

# Community Newsletter

Rush-Henrietta Central School District

Summer 2008

# R-H Renovation Progress Continues

Capital improvement projects approved by voters in December 2005 continue to move forward on time and on budget. The projects, which are important to help ensure equity between Burger and Roth middle schools and improve safety at the Senior High School, will help the district maintain

its long-term ability to meet student needs. Much of the work will be completed by this fall.

Αt Burger Middle School. construction crews are working on finishing the interior of the expansion and renovation project, ensuring that most of the new building is ready to go by the beginning of the school year. By September, a new bus loop will be open and students will enter the school through a new main entrance. When the entire project is completed this fall, students will have access to a new 700-seat auditorium, additional physical education space, an expanded library, and renovated classroom space.



District architect, David Kaye, checks on the progress of the new auditorium at Burger Middle School.

At Roth Middle School, work continues to ensure that the building continues to meet evolving student needs. Renovations have allowed for designated sixth, seventh, and eighth grade wings to support learning, and the outdated two-cafeteria system, which dates back to the 1950s, is being replaced with a more modern design.

This summer, the district also is proceeding with work at the Senior High School. An overhaul of the parking lot is addressing student, staff, and community residents' safety and accessibility issues. Voters also approved this project in 2005.

Thank you to the community for supporting these capital improvement projects. For more information about these renovations, contact Stanley Polmateer, director of facilities, at 359-5385 or spolmateer@rhnet.org.



# Guiding Student Success

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### 2008-2009 Board of Education Meetings

Tuesdays, 7 p.m., NGA\*

\* Unless otherwise noted

July 8, 2008	62nd Annual Reorganization/	April 28, 2009	Regular Meeting
	Regular Meeting	May 12, 2009	Final Public Hearing on the Proposed
July 22, 2008	Workshop Session, 5:30 p.m., TOC		2009-2010 Budget
August 12, 2008	Regular Meeting	May 19, 2009	Board of Education Election Results,
September 9, 2008	Regular Meeting		9 p.m., TOC (Meeting preceded by
September 23, 2008	Regular Meeting		the Annual Retirement Dinner)
October 14, 2008	Regular Meeting	May 26, 2009	Regular Meeting
October 28, 2008	Regular Meeting	June 9, 2009	Regular Meeting (preceded by the
November 4, 2008	Regular Meeting		Board Tenure Recognition Ceremony
November 18, 2008	Regular Meeting		from 5:30-7 p.m.), TOC
December 2, 2008	Program & Service Review	June 23, 2009	Regular Meeting
December 9, 2008	Regular Meeting		
January 13, 2009	Regular Meeting		Special Dates
January 27, 2009	Regular Meeting	February 11, 2009	Community Forum on the Preliminary
February 10, 2009	Regular Meeting		Proposed 2009-2010 Budget,
February 24, 2009	Regular Meeting		7-9 p.m., TOC
March 10, 2009	Regular Meeting	May 4, 2009	DPAC Candidates' Night,
March 24, 2009	First Public Hearing on the		7-9 p.m., TOC
	Proposed 2009-2010 Budget	May 19, 2009	Budget Vote & Board of Education
April 14, 2009	Board Adoption of the Proposed		Election, 6 a.m9 p.m., TOC
	2009-2010 Budget		





# Music Program Hits a High Note

Rush-Henrietta's music program enjoyed another successful year, thanks in large part to the community's continued support. Among the highlights:

- Rush-Henrietta was named one of the 100 Best Communities for Music Education in the United States.
- The Rush-Henrietta Singers were the featured choir in Carnegie Hall for the National Youth Choral Festival.
- The Senior High School Jazz Ensemble performed at the Rochester International Jazz Festival and the LPGA Champions' Pavilion.
- Rush-Henrietta music ensembles performed more than 25 school and community concerts during the 2007-2008 school year.
- Band students in grades 5-12 performed at the District Band Festival and can be seen and heard on the district Web site at www.rhnet.org/videos.
- The Senior High School's Spectrum Singers sang with the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra at the Eastman Theatre.
- Rush-Henrietta students participated in the Rochester Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, the Hochstein Youth Orchestra, and the Hochstein Youth Band.
- More than 100 Rush-Henrietta music students participated in NYSSMA solo festivals this year.



