

Rush-Henrietta Central School District
Henry V. Burger Junior High School
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Burger Junior High School 2024 Newsletter

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Please call the attendance line when your child 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

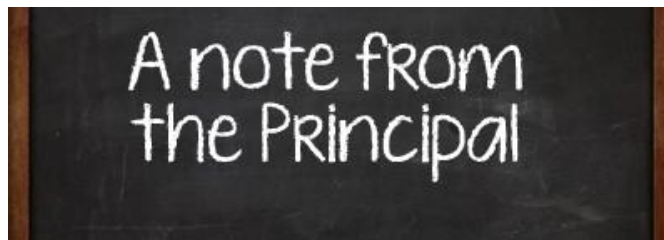
November 4-8 Winter Musical Auditions (Matilda Jr.)
November 11 *School closed* - Veterans Day
November 25-29 *School closed* - Conference Days & Thanksgiving Recess
November 25 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 1-8 p.m.
November 26 Parent-Teacher Conferences, 8-3 a.m.

December 2 Parent Group Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
December 9 Winter Concert: 8th/9th Grade Band, 9th Grade Chorus, Jazz Band, 7 p.m.
December 16 Winter Concert: 8th/9th Grade Orchestra, 8th Grade Chorus, Voce Vita, 7 p.m.
December 23-January 3 *School closed* - Winter Recess



November 3 (2 a.m.) - Daylight Saving Time Ends

*** December 21 (4:21 a.m.) - First Day of Winter ***



Dear Burger Families and Friends:

By the time you all are reading this, we will have completed the first quarter of the school year. If time really does fly when you are having fun, we must be having a lot of fun around here this year. Seriously, we have had a tremendous first quarter and are looking forward to another successful second quarter.

The next couple of months are busy months with the start of the winter sports season, holiday breaks, and musical performances. It's the time of year when lots of memories are made but life goes by too quickly - enjoy them while they last.

Here are some important updates:

- Report cards will be available on SchoolTool on November 15 at 3 p.m.
- We will host our annual Parent-Teacher Conferences on Monday, November 25, and Tuesday, November 26.
- No school for students November 25 - 29.
- Happy Thanksgiving to all of our Burger families!
- Virtual Burger Parent Group Meeting at 6:30 p.m. Monday, December 2.

December is always a busy month for our students and their families, especially for those involved in our world-class music programs! We look forward to watching and listening to them perform on stage in front of their friends and families.

Here are the dates for our upcoming concerts. Each concert starts at 7 p.m.

- Monday, December 9 – Chorus 9, Band 8/9 and Jazz Band
- Monday, December 16 – Chorus 8, Orchestra 8/9 and Voce Vita
- Monday, January 13 – Chorus 7, Orchestra 7, Band 7 and Chamber Orchestra

All the best to you and yours,

Greg Lane
Principal

Burger Team of Professionals

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Accelerated Math: Aishwarya Dulal, Zachary Harrington, Jason Kim, Carrigan Shaw

Algebra: Zoe Bush, Maxine Eng, Mekhi Jackson, Anna Jones, Jayden Patterson, Alessia Zegarelli

Applied Music: Alyssa Berger

Applied Technology: Jahvier Boxx

Art: Yasna Dehbashinodijeh, Dean Gleghorn

Band: Michael Hughes, Avery Knapp

Chorus: Natalyah Griffin, Willow Howlett, Anjali Selvanayagam

Computer Science/Digital Fluency: Bilal Ahmed

Drawing & Painting: Jennifer Nguyen

Earth Science: Gabriel Knopp, Alessia Zegarelli

English: Oluwakemi Ajewole, Omar Altalouli, Rojan Chhetri, Addison Chiaraluce, Gianna Cimino, Morgan Gilbert, Chitij Glan, Jack Hogan, Cole Kleemann, Carrigan Shaw, Sheekha Subba

Entrepreneurship: Logan Baer, Zuhal Haidari

Family & Consumer Science: Parker Hills, Taylor Tacuri Loja

General Music: Londyn Simpson

Geometry: Adriane Carter, William Kolmetz

German: Liam Potwin, Ahsaran Suthakaran, Liliya Xayavong

Global History: Journee Duval, Matthew Tsapiv

Health: Dean Gleghorn, Michael Hughes, MacKenzie Krenzer

High School Prep Math: Dayna Kleckley

Intro to Engineer Design: William Kolmetz

Intro to Robotics: Ethan Webb

Literacy Boost: Parker Hills, Briana Klips

Math: Liam Beden, Addison Chiaraluce, Jack Gallagher, Ava Gill, Mia Gillett, Owen Ham, Chloe LaFountain, Sajan Magar,

