

Fort Edward

Union Free School District

2023-2024

School Calendar

Keep This Calendar Handy So You Don't Miss Our Special Events



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Superintendent's Message

Fort Edward Community,

It is that time to welcome you back to another wonderful school year. Last year I made promises to create lasting relationships with community stakeholders and understand the educational and financial trends of the District. I am happy to say that I feel I achieved those promises.

In the past 14 months myself and the administrative team have attended most if not all of our afterschool events. This has helped us to understand Fort Edward and to get to know many members of the community. Additionally, we have been able to settle several staff union contracts, make small upgrades to our facility, and replace our heating system. We have also welcomed several new staff members to our leadership team, such as Mr Steve Neron the leader of our buildings and grounds team, and Mr. Chris Rayder, who leads our business office. This year we will be continuing to look to add staff, such as a school patrol officer to better serve our students.

One of the most exciting things we will be doing this year is going out to voters for consideration of an approximate \$12.5 million capital project. This capital project will have ZERO impact on the tax levy!!! We will be looking to make upgrades to our JR/SR high school, energy efficiency upgrades, and much more. We will be distributing information that will detail what we plan to complete as we lead up to the voting day in May.

As I move forward in life, one of my biggest fears is to reflect on today and realize nothing has changed in the past year. The start of the school year brings us new beginnings and the proverbial slate is clear! We get a chance to write our story each day. What will your story say at the end of the school year? The choice is yours!!

Thank you for supporting our school, and here is to a great 23-24 school year. GO FORTS!!

With Warm Regards,

Richard R. DeMallie, Ed.D
Superintendent of School



FORT EDWARD DISTRICT CALENDAR 2023-24

AUGUST 2023

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Dates of School Closures

September 5	Supt. Conference Days
September 6	Supt. Conference Days
September 7	Classes Begin
October 9	Columbus Day
November 9	Emergency Release Day
November 10	Veterans Day
November 22-24	Thanksgiving Recess
November 27	Classes Resume
December 22	Holiday Recess Begins
January 2	Classes Resume
January 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
January 23-26	Regents Testing Days
February 19-23	Mid-Winter Recess
February 26	Classes Resume
March 8	Supt. Conference Day
March 29	Good Friday
April 1-5	Spring Recess
April 8	Classes Resume
April 26	Supt. Conference Day
May 27	Memorial Day
June 4	Regents Testing Day
June 14-26	Regents Testing Days
*with June 17 & June 26 as designated rating days.	
June 19	Juneteenth
June 25	Last Day For Students

Number of Student Attendance Days:

September	17
October	21
November	18
December	15
January	21
February	16
March	19
April	16
May	22
June	16
Total Number of Pupil Days	181
Supt. Conference Days	4
Total Days	185

■ Classes Not in Session ■ Regents Testing ● Supt. Conference Day

Grades 7-12 Bell Schedule

Regular Bell Schedule

Warning Bells.....	8:00 and 8:07
Period 1	8:10 - 8:51
Period 2	8:54 - 9:35
Period 3	9:38 - 10:19
Period 4M	10:22 - 10:52
Period 4H.....	10:22 - 11:03
Period 5M	10:55 - 11:36
Period 5H.....	11:06 - 11:36
Period 6	11:39 - 12:20
Period 7	12:23 - 1:04
Period 8	1:07 - 1:48
Period 9	1:51 - 2:32
Detention	2:40 - 3:30

BOCES Career & Technical Education Bus:

AM BOCES - 7:35am; PM BOCES - 11:30am

One Hour Delay Bell Schedule

Warning Bells.....	9:00 and 9:07
Period 1	9:10 - 9:43
Period 2	9:46 - 10:19
Period 3	10:22 - 10:55
Period 4	10:58 - 11:32
Period 5	11:35 - 12:08
Period 6	12:11 - 12:44
Period 7	12:47 - 1:20
Period 8	1:07 - 1:48
Period 9	1:51 - 2:32
Detention	2:40 - 3:30

BOCES Career & Technical Education Bus:

AM BOCES - 8:35am; PM BOCES - 11:30am

Two Hour Delay Bell Schedule

Warning Bells.....	10:00 and 10:07
Period 1	10:10 - 10:36
Period 2	10:39 - 11:06
Period 3	11:09 - 11:36
Period 4	11:39 - 12:05
Period 5	12:08 - 12:34
Period 6	12:37 - 1:03
Period 7	1:06 - 1:32
Period 8	1:35 - 2:02
Period 9	2:05 - 2:32
Detention	2:40 - 3:30

