

Burger Junior High School 2025 Newsletter

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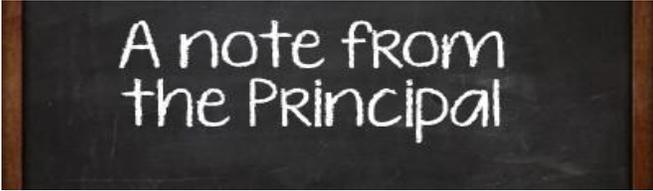
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Please call the attendance line when your student will be absent or late to school.

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

Upcoming Events

May 5 Concert: 7th Grade Ensembles, Jazz Band, 7 p.m.
May 9 Staff Appreciation Brunch
May 12 Concert: 8th/9th Grade Band, 8th Grade Chorus, Voce Vita, 7 p.m.
May 16 Spring Celebration (Student Council), 7 p.m.
May 19 Concert: 8th/9th Grade Orchestra, 9th Grade Chorus, Chamber Orchestra, 7 p.m.
May 26 Memorial Day Recess (Schools Closed)
June 2 - 6 Spirit Week (Daily Themes TBD)
June 2 Academic Champions Ceremony, 7 p.m.
June 6 Student-Staff Kickball Game (Student Council), 6 p.m. (Rain date 6/13)
June 16 National Junior Honor Society Induction, 7 p.m.
June 16 Last Day of Classes, Grades 8 - 9
June 17 - 25 Modified Schedule 7th grade (posted in Mr. Lane's weekly E-News as we get closer)
June 17 - 25 Regents and Final Exams (posted in Mr. Lane's weekly E-News as we get closer)
June 19 Juneteenth (Schools Closed)
June 20 First Day of Summer, 10:42 p.m.
June 25 Last Day of Classes, Grade 7



A note from the Principal

It's hard to believe that May is here and the school year is quickly coming to an end. The next few weeks will be filled with activity: spring sports will conclude, NYS assessments will wrap up, and the Regents Exams will follow. We'll also be saying goodbye to our 9th graders before summer break. Let's make the most of this time and finish strong!

We are looking forward to the trip to Washington D.C. on May 21-23. This trip promises to be an unforgettable experience as students explore iconic American landmarks with friends.

On Monday, June 2, we will honor our Academic Champions. Students who achieve high honor roll status for two out of the first three quarters of the 2024-2025 academic year will receive a special invitation by mail. This tradition at Burger is a wonderful opportunity to acknowledge our students' hard work and dedication.

Here are some upcoming events for our students and families at Burger JHS in May and June:

- **May 5** - Grade 7 Ensembles, Jazz Band Spring Concert, 7 p.m.
- **May 12** - Grade 8 Chorus, Grade 8/9 Band, Voce Vita Spring Concert, 7 p.m.
- **May 16** - Spring Celebration sponsored by Student Council
- **May 19** - Grade 8/9 Orchestra and Grade 9 Chorus, Chamber Orchestra Spring Concert, 7 p.m.
- **June 2-6** - Spirit Week (Daily themes to be determined)
- **June 2** - Academic Champions Ceremony, 7 p.m.
- **June 6** - Student-Staff Kickball Game, 6 p.m. (Rain date: June 13)
- **June 16** - National Junior Honor Society Induction, 7 p.m.

As we approach June, please check for the end-of-year schedule in my weekly E-News. Important information will be provided, especially for our 8th and 9th graders, who will attend by exam only starting June 17. Our 7th graders will attend half days from June 17-25.

Thank you for your support this year. We hope our students will cherish the memories created and enjoy all that summer offers.

All the best,
Greg Lane
Principal

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Students of the Month

Accelerated Math: Trevor Baglio, Elizabeth Shiferaw, Eli Tsapiv, Liliya Xayavong

Algebra: Azan Ahmad, Nishan Glan, Avery Lindsay, Willa Morgan, Yasin Rahmati, Arpan Thapa

Applied Music: Natalie Siharath

Art: Vanisha Joshi, Lily Rissew

ASL: Isobel Heffernan, McKenna Hogan, Madelyn Olson, Lucas Sheasley, Makayla Turner

