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KNIGHT INSIGHT





Save the Date: School Picture Days • JSHS – September 25 • TES – September 26

From the Superintendent

As we gear up for another exciting school year, I want to extend a warm welcome to all our families and students, especially those who are new to Tully. We are thrilled to have you join our community and look forward to a year filled with growth, learning, and new experiences.

A special thank you goes out to our dedicated staff members who have worked tirelessly throughout the summer to prepare our facilities for the return of our students. Your efforts ensure that our school environment is safe and welcoming.

I am also delighted to welcome all our new staff members who are joining our team this year. Your expertise and enthusiasm will undoubtedly enrich our school community, and we are excited to collaborate with you.

This year marks a significant milestone as we welcome our first cohort of sixth graders at the Junior-Senior High School. This transition brings about new adventures and opportunities for our students, and we are committed to supporting their academic and personal growth every step of the way.

Families, please remember to check this month's issue for important updates and the contact chain for any necessary communications throughout the school year.

Students, mark your calendars! We eagerly await your return on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, and we are ready for an exceptional 2024-2025 school year filled with achievements, discoveries, and memories. Here's to a fantastic year ahead!

> Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent Phone: 315.696.6204 • Email: darcy woodcock@tullyschools.org

Join the Green List

If you prefer to "Go Green" and receive the Knight *Insight* electronically instead of in your mailbox, please call Sherry Huggins at 315-696-6236 or email at sherry.huggins@tullyschools.org.

Transportation Tidbit

Several Tully transportation staff joined others at the Metropolitan Club at NBT Stadium over the summer for an informative Ride and Drive event. They heard from bus manufacturers such as Roush, Cummins, Accelera, Polara, and NY Bus Sales on how they are working towards zero emissions. After sitting through informative sessions, staff were then able to test drive propane, electric, gas, and diesel-powered buses. This not only was informative for our staff but keeping them up to date on the latest developments in the transportation sphere.

Tully Alumni Association Gathering

Sunday, September 22, 2024 12:00 p.m - 4:00 p.m.

> The Loft-Vesper Hills Golf Course All Alumni welcome!!!

Special acknowledgments to the Class of 1974 for their 50th reunion.



TULLY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Principal's Message



The 2024-2025 school year is here! For the first time in several years, we were not impacted by construction in the building and we are ready for another great year at TES, our first as a PK-5 building! The first day of school is Wednesday, September 4th. Our annual Back to School Night and Title I Information event will take place on Tuesday, September 3rd from 4:00 - 5:30 PM. Students, parents, and guardians will be able to visit their new classrooms, meet their new teachers, and learn about the curriculum before the school year officially begins. This is also an opportunity to turn in any last minute paperwork and learn about our participation in Title I federal funding. Additional information about the start of school was sent home to families in their back to school mailing.

I can't wait for this school year to begin and have students back in the building every day! I look forward to seeing you at Back to School Night on September 3rd. To keep up to date on classroom happenings and other school events, make sure to check out the school website and ParentSquare regularly.

Edward Kupiec, ES Principal • Phone: 315.696.6213 • Twitter: @ekupiecTullyES • Email: ed.kupiec@tullyschools.org

PTO News

Welcome back, everyone! We are back to the start of another school year once again.

For those who are not familiar with the Tully Elementary Parent Teacher Organization (TES PTO), we would like to introduce ourselves. Officers are as follows: President – Lacy Martin, Vice President – Erin D'Antonio, Treasurer – Chris Lawton, Secretary – Katie Foster, Public Relations Coordinator – Trina Storm.

Throughout the school year, TES PTO offers funding to various student clubs and activities, as well as teacher/classroom support. Some of the funding this past school year went to the following groups/activities: the 5th and 6th grade picnics, field trips for each grade level, teacher and teaching assistant allotments (for extra items that they may need in their classrooms), clothing and undergarments for the nurse's office, Staff Appreciation luncheon and stocking the break room with snacks and beverages at the beginning of the school year, dual senior awards (two separate students), Maker Lab items, Summer Reading/Read-A-Thon prizes, snacks for summer learning, funding for the Literacy Club, Field Days dunk tank and popsicles, and much more!

