

2026-2027

Brushton-Moira Central School



Brushton-Moira Central School District

2026-2027

Academic Year Calendar

- Superintendent Conference Days
- School is not in session
- Students dismissed at 11:00
- Regents Exams

July 26						
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September	
Sept. 1-2 - Supt. Conference Day	
Sept. 3 - Opening day with students	
Sept. 7th - Labor Day	
October	
Oct. 12 - Columbus Day	
Oct. 29 - Students Dismissed 11:00	
Oct. 30 - Superintendents Day	
November	
Nov. 11 - Veterans Day	
Nov. 25 - 27 - Thanksgiving Recess	
December	
Dec. 23 - Jan. 1 - Winter Vacation	
January	
Jan. 1 - New Year's Day	
Jan. 18 - Martin Luther King Jr. Day	
Jan. - 26th-29th Regents Exams	
February	
Feb. 15 - 19 - Winter Break	
March	
March 24 - Students Dismissed 11:00	
March 25 - Supt. Conference Day	
March 26th-29th - March Recess	
April	
April 5-May 14 - 3-8 testing	
APRIL BREAK 12th-16th	
May	
May 28-31 - Memorial Day Recess	
June	
June 15 - June 25 - Regents Exams	
June 19 - Juneteenth	
June 25th - Last day of school	

Adopted by the BOE on February 9, 2026

Dear Brushton-Moira Families and Community,

We want to extend a warm and enthusiastic welcome to all of our students, families, and staff. Our team has been preparing classrooms and planning engaging learning experiences, and we are truly excited to see our hallways filled once again with the energy and spirit of our students.

I want to share how deeply personal this work is for me. I take great pride in our school, and I am humbled and honored to serve as superintendent of the school I attended as a child and in the community I have lived in my entire life. As a father of four children who attend BMCS, I am committed both professionally and personally to ensuring our school remains a place where every child can thrive and grow.

As many of you know, we are in the middle of our Capital Project, which includes major work on the South End parking lot. This will temporarily impact parent drop-off and pick-up routines throughout the year. Our new parent drop-off and pick-up location will be the front circle, just in front of the bus circle. We appreciate your patience and flexibility as we navigate these changes. Updated drawings and additional details are included in this calendar. While construction may bring some short-term inconvenience, it represents important progress that will benefit our students, staff, and community for years to come. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Once again, thank you for your continued support of Brushton-Moira Central School. Your partnership strengthens our district and helps us provide the best possible experience for our students.

With appreciation and excitement,



Todd M. LaPage
Superintendent of Schools

AUGUST 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 JV/Varsity Football Begins	18	19	20	21	22
23	24 JV/Varsity Fall Sports/Mod. Football Begins	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Modified Fall Sports Begins					

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Brushton-Moira Shared Decision-Making Teams is to foster a united community working cooperatively for the intellectual, physical and personal development of all our students that they will become responsible, caring citizens prepared to meet future challenges.

This is a notice to the residents of the Brushton-Moira community that the Brushton-Moira Central School District has completed applications for the following federal grants that are part of the recently enacted "Every Student Succeeds Act" education legislation:

Title I Part A Basic Program
Title II Part A Teacher and Principal Training Recruiting
Title IV Student Support and Academic Enrichment
Title VI Part B Subpart 2 Rural Education Initiative, Rural and Low Income School Program

The funds from these grants are used to hire teachers and other staff to provide additional supplemental education services, implement drug and violence prevention programs, provide training for all district staff, and to purchase new technology.

Questions regarding these grant applications may be directed to the Superintendent at 529-8948 or to the building principals at 529-7324/7342.

The Dignity for All Students Act

The Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act) was signed into law by Governor Paterson on September 8, 2010, and became effective July 1, 2012. The amendment to the Commissioner's Regulations 100.2(l) requires codes of conduct to include: - Provisions prohibiting discrimination and harassment against any student by employees or students on school property or at a school function, that creates a hostile environment by conduct, with or without physical contact and/or by verbal threats, intimidation or abuse, of such a severe nature that (1) has or would have the effect of unreasonably and substantially interfering with a student's educational performance, opportunities or benefits, or mental, emotional and/or physical well-being; or (2) reasonable cause or would reasonable be expected to cause a student to fear for his or her physical safety. Such conduct shall include, but is not limited to, threats, intimidation or abuse based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex. - Instruction will be provided that supports development of a school environment free of discrimination and harassment, as required by the Dignity for All Students Act (Article 2 of the Education Law), including but not limited to instruction that raises awareness and sensitivity to discrimination or harassment based on a person's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex; provided that in public schools other than charter schools, such instruction shall be provided that in public schools, such instruction shall be provided as part of a component on civility, citizenship and character education in accordance with Section 801-a of the Education Law.