Biology: Skyler Neill, Pryanch Rai

Chorus: Kyle Coleman, Jayden Dang, Elodie Heffernan, Vivienne Marion

Computer Science/Digital Fluency: Julianna Goff, Lexie Newsome

Digital Imaging: Oliver Muniz

Drawing & Painting: Brandon Thompson

English: Azan Ahmad, Trevor Baglio, Keegan Brace, Liam Brown, Yasna Dehbashinodijeh, Natalyah Griffin, Christian Hawn, Jordyn Hayes, Gianna Lebron, Lyric Manigault, Maria Olaad, Athavan Thurai Rajah, Zachary Winner

Entrepreneurship: Mariah Richardson

French: Zoe Bush, James Dhakal, Alyssa Tran

General Music: Pratik Gurung, Maya Swetman, Eli Tsapiv

Geometry: Ava Barnes, Johnbrandon Lu

German: Kwabena Essah, Evanjeleena Roka, Nicholas Stella

Global History: Colin Mancari, Ryan Mangan

Health: Natalyah Griffin, Chloe LaFountain

High School Prep Math: Chancellor Mazzola, Julia Stewart

Math: Sajeevnath Chellappah, Rojina Chhetri, Yasna Dehbashinodijeh, Azalea Gurung, Maida Imran, Lyla Junge, Jeremiah Melendez, Skyler Neill, Daniel Phelps, Mya Priset, Allison Werner

Math AIS: Amir Addison, Angel Gonzalez Leydon, Lyric Roy, Ariana Sanford, Thaylor Tacuri Loja, Romi Tamang

Math Academy: Alivia Colavecchio, Lillian Raine Connors, London Manigault

Math Boost: Kaiya Rawleigh

Music In Our Digital Lives: Rizwan Karimi, Margaret Oberright, Victoria Valencia

Orchestra: Prena Gurung, Elliot Keene-Cronise, Abram Lewis

Physical Education: Eman Ali, Ava Barnes, Mohamed Barry, Rojina Chhetri,
Addison Chiaraluce, Owen Ham, Jyotsana Rai, Gavin Schmitz, Cassidy Thilavanh,
Isaac Traggis-Loughman, Robert Zoller

Pre-AP World History: Sadie Waldo

Principles of Marketing: Brooke Harper

Production Systems: Logan Cooper, Cole Kleemann, Makayla Turner, Noah Valenti

Reading AIS: Vivaan Dholakia

Reading Resource: Keenen Byrd, Madisyn McLean

Science: Ryan Jentsch, Lyla Junge, Jason Kim, Dagmawe Misikir, Harmony Richardson,
Jessica Shi, Lia Stevens, Maya Swetman, Alyssa Tran

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Jack Hetrick, Andrew Lesniak, Maya Muniz, Layla Payne, Pradeeshika Rai, Ryan Tytler,
Liliya Xayavong

Spanish: Michael Hughes, London Manigault, Tristyn VanderKamp

Studio in Art: Nalina Bouphavong, Imani Brown

Studio in Crafts: Aki Taylor MacLeod

Technology: Leo Barber, Juliet Nudds, Liliya Xayavong

Teenage Brain: Daniel Molina, Autumn Velazquez-Ocque, Leo Zhao

APRIL

Students of the Month

Accelerated Math: Sophia Pham, Gabriel Thines

Algebra: Rizwan Karimi, Makayla Turner, Mia Watts

Applied Music: Yasin Rahmati

Applied Technology: Robert Zoller

Art: Mikayla Petti, Jessica Shi

Band: Oluwakemi Ajewole, Trevor Baglio, Jackson Cassidy, Addison Chiaraluce, Natalyah Griffin, Joel Hamson, Vivienne Marion, Dagmawe Misikir

Chorus: Grace Patterson, Etta Porter, Susannah Thapa, Gianne Vongphachanh

Computer Science/Digital Fluency: Xzavier Drobek, Emily Rissew

Digital Imaging: Sienna Clarke

Drawing & Painting: Katelyn Dupont

Earth Science: Leana Hoang

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Entrepreneurship: Omar Altalouli

Family & Consumer Science: Olivia Barley

French: Caleb Neill, Avery Voss, Mosley Wilper

General Music: Jason Kim, Suryal Willis

Geometry: Daniel LaPlaca, Sadie Waldo

German: Madelyn Beyor, Blake Goldberg, Elliot Keene-Cronise, Connor Ly, Mason Pellegrin

