

Rush-Henrietta Central School District
Henry V. Burger Junior High School
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Burger Junior High School

2019 Newsletter

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Please call the attendance line when your child will be absent or late from school.

For daily announcements and activity updates, please visit our Burger community website at www.rhnet.org/burger.

Upcoming Events

Dec. 5	9 th Grade Winter Concert, 7 p.m.
Dec. 9	8 th Grade Winter Concert, 7 p.m.
Dec. 16	7 th Grade Winter Concert, 7 p.m.
Dec. 23 – Jan. 3	School Closed – Holiday Recess

Enjoy Winter Break!



December

Happy Holidays,

It was wonderful to see so many parents/guardians take advantage of our parent-teacher conferences last month. If you did not have the opportunity to come in for a conference last month, please don't hesitate to contact a teacher for a quick, but effective, phone conference or contact your grade level counselor to set up a time/date to meet more formally.

December is always a busy month for our students and families. Our students are involved with so many things this time year. We have many of our students after school rehearsing for the upcoming performance of Shrek, Jr., while other students are playing basketball, running indoor track, cheering or wrestling for the Royal Comets. It is great to see so many students being involved in our school community.

December is also the month when our student musicians get us all into the holiday spirit with our winter concert series. Here are the dates and times for our upcoming concerts:

- Thursday, December 5 – Grade 9 concert at 7 pm
- Monday, December 9 – Grade 8 concert at 7 pm
- Monday, December 16 – Grade 7 concert at 7 pm.

It's always impressive to see the many talented musicians we have here at Burger. I hope you find the time to enjoy one of the grade level concerts - I am confident you will walk away in the holiday spirit and impressed with our young musicians too.

As the holiday season approaches, we know from past experience that it will only be a matter of time before we see and feel the excitement build here at school as we head toward the December recess. That's okay - we will be ready for them.

Happy Holidays from everyone on staff at Burger Junior High School. We hope you find the time to rest, relax and enjoy the company of friends and family during this special time of year.

All the best,

Greg Lane
Principal

Happy Holidays

Burger Team of Professionals

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News from the Health Office



Cold Versus Flu, What is the Difference

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both the flu (influenza) and common cold are respiratory illnesses, but they are caused by different viruses. The flu is worse than the common cold, and the symptoms of the flu are much more intense than the common cold. Colds generally do not result in serious health problems, but the flu can have more serious associated flu-related complications, such as pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus infections, ear infections, or hospitalization. The flu can also make chronic health problems worse, such as those with asthma may experience asthma exacerbation while they have the flu.

Symptoms of the flu can include fever, chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, and fatigue. Some people may also experience vomiting and diarrhea. Cold symptoms are usually milder and begin with a sore throat and runny nose, followed by coughing and sneezing. Cold symptoms can also include body aches and headaches. The flu and common cold usually spread from person to person through the air, when an infected person coughs or sneezes, or through close personal contact. If you are concerned you may have the flu, contact your physician to be tested.

Signs and Symptoms	Cold	Flu
Symptom onset	Gradual	Abrupt
Fever	Rare	Usual
Aches	Slight	Usual
Chills	Uncommon	Fairly common
Fatigue, weakness	Sometimes	Usual
Sneezing	Common	Sometimes
Stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes
Sore throat	Common	Sometimes
Chest discomfort, cough	Mild to moderate	Common
Headache	Rare	Common

#FIGHT FLU

(Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)

FLU PREVENTION TIPS

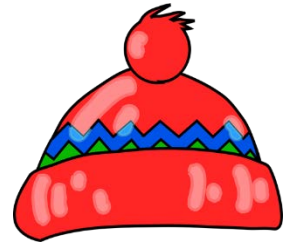
The following are flu prevention tips according to the Center for Disease Control and Prevention.

- ✓ Cover your mouth and nose when you sneeze.
- ✓ Clean your hands often.
- ✓ Avoid touching your eyes, nose, or mouth.
- ✓ Stay home when you are sick and check with your healthcare provider when needed.
- ✓ Practice other good health habits like eating, exercising, managing stress, and sleeping properly.
- ✓ Get a yearly flu vaccine.
- ✓ Avoid close contact with others such as hugging, kissing, or shaking hands.
- ✓ Disinfect frequently.

Sonia Anselmo-Witzel, PhD, RN, SNT



NJHS



Annual Giving Tree Dec. 2-17, 2019



We are seeking gently used winter clothing to help dress our community members for Henrietta's fierce winter. Items can be placed on or around the tree in the main foyer.



Winter Concert Dates

Thursday, December 5

9th Grade Concert

Monday, December 9

8th Grade Concert/Jazz Ensemble

Monday, December 16

7th Grade Concert/Chamber Orchestra

*All concerts start at 7 p.m.