BOCES Career & Technical Education Bus:

AM BOCES - NONE; PM BOCES-11:30am



For up-to-date information:

www.fortedward.org

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Phone Number Extensions 747-4529

Richard R. DeMallie, Ed. D. Superintendent	3101
Erin Russo, PK-12 Principal	3102
Christopher Rayder, Business Office.....	3105
Joyce Long, Director of Pupil Services	3125
School Psychologist	3115
Jade Zagorski, School Social Worker.....	TBD
Deborah LeBarron, PK-5 Counselor & CPSE Chair.....	3116
Joanna Scotch, 6-12 Guidance Counselor.....	3123
Transportation	3100
Steve Neron, Buildings and Grounds	3120
Sabrina Sinagra, School Nurse	3114
Main Office	3111

Board of Education Members

The current members of the Fort Edward Union Free School District are:

Thomas Roche - President
Ella Collins- Vice-President
John Guglielmo
Amanda Durkee
Taylor Boucher
Tim Clark
Keaysie Ferguson - District Clerk

School Hours

The Fort Edward Union Free School day is between 8 a.m. and 2:32 p.m. Students should arrive shortly before 8 a.m., unless they participate in the breakfast program that begins at 7:30 a.m. Students must wait in an assigned area until the first warning bell rings. Students will then be allowed to go to their lockers. Students must be in their first period class by 8:08. Times are adjusted for delays.

As the calendar illustrates, the Fort Edward Union Free School hosts several athletic and community events that occur in the evening. Community residents are welcome, and your participation is encouraged.

SEPTEMBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4 Labor Day No School	5 Superintendents Conference Day No School	6 Superintendents Conference Day No School	7 Classes Begin 1	8 2	9 ACT
10	11 BOE Meeting @ 6:30PM 3	12 4	13 5	14 6	15 Rosh Hashanah 1	16
17	18 2	19 3	20 4	21 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM 5	22 6	23 Autumn Begins
24 Yom Kippur	25 1	26 2	27 3	28 PK- 12 Open House @6:00 PM 4	29 Castleton Honors Band 5	30

Homework Club/Academic Enrichment

Thanks to the generosity of Irving Tissue, the District will once again offer enrichment mini courses and homework club to students in grades 3 - 6.

Students report to the Elementary Homework Club right after school to begin working on assignments. A snack is provided. Students are divided in smaller groups to work with assigned staff members.

The Elementary Homework Club begins in October and ends after the New York State Assessments in May. Information about the Club will be sent home with your child in mid-September.

Middle School and High School Academic Support is available Monday - Thursday from 2:40PM - 3:00PM

Please contact the main office for further information or questions at 747-4529, extension 3111.

Literacy

All literacy programs in Fort Edward emphasize explicit and specific instruction in the five component areas of reading: phonics, phonemic awareness, vocabulary, comprehension and fluency. Students are continually assessed for benchmark progress.

Students who are not at benchmark receive supplemental and intervention instruction designed to specifically address their needs. They are retested frequently to closely monitor success and progress.

The fundamental philosophy of our literacy program is that students need to be proficient readers.

Our goal is to prepare students for the increasing difficulty of course content in future years.



Fire Inspection Completed

The annual fire inspection has been conducted and the required reports have been submitted to the New York State Education Department. For questions please contact the school's main office at 747-4529, extension 3120.

OCTOBER 2023

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 6	3 1	4 2	5 3 MS/HS Progress Report Period Ends	6 4	7 SAT
8	9 Columbus Day No School	10 5 BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	11 6	12 1	13 2	14
15	16 3	17 4	18 5	19 6 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	20 1	21
22	23 2	24 3	25 4	26 5	27 6	28 ACT
29	30 1 School Picture Day	31 2 Halloween				

Dignity for All Students Act

The Dignity for All Students Act (DASA) requires school districts to develop a policy that prohibits harassment, bullying, and discrimination and adds awareness to actual or perceived race, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sex, sexual orientation, and gender.

The goal of the DASA is to create a safe and supportive school climate where students can learn and focus in a welcoming considerate environment.

For more information about DASA and the Fort Edward School District's Policy please call the school's main office at 747-4529, extension 3111.



Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Pursuant to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, Fort Edward Union Free School District hereby notifies parents and guardians that they have the right to: Inspect and review a student's educational record and seek correction of parts of a student's education record which he/she/they believes to be inaccurate, misleading or in violation of the student's rights. These rights include the right to a hearing to present evidence that the record should be changed if the district decides not to alter it according to the parent's or an eligible student's request.

Parents also have a right to report or file a complaint with the Department of Education if the school district violates FERPA and exercise a limited control over the student's education records, in a hearing if necessary.

Parents are further advised that the district shall limit the disclosure of information contained in the student's education records except:

- a. by prior written consent of the student's parents or an eligible student,
- b. directory information or
- c. under certain circumstances, as permitted by FERPA, state and federal law.

All rights and protections given to parents under FERPA and this policy transfer to the student when the student reaches 18 or enrolls in a post-secondary school.

For any questions or for further information, please contact the school's main office at 747-4594, extension 3100.

Pesticide Notification

The Fort Edward Union Free School District may use pesticide products periodically throughout the year. The Pesticide Neighbor Notification Law requires school districts to maintain a list of staff and persons in a parental relation who wish to receive 48-hour written notice prior to the application of pesticides. Written notifications will include the date, locations and product used for each application.

For further information or to be placed on the school-specific 48-hour notification list, please contact the school's main office at 747-4529, extension 3111.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 3	2 4	3 5	4 SAT
5 Daylight Savings Ends	6 6	7 1	8 2	9 3 Emergency Release Day MS/HS Report Card Period Ends	10 10 Veterans Day No School	11
12	13 4 BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	14 5	15 6	16 1 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	17 2	18
19	20 3 K-6 Parent Teacher Conference 12:00 PM Dismissal	21 4 K-6 Parent Teacher Conference 12:00 PM Dismissal	22 Thanksgiving Recess No School	23 23 Thanksgiving Recess No School	24 24 Thanksgiving Recess No School	25
26	27 5	28 6	29 1	30 2		

Emergency Closing

In order to ensure the safety of students and staff, the Fort Edward School will close in inclement weather.

Our district uses a notification system, BlackBoard Connect, which allows us to reach parents, students and staff members instantly.

If our school will be closed or delayed you will be notified by a automated phone message.

You may also tune to the local network television affiliates (WRGB, WTEN, WNYT, and WXXA), Capital News 9, or the regional FM and AM radio stations. Websites associated with each of these media outlets are also excellent sources of school closing information.

Also, be sure to check the Fort Edward Union Free School District Web site (<http://www.fortedward.org>) and social media for any up-to-the-minute cancellation information.

We ask that you do not telephone the school. Thank you.



Student Absences

The Board of Education of the Fort Edward Union Free School District recognizes that student attendance in school is an important component of student success. Student interaction with teachers and other students in class helps to enhance the academic learning experience and provides a basis by which students can demonstrate mastery of subject matter.

The following reasons for pupil absences, tardiness, and early departure shall be considered by the Board of Education to be excused:

- Bereavement
- Medical
- Religious observance
- Required court appearances
- Participation in a School-sponsored activity
- Pre-approved college visits
- Approved cooperative work programs
- Approved military commitments
- Suspensions

When you expect your child will be sick and cannot attend school:

Call the school as early as possible in the morning and inform the office that the child will be absent. Write and sign a note which the child will submit to the attendance office when he or she returns to school.

Main Office: 747-4529, ext. 3111

If your child becomes sick during the day:

The student should report their illness to the teacher.

The teacher will sign a pass for the student to proceed to the nurse's office. The school nurse will take appropriate action, possibly calling the student's parent or guardian.



Attendance Policy

Grades 7 through 12

Regular attendance is a necessary requirement in the learning process. This attendance policy calls attention to student absence when it occurs and enables the family and the district to cooperate in helping the student succeed. In order to promote and encourage regular attendance, credit for completion of all classes will be based, in part, on attendance with the following criteria:

1. A student who is absent from any class other than for Band or Chorus in excess of 20 class periods for a 40 week course, or 10 class periods for a 20 week course, may lose all credit for that course of study.
2. If a student and his/her/their parents believe that extenuating circumstances were involved in a specific set of legal absences, they may petition the appropriate building principal for review. Then, if unsatisfied, an appeal may be made to the Superintendent of Schools for further deliberation and examination.
3. Any first year BOCES student who misses twenty (20) days or more of BOCES classes may not be allowed to return for his or her second year of study.