Michael Nobles, Mikayla Petti, Jackson Straton, Prashuna Tamang

Math AIS: Maxwail Evans, Mason Voss

Math Academy: LaMiyah Barr, Jack Gallagher

Math Boost: Isaac Green, Evanjeleena Roka

Music In Our Digital Lives: McKenna Hogan, Nathaly Jaime Claudio, Allison Werner

Orchestra: Logan Baer, Quinn Cocco Wingerden, William Tucker

Physical Education: Harper Bement, Sajeevnath Chellappah, Meredith LaPlaca, Vivienne Marion, Nicolas Osorio, Brayden Zicarelli

Pre-AP World History: Zahra Hassani

Principles of Marketing: Anshu Magar

Production Systems: Eman Ali, Tristyn VanderKamp

Reading AIS: Manahel Mubarak Elguzoli Babiker, Fatoumata Barry, Aarav Khanal, Taylor Tacuri Loja

Resource: Aaliyah Criffield

Science: Anuska Bhattarai, Kyle Brown, Hayden Collins, Kieran Cook, McKenna Hogan, Carter Johnson, Meredith LaPlaca, Sahar Maqsoodi, Landon Saysamone, Eli Tsapiv, Maiya Wilson, Brayden Zicarelli

Social Studies: Gabriel Casaverde, Mia Gillett, Sophia Haines, MacKenzie Krenzer, Aakriti Lohani, Joseph Matlack, Dagmawe Misikir, Sheldon Owens, Daniel Phelps, Carrigan Shaw, Abinaya Thurairajah

Spanish: Haven Armstrong Jr, Dagmawe Misikir, Anjali Selvanayagam

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Studio in Crafts: Fatima Alridha

Studio in Media: Ushap Kharel

Technology: Salina Adhikari, McKenna Hogan, Lyla Junge

Teenage Brain: Jack Hogan, Sadie Smith, Izabella Wigdzinski

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Student Clubs

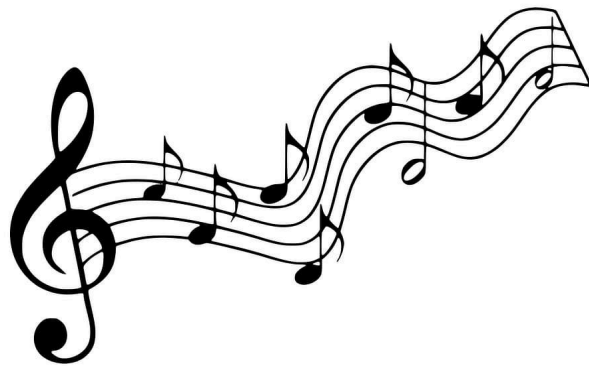
2024-2025

Club Name	Club Advisor
Academic Challenge Bowl	Mr. Baumgartner
Badminton Club	Mrs. Swaisgood
Bake and Create Club	Mrs. McAllister
Band & Orchestra Club	Mrs. Rolland and Mr. Jones
Board Game Club	Ms. Reed
Bookstore Club	Mrs. Blue
Card Club	Mrs. Miron
Chamber Orchestra	Mr. Jones
Chess Club	Mr. Baumgartner
E3 Robotics	Mr. Dickman
Fall Drama Club	Mrs. Lamica
Fitness Club	Mrs. Allen
Hang Out Hour - 7th Grade	Mrs. Stockmaster
Hang Out Hour - 8th Grade	Mrs. Stockmaster
Hockey Club	Mr. McDonald
International Travel Club	Mrs. Loftus
Intramurals	PE Staff and Mr. McDonald
Jazz Ensemble	Mrs. Rolland
Kindness & Well Being Club	Mrs. Miron
Korean Drama Club	Ms. Velez
Lacrosse Club	Mr. McDonald
Musical	Mrs. Lamica
National Junior Honor Society	Ms. Truong and Mrs. Fiskén

