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2026-2027 CALENDAR

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Dear School Community:

The 2026-2027 calendar will give you an overview of some of the opportunities and activities that await the students, staff and community of Westmoreland. It will also provide you with some of the more important procedures and regulations under which we operate. Please note that this calendar only offers a brief glimpse of all that is going on this year. For a more complete and updated listing of events, we invite you to frequently visit our website.

Our goal is to provide quality education to build a strong foundation for success while creating innovative opportunities so our students excel in every aspect of their lives. As you look through the calendar, please keep in mind events and activities are planned with and for students based on their interests and desires, and in accordance with our mission and vision as a district.

Our Vision

All students will strive towards individual excellence, become independent thinkers, be meaningful contributors and life-long learners, embrace who they are and look forward to who they can become as they prepare to be respectful, productive citizens in a diverse and evolving society.

Our Mission

The Westmoreland Central School District will work collaboratively with the entire community to maintain a safe and nurturing learning environment where high expectations are the norm and risk-taking, rigor, creativity, independence, and innovation are valued and fostered. It is my hope that the upcoming year is rewarding, fun and memorable.

Sincerely,
Rocco Migliori
Superintendent of Schools

Message from the Board of Education:

A school district can be measured not only by its students, but also by its community support. We encourage members of our community to take an active part in our school programs, not only in educational activities, but in extracurricular activities as well. We hope you will take advantage of the many opportunities to get involved with the everyday life of our school.

Your tax dollars are hard at work keeping up with technological advances for student instruction, such as distance learning and computers, and providing a stimulating and academically challenging program.

As members of the Board of Education, our job is to determine school policy, which is carried out by appropriate district employees. You are invited and encouraged to attend Board meetings, which are listed below and in this calendar.

We welcome your involvement in the school improvement process. Your ideas and concerns are essential in planning an effective educational system for our students now and in the future. Please call our District Superintendent's office at (315) 557-2614 to find out how you can make a difference in your school.

Board of Education Meeting Schedule 2026-2027

September 8/22
October 13/27
November 17
December 8
January 12/26
February 9/23
March 9/23
April 13/27
May 11 (Regular Meeting 6:00 p.m./Budget Hearing 6:30 p.m.)
May 18 (Budget & BOE Vote 11:00 -8:00 p.m.)
May 25
June 8/22

Meetings are at the Jr./Sr. High School in room 123 at 6:00 p.m. unless noted otherwise.

Telephone Numbers

General District Information	(315) 557-2600
Rocco Migliori - Superintendent of Schools	(315) 557-2614
Stephen Polera - Dir. of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment	(315) 557-2697
Joshua Saxton - Jr./Sr. High School Principal	(315) 557-2616
Trevor Haskell - Upper Elementary School Principal	(315) 557-2618
Jessica Maine - Primary Elementary School Principal	(315) 557-2637
Bryan Yurka - Dir. of Special Ed./Data Coordinator	(315) 557-2609
Jerry Fiorini - Athletic Director	(315) 557-2658
Luke Willson - School Business Official	(315) 557-2612
Michael Sweeney - Transportation Supervisor	(315) 557-2632
Brad White - Building Maintenance Supervisor	(315) 557-2682

For all the latest information, scan the QR code to visit our website

Emergency Closings

Please tune in to the following local radio and television stations for closing, delay and early dismissal information due to inclement weather:

WKTV Channel 2	TV
WSTM Channel 3	TV
WSYR Channel 9	TV
WUTR Channel 20	TV
WIBX 950	AM
WFRG 104.3	FM
WOUR 96.9	FM
WRNY 1350	AM
KISS 97.9/105.5	FM
WKLL 94.9	FM
WTLB 1310	AM
WRCK 107.3	FM
Spectrum News	
www.uticaod.com	



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Transportation

Information for Parents

Primary Elementary School (Grades Pre-K - 2)

When dropping off or picking up your children at the Primary Elementary School, please do not enter or park in the circle in front of the school or side parking lot near the playground. The bus circle is closed to vehicular traffic during school hours. Please use the parent lot.