In order to continue supporting the students and teachers at TES, PTO holds fundraisers throughout the school year. The largest fundraiser is the Read-A-Thon, which is always a huge success! These will help fund all of the amazing things mentioned above. Please stay tuned for more details on how your family can get involved. Did you know TES PTO is also a 501(c)(3) organization? We accept tax-exempt donations year-round. Please inquire if you would like to make a donation.

Moving into the new school year, we will continue to support our students and staff at the elementary school in any way that we can. If you would like to learn more about PTO, become involved (various levels of volunteering available), or just listen to a meeting, please join us on Zoom! At this time, we are holding our monthly meetings on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM with the first meeting this school year being Wednesday, September 11th. Please also join our Facebook page, Tully Elementary PTO. You can also reach out via email at pto@k12.tullyschools.org.

ATHILETICS

Sports Start Dates

JV & Varsity Fall Sports	August 26
JH & Modified Fall Sports	Sept. 4
JH & Modified Winter I Sports	Oct. 28
JV & Varsity Winter Sports	Nov. 18
JH & Modified Winter II Sports	Jan. 6
JV/Varsity Spring Sports	March 17
JH & Modified Spring Sports	April 7

Fall Coaching Staff Varsity/JV and JH Sports

Head Varsity Football	Ross Sullivan
Assistant Varsity Football	Brad Sullivan
Assistant Football	Rob Redington
Head JV/(Asst) Varsity Football	Steve Pierce
JV Football	Leo Burke
JH Football	Jeff Pierce
JH Football	Zak LaBlanc
Varsity Boys' Golf	Don McClure
Volunteer Golf	Jeff Russell
Varsity Boys' Soccer	Bill Donald
Volunteer Soccer	Cory Smith
Modified Boys' Soccer	Charlie Locke
Varsity Girls' Soccer	Ashley Brunelle
JH Girls' Soccer	Tim Villhauer
Boys' Cross-Country	Jim Paccia
Girls' Cross- Country	Michelle Rauber
JH Boys' and Girls' Cross-Country	Emily Paccia
FB Cheerleading	Katie Gover

Sports Picture Days

Fall - September 12 ➤ Winter - TBD ➤ Spring - TBD

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JR.-SR. HIGH SCHOOL

Principal's Message



Hello all incoming Junior-Senior High School students and welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! Over the past few months, I hope that everyone has had some time to rest and recharge. The Junior-Senior High School is extremely busy as our amazing custodial and maintenance staff work to finish preparing the campus for our students and staff. The first day of school is Wednesday, September 4th which is when students will receive their Chromebooks.

For the upcoming school year we have a few changes that we want to make sure that all of our families are aware of. Specifically, our school counselors have reconfigured their student caseloads and we will be implementing our new cell phone policy. Going forward, our counselors will work with our students in all grade levels and divide their caseloads alphabetically. Mrs. Newton will work with all students with the last names that begin with A-K while Mrs. Davin will work with students whose last names begin with L-Z. If you have any questions regarding this configuration, please feel free

to reach out to the counselors or to me directly. Additionally, we will begin the full implementation of the district's cell phone policy. Students at the JSHS will not be able to use their phone during instructional time (while classes are in session) but will be able to during their lunch period, passing times, and activity period. Once students cross the threshold of the classroom doorway, phones will have to be put away. Students will not be permitted to have phones in the hallways during instructional times. This policy will be explained to all students during our annual code of conduct assemblies on the first day of school. Families will also learn more about the policy during Curriculum Night and through ParentSquare communications.

As the new year approaches, we cannot wait to meet and begin to form relationships with all of our new students! We welcome the sixth graders, seventh graders, and all of our new transfer students. Our sixth and seventh graders had their orientation on August 28th and learned many things regarding the JSHS. Other students who are new to the building were invited to have one-on-one tours with our administration and counselors. Again, we are thrilled to welcome all of our new students and, of course, our returning students as well!

Curriculum Night is scheduled for Thursday, September 12th. We will communicate the specific details regarding Curriculum Night via ParentSquare during the first week of the school year. During this event, teachers will share information regarding their courses. We look forward to seeing all of the students on Wednesday, September 4th!

Michael O'Brien, JSHS Principal • Phone: 315.696.6235 • Email: mike.obrien@tullyschools.org

Who to Contact with Questions/Concerns

By following this contact chain, parents/guardians, students, and community members will have questions or concerns addressed quickly and efficiently. If you are unable to reach the first contact or your issue is not resolved, please move on to the second contact and so on until your concern has been addressed. Contact information for individuals below can be found by using the "Contact" link on the district website. All media inquiries should be directed to the office of the superintendent.

