | MEAL PRICE GRADES 6-12 Milk: \$0.50 Breakfast: \$1.25 Lunch: \$2.25 | Low fat and assorted fat free milk available daily. USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer. Menu subject to change. |  | |
| 04 Chicken Parmesan Sandwich Steamed Carrots Fruit & Milk | 05 Hamburger on a Whole Wheat Roll—Pasta Salad Sweet Potato Fries Fruit & Milk | 06 Homemade Whole Wheat Pizza Caesar Salad Fruit & Milk | 07 Whole Wheat Mac & Cheese Whole Wheat Dinner Roll Red Pepper Strips Fruit & Milk | 08 Chicken & Biscuits Mashed Potatoes Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Milk |
| 11 Pulled Pork Sandwich Baked Beans Fruit & Milk | 12 Tangerine Chicken Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli Fruit & Milk | 13 Homemade Whole Wheat Pizza Iceberg Garden Salad Fruit & Milk | 14 Chicken Caesar Salad with Whole Wheat Roll String Cheese Stick Peas Fruit & Milk | 15 Sloppy Joe Sandwich on Whole Wheat Roll Steamed Carrots Fruit & Milk |
| 18 French Toast Stix Sweet Potato Puffs Sausage Fruit/Milk | 19 Roasted Turkey Mashed Potatoes Stuffing Fruit & Milk | 20 Homemade Whole Wheat Pizza Three Bean Salad Fruit & Milk | 21 Tacos or Taco Salad Rice Black Bean Salsa Fruit & Milk | 22 HOLIDAY BREAK DECEMBER 22-29 |
|  |  | | | 29  |

Breakfast and Lunch Alternate choices repeat every week.

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| MONDAY BREAKFAST Mini Donuts, Bagel, or Cereal Fruit & Fruit Juice Choice of Milk | TUESDAY BREAKFAST Yogurt, Mini Donuts, Bagel, or Cereal Fruit & Fruit Juice Choice of Milk | WEDNESDAY BREAKFAST Sausage & Egg Breakfast Sandwich, Mini Donuts, Bagel, or Cereal Fruit & Fruit Juice Choice of Milk | THURSDAY BREAKFAST Breakfast Pizza, Mini Donuts, Bagel, or Cereal Fruit & Fruit Juice Choice of Milk | FRIDAY BREAKFAST Mini Donuts, Bagel, or Cereal Fruit & Fruit Juice Choice of Milk |
| MON LUNCH ALTERNATE Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chicken Nuggets with a Whole Wheat Roll | TUES LUNCH ALTERNATE Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Hotdog/Roll | WED LUNCH ALTERNATE Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Hamburger with a Whole Wheat Roll | THURS LUNCH ALTERNATE Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Chicken Burger on a Whole Wheat Roll | FRI LUNCH ALTERNATE Peanut Butter & Jelly Sandwich Turkey Sandwich Ham & Cheese Sandwich Baked Haddock Sandwich |

Madrid-Waddington



"Bee" Fit

Fitness Center

**Public Hours for Fitness Center
5:00—8:00 PM Monday through Friday**

Closed Holidays and Emergency School Closings

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



As the weather turns colder, and rain or snow interferes with your daily walking routine, please remember that you are welcome to continue your walking exercise indoors here at MWCS. **When school is in session, the building is open Monday through Friday from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm for anyone who is interested in continuing their daily exercise program. Please use the main entrance door by the High School Office.**



~ Winter Break ~
December 22—Jan 1

~ Back to School ~
Tuesday, January 2, 2018



Please note: Due to the holiday schedule, the District buildings, **including the Fitness Center**, will be closed on the following dates:

December 22—25, 2017
December 29, 2017—January 1, 2018

~ Mid-Winter Break ~
February 19-23, 2018

~ Spring Break ~
April 23-27, 2018

Board of Education

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School Board Meetings

BOARD MEETING DATES REMAINING IN 2017-18 7:00 PM High School Library

Tuesday, December 19—Regular meeting
Tuesday, January 16—Regular meeting
Tuesday, February 13—Regular meeting
Tuesday, March 20—Regular Meeting
Thursday, April 5—BOCES Annual Meeting
Tuesday, April 10— Special Budget Meeting (Optional)
Monday, April 16—Regular Meeting
BOCES Budget Vote
Tuesday, May 8—**6 pm** Public presentation of
budget
Tuesday, May 15—Annual District vote; Regular
meeting
Tuesday, June 19—Regular meeting

All meeting times are 7:00 PM, unless otherwise
noted.

**Our monthly board meetings are held in the
high school library at 7:00 PM unless other-
wise noted, and are open to the public.**

**Notification of the upcoming Board meetings
and an agenda can be viewed online, under
the “Board of Ed” tab**

**Agenda is posted three days prior to the
meeting date.**

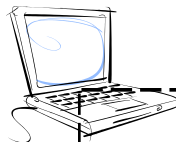
<http://www.mwcsk12.org/district/boardpage.html>

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address above for:

- ◆ Tax Calculator
- ◆ District Policy Manual
- ◆ Listing of Board members and terms
- ◆ Board Meeting Calendar
- ◆ Budget Information
- ◆ Employment Applications



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



Schooltool access for parents is available—
allowing you to access your student's grades.

Call Patty Bogart, District Office, 322-5746, Ext. 221 for
the form and information on how to gain this access.
The form may also be found online by clicking on the Dis-
trict tab; Forms, to Public Forms, and print out the
Schooltool Access Form. Mail to Ms. Patty Bogart,
MWCS, P.O. Box 67, Madrid, NY 13660

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