Upper Elementary School (Grades 3-6)

When dropping off or picking up your children at the Upper Elementary School, please do not park in the circle in front of the school from 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. and from 2:35 - 3:25 p.m.

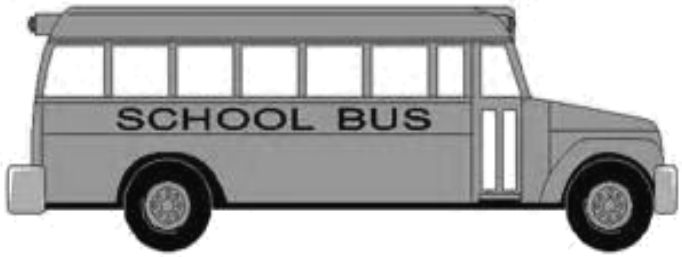
Jr./Sr. High School (Grades 7-12)

When dropping off or picking up your children at the Jr./Sr. High School, please use the outer curb closest to the parking lot.

Video Cameras

District school buses currently have video recording capabilities. This is done to supplement our current school bus behavior policies.

If you have a special transportation request, please contact Michael Sweeney, Transportation Supervisor, at (315) 557-2632. Requests must be for a consistent pick-up and/or drop-off point within the district. Buses will not be able to pick up your children at one location one day and a different location on another day.






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September 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 **Superintendent's Conference Day** **No School-Staff Only**	2 **Superintendent's Conference Day**	3 **First Day of Instruction**	4	5
6	7 **Labor Day** **No School**	8 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	9	10	11 **Patriot Day** **ACT Registration Deadline** **Rosh Hashanah Begins**	12 **PTO** **Family Mini Golf** SAT
13 **Rosh Hashanah Ends**	14	15 **IT Professional's Day**	16	17	18 **SAT Registration Deadline**	19 ACT
20 **Yom Kippur Begins**	21 **Yom Kippur Ends**	22 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.* **First Day of Autumn**	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

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October 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2 **School Custodian Appreciation Day**	3 **Sr. High School Homecoming Dance 7:00-10:00 PM** SAT
4	5 **World Teachers' Day**	6 **National Instructional Coaches Day**	7	8	9 **Superintendent's Conference Day** **No School**	10
11	12 **Columbus Day** **No School**	13 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	14	15 **PSAT Testing** Jr./Sr. High School Picture Day	16 **5th & 6th Grade Fun Night** **High School Marking Period Ends**	17 ACT
18	19	20 .	21	22 **Halloween**	23 **PTO** **Trunk-or-Treat** **SAT Registration Deadline**	24
25	26	27 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m*	28	29	30	31 **Halloween**

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 **JMA Wireless Dome Championships** **Daylight Saving Time Ends**	2	3 **Election Day**	4	5 **PTO** **Purse** BINGO	6 **3rd & 4th Grade Fun Night** **ACT Registration Deadline** **K-6 Marking Period 1 Ends**	7 **PTO** **Craft Fair** SAT
	Primary & Upper Elementary School Scholastic Book Fair					
8	9 **ASVAB Testing** **School Psychology Week**	10	11 **Veterans Day** **No School**	12 **Upper Elementary School Pictures**	13 **Drama Club Play** **Primary Elementary School Pictures**	14 **Drama Club Play**
15	16	17 *BOE Regular Meeting* *Jr./Sr. High School* *6:00 p.m.*	18	19	20 **Primary/Upper Parent/Teacher Conference Day** **SAT Registration Deadline**	21
					Area All-State @ Oswego High School	
22	23 **Primary/Upper Parent/Teacher Conference Day**	24 **Marching Band Banquet** **High School Marking Period Ends**	25 **Thanksgiving Recess**	26 **Thanksgiving Day**	27 **No School**	28
29	30					

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3 **NYSSMA All-State Conference**	4 **Hanukkah Begins** **Primary/Upper Parent/Teacher Conference Day**	5 SAT
6	7 **Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day**	8 **3rd & 4th Grade Concert** *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	9 **5th & 6th Grade Concert**	10	11 **5th & 6th Grade Fun Night 6:00-7:30 PM**	12 **Hanukkah Ends** **PTO** **Breakfast with Santa** ACT
13	14	15 **7th & 8th Grade Concert**	16 **Santa's Workshop**	17 **9th-12th Grade Concert**	18	19
20	21 **Emergency Concert Date** **First Day of Winter**	22	23 **Holiday Recess**	24 **Christmas Eve** **No School**	25 **Christmas Day**	26 **Kwanzaa Begins**
27	28 **Holiday Recess**	29 **No School**	30	31 **New Year's Eve**		