Club Name	Club Advisor
Pickleball Club	Mr. McDonald and Mrs. Klempka
Sewing Club	Mrs. McAllister
Ski and Snowboard Club	Mr. Falci
Student Council	Mrs. Traugott and Mrs. MacClaren
Trading Card Game Club	Mrs. Swaisgood
Tri-Music	Mrs. Rolland
Video Game Club	Ms. Velez
Vocal Festival Prep	Mrs., Dains-Smith and Mrs. Klempka
Voce Vita	Mrs. Lamica
Washington, DC Club	Mr. Coe and Mrs. Fiskén
WEB	Mrs. Fiskén, Mrs. McAllister & Mr. Weisensel
Yearbook Club	Mrs. Snyder and Mrs. Flisnik

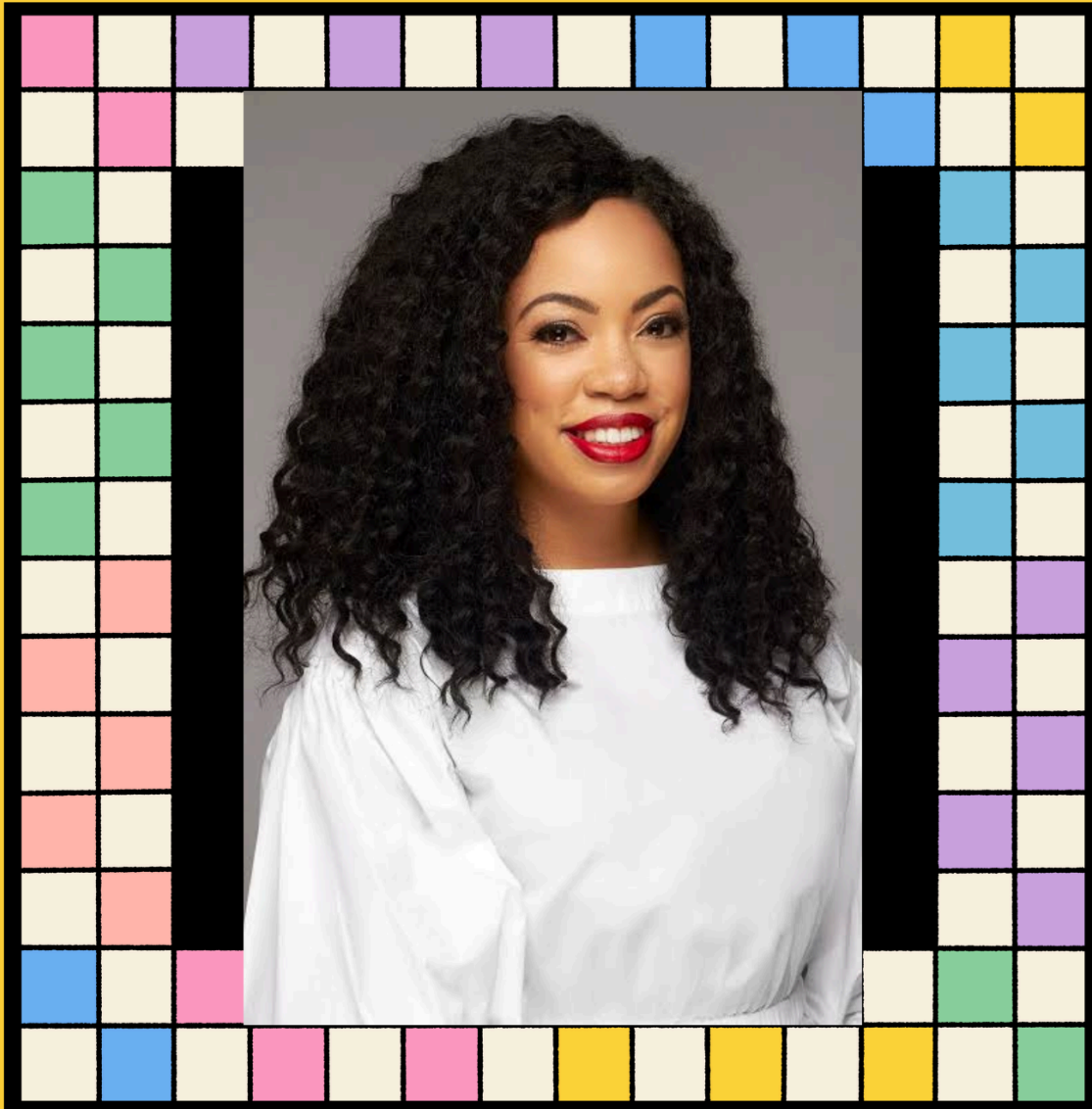
Winter Concerts

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TIFFANY D. JACKSON AUTHOR VISIT