Athletics

Step 1: Coach Step 2: Ryan Dando, Athletic Director Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Attendance

Step 1: Main Office or Nurse Step 2: Building Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Budget

Step 1: Kevin Sommer, School **Business Administrator** Step 2: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Classroom (curriculum, instruction, behavior, etc.)

Step 1: Classroom Teacher Step 2: Building Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock,

Superintendent

Extracurricular Activities and Clubs

Step 1: Activity or Club Advisor Step 2: Building Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Facilities

Step 1: Building Principal Step 2: Jerry Bishop, Assistant Director of Facilities

Step 3: Kevin Sommer, School **Business Administrator**

Step 4: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Food Service

Step 1: Mark Guccardi, Cook Manager

Step 2: Kevin Sommer, School **Business Administrator**

Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

See Office Phone Numbers on Page 5

Health/Medical

Step 1: School Nurse, Counselor, Social Worker Step 2: Building Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Residency/Registration

Step 1: Jamie Wortley, Registrar Step 2: Paul Schiener, Director of Instructional Services Step 2: Darcy Woodcock,

Superintendent

Safety/Security

Step 1: Classroom Teacher Step 2: Building Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Scheduling (High School Level)

Step 1: School Counselor Step 2: Mike O'Brien, JSHS Principal Step 3: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

School (student conduct, events, concerns etc.)

Step 1: Building Principal Step 2: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Special Education

Step 1: Program Manager/Teacher

Step 2: Building Principal

Step 3: Cristy Bobbett, Director of **Student Support Services**

Step 4: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

Transportation

Step 1: Katie Murphy, Transportation Supervisor Step 2: Building Principal/Director of Student Support Services (for off-campus special education

programs) Step 3: Kevin Sommer, School **Business Administrator**

Step 4: Darcy Woodcock, Superintendent

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BUS ROUTES - TRANSPORTATION

BUS#83 Animal: BAT Driver: MICHAEL LEE Route: In district

special needs

BUS#70 Animal: KITTEN

Driver: RUSS VINNEDGE Route: Dutch Hill. Otisco Rd, Canty Hill, Case Hill, Kingsley, Barker, Cook Rd



BUS#81 Animal: LION

Driver: JENNY WHEELER Route: Babcock, Markham Hollow Rd, Route 80, North Rd, 11 North



BUS#90 Animal: BEAR

Driver: DOUG DEYOE Route: Woodmancy, Hidden Falls, Route 80, Bailey, Octagon



BUS#91 Animal: FISH

Driver: JOHNNY WRIGHT Route: Strong, Vesper Hill, Curtain, Stevens, Ryan, Octagon, Gate House

BUS#80 Animal: BUFFALO

Driver: ART RIENHARDT Route: 11 South, Marybelle (Fietta), Tully Crossing Rd, East Homer Baltimore, Curry Rd, East Hill, Route 281

BUS#72 Animal: WOLF

Driver: KURT BETTERS Route: Otisco Rd, Canty HIII, Otisco Valley Rd, Song Mountain, Crooked Lake, Lake Rd



BUS#78 Animal: DOG

Driver: RICK BURKE Route: Route 80, Vesper, Oak Hill, Ripley, Kamm, Hunt, Buckwheat, Wright Rd, Finlan Rd



BUS#73 Animal: COW

Driver: ROB POULSEN Route: Sky High, Daly, Apulia Rd, Apulia Station, South Street



BUS#86 Animal: GIRAFFE

Driver: TARAH KADLUBOWSKI Route: Frenchs Bay, Song Mountain Rd, Otisco Valley Rd, Church, Masters Rd. West Valley, Saw Mill



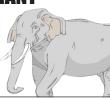
BUS#92 Animal: RABBIT

Driver: RANDY BURT Route: Barker, Otisco. Tully Farms, Nichols Rd, Route 11A



BUS#71 Animal: ELEPHANT

Driver: TIM MOWERS Route: Truxton Hill, Meeker Hill, Robyn Lane, Grove Street, Village View



BUS#85 Animal: TURTLE

Driver: LISA BOLLINGER Route: Route 80, Vesper, Otisco, Lords Hill



BUS#79 Animal: EAGLE

Driver: CHRISTINE **LEONARD**

Route: Lake Rd, Wetmore, Salsbury, Friendly Shores, Song Lake Crossing, Long Rd, Gate House

As transportation requests continue to come in, schedules may vary slightly by the time school starts. Parents will be notified of any changes.