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January 2027

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	School Board Recognition Month				1 **New Year's Day** **Kwanzaa Ends** **No School**	2
3	4	5	6	7 **Brook' BBQ** **3:30-6:00 PM**	8	9 **Law Enforcement Appreciation Day**
10	11	12 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	13 **Jr. High All-County Auditions @ Utica**	14	15	16
17	18 **Martin Luther King Jr. Day** **No School**	19	20 **Jr./Sr. High School Jazz Concert**	21 **K-6 Marking Period 2 Ends**	22 **3rd & 4th Grade Fun Night** **ACT Registration Deadline**	23
24 31	25	26 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	27	28	29 **K-6 Report Cards Issued** **High School Marking Period Ends**	30
		Regent Exams				

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February 2027

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 **Groundhog Day**	3	4	5	6 **Lunar New Year**
	National School Counseling Week					
7	8	9 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	10 **Ash Wednesday**	11	12	13
14 **Valentine's Day**	15 **Presidents' Day**	16	17	18	19 **SAT Registration Deadline**	20
	Mid-Winter Recess			**No School**		
21	22	23 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	24	25	26 **PTO** **Sweetheart Dance**	27 ACT
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March 2027

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5 **Upper Elementary Fun Night** **ACT Registration Deadline**	6 SAT
	Pre-K & Kindergarten Registration			National School Social Worker Week		
7	8	9 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	10	11 **PTO** BINGO	12	13
				High School Musical		
14 **Daylight Saving Time Begins**	15	16	17 **St. Patrick's Day**	18	19 **Superintendent's Conference Day** **High School Marking Period Ends**	20 **First Day of Spring**
					Jr. High All-County Music Festival @ Utica	
					No School	
21 **Palm Sunday**	22	23 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	24 **Jr./Sr. High School Theme Concert**	25	26 **Good Friday** **No School**	27 **PTO** **Egg Hunt**
28 **Easter**	29 **Easter Monday** **No School**	30	31 **STEAM Family Night**			

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April 2027

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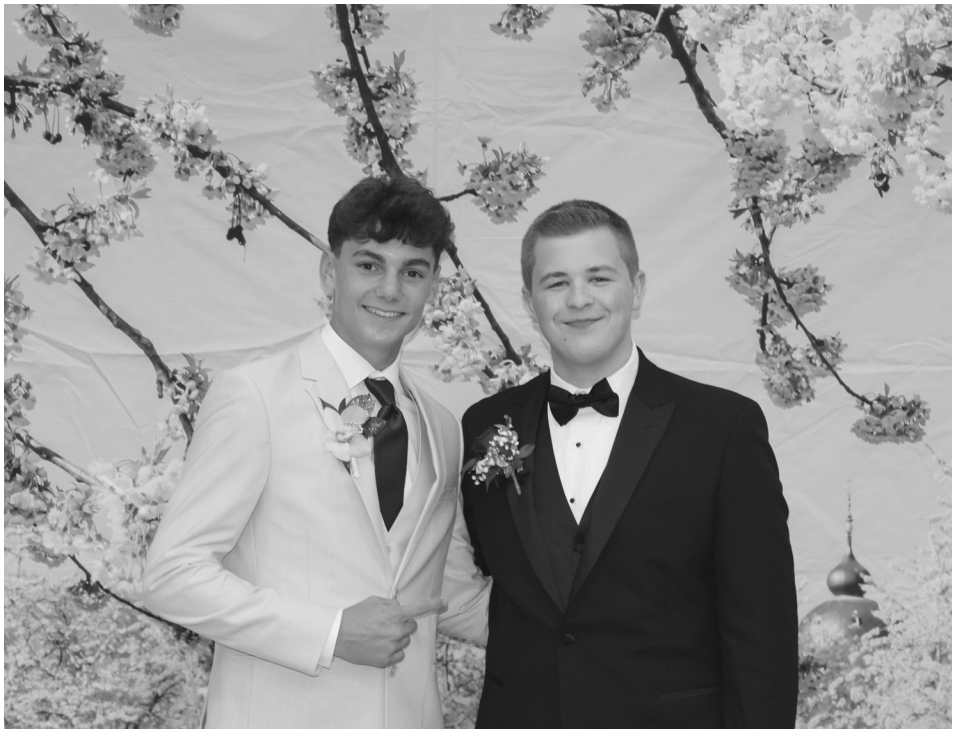
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 **April Fools' Day**	2 Elementary All-County @ New Hartford	3 **Winter Guard Championships**
4 **School Librarian Appreciation Day**	5	6	7 ELA NYS TESTING	8	9 **K-6 Marking Period 3 Ends**	10 ACT
11	12	13 *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	14 **Passover Begins**	15 **Earth Day**	16 **K-6 Report Cards Issued** **SAT Registration Deadline**	17
18	19 **Spring Recess No School**	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	28	29 **Passover Ends** **Kindergarten Paperwork Turn-In Multiage Parent Information Night**	30 **Arbor Day** **School Principals' Day** **NYSSMA Solo Festival @ CVA**	