DECEMBER 2023

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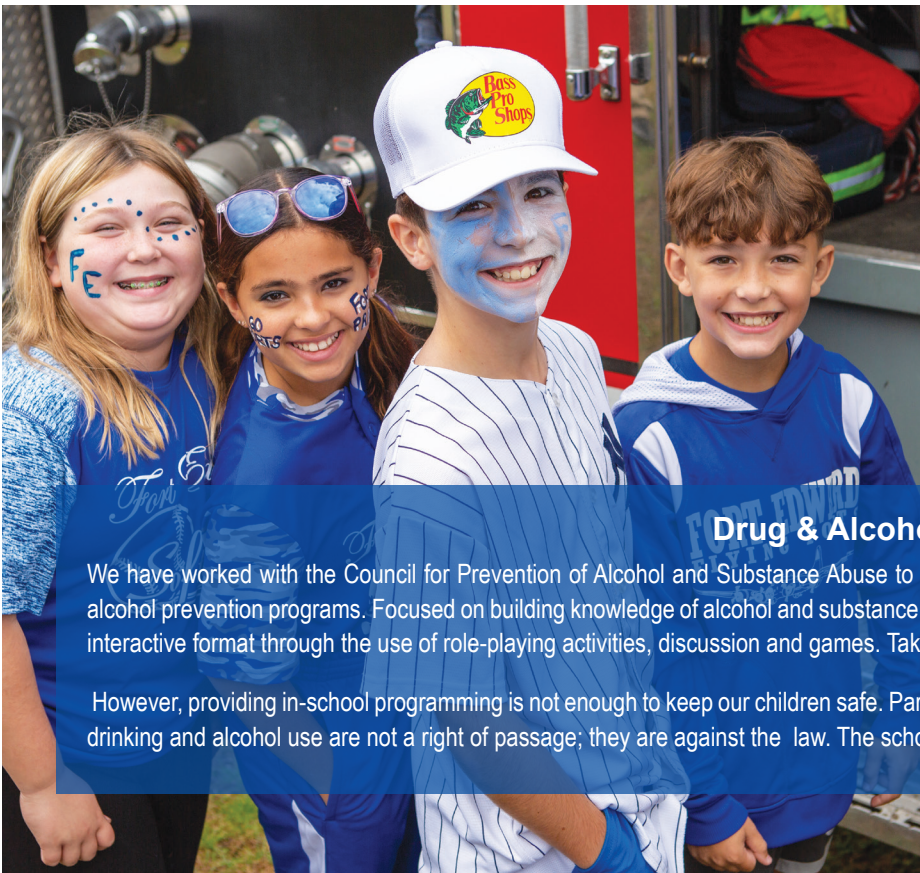
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	BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	Chorus Concert @6:30 PM			MS/HS Progress Report Period Ends	
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		Band Concert @6:30 PM		Winter Begins PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	Holiday Recess No School	
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	Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School	Holiday Recess No School	
31	Christmas Day					
New Year's Eve						



Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)

Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is a school-wide, systems approach to establishing the social culture and behavioral supports needed for all children in a school to achieve both social and academic success. PBIS is an approach that defines core values, and explicitly teaches and reinforces appropriate behaviors in every part of the school. A core team of teachers and other school professionals meets twice per month to review student disciplinary data and plan ongoing training and organizational supports relating to PBIS and student behavior. At Fort Edward Elementary, we have seen a drastic reduction in the number of student referrals for negative behaviors since the initial implementation of PBIS in September 2017. We are continuing to develop our Tier 2 and Tier 3 PBIS programs for at-risk students.

Some features of PBIS at Fort Edward Elementary include monthly school-wide assemblies, which serve to reinforce behavior expectations, promote positive character traits, and recognize students who have exceeding expectations. We also have a high-frequency reinforcer program, in which students earn tickets that can be traded for small prizes. Although the PBIS program at Fort Edward Elementary is still young, we have already seen significant reductions in problem behaviors. We plan to continue and expand this PBIS program into the future, as we work to promote a nurturing learning environment for all of our students.