Rush-Henrietta's music program again was ranked as one of the best in the nation.

- Twenty-five students were chosen for all-county ensembles.
- Twelve students were chosen for area all-state ensembles.
- Twenty-two students composed their own original pieces of music and performed at this year's composition recital.
- Forty music students performed in this year's piano recital.
- The Senior High School musical, "Working," was honored and nominated for best singing ensemble, acting ensemble, dance ensemble, and best show.

## Athletes Excel in Sports, Studies

Rush-Henrietta has some great news to share about the achievements of its student athletes.

On the athletic fields this school year, the Rush-Henrietta Central School District had four county championship teams (boys' basketball, boys' bowling, girls' bowling, and boys' track and field), four Section V championship teams (football, boys' basketball, girls' basketball, and girls' lacrosse, one representing each sports season), and a regional and state championship team (girls' basketball). The district also is home to three Section V players of the year – Nate Delone, Dane Miller, and Shenise Johnson – the latter two becoming the only male-female All Greater Rochester Player of the Year from the same school in the history of Section V basketball. Shenise also went on to be named the state's Player of the Year.

In the classroom, many Rush-Henrietta sports teams received the New York State Team Scholar Award, based on a combined team grade point average of 90 or higher. The teams recognized with this honor are boys' and girls' cross country, girls' soccer, girls' gymnastics, girls' swimming, girls' basketball, boys' and girls' indoor track, boys' and girls' track and field, and softball.

Rush-Henrietta student athletes perform at a high level on the field and in the classroom, and we congratulate them on their well-rounded accomplishments. Thanks to the community for its continued support as we work together to guide student success ... one child at a time.



### School District Thanks Business Partners

When Wendy Latham took to the microphone during the Rush-Henrietta Central School District's Employer Appreciation Reception in May 2008, the Senior High School student described her internship with local attorney Mark Funk as an experience that "changed my life and made my career plans concrete."

Each year, Rush-Henrietta students take advantage of similar opportunities made possible by a strong partnership between the school district and local businesses. These exciting programs, which include co-ops, internships, and the Teenage Employment Partnership, are highlighted during the annual Employer Appreciation Reception. The event is our way of thanking local businesses for their participation in these important programs.

During the Employer Appreciation Reception, Brentland Woods was named the Teenage Employment Partnership's 2008 Employer of the Year. Mike Byrd, chef manager at the enriched senior living facility, accepted the award. Emily Riordan, a student at the Senior High School who works as a food server under the chef manager's watch, nominated the business. We thank everyone at Brentland Woods for participating in the Teenage Employment Program, and for making sure that the five Rush-Henrietta students who work there keep school their priority, even while experiencing the important learning opportunities associated with part-time work.

The Rush-Henrietta Central School District thanks each of the following partners for their unwavering support of our students and these important opportunities.

### Senior High School Internship Partners

Aquarium of Niagara
Delphi-Metro Park
Delphi Technical Center
Eastman Dental
Mark Funk Attorney at Law
Monroe Community Hospital
Monroe County Office of the

District Attorney Monroe County Sheriff's Office Rochester Police Department Rush-Henrietta Senior High School Seneca Park Zoo

University of Rochester Medical Center/ Strong Memorial Hospital

University Sports Medicine

Suburban Animal Hospital

Walgreen Co.