Student Drop-offs in the Morning - No earlier than 7:15 a.m.

Please see page 24 for further details for the 2026-2027 school year.

Dear Families,

I hope your summer has been filled with quiet moments, sunshine, and plenty of time to rest and laugh together.

Whether you are sending your 7th grader off with a mix of excitement and nerves, watching your senior prepare for their final year, or somewhere in between, please know we are here to walk alongside them with care, patience, and encouragement.

Please never hesitate to reach out, whether to ask a question, share an update, or say hello.

We can't wait to see your children's smiling faces very soon. Welcome back.

Jennifer Lynch
7-12 Principal

Welcome to the 2026–2027 school year! As I begin my 30th year in the Brushton-Moira Central School District, I find myself reflecting on what has made these years so meaningful. It is often the small, everyday moments that leave the greatest impact—the smiles in the hallway, the excitement of a student mastering something new, the kindness shown between classmates, and the countless helping hands from staff and families. These moments remind me that schools are built on relationships, compassion, and a shared commitment to helping children succeed. It is truly a privilege to be part of this community, and I look forward to another wonderful year together.

At BMC Elementary, we believe that positive choices, positive words, and positive actions create a school where everyone can learn, grow, and feel a sense of belonging. Throughout the year, we will encourage our students to be safe, respectful, caring, and responsible while celebrating kindness, perseverance, and good character. When we work together—school and home—we help every child develop the confidence and skills needed to be successful both in and out of the classroom.

Thank you for entrusting us with your children each day. We are excited to partner with you as we make the 2026–2027 school year one filled with learning, growth, and many positive memories.

Donna Steenberg
PK-6 Principal

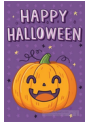
SEPTEMBER 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 Superintendent's Conference Days	2	3 First Day of School	4	5
6	7 HAPPY LABOR DAY! No School	8	9	10 K-5 Fun Night sponsored by Class of 2029 Open House (5:30-6:30 pm)	11	12 Volleyball Bottle Drive
13	14 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	15	16 PK-Gr. 6 Fall Photos PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)	17 Gr. 7-11 Fall Photos Senior Class Yearbook Photo	18	19 Gr. 9-12 Homecoming (7-10 pm)
		FFA BMC Apparel (9/14-25)				
20	21	22 First Day of Fall FCMEA Mtg. (3 pm)	23	24	25 All Senior Yearbook Items Due	26
		FFA BMC Apparel (9/14-25)				
		Music Dept. Candy Bar Sales (9/21-10/2)				
27	28	29	30			
		Music Dept. Candy Bar Sales (9/21-10/2)				

OCTOBER 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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		Class of 2027 Krispy Kreme Donut Sales 10/5-9				
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	 No School	Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
		SADD Red Ribbon Week (10/19-23)				Talent Show sponsored by Music Dept. (6:30 pm)
		Class of 2028 Selling Activity (10/19-23)				
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
			PTSO Halloween Read-A-Loud (6-7 pm)	½ Staff Development Day (11:00 dismissal)	Superintendent's Conference Day (no school for students) Gr. 3-5 Halloween Dance sponsored by FFA (5-8 pm)	 Trunk or Treat sponsored by FFA (10 am-1 pm)
		Class of 2027 Fudge Sales (10/26-30)				

We have a BMC App!

Get the BMC app! It's everything, in your pocket.

With the app, you can access documents, events, news updates, and even emergency notifications.

Download for Android - <https://bit.ly/3ylGpME>

Download for iPhone - <https://apple.co/38zha4T>



Procedure for Bus Passes

If a student should need to go somewhere other than home, he/she must bring a note from a parent or legal guardian. The note should have the child's name, where he/she is to go, bus #, if possible, and the person's name and address.

Phone calls cannot be taken for a bus pass. This is for the health and safety of students. If your child needs a bus pass after he/she has left for school, you will have to bring in a note, email, or fax one **by 9:30 am** to the school at 933-5646.

Please make every effort to only allow your child to come in early **only if he/she has a pass from a teacher**. Be aware that your child **must** have a pass for the correct day. If the date or teacher's signature appears to be changed, the bus driver will not allow the student on the bus.

Miss School, Miss Out!

Academic success depends heavily on class attendance since the teaching and learning that goes on in the classroom cannot be duplicated.