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 **NYSSMA Solo Festival@ CVA** SAT
2	3	4	5 **Cinco de Mayo**	6	7 **AP World History Exam** High School Marking Period Ends **ACT Registration Deadline**	8
	Teacher Appreciation Week		Math NYS Testing		NYSSMA Solo Festival @ VVS Jr. High School Musical 7 PM	
9 **Mother's Day**	10 **Pre-K Paperwork Turn in**	11 **AP Calculus Exam** *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m. Budget Hearing 6:30 p.m. High School Auditorium*	12 **Science NYS Testing**	13 **AP World History Exam Brook' BBQ 3:30-6:00 PM**	14 **Senior Citizen Prom**	15 **Armed Forces Day**
	Primary & Upper Elementary School Scholastic Book Fair					
16	17	18 **Budget & BOE Vote 11AM—8PM** **District Art Show** **3rd & 4th Grade Concert**	19	20	21 **SAT Registration Deadline**	22 **Prom @ Valentino's**
23 / 30	24 **Jr./Sr. High School Jazz Concert** 31 **Memorial Day** **No School**	25 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	26 **7th & 8th Grade Awards (Virtual)** **9th—11th Grade Awards 6 PM**	27	28	29

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June 2027

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 **Senior Award Dinner**	3 **9th—12th Music Concert**	4 **ACT Registration Deadline**	5 SAT
6	7 **5th & 6th Grade Concert**	8 **7th & 8th Grade Concert** *BOE Regular Meeting Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m*	9 **Pre-K Graduation**	10 **Kindergarten Celebration**	11 **Multiage "Pass the Torch" Ceremony**	12 ACT
13	14 **Flag Day** 	15 .	16 **6th Grade Moving Up Ceremony**	17 **Graduation** **Multiage Pass the Torch Ceremony**	18 **K-6 Marking Period 4 Ends** **Juneteenth (Observed)** **No School**	19 **Juneteenth**
		REGENTS EXAMS				
20 **Father's Day**	21 **First Day of Summer**	22 *BOE Regular Meeting/ Work Session Jr./Sr. High School 6:00 p.m.*	23 **Primary Carnival Day**	24 **High School Marking Period Ends**	25 **Regents Rating Day**	26
	REGENTS EXAMS 21-24					
27	28	29	30			

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August 2027

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We Believe

- Every student possesses a passion for something positive and that we can nurture that passion by building a relationship with each and every student.
- Our staff, by modeling a love for learning and creating an expectation of excellence, will help students to realize their talents and ignite a desire to learn.
- A motivated and passionate staff is essential to achieving student success.
- All stakeholders should regularly promote and engage in two-way communication that is respectful, proactive, supportive, efficient and accessible.
- We cannot grow without embracing change. We welcome and encourage new ideas, ongoing professional development opportunities, innovations and resourcefulness - and the continuous improvements gained as a result.
- Staff and students share the responsibility to ensure collective success.