Winslow Elementary School

### Senior High School Co-Op Partners

Bill Gray's

Byrne's PC Garage

Delaware North Companies

Delta Sonic Car Wash

DiBella's

Dry Clean Express

**Dunkin Donuts** 

**Gray Metal** 

Limited II

Mykonos Café

Outback Steakhouse

Regal Henrietta 18

Seneca Park Zoo

Vending Machine Services

Wendy's

### **Teenage Employment Partners**

1st Priority Federal Credit Union

Alphagraphics

Altier's

AnC Enterprises

Arby's, Marketplace Mall

BalloonHQ.com

Barbeque & Pizza Too

Bi-rite Market

Bill Gray's Restaurant

Boston Market

Brad's Cookie Nook

**Brentland Woods** 

**Brighton Campus Chiropractors** 

Broccolo Tree and Lawn Care Inc.

Burger King

Centre Ice Restaurant at ESL Sports Center

Chuck E. Cheese

Companion Animal Hospital

Countrymax

**CVS Pharmacy** 

David's Bridal Services Inc.

**Diamonds Limousines** 

Domenico's Ristorante

Don's Original

**Dorschel Automotive Group** 

**Dry Clean Express** 

Delta Sonic Car Wash

Fast Signs

FDR's

First Rochester Community Credit Union

Fox Landscaping Service

Friendly's

**Gro-Moore Farms** 

Henrietta Public Library

Klee's Mobil

Limited Too

Marshalls

Michelina's Italian Eatery

Monroe County Fair & Recreation Association

Monroe Tractor & Implement Co.

Mykono's Café

Nu-Look Collision Service

Old Navy

Outback Steak House

Panera Bread Company

Papa John's Pizza

Peppermint's Family Restaurant

Petco

Pizza Corner

Read's Ice Cream

Pizza Hut (3 locations)

Regal Henrietta Cinema 18

DIT In and Conference Conf

RIT Inn and Conference Center

Rite Aid Pharmacy

Rochester Brooks Gun Club

Romano's Macaroni Grill

Rush-Henrietta Central School District

Seneca Park Zoo

Sharel Ventures (McDonald's, 3 locations)

St. Clair Photo-Imaging

Suburban Animal Hospital

Subway

Jefferson Plaza

Marketplace

Wal-Mart

Sunoco-Gladstone Service

Tanning Bed, East Henrietta Road

The Nichols Team

Tim Horton's

Jefferson Road

West Henrietta Road

Tony Pepperoni's

Tooley's Oak & Amish Furniture

Town of Henrietta

Vallence Septic Service

VP Supply Inc.

Vuzix

Walgreens

Wal-Mart

Wegmans

East Henrietta Road

Hylan Drive

Wendy's

Woodcrest Commons

**Xpress Marketing** 



### News From Around the District

### **Monroe County Ends Pursuit of Sales Tax Plan**

The Monroe County School Boards Association and Monroe County have reached an agreement that will restore sales tax revenue funding to local school districts, including Rush-Henrietta. In September 2007, County Executive Maggie Brooks outlined an intercept plan that resulted in an estimated 50 percent reduction in sales tax revenue to local school districts. Under the plan, Rush-Henrietta budgeted for a loss of \$1.9 million in revenue during the 2008-2009 school year. The New York State Supreme Court ruled this spring in favor of local school districts, which sued to have the county's decision overturned. On July 9, 2008, County Executive Brooks announced the county would not proceed with the intercept plan. "In the spirit of collaboration, the county executive and suburban school districts have reached a tentative agreement on a three-year repayment plan that appears to meet the needs of both the county and suburban districts," says Superintendent Dr. Ken Graham. "This three-year repayment plan begins in January 2009. When the next issue of the district newsletter is mailed to homes in the fall, we'll be in a better position to explain how this agreement will impact the district's finances and tax rates. We look forward to sharing this information with the community once the implications are fully understood "

### **Summer Hours for School Operations**

For your convenience during summer months, all of our schools are open to the public from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, including lunch hours. If for some reason the main office cannot be open during these scheduled times, a sign will be placed in the building's front entrance explaining when the office will reopen and who visitors should contact if they do not wish to return at another time.