TIPS FOR SHARING THE ROAD WITH SCHOOL BUSES

Remember, buses make frequent stops. Be prepared to stop for them. **Never pass** a stopped school bus with its red lights flashing on the right or left. Watch for children who cross in front of the bus when the bus is stopped. Look for children at bus stops and those running to bus stops. By law, school buses are required to stop at railroad crossings.

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Safety Reminders from Your SROs

A few reminders from your SROs to keep our students, parents, and staff safe while on campus this year.

Drivers: The campus speed limit is **15 MPH** at all times. Always **stop for pedestrians** in the crosswalks and when navigating parking lots. Always yield to the vehicles in the traffic circle. **Always stop for school buses** that have their red lights on – even in the parking lots. The roundabout, JSHS parking lot, and JSHS main circle is **one-way traffic.** The roadway between the JSHS parking lot and the elementary is closed to vehicle traffic (except buses) between 7:30-8 AM & 2:30-3 PM. Use extra caution while on school roads and parking lots. Look out for our crossing guards, traffic control staff, and police (SROs); in the complete interest of public/student/staff safety, please follow any directions given by them. Student drivers must have permission to drive to school and must register the vehicles they will be driving with the SRO/Admin. Forms available in the JSHS main office.

Walkers: The elementary school building is not to be used as a cut through. Please use the sidewalks to walk around the building. Always utilize the sidewalks and crosswalks. Never step off the curb without looking in both directions, even if there is someone helping you. Never run while crossing the road/driveway.

Bus Riders: Remain seated until the bus comes to a complete stop. Keep your personal volume down while on the bus. Once off the bus, whether at home or at school, move away from the bus guickly, but without running.

Drop Off/Pick Up: Unload from the curb/passenger side, not driver's side into traffic. Say your goodbyes at or in the vehicle. Don't walk away from your vehicle and leave it unattended, running or not. During pickup, wait with your vehicle. Elementary student drop offs/pickups are to be from the circle only at entrance #1 (back of TES). JSHS student drop offs/pickups are to be from the main circle only at entrance #1 (front of JSHS).

Campus Safety: During school hours there is one point of entry at each building. Use the main entrance at both the JSHS and elementary school. All persons MUST check in at main offices using an identification card (Driver's License, State ID, etc). All persons are subject to a background check in our Raptor system prior to entry. During school hours, the school campus is closed; no unauthorized persons are allowed on school property i.e.: walking the parking lots and sidewalks, being on the sports track and fields, using the playground, cutting through school grounds to get to an off-campus location, etc.

Board of Education Meetings

The planned schedule for Board of Education meetings for the 2024-2025 school year is as follows:

September 17, 2024	March 4, 2025
October 15, 2024	March 25, 2025
November 19, 2024	April 22, 2025
December 17, 2024	May 6, 2025
January 21, 2025	May 20, 2025
February 11, 2025	June 17, 2025

Meetings commence at 6:00 p.m. in the Junior-Senior High School Library unless otherwise specified. Additional Special Meetings to be scheduled as needed.

2024/25 Board Members

2025	Mrs. Ryan Chatfield	boe.rchatfield@tullyschools.org
2027	Ms. Donna Doody	boe.ddoody@tullyschools.org
2026	Ms. Jessica McAnaney	boe.jmcananey@tullyschools.org
2027	Mr. Jeffrey Phelps	boe.jphelps@tullyschools.org
2025	Mrs. Bettemae Russell	boe.brussell@tullyschools.org
2026	Ms. Cheryl Wayne	boe.cwayne@tullyschools.org
2027	Mr. Edward Wortley, II	boe.ewortley@tullyschools.org

Tully School Office Phone Numbers

Athletics Office: 315-696-6232
Business Office: 315-696-6203
District Office: 315-696-6204
Elementary Main 315-696-6213

Office:

Facilities: 315-696-6218 Jr.-Sr. High Main 315-696-6235

Office:

Special Education: 315-696-6221 **Transportation:** 315-696-6250

Medications

Students are not allowed to have medications on their persons at school. This includes ALL prescribed or over-the-counter medications. The ONLY exception is for students that have been deemed as a self-carry individual. With this designation, written permission from both the parent/quardian and a written provider order are necessary. Documentation needs to state both the diagnosis and that the student has demonstrated they can effectively administer the medication(s). These students are allowed to carry emergency medications, which require rapid administration to prevent negative health outcomes. This does not include just inhalers; they may also carry Epi Pens, Glucagon, or even at the high school level, medication to treat a migraine... etc. All medication must be delivered to the health office first by a parent or guardian along with documentation of a written order and original packaging. Please contact the health office of your student with any further questions.

Fitness Center Open to Tully Residents

The Tully Central School District Fitness Center, located in the High School athletic wing, is open to Tully residents Monday – Thursday, 4:30-6:30 p.m. Children under the age of 12 are not allowed. The Fitness Center is closed on holidays and snow days, or when after-school activities are canceled for weather reasons. The gyms and indoor track are not available for use during the designated Fitness Center hours.

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Transportation Safety RequestsPlease help us ensure your child's safety by following these simple

Please help us ensure your child's safety by following these simple but important procedures:

- ♦ Provide your child with a backpack or book-bag. Loose papers or other items are dangerous as children get off the bus.
- Check your children's clothing for the presence of long drawstrings or other dangling items as they could become snagged in the bus door as the child gets off the bus and should be removed from clothing.
- ♦ Make sure your child arrives at the designated bus stop five minutes early each day. Children who are late for the bus may panic and chase it or run into the road.
- Insist that your child wait for the bus safely in an orderly fashion, back from the roadway at least 15 feet. Behavior problems at the bus stop can create hazardous conditions for children.
- When the bus arrives, your child should wait for the bus driver's signal before boarding. Children should board in single file.
- ♦ Teach your child to sit quietly on the ride to and from school. Behavior problems could distract the bus driver and result in an accident.

It is important that our drivers are able to concentrate on driving the route safely. We are deeply committed to the safety of your child as well as all our community's children.

NYSED requires us to complete three (3) school bus safety drills per year. Our first drill will be conducted within the first week of school. Please review with your student everything they learned (Example – emergency exits, seat belt use, fire extinguisher, etc.).

Each school bus is equipped with a Safe Crossing poster. All pre-K and kindergarten students will receive a copy to bring home. Please review with your students the steps to Safe Crossing even if your student does not cross.

New York State law requires motorists to stop for school buses that are receiving or discharging passengers. The driver of the vehicle must stop when they encounter a school bus in the process of loading or unloading students: on a public highway, on multiple lane roads, on opposite sides of divided highways, on a public street, on a private road, in a parking lot, and on school property.

The driver of the vehicle must stop from either direction. The driver must also stop if the school bus has another bus in front of it to receive or discharge passengers.

Student Physicals

The New York State Department of Education requires a health certificate or health appraisal of each public school student when they enter the school district for the first time, are in Grades Pre-K or K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11, participate in interscholastic sports, need working papers, or are referred to the Committee of Special Education.

All students participating in interscholastic sports programs, regardless of grade level, must have a physical exam before participating in any sport practice. These physicals need to be turned into the school nurse prior to the start of practice. If your child intends to play a sport, it is important that they check with the school nurse before practice to verify they have a current sports physical on file.

Physicals expire one year from the month they were performed, on the last day of the month.

Student Records Access

You are notified that you have the following rights in relation to student records:

- The right to inspect and review a student's education records.
- The school 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 limited circumstances, as permitted by FERPA.
- 3. The right of a student's parents or an eligible student seeking to correct parts of the student's education records which he or she believes to be inaccurate, misleading, or in violation of the student's right. These rights include the right to a hearing to present evidence that the records should be changed if the district decides not to alter it according to the parents' or an eligible student's request.
- 4. The right of any person to file a complaint with the Department of Education if the school district violates FERPA.
- 5. If either a student's parent or an eligible student desires to obtain copies of the policy pertaining to student records, notifications should be presented to the appropriate building principal.
- 6. All rights and protections given to parents under FERPA and this policy transfers to the student when he or she reaches age 18 or enrolls in a post-secondary school. The student then becomes an "eligible student."