Code of Conduct

WESTMORELAND CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PUBLIC ORDER ON SCHOOL PROPERTY AND AT SCHOOL FUNCTIONS (RE-ADOPTED BY THE BOE 07/07/2026 - POLICY #3050).

The district establishes this Code of Conduct for the Maintenance of Public Order on School Property and at School Functions to govern the conduct of students, teachers, other school personnel and visitors. This Code of Conduct has been developed consistent with the Safe School Against Violence in Education Act and section 100.2 of the Commissioner's Regulations and in collaboration with students, teachers, administrators, parent organizations, school safety personnel and other school personnel.

A. For the purposes of this policy, a school function is defined as any event occurring on or off school property, sanctioned or approved by the school including, but not limited to, off-site athletic events, school dances, plays, musical productions, field trips or other school-sponsored trips.
B. There are specific Codes of Conduct developed at each school - Primary Elementary, Upper Elementary and High School. Please refer to the student handbook of that school for the full details of the Code of Conduct governing each building or level.
C. The full text of this policy is available during business hours from Erin Robinson, Clerk of the Board, at (315) 557-2614 or on the school website.

Community Use of School Facilities

The Westmoreland Central School District encourages use of school facilities by community organizations when these facilities are not in use for school purposes and when such use will not interfere with school programs. Our improved facilities - tennis courts, meeting rooms and athletic fields - are assets to our entire community. Application can be done through the school website. Liability insurance will be required of the community group or organization. Please make plans to fill out an application(s) well in advance of the date(s) your group may wish to use school facilities. Questions: Contact Mary Barber (315) 557-2658

Student Directory Information

Board of Education policy permits student directory information to be released to outside groups without individual consent. The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) defines student directory information as: name, address, telephone listing, date and place of birth, major field of study, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, weight and height (if members of athletic teams), degrees and awards received and the name of the educational agency or institution previously attended by the student.

Parents and students have the right to refuse this release of information. If you do not wish to have your child's directory information released, please include the student's name and date of birth in a letter to the appropriate building principal prior to October 1, 2026.

Notice of Compliance

The Westmoreland Central School District, hereby gives notice that it does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed, color, national origin, marital status, religious affiliations, disability, age, genetic predisposition or carrier status, in the recruitment and appointment of employees, employment pay and benefits, counseling services for students, access by students to education programs, course offerings and student activities. This policy is in compliance with Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, the New York State Civil Rights Law 40a-c and the New York State Human Rights Executive Law (Article 15).

Any alleged grievances should be reported to Bryan Yurka, Compliance Officer, at (315) 557-2609.

Annual Pesticide Notification

The Westmoreland Central School District periodically uses pesticides. We are required to maintain a list of those individuals who wish to receive written notification 48 hours prior to pesticide applications. If you would like to be added to our list, or would like more information, please contact Brad White, Building Maintenance Supervisor, at (315) 557-2682.

Annual Asbestos Notification

In accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1987 (AHERA), a copy of the Westmoreland Central School District building inspection report and management plan is available for review during business hours by appointment. Please contact Brad White, Building Maintenance Supervisor, at (315) 557-2682 if you need to set up an appointment or if you have any questions.

Tobacco Free Policy

There is a Tobacco Free Policy in our school. Please call (315) 557-2614 if you have any questions.

Our Website

On our website, you can access several pieces of important information including, but not limited to, the following:

- News/Photos
- Calendar of Events/Sports Games
- Staff Directory
- Breakfast/Lunch Menus
- Job Opportunities
- BOE Agendas/Minutes
- Superintendent's Message
- Announcements
- Important Contact Information
- Important Documents

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Sports Physicals/Health History

Students who wish to try out for a sports team must have a current physical and an updated health history form on file with the school nurse. Physicals are good for one full year. They can be obtained through the school, at no charge, or from your family physician. A health history form must be filled out each school year. Contact the appropriate school nurse for a form.

Model Notification of Rights under FERPA for Schools

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students who are 18 years of age or older ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day the [Name of school ("School")] receives a request for access.