### Make Use of www.rhnet.org

The district Web site at www.rhnet.org continues to strengthen the bond between our schools and families. Because of its easy navigation and frequently updated content, our award-winning site is a model for many school districts. According to results from the 2008 Parent Partnership Survey, the Web site remains a favorite source for those seeking school

and district information. The site can be accessed at any time because of its around-the-clock availability, offering maximum convenience to users. In addition to offering popular features such as a customizable online calendar, classroom Web pages, school alerts and closing information, and a searchable staff directory, the district Web site is slated for numerous enhancements this year. Please check the site regularly for these updates, and to stay connected to the district and each of its schools.

### **Graduates Urged to Register Online**

As part of the Rush-Henrietta Alumni Council's (RHAC) continuing outreach efforts, district graduates are urged to visit the district's Web site at www.rhnet.org/alumni and register with their respective class. Graduates can search online for friends and classmates by name or by graduation year and review updated reunion information. Please share our alumni effort with family members, former classmates, and friends. If you have questions, would like more information, or would like to become involved in RHAC, please e-mail Council President Joe Bellanca at cjbellanca@rochester. rr.com, or leave a message for the Alumni Council at 359-5004.

### **Rush-Henrietta Residents Approve Budget**

All four propositions were approved during the May 20, 2008, budget vote in the Rush-Henrietta Central School District.

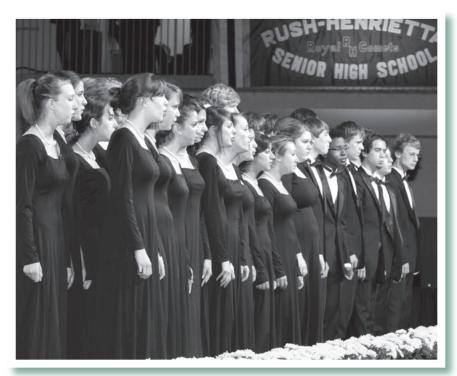
- Proposition 1: Budget Approved 1,400 to 704
- Proposition 2: Bus Expenditures Approved 1,443 to 638
- Proposition 3: Leary Expansion Reserve Fund -Approved 1,360 to 715
- Proposition 4: Capital Expenditures Approved 1,332 to 719

Dr. William B. Stroud and Diane E. McBride were re-elected to the Board of Education.

The Rush-Henrietta Central School District thanks the community for its continued support.

# Congratulations,

On June 27, 2008, members of the Rush-Henrietta Class of 2008 took part in commenceme Center. These new graduates met and exceeded some of the most rigorous New York state as of personal growth that will help them to be successful in their future ventures. The district who have helped guide their success during their years at Rush-Henrietta. One way to kee www.rhnet.org/alumni. We wish each graduate the very best and look forward to hearing





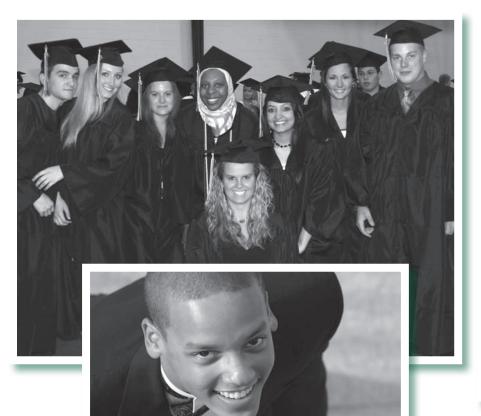






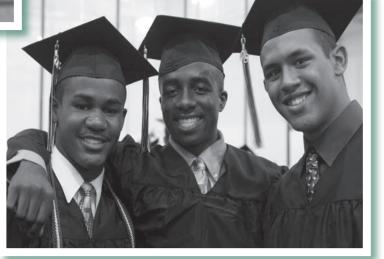
# Class of 2008!

ent exercises at the Rochester Institute of Technology's Gordon Field House and Activities academic standards in recent memory. At both school and at home, they have enjoyed years encourages its graduates to keep in contact with classmates, teachers, and staff members up in touch is by joining the Rush-Henrietta Alumni Council's growing online community at about their future successes.