Ms. Jackson, a NYT Bestselling YA author, will be visiting the SHS, Burger, and Roth on Thursday, Nov 14th. At the Jr. High Schools, she'll be presenting to an assembly of all 9th graders then doing a smaller Meet n' Greet afterwards. Visit the [Burger Library Website](#) for more info.



Musical Auditions are right around the corner!!

Auditions for the Winter Musical, Matilda, Jr, will be held the week of November 4. It is most important to attend Monday, November 4, where you will be taught all of the audition material. There will also be a mandatory parent/guardian meeting from 5-5:15 p.m. on November 4 in the auditorium. Anyone intending on auditioning is required to attend with a parent/guardian.

Monday, November 4

Learn audition material - 2:35-5:15 p.m. (auditorium)

Mandatory parent meeting - 5-5:15 p.m. (auditorium)

Please bring something to write with. All forms are due at the end of the parent meeting if you intended on auditioning.

If a parent/guardian cannot attend the meeting, they are to email Mrs. Lamica PRIOR TO MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4 if you intend on auditioning.

Tuesday, November 5 2:35-5 p.m. Auditions

Wednesday, November 6 2:35-5 p.m. Auditions

Thursday, November 7 2:35-5 p.m. Call backs

Friday, November 8 2:35-5 p.m. Call backs

Please join the Google Classroom for announcements and to find the cast list. Here is the code to join: 22wjx75

Any questions, please email Carol Lamica @ clamica@rhnet.org

YEARBOOK

Sales



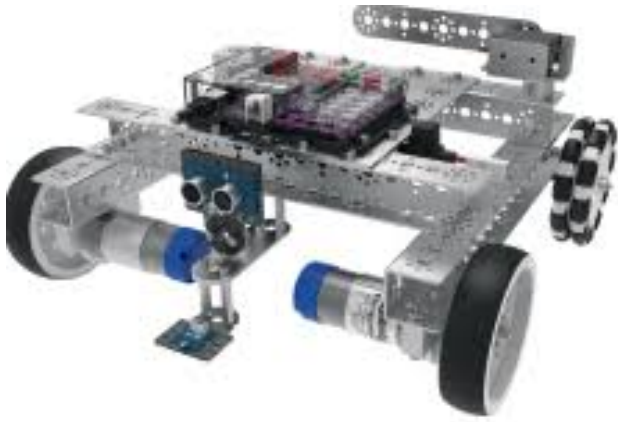
On sale starting November 18:

Use the link below  to place your order:

<https://yearbookforever.com/>

Email Julie Flisnik at **jflisnik@rhnet.org** with any questions.

E3 ROBOTICS CLUB



Interested in Robots?

*Want to build a robot and
compete against other
schools?*

Then join the Robotics Team!

Open to 7th, 8th and 9th Graders.

No Experience Required!

Late bus available for all members!

THURSDAYS 2:30–3:30 p.m. ROOM A02

Questions? See Mr. Dickman!

SKI CLUB SIGNUPS

LEARN TO SKI, MAKE NEW
FRIENDS, & HAVE FUN!

TUESDAYS

Jan. 14, Jan. 21, Jan 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11

FULL DAY – Fri. Jan 24



For More Info

SWAIN



**** NEW ATTENDANCE PHONE LINE ****

585-359-5302

Need to call in your student's absence? Burger Junior High now has a separate attendance line. If your student will be absent or late, please call 585-359-5302 and leave a message with your student's name, grade and reason for their absence or tardiness.

If your student will be leaving school early, please leave a message with your student's name, grade, time they will be picked up, who will be picking them up and the reason for their early dismissal. When you arrive to pick up your student, you must call the main office to let them know you are here in order for your student to be released. You may pick your student up at the main entrance up until 2:15 pm at which time buses will be entering the loop.