Parents or eligible students who wish to inspect their child's or their education records should submit to the school principal [or appropriate school official] a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA..

Parents or eligible students who wish to ask the [School] to amend their child's or their education record should write the school principal [or appropriate school official], clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3.The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent.

One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. The criteria for determining who constitutes a school official and what constitutes a legitimate educational interest must be set forth in the school's or school district's annual notification for FERPA rights. A school official typically includes a person employed by the school or school district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the school board. A school official also may include a volunteer, contractor, or consultant who, while not employed by the school, performs an institutional service or function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent or student volunteering to serve on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent, student, or other volunteer assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official typically has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility.

[Optional] Upon request, the school discloses education records without consent to officials of another school or school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll, or is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes of the student's enrollment or transfer. [NOTE: FERPA requires a school or school district to make a reasonable attempt to notify the parent or student of the records request unless it states in its annual notification that it intends to forward records on request or the disclosure is initiated by the parent or eligible student.]

4.The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the [School] to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

Student Privacy Policy Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20202

[NOTE: In addition, a school may want to include its directory information public notice, as required by § 99.37 of the regulations, with its annual notification of rights under FERPA.]

[Optional] See the list below of the disclosures that elementary and secondary schools may make without consent.

FERPA permits the disclosure of PII from students' education records, without consent of the parent or eligible student, if the disclosure meets certain conditions found in § 99.31 of the FERPA regulations. Except for disclosures to school officials, disclosures related to some judicial orders or lawfully issued subpoenas, disclosures of directory information, and disclosures to the parent or eligible student, § 99.32 of the FERPA regulations requires the school to record the disclosure. Parents and eligible students have a right to inspect and review the record of disclosures. A school may disclose PII from the education records of a student without obtaining prior written consent of the parents or the eligible student –

- To other school officials, including teachers, within the educational agency or institution whom the school has determined to have legitimate educational interests. This includes contractors, consultants, volunteers, or other parties to whom the school has outsourced institutional services or functions, provided that the conditions listed in § 99.31(a)(1)(i)(B)(*1*) - (a)(1)(i)(B)(*3*) are met. (§ 99.31(a)(1))
- To officials of another school, school system, or institution of postsecondary education where the student seeks or intends to enroll, or where the student is already enrolled if the disclosure is for purposes related to the student's enrollment or transfer, subject to the requirements of § 99.34. (§ 99.31(a)(2))
- To authorized representatives of the U. S. Comptroller General, the U. S. Attorney General, the U.S. Secretary of Education, or State and local educational authorities, such as the State educational agency (SEA) in the parent or eligible student's State. Disclosures under this provision may be made, subject to the requirements of § 99.35, in connection with an audit or evaluation of Federal- or State-supported education programs, or for the enforcement of or compliance with Federal legal requirements that relate to those programs. These entities may make further disclosures of PII to outside entities that are designated by them as their authorized representatives to conduct any audit, evaluation, or enforcement or compliance activity on their behalf, if applicable requirements are met. (§§ 99.31(a)(3) and 99.35)
- In connection with financial aid for which the student has applied or which the student has received, if the information is necessary for such purposes as to determine eligibility for the aid, determine the amount of the aid, determine the conditions of the aid, or enforce the terms and conditions of the aid. (§ 99.31(a)(4))
- To State and local officials or authorities to whom information is specifically allowed to be reported or disclosed by a State statute that concerns the juvenile justice system and the system's ability to effectively serve, prior to adjudication, the student whose records were released, subject to § 99.38. (§ 99.31(a)(5))
- To organizations conducting studies for, or on behalf of, the school, in order to: (a) develop, validate, or administer predictive tests; (b) administer student aid programs; or (c) improve instruction, if applicable requirements are met. (§ 99.31(a)(6))
- To accrediting organizations to carry out their accrediting functions. (§ 99.31(a)(7))
- To parents of an eligible student if the student is a dependent for IRS tax purposes. (§ 99.31(a)(8))
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena if applicable requirements are met. (§ 99.31(a)(9))