Drug & Alcohol Prevention Program

We have worked with the Council for Prevention of Alcohol and Substance Abuse to provide a six-week program entitled “Too Good for Drugs” in our schools to enhance our drug and alcohol prevention programs. Focused on building knowledge of alcohol and substance abuse consequences/dangers, along with a social skills component, this curriculum provides a highly interactive format through the use of role-playing activities, discussion and games. Take home activities are also included to involve family members.

However, providing in-school programming is not enough to keep our children safe. Parents must be vigilant in knowing what their children are doing and with whom they are with. Underage drinking and alcohol use are not a right of passage; they are against the law. The school, parents and community must come together to reduce underage drinking and drug use.

JANUARY 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 New Year's Day Holiday Recess No School	2 Classes Resume	3 1	4 2	5 3	6
7	8 BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	9 5	10 6	11 1	12 2	13
14	15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day No School	16 3	17 4	18 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	19 6	20
21	22 1	23 2	24 3	25 4	26 5 MS/HS Report Card Period Ends	27
Regents Week						
28	29 6	30 1	31 2			

Booster Club

Did You Know the Fort Edward Booster Club . . .

- Sponsors the Sports Banquet that honors all athletes and cheerleaders for all seasons
- Offers two scholarships in June - one to a boy and one to a girl who are continuing their education
- Supports all teams that play beyond their season, i.e. League, Sectionals, or State Tournaments
- Supported both a boys' and a girls' summer recreation basketball program over the summer

These are a few of the many things that the Fort Edward Booster Club promotes and finances. Membership is open to parents, grandparents, coaches, interested community members, and friends. We need your support, your ideas and your involvement.

It is important that your child stays active and involved, just as important as you, the parent, becomes an active and involved participant.



Parent Teacher Organization

Parent Teacher Organization PTO is a group of Fort Edward parents who share a common interest in education. PTO members meet periodically to discuss educational matters and plan activities for students, faculty and PTO members.

In the past, PTO has sponsored: Junior Great Books volunteers, fund-raising activities, book fairs, parent volunteers, and assemblies.

All residents of the Fort Edward Union Free School District are welcome to join PTO. Whether you are a parent of a student or graduate, an alumni, or a Fort Edward resident, all are welcome. To find out more, call 747-4529.



FEBRUARY 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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				3	4 Groundhog Day	
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	4 Lincoln's Birthday BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	5	6 Valentine's Day Ash Wednesday	1 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	2	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Presidents Day No School	Mid-Winter Recess No School	Mid-Winter Recess No School	Mid-Winter Recess No School	Mid-Winter Recess No School	
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	3	4	5	6		



Extracurricular Activities

The Fort Edward School District offers a number of extracurricular activities. Interscholastic sports, academic clubs and student life activities provide students with a structured place to interact with peers, enjoy competition, pursue academic and co-curricular interests, and simply a place for positive fun and relaxation.

Sports
Baseball
Basketball
Bowling
Cheerleading
Cross Country
Football
Golf
Soccer
Softball
Volleyball

Academic Activities
Math League
National Honor Society

Student Life Activities
Drama
Elementary School Council
Football Club
Jr. High School Student Council
High School Student Council
Junior/Senior Chorus
Outing Club
Ski Club
Marching Band
Stage Band
Gaming Club
Weightlifting Club
Yearbook
Trap Shooting Club



Student Rights

Fort Edward students have all rights afforded them by federal and state constitutions, statutes, and regulations. Accordingly, students are reminded that certain responsibilities accompany these rights.

It shall be the right of each student to:

- Have a safe, healthy, orderly, and courteous school environment.
- Take part in all district activities on an equal basis regardless of sex, religion, national origin, or disability.
- Attend school and participate in all school programs unless suspended.
- Have rules and regulations available for review and explanation.
- Be suspended only after his or her rights have been observed pursuant to education law.
- Present his or her views of the facts in all disciplinary matters.
- Follow personal standards of dress and grooming.
- Express his or her opinions verbally as long as this expression does not interfere with the rights of others.

It is the responsibility of each student to:

- Be familiar with and abide by all school rules.
- Work to the best of his or her ability in all academic and extracurricular pursuits.
- Behave responsibly when attending school functions and to accept responsibility for his or her actions.
- Seek help in solving problems that could affect his or her academic or extra-curricular achievement.
- Hold regular attendance in school and in class.
- Show respect for themselves and one another and his or her property.
- Dress in accordance with standards established by the Board and Superintendent.
- Make constructive contributions to the school and report fairly circumstances of school-related issues.