# Summer School Offers Enhanced Opportunities

The Rush-Henrietta Central School District offers summer school programs that are designed to provide children at all grade levels with learning experiences that extend beyond the traditional school year.

Summer Math and Reading Time, known as SMART, is an extended school year learning opportunity that aims to accelerate learning and close achievement gaps for students in grades K-4. The program focuses on developing English language arts and mathematics skills necessary to close student achievement gaps, and standards-based instruction is targeted and tailored to meet individual student needs. The SMART design features smaller class sizes and center-based activities in an active and engaging environment. When children experience success during a summer session, it can put them on the path to success in the next school year, and we look forward to seeing that again this summer.

The Middle School Summer Program is an extension of the district's academic intervention services and a continuation of the regular school year's curriculum. The program provides targeted instruction to those students who attended grades 5-8 and who received academic intervention services during this

past school year. It also provides acceleration opportunities for students in both science and math. In addition, students who already are on an accelerated track are receiving extra support this summer. The Middle School Accelerated Science Program is for students who attended grade 7, and the Accelerated Math Program is for students who attended grades 6-7 during the previous school year.

Like the previous programs, the 2008 High School Summer School Program also serves as an extension of the school year. Students use this time for remediation or acceleration in their coursework. Many students are earning credits or pass Regents exams, allowing them to catch up with classmates and graduate in four years. The district also offers a small number of half-credit courses — participation in government, health, driver's education, and economics — that allow for students to remain on track for graduation with their cohort class. Our program provides students the opportunity to have targeted and tailored instruction to assist them in the development of skills needed to be successful.

The district thanks the community for its continued support of these year-round learning opportunities.

# Summer Learning Guide is a Great Resource

While summertime offers great opportunities to get outdoors, play with friends, and travel, being away from formal learning can be detrimental to student success. Reading and other academic skills often weaken during the summer. Educa-

tors call this the "summer learning slump" and we find that students don't recover this loss of learning until October or even later in the new school year.

Rush-Henrietta's Summer Learning Guide, which was sent home with students finishing grades K-5 in June, is meant to help parents and families incorporate learning into daily activities so that children avoid such a slump. Within this publication, Rush-Henrietta teachers provide activities that focus on core content areas and state learning standards. This collection

of learning activities is designed to help families support and encourage learning through summer break and includes suggestions for exploring new ideas. These include visiting new places, reading, writing, taking hikes, learning new games, and planting a garden. We hope this guide will help you keep learning alive for your family this summer.



The 2008 Summer Learning Guide aims to stem the "summer slump."

The Summer Learning Guide provides suggested daily activities keyed to your child's grade level and its curriculum. The grade-level designations in the guide refer to the grade that children have just completed. It is not necessary, nor

recommended, that you complete all of these learning activities. Pick and choose those that interest you and your children most and that fit with your schedule and routine.

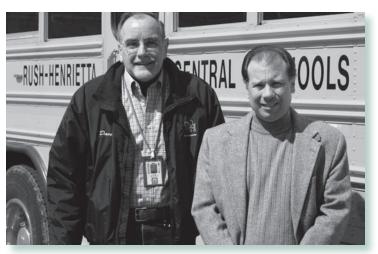
Students are encouraged to complete the Summer Learning Journal found at the end of the guide. When they return to school in September they'll be proud to show the journal to their teachers, and teachers will be pleased to see how much valuable learning occurred during the summer. Parents also are encouraged to complete a survey at

www.rhnet.org/guide. The 2008 Summer Learning Guide also is available for download in PDF format by visiting www.rhnet. org/summerguide. Parents are encouraged to visit www.rhnet. org/guide and complete a brief survey about the usefulness of this guide. Thank you for your support to ensure student success. Enjoy the summer. Stay safe and keep learning!