*Thursday, December 19, will be the make-up day if any concert is cancelled due to poor weather.



Burger 8th Grade Washington, D.C. 2020 Trip



Important Trip Information & Dates

Tuesday, May 19 – Thursday, May 21, 2020

- ❖ **Cost of Trip approximately \$500.** Students will need to bring \$40 (approximately) for two lunches & one dinner.

- ❖ **Ways to offset payments for your student's trip:**
 - Burger offers a candy bar fundraiser to offset the cost of the trip starting in 7th grade.
 - Candy sales start September 19. Sales will be ongoing throughout the year.
 - First Choice Tour Company is offering a credit card option.
 - Payments towards the trip can be accepted with weekly/monthly installments.

- ❖ **September 30, 2019:** 8th grade Washington, D.C. trip informational mailing.

- ❖ **November 1, 2019:** \$100 deposit, registration & optional trip insurance due.

- ❖ **December 2019:** Look for registered student mailing.

- ❖ **February 7, 2020:** Final payment and forms due to AP Office.

- ❖ **March 27, 2020:** Medications form due to AP Office (for prescription & OTC).

- ❖ **April 24, 2020:** Last day for any medications turned into Health Office.

- ❖ **May 5, 2020, 6:30 p.m.:** Mandatory parent/guardian & student meeting.

If you have any questions regarding Burger's fundraiser or D.C. trip, contact Mrs. Acresti @ 359-5310 or email eacresti@rhnet.org
(Make checks payable to Burger Junior High School)



NOVEMBER TEACHER SHOUT OUTS!!!

Makala Anderson - I wanted to tell you how proud I am of the start you have had in math. You work so hard and care so much about your own learning. I am happy your hard work is paying off, and I can't wait to see more great things from you in the future. - Mr. Coe

Jax Dun - Jax scored a 95 on his most recent social studies test! Even better - he comes to class every day with a positive attitude ready to learn!! Keep up the great work, Jax - I am so proud of you! - Mrs. Goodberlet

Amar Kassem - You did something kind that brightened someone's day. Thank you for your thoughtfulness! - Mrs. Markham

Colbi Meisenzahl - I wanted to write you to thank you for always brightening my day with your smile and kindness. Thank you for being you! - Miss Prinzing

Binyam Mekonen - A big shout out to Binyam in 4th period study hall. He allowed another student to go to the library, before himself. Thank you for being kind and thoughtful! - Mrs. Winden

Arielle Misra - Thank you so much for your kind words and for helping Kamryn with her German project. It is much very appreciated! - Mrs. Heisinger (Kamryn's helper)

Aliyah Stevenson - Aliyah scored a 90 on her last social studies test! Even better than that, she comes to class daily with a positive attitude and ready to learn! Great job Aliya - I'm so proud of you! - Mrs. Goodberlet

Shana Uhl - Even though I don't have you in class this year, you are still finding ways to impress me! Thank you so much for your post card. You are such a thoughtful person. Thanks for being you! - Miss Prinzing

Ricardo Vilela - Ricky is a creative writer who has a way with description. I very much enjoyed his nonfiction narrative! - Mrs. Bennett

Subaib Williams - I wanted to share that I truly appreciated your contribution to science class today. You asked great questions, sketched scientific observations and contributed to our class discussions. Keep up the great work! - Mrs. Bement and Miss Anthony

Positive Attributes We Support-Positive Attributes We Support-Positive Attributes We support

Burger
Footlight
Theatre
Field
Trip!



Go see the
musical in
person at
the
Auditorium
Theatre!

Thursday, Jan 23rd, 2020

Tickets are \$60

Front of Mid-Balcony (so good seats ;-)

Includes transportation! No school the next day!

Payment by cash or check (made out to R-H Burger Junior High School) due by

Dec 2nd--Up to 4 tickets per family

Permission Slips available from the library or music teachers

Contact Ms. Reed for more info lreed@rhnet.org

Burger Middle School

Parent note for:

Early Dismissal

(Please have student bring this note to the Main Office during home base.)

Student Name: _____ GRADE _____

Date: ___/___/2019

Student will be picked up at: _____ a.m. _____ p.m.

Student will be picked up by: _____

Reason for early dismissal: _____

A parent note and signature are mandatory for a student to receive a bus pass.

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Parent note for:

Bus Pass

(Please have student bring this note to the Main Office during homebase or lunch)

Student Name: _____ GRADE _____

Date: ___/___/2019 BUS # _____

Address where Student will be going: _____

Student going home with: _____
Student name

Parent's signature: _____

Contact phone number: (____) _____ - _____

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