MARCH 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	2	3	4	MS/HS Progress Report Period Ends	Superintendents Conference Day No School	SAT
10 Daylight Savings (Start)	11 BOE Mtg. @ 6:30 PM	12	13	14	15	16
17 Saint Patrick's Day	18	19 Spring Begins	20	21 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31 Easter	4	5	6	1	Good Friday No School	

Medications

NYS law prohibits school nurses from dispensing, without written permission, any drugs or over-the-counter medications.

If your child is under a physician's prescription to take medicine, please bring the medication, along with the prescription label, to the school nurse. The same procedure applies to aspirin, acetaminophen, cold remedies and all other over-the-counter medicines.

If you wish to have your child take over-the-counter medication while in school, please bring the medicine to the school nurse.

Fort Edward Union Free School District Q & A

What is the Fort Edward Union Free School District Board of Education?

The Board of Education is comprised of district residents who are unpaid public officials elected by voters of the Fort Edward community who assume major responsibility for the governance of the school district. They are citizens who through their Board membership, provide leadership for the welfare of district students.

What decisions are made by the Board?

The Board establishes the District budget, curriculums, the school calendar and other legal matters relating to the function of the school. Many issues are handled through committees, and recommendations are made to the Board. Other matters are delegated to the School Superintendent. With the exception of Executive Sessions matters (personnel issues, for example), all Board meetings and committees are open to the public.

If I have an issue to discuss with the Board, what do I do?

Each Board meeting follows an agenda which recognizes community comments. The Board President will recognize individuals, and a period of time, (not more than five minutes) is allowed to express a viewpoint. In order to allow further discussion, a person may have his or her issue placed on the agenda. This is accomplished through prior contact with the School Superintendent. In short, if you wish to address the Board, contact the School Superintendent.

When does the Board meet?

In accordance with NYS law, the Board holds regular business meetings on the second Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium. If that day is a holiday then the board will meet on Tuesday of that week. Parents, students, and other community members are encouraged to attend.



APRIL 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Spring Recess No School	2 Spring Recess No School	3 Spring Recess No School	4 Spring Recess No School	5 Spring Recess No School	6
7	8 BOE Meeting @ 6:30 PM	9	10	11	12 MS/HS Report Card Period Ends	13 ACT
14	15	16	17	18 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM	19 All County Band Festival	20 All County Band Concert
NYS ELA Assessments Grade 3-8						
21	22 Earth Day	23	24	25	26 Superintendents Conference Day No School	27
28	29	30				
NYS Math Assessments Grade 3-8						

Non-Discrimination Notice

The Fort Edward Union Free School District does not discriminate in employment or in the education programs and activities which it operates on the basis of sex, sexual orientation, age, ethnicity, religion, race, or handicap in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendment of 1972, or §504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the NYS Human Rights Law. Inquiries regarding this non-discrimination notice may be directed to Section 504/Title IX Coordinator.



School Safety

The Fort Edward Union Free School District Safe Schools Plan is a comprehensive look at all of the factors that contribute to school safety. The plan was developed in accordance with New York State's Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) legislation, research and the input of representatives from many constituencies within the school community. An important component of the SAVE legislation was for school districts to implement instruction in civility, citizenship and character education. This year, Fort Edward will continue our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports Program (PBIS). PBIS is a researched based model that defines strategies for teaching and supporting appropriate student behaviors to create positive school environments. The District also engages in safety drills. In addition to required fire drills, the District aims to practice four lock-downs annually. One of the drills is done in conjunction with both state and local law enforcement agencies and emergency personnel. Fort Edward has received high marks and praise at debriefing meetings after the drills, with respect to the effectiveness of our procedures. The District Wide Safe Schools committee works throughout the year to update the plan as needed. The oversight of the plan by the committee ensures that changes are effected in a continuous and timely manner.