# SHAM SCHOOL DELL

# Bus Drivers Recognized as Top Transportation Employees

Vony Hockenberry and Dave Michels, bus drivers who work in the Rush-Henrietta Central School District's Transportation Department, were honored as Transportation Employees of the Year. They were honored during the Transportation Employee of the Year Brunch, which was held in May 2008, at the Wishing Well Party House on Chili Avenue. Both men graciously share the credit for the awards with their colleagues, who they say go out of their way to work with one another as a high-functioning team. Congratulations on receiving this honor!



Dave Michels (left) and Tony Hockenberry, bus drivers with the Rush-Henrietta Central School District, were named Transportation Employees of the Year.

### Rush-Henrietta Wishes Retirees Well

In May 2008, the Rush-Henrietta Central School District Board of Education hosted its annual retirement dinner at the RIT Inn and Conference Center. School representatives gathered to celebrate the collective legacy left behind by longtime employees who have retired or will retire this school year.

Each of these 19 employees has worked in the district for a minimum of a decade. Some started their careers in education elsewhere long ago. However, we're pleased that each of them spent at least a portion of their career in Rush-Henrietta, positively impacting the lives of our community's children. All told, these retirees have devoted more than 370 combined years of service to Rush-Henrietta. Whether they worked in a high-profile position, or served in a more behind-the-scenes fashion, these employees did whatever it took to help a child succeed. Some worked as bus drivers and custodians, while others oversaw the classroom and the cafeteria. Regardless of their roles, these individuals know the value of a good education and displayed a genuine passion for the well being of children.

During their time at Rush-Henrietta, our retirees have earned the respect of the community, going above and beyond to guide student success. As they put the finishing touches on their distinguished careers, we again thank them for their service.

This year's retirees are:

- Ernestine Billings, 28.1 years
- Vincent Chambry, 13 years
- Margaret Cole, 14 years
- William Connolly, 16.5 years
- Nanette Hance, 14 years
- Waddell Hare, 10.5 years
- Kathryn Heerkens, 14 years
- Paul Holtz, 16 years
- Connie LaBombard, 30.4 years
- Jeffrey McGrath, 23 years
- Rosemary Parsons, 17.7 years
- Ron Springer, 10 years
- William Stapert, 10.3 years
- Maxine Sturtevant, 19 years
- John Taylor, 34 years
- Mark Turner, 20 years
- Tomas Vasquez, 19 years
- Karen Walker, 35 years
- Nancy Ann Wilson, 28 years

As a reminder of their service to our children and community, each retiree received a crystal apple during the retirement dinner. The crystal apple is given in recognition of the retiree's contributions to support student learning in a variety of ways. With heartfelt gratitude, we wish each of these retirees much success in the next chapter of their lives!

# State Applauds Rush-Henrietta's Progress

Rush-Henrietta takes pride in sharing some great news regarding student achievement. As reported in a May 16, 2008, Democrat and Chronicle story titled "Area Schools Praised," Rush-Henrietta schools are among those being congratulated by the New York State Education Department. The state named all Rush-Henrietta schools as High Performing/Gap Closing Schools for the 2006-2007 school year, as per information documented in the link provided in the newspaper story. High Performing/ Gap Closing schools met all applicable state standards for English Language Arts (ELA) and math during the 2006-2007 school year and also made Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) in ELA and math for two consecutive years. Rapidly improving schools are those that took aggressive action and have shown real progress in meeting performance challenges. To learn more, please



Everyone in the Rush-Henrietta Central School District is focused on student learning.

visit www.nysed.gov. Congratulations to everyone in our community who plays a role in fostering student success!

## ESL Family Picnic Brings People Together

 ${\cal R}$ ush-Henrietta held its English as a Second Language (ESL) Family Picnic in June 2008 at Winslow Elementary School. Scores of families attended the annual event. Special events such as the ESL Family Picnic afford our school community an opportunity to experience and better understand the culture, customs, and traditional dress of others living worldwide. Rush-Henrietta's diverse population offers our students a unique learning opportunity, which is particularly useful as we prepare each of them for success in a global community. To view a photo gallery containing dozens of photos from the ESL Family Picnic, visit www.rhnet. org/eslpicnic.