- To appropriate officials in connection with a health or safety emergency, subject to § 99.36. (§ 99.31(a)(10))
- Information the school has designated as "directory information" if applicable requirements under § 99.37 are met. (§ 99.31(a)(11))
- To an agency caseworker or other representative of a State or local child welfare agency or tribal organization who is authorized to access a student's case plan when such agency or organization is legally responsible, in accordance with State or tribal law, for the care and protection of the student in foster care placement. (20 U.S.C. § 1232g(b)(1)(L))
- To the Secretary of Agriculture or authorized representatives of the Food and Nutrition Service for purposes of conducting program monitoring, evaluations, and performance measurements of programs authorized under the Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act or the Child Nutrition Act of 1966, under certain conditions. (20 U.S.C. § 1232g(b)(1)(K))

Prohibition on Internet-Enabled Device use During the School Day

1. Purpose: This policy, adopted by the Westmoreland Central School District Board of Education, establishes a District-wide prohibition on student use of internet-enabled devices during the school day, in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

2. Definitions:

Internet-Enabled devices shall mean any device capable of connecting to the internet and enabling the user to access content on the internet, including but not limited to social media applications. Such devices shall include, but not be limited to smartphones, tablets, smartwatches, laptops, and other portable electronic communication or computing devices. Internet-enabled devices supplied by the School District that are used for an educational purpose are not included in this definition.

Non-Internet Enabled Devices shall mean any devices not capable of connecting to the internet or enabling the user to access content on the internet.

School Day shall mean the entirety of every instructional day, including during instructional and non-instructional time, including but not limited to homeroom periods, lunch, recess, study hall and passing time.

School Grounds shall mean in or on or within any building, structure, athletic playing field, playground, or land contained within the real property boundary line of the District.

3. Prohibited Use:

Students are prohibited from using internet-enabled devices or any non-internet enabled communication devices on school grounds during the school day, except as expressly permitted under the exceptions outlined in this policy.

4. Exceptions:

Students use of an internet-enabled device during the school day on school grounds may be authorized in the following limited circumstances.

A. **Educational Use:** If authorized by a teacher, principal, or the District for a specific educational purpose.

B. **Health & Safety:** Where necessary when managing a student's healthcare, or in the event of an emergency.

C. **Language Needs:** When needed by a student for translation services.

D. **Student Caregivers:** On a case-by-case basis for a student caregiver who is routinely responsible for the care and wellbeing of a family member. Such use will be permitted only upon review and determination by a school psychologist, school social worker, school counselor, or school or district level administrator.

E. **Legal Requirements:** When the use of such devices is required by law.

F. **504/IEP Plans:** Nothing in this policy is intended to prohibit or otherwise limit a student's use of an internet-enable device where such use is included in the student's Individualized Education Program (IEP) or Section 504 Plan.

5. Communication and Contact:

The District shall provide at least one method for parents or persons in parental relation to a student to contact the student during the school day. The contact methods provided will include, but not be limited to the following: calling the main office at any of the schools (Primary Elementary, 315-557 2637, Upper Elementary School, 315-557-2618 and Junior Senior High School, 315-557-2616) or calling the Counseling Office at the Junior Senior High School (315-557-2620) Written notification detailing how parents or persons in parental relation to a student may contact students during the school day shall be provided to parents or persons in parental relation to a student at the beginning of each school year on the district calendar and on the district website and upon enrollment.

6. Storage of Devices:

The District shall provide at least one method for students to store internet-enabled devices on-site during the school day. Storage options will include, but are not limited to the following: student's locked lockers (locks must be purchased from the district), pouches provided by the district (when applicable), secure storage units in the main offices, or other options deemed appropriate by district administration.

7. Discipline and Enforcement:

Students who violate this policy may be subject to disciplinary penalties pursuant to the District's Code of Conduct and subject to applicable law and regulations. Progressive discipline or restorative practices may be used in cases of repeated violations, consistent with the Code.

8. Accessibility and Language Access:

This policy shall be clearly posted and accessible on the District's website. Upon request by a student, parent, or person in parental relation to a student, a translation of this policy into any of the twelve most common non-English languages spoken by limited-English proficient individuals in New York State shall be provided.

9. Regulations:

The Board authorizes and directs the Superintendent of Schools to establish regulations implementing this policy.

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