After a student returns to school following an absence, it is very important that an excuse be sent to school with him/her. The excuse should be turned in to the gatekeeper before homeroom begins. **A written excuse from the parent or guardian must be provided within three days after an absence or the absence will be recorded as unexcused.**

SchoolTool Parent Portal

We are pleased about a new feature in our student information system! The parent portal for SchoolTool is a valuable resource that will allow you access to your child's information stored in the system. **You will be able to monitor your child's grades, class schedule, attendance record, and discipline history at any time through the internet.**

If you are a parent of a student in grades K-12, have internet access and an e-mail account, you are invited to request access to the Parent Portal. We will have a consent form available in the guidance office, elementary and high school offices and on our webpage. We encourage you to take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. Once you have completed your form, submit it to Karen Armstrong in the Elementary Office. When your account has been processed, you will receive a confirmation e-mail with your login credentials. *check spam

BMC Fitness Center Hours/Fees

Monday-Friday 3:05-4:05 pm for students/staff
Monday-Friday 5:15-7:15 pm for students/staff/community (if staff is available)

The Fitness Center is closed when school is not in session.

Donations will be accepted for use of the Fitness Center.

For questions or rules/regulations, please contact Mrs. McCarthy at 518-529-7342 ext. 7050.

2026-2027 School Bell Schedule

7:15 am	Departure for BOCES
7:15 am	Grades PK-6 students arrive
7:20-8:20 am	Detention
7:35 am	Grades PK-6 staff arrive
7:55 am	Grades 7-12 staff arrive
8:15 am	7-12 released to homeroom
8:18-8:20 am	Announcements/Homeroom/Pledge
8:20-9:00 am	1st period
9:03-9:43 am	2nd period
9:46-10:26 am	3rd period
10:29-11:09 am	BOCES PE
11:05-11:25 am	BOCES Lunch
10:29-11:09 am	4th period
11:10-11:40 am	Lunch (7-8)
11:13-11:53 am	5th period 9-12
11:53 am-12:23 pm	Lunch 9-12
11:43 am-12:23 pm	5th period (7-8)
12:26-1:06 pm	6th period
1:09-1:49 pm	7th period
1:52-2:32 pm	8th period
2:35-3:00 pm	Advisory

Grades PK-2 dismissal is 1:55 pm

Grades 3-6 dismissal is 2:00 pm

Grades 7-12 dismissal is 3:00 pm

PK-6 staff depart at 2:50 pm

7-12 staff depart at 3:10 pm

***7-12 students are released with the 3:00 pm bell**

2026-2027 Cafeteria Prices		
Items	Student Price	Adult Price
Chips	\$1.00	\$1.25
Goldfish	\$1.00	\$1.25
Ice Cream Pop	\$1.00	\$1.25
Cone	\$1.00	\$1.25
Sandwich	\$1.00	\$1.25
Twister-Popsicle	\$1.00	\$1.25
Sundae Cups	\$0.75	\$1.00
Water	\$1.25	\$1.50
Propel	\$1.50	\$1.75
Gatorade-28 oz	\$2.50	\$3.00
Gatorade-20 oz	\$1.50	\$1.75
Lunch	\$0.00	\$TBD
Breakfast	\$0.00	\$TBD
Breakfast Entree only	\$1.10	\$2.10
Breakfast w/extra Entree	\$0.85	\$1.85
Lunch Entree only	\$1.50	\$3.50
Lunch w/extra Entree	\$1.25	\$3.00
Lunch Side	\$1.00	\$1.50
Milk	\$0.50	\$0.75
2 Toast	\$0.50	\$0.75
PB& J Sandwich	\$1.00	\$1.25



We are pleased to inform you that Brushton-Moira Central School District has a meal certification option available to schools participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs for the 2026-2027 school year.

What does this mean for your child(ren) attending BMC?

All students enrolled at Brushton-Moira Central School are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **NO CHARGE** to your household each day for the 2026-2027 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child(ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit an application.

All families are being asked to complete the Household Income Verification Form on our website under Cafeteria which will be used to determine the eligibility for additional State and Federal Programs that your child(ren) as well as the school district may qualify for. Please complete only one form for your household, sign your name and return to the school. The form can also be emailed to Michelle Richer at mricher@bmcsc.org or if you have any questions you can call 518-529-7342 ext. 7600.



Parents/Guardians may put money on your students My School Bucks account for a second entree, ala carte and additional items. Payments can be made via myschoolbucks.com or with a check payable to Brushton-Moira Central School Cafeteria

NOVEMBER 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Daylight Saving Time Ends	