Global History: Blake Brown, Yoeli Vega

Health: Hania Aleem, Abinaya Thurairajah, Alyssa Tran, Ryan Tytler

Intro to Engineer Design: West McConky

Intro to Robotics: Logan Baer

Math: Olivia Barley, Bentley Davis, Dean Gleghorn, Molly Humphreys, Arunisha Kadariya, Chloe LaFountain, Jaiyana Sands-Jackson, Lia Stevens,

Meriyan Subedi, Noah Valenti, Pyper Webb, Izabella Wigdzinski

Math AIS: Zanae Gaskin, Ashley Rodriguez Urena, Sydney Stewart

Math Academy: Gianna Cimino, Eric Khamvilay, Aki Taylor MacLeod

Music In Our Digital Lives: Logan Cooper, Brendan Farr

Orchestra: Ryan Jentsch, Alexis Middlebrook, Jai Phouangphanh

Physical Education: Oluwakemi Ajewole, Hania Aleem, Omar Altalouli, Samuel Batts, Aayush Bharati, Bryce Burrows, Justin Carroll, Lillian Raine Connors, Lacey Fournier, Eric Khamvilay, Avery Lindsay, Jaiyana Sands-Jackson, Leah Taddesse, Kaden Thwaites

Pre-AP World History: Adriane Carter

Principles of BioMed: Anya Gupta

Principles of Marketing: Leah Taddesse

Production Systems: Jennifer Nguyen

Reading AIS: Sheekha Subba

Reading Resource: Ramesh Tamang

Science: Avery Benedict, Angelica Joanne Blancaflor, Mia Gillett,

Thipika Gnanatheepan, Joseph Matlack, Layla Payne, Anura Rai, Lavon Scelsi,

Avery Voss

Social Studies: Rojina Chhetri, Dean Gleghorn, Alexis Grzeskowiak, Awab Hussain,

Jason Kim, Cole Kleemann, Meredith LaPlaca, Jessica Shi, Amrit Singh, Leah Slentz,

Maiya Wilson

Spanish: Maxwell Staple

Studio in Art: Sariah French, Kaden Thwaites

Studio in Crafts: Gunjan Nepal

Studio in Media: Maisie Gardner

Technology: Vivaan Dholakia

Teenage Brain: Riya Adhikari, Chancellor Mazzola, Abigeal Schoener, Kayshaun White

ATTENTION:

Parents and Guardians of 8th & 9th grade students

Be on the lookout for your child's invitation to be inducted into the **2025-2026 Burger chapter of the National Junior Honor Society.***



Invitations will arrive via email and home mail.

* To be considered, students must meet the academic requirement of an 89.5% or above grade point average for quarters 1, 2 and 3.

This year's induction ceremony will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 16, in the Burger auditorium.

Current 2024-2025 members are invited to attend the induction ceremony as well.

Student-Staff Kickball Game

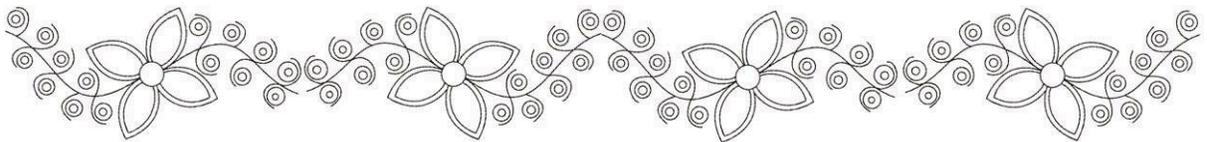


6 p.m. June 6
(Rain date: June 13)

Contact Gretchen Traugott (gtraugott@rhnet.org) with any questions

YEARBOOK Sales

Pre-purchased yearbooks will be delivered to Burger JHS the first week of June and distributed to students during lunches.



PRINCIPLES OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE

Students will be taking the end of course exam in Principles of Biomedical Science during normally scheduled class time on June 9 and 10. We are currently reviewing and preparing for this two-day assessment, which will be administered in the classroom. Please make sure to remind your students to participate in all of the review materials that are prescribed.

ARE YOU MOVING ?

PRELIMINARY PLANNING FOR 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR

Please complete this form if you know that your child will NOT be a student at Burger Junior High School next year due to moving or attending a private/parochial school. This form may be returned through your child or mailed to:

**Burger Junior High School
639 Erie Station Road
W. Henrietta, NY 14586
Attn: Counseling Office/Registrar**

Student Name: _____

Grade Student Would Have Entered (2025-26 School Year) : _____

Address: _____

Moving to: _____

School Name: _____

New Home Address: _____

Parent's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

PLEASE RETURN BY FRIDAY, JUNE 20, 2025.