People from all around the world live in Rush-Henrietta, providing students with unique learning opportunities.

# R-H Information is Only a Click Away!



Visit the district's redesigned Web site for comprehensive information about Rush-Henrietta schools. Also, consider subscribing to one of the district's latest services, E-News, which provides brief e-mail notifications, announcements, and reminders about important meetings, activities, and issues. Visit www.rhnet.org today!





# Register New R-H Students for School

It's time to ensure that all school-age children living in the Rush-Henrietta Central School District are registered and ready to attend school in September.

Students wishing to enter kindergarten in September 2008 must be 5 years old on or before December 1, 2008. More information about kindergarten preparation is found at www. rhnet.org/kindergarten. Students new to the district, those who have moved or left the district and wish to return, and those who have attended a private school, including kindergarten, must also register.

It is important for us to know how many students are attending classes on the first day of school. We must be fully prepared, have ordered appropriate supplies and textbooks, and created equitable classroom assignments and bus schedules.

Please register as early as possible. If the grade at your child's home school is at capacity at the time of registration, your child will be assigned to another elementary school for the school year. Students may be registered only if the appropriate documentation is provided. At the time of registration, please bring the following documents:

- Original birth certificate, passport, or immigration papers.
- Recent immunization records from a doctor's office or former school. It is the parents' responsibility to have an English translation, if necessary.
- Proof of residency, defined as a rental or mortgage agreement, school or county tax bill, or monthly mortgage statement. These are the only items acceptable. If the parents don't own or lease, they must complete a residency affidavit with Mrs. Pat Cahill, the district registrar.
- Prior school records, if available. If the student is in special education, it would be helpful to provide an Individual Education Plan at registration.
- If the student is being placed in a group home or foster care, a letter from the placement agency is necessary.
- If the person registering a student is not the parent, the adult must complete required district paperwork and have it approved before registration can occur.

To start the registration process, please contact Mrs. Pat Cahill, district registrar, for an appointment at 359-7957 or pcahill@rhnet.org. Summer hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

### 2008-2009 School Calendar

The district looks forward to welcoming students back to school on Wednesday, September 3! The annual school district calendar will be mailed in August to homes of all parents who have children attending R-H schools. It is a general guide to events. School-specific information also can be obtained from each of the district's nine schools, or from the district's Web site at www.rhnet.org.

### September

2 Superintendent's Conference Day (Teachers & paras report)

3 Schools Open - First Day of Classes

### October

13 Columbus Day (Schools closed)

#### November

11 Veterans Day (Schools closed)

17-18 Superintendent's Conference Days (No school K-12)

26-28 Thanksgiving Recess (Schools closed)

### December

24-31 Christmas Recess (Schools closed through Jan. 2)

#### **January**

1-2 Christmas Recess (Schools closed)

5 Schools Reopen

19 Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Observance

(Schools closed)

27-30 Regents & Midterm Exams (High School students

attend school by exam schedule only)

30 Grading Day (No school K-8)

#### February

16-20 Winter Recess (Schools closed)

### March

20 Superintendent's Conference Day (No school K-12)

### April

10 Good Friday (Schools closed) 20-24 Spring Recess (Schools closed)

### May

25 Memorial Day (Schools closed)

#### June

15 Last Day of Classes (9-12)

16-25 Regents & Final Exams (High School students attend

school by exam schedule only)

23 Last Day of Classes (K-8)

25 Regents Examination Rating Day

25 Last Teacher Work Day

26 Graduation

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# COMING SOON!

### **Opening Day of School**

Wednesday • September 3, 2008

For information, visit www.rhnet.org/backtoschool

# Homecoming Weekend and Hall of Fame Inductions

Saturday • September 27, 2008

For more information about Homecoming 2008, please visit the Rush-Henrietta Central School District Web site. It will be updated in early September with news about homecoming week activities and events.