MAY 2024

TRADITION • COMMITMENT • EXCELLENCE

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 6	2 1	3 2 SAT	4
NYS Math Assessments Grade 3-8						
5 Cinco de Mayo	6 3	7 4	8 5	9 6	10 1	11
12 Mother's Day	13 School Budget Hearing / BOE Meeting 2	14 Spring Band Concert @ 6:30 PM 3	15 4	16 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM 5	17 Armed Forces Day 6	18
NYS Grade 8 Science Assessments Grade 5 & 8						
19	20 1	21 School Budget Vote and Night of the Arts Spring Chorus Concert @6:30 PM 2	22 3	23 4	24 Jr./Sr. Fun Day 5	25
26	27 Memorial Day No School	28 6	29 1	30 2	31 3	



JUNE 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 SAT
2	3 4	4 5 Algebra I Regents	5 6	6 1	7 2 Elementary School Field Day	8 ACT
9	10 BOE Meeting # 6:30 PM 3	11 4	12 5 Flag Day	13 6	14 1 Flag Day Regents Week	15
16 Father's Day	17 2	18 3 Regents Week	19 Juneteenth Day No School	20 4 PTO Mtg. @ 4:00PM Booster Club Mtg. @6:30 PM Regents Week	21 Regents Week K-6 Half Day 12:00 PM Dismissal	22
23	24 Regents Week	25	26	27	28	29
30	K-6 Half Day 12:00 PM Dismissal	K-6 Half Day 12:00 PM Dismissal			Graduation	

Fort Edward Recreation Department

The Fort Edward Recreation Department is offering fun and safe summer programs for students in grades K-12. The program is offered to all Fort Edward residents during the months of July and August. Most activities are offered free of charge for students, but registration is required. For More information please visit the Fort Edward Recreation Departments website at <https://villageoffortedward.com/departments/recreation/>.

Activities Offered:

- Arts & Crafts
- Basketball
- Bicycle Rides
- Field Trips
- Flag Football
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Soccer
- Pickle Ball
- Tennis
- Community Garden
- Bowling
- Golf



Summer Hours of Operation

Although the students are not in the building during the summer we are still here to serve you. Our summer hours of operation are Monday - Friday from 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM.

Phone Number Extensions 747-4529

Richard R. DeMallie, Ed. D. Superintendent	3101
Erin Russo, PK-12 Principal	3102
Joyce Long, Director of Pupil Services	3125
Christopher Rayder, Business Office.....	3105
Charles Perkins, Business Office	3104
Michele Sherwood, Business Office	3110
Tobie Bessette, Main Office	3111
Lecia Carpenter, CSE Secretary.....	3124
Keaysie Ferguson, Superintendent Secretary & District Clerk.....	3113
Steve Neron, Buildings and Grounds	3120
IT Department.....	4105



July 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Board of Education Reorganization Meeting	3	4 Independence Day	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			

Physical Examinations

NYSED requires a physical exam for new entrants and students in Grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 & 11; annually for interscholastic sports; and working papers as needed; or as required by the Committee on Special Education (CSE) or Committee on Pre-School Special Education (CPSE). Please have your child's health care provider complete the necessary forms. All health forms should be provided to our school nurse.

School Supplies

The start of school is right around the corner. Before you head out the door to do your school supply shopping please visit www.fortedward.org for up to date school supply lists. You can also stop into our main office to obtain a printed copy.

Starting School on the Right Foot

- Get a good night's sleep.
- Eat a healthy breakfast.
- Get back on a regular schedule.
- Talk to your child about their feelings about school, friends, teachers, and new activities.

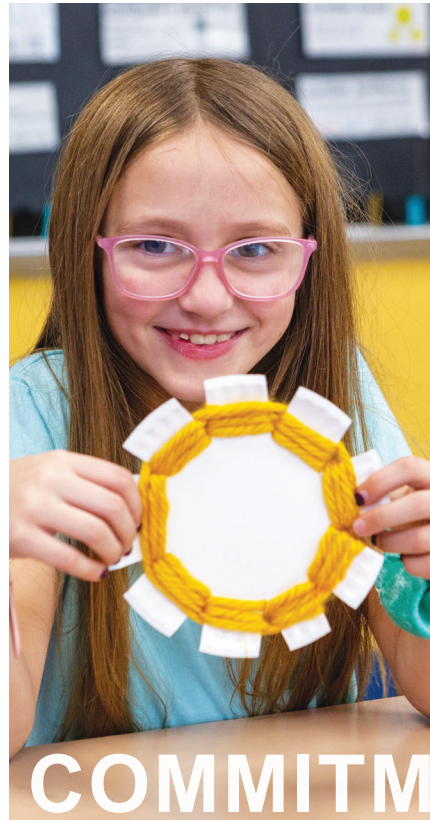


August 2024

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	3 SAT
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	NYS Regents Testing					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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