Join Rush-Henrietta Girls' Golf!

No Experience Needed – Just a Willingness to Learn!

Do you want to try a fun, lifelong sport? Looking for a new challenge? Come be part of the **Rush-Henrietta Girls' Golf Team!** Whether you're a seasoned athlete or just picking up a club for the first time, we welcome you!

Why Join?

- ✓ No Experience Needed – We'll teach you!
- ✓ Golf is a **lifetime sport** – Play forever!
- ✓ College & Career Opportunities – Golf opens doors!
- ✓ Be Part of a Supportive Team

Be on the Lookout for “Try Golf” Opportunities in June!

Come swing a club, learn the basics, and see if golf is right for you—no pressure, just fun!

Interested? Have Questions?

Contact Coach Loftus for more details!

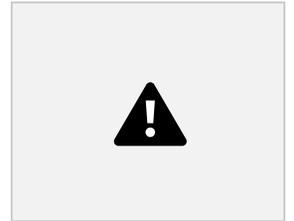
Email: Eloftus@rhnet.org

Join us and give golf a shot!



Golisano Children's Hospital Fundraiser

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Accepting donations during the month of **MAY**
 Items may be dropped off in the **BURGER MAIN LOBBY**
 Or may be ordered online and delivered to Mrs. Rolland at Burger.

Wish List Items

* All Items must be **NEW / IN ORIGINAL PACKAGING** *
highest need: "Grab and Go" Activity Packs

<u>Infant / Toddler</u>	<u>Preschool and School Age</u>	<u>Teens</u>
Musical / light up toys / glow worms	Smaller size Fisher Price Toys/ Fisher Price People /Playskool toys	Drawing markers, pencils, coloring pencil sets
Board Books / plastic bath books	Lego building sets [item of high need]	Sketch pads/ adult coloring / paint by sticker books, word searches, mad libs
Plastic Baby Rattles / Fisher Price links	Play-Doh brand sets, model magic, slime kits	Small remote cars; Model kits [cars, planes, boats, buildings]
Textured blocks, stacking cups, rings	Super Hero Action Figures, Dinosaurs	Walmart or Amazon Gift Cards [\$15/\$20]
Hanging stroller toys	Matchbox/Hot Wheels/ Thomas the Tank Engines/ Paw Patrol / small race car set	Arcade pocket players
Teethers	Puzzles 24 / 48 / 64 / wooden with pegs	Adult cotton/flannel pajama pants/sets [S,M, L] , throw blankets
Crib mirrors / Baby soothers	Craft kits; painting kits, sticker art puzzles, wooden craft kits	Small craft kits / art sets for teens/ journals [no spiral]
Halo Sleep Sacks/ Sleepers / onesies [premie-2T]/ burp cloths	Simple Games [UNO, Spot it, Connect 4, Memory, Don't Break the Ice, Candy Land, Chutes and Ladders, Guess Who, Trouble]	Games [Uno, Yahtzee, Battleship, Chess, Checkers, Jenga, Monopoly, Banana Grams, Catch Phrase]
Baby photo / scrapbooks	Multicultural dolls / Barbie / Ken	New finger nail polish kits / travel size lotion sets

If you would like to purchase an item online, feel free to use this link and have the item(s) shipped to Mrs. Rolland at Burger

<https://www.myregistry.com/organization/gch-child-life-westgate-ny/1971404/giftlist>

Have the items shipped to:
 Kate Rolland
 Burger Jr. High School
 639 Erie Station Rd., W. Henrietta, NY 14586

Golisano Children's Hospital Fundraiser

Donations will be collected until Thursday, May 29

- During the **Spring Concerts**
- Dropped off to the Main Lobby
- Sent to Mrs. Rolland at Burger

Have the items shipped to
Kate Rolland

Burger Jr. High School
639 Erie Station Rd., W. Henrietta, NY 14586

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BURGER SPRING CONCERT DATES

all concerts begin at 7pm in the Burger Auditorium

May 5	Band 7 Chorus 7 Orchestra 7 Jazz Band
May 12	Band 8/9 Chorus 8 Voce Vita
May 19	Orchestra 8/9 Chorus 9 Chamber Orchestra

Any questions - email Mrs. Rolland krolland@rhnet.org



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