Fire Inspection Notice

Notice is hereby given that the annual inspection for the 2024-2025 school year of the school buildings of Tully Central School District for fire hazards which might endanger the lives of students, teachers, and employees therein, has been completed and the report thereof is available at the District's Business Office for inspection by all interested persons.

Please contact Mr. Kevin Sommer, School Business Administrator, Tully Central School District, 20 State St, Tully, NY 13159, phone (315) 696-6205.

District Facility Use Requests

All requests for use of district facilities and grounds will be made online using the Master Library scheduling platform on the district website. After going to www.tullyschools.org, click on "Departments < Facilities < Login: Building Use Form." Here you will have to create a free account before you request the use of facilities.

Requests have to be made at least two weeks in advance. If you have any questions or need assistance after watching the posted video and instructions, please contact the main office of the building you are requesting facility use.

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Immunizations

Vaccinations due between Pre-Kindergarten and 12th grade are as follows:

Students entering Pre-K must have had the following vaccines: 4 doses of the Tetanus, Diphtheria toxoid-containing vaccine, and Pertussis vaccine booster (TDaP), 3 doses of the Polio (IPV) vaccine, 1 dose of the MMR vaccine, 3 doses of the Hepatitis B vaccine, 1 dose of the Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine, 1-4 doses of the Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib) vaccine, and 1-4 doses of the Pneumococcal vaccine.

Students entering 6th grade or by 11 years of age must have the Tetanus, Diphtheria toxoid-containing vaccine, and Pertussis vaccine booster (TDaP), and 2 doses of the Varicella (Chickenpox) vaccine.

Students entering 7th are required to have one dose of the Meningococcal conjugate (MenACWY).

Students entering 12th grade are required to have 2 doses of the Meningococcal conjugate (MenACWY) or 1 dose if the first dose was received at age 16 or older.

Directory InformationThe Tully Central School District classifies the following stu-

dent information as directory information:

Name, address, and telephone number, Date and place of birth, Enrollment status, Major field of study, Grade level, Participation in school clubs, activities, and sports, Weight and height of interscholastic athletes, Dates of attendance, Degrees and awards received, Electronic mail address, Most recent educational institution or agency attended by student, and the Student's picture.

Directory information may be available for bona fide purposes to outside parties such as colleges, newspapers, and social service agencies. Any eligible student or parent wishing to limit the availability of directory information must do so within 14 days of this notification by contacting the building principal in writing.

Other questions regarding these rights should be referred to the student's building principal.

Free Meals in 2024-2025

Both breakfast and lunch for students are free this year!

Asbestos Public Notification

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, all buildings of the Tully Central School District have been inspected for asbestos containing building materials (ACBM). The original inspection and triennial re-inspection reports identifying the location of ACBM, the management plan detailing how the district is managing the asbestos materials and the semi-annual surveillance reports are available in the Assistant Director of Facilities II office. If you have any questions, please contact Jerry Bishop at 315-696-6218.

Required Pesticide Notice

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, signed into law in July, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year. The Tully Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72-hours following an application;
- anti-microbial products;
- nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- silica gel and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- the application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- the application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25;
- the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list. If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please contact the Tully District Office pesticide representative, Jeanette Neadom, at jeanette. neadom@k12.tullyschools.org or 315-696-6204.

Professional Qualifications

Parents may request information about the professional qualifications of their student's classroom teachers. The District will provide in a timely manner upon request the following information to parents:

- 1. Whether the student's teacher has met New York State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
- 2. Whether the student's teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the New York State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- 3. Whether the student's teacher is teaching in the field of discipline of certification of the teacher;
- 4. Whether the student is provided services by any instructional aides or similar paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

In addition, the District will provide to parents timely notice that their student has been assigned or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who does not meet applicable New York State certification or licensure requirements at the grade level and subject area in which the teacher has been assigned.

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TULLY CENTRAL SCHOOL EVENTS



SEPTEMBER

- 2 Labor Day Holiday
- 3 Superintendent Conference Day TES Back to School Night, 4:00 p.m.
- 4 First Day of School for Students
 JH Sports Begin
- 12 JSHS Fall Sports Picture Day
- 17 BOE Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- 20 Homecoming
- 25 JSHS Picture Day
- 26 TES Picture Day

Dates are subject to change. Please check our website for the most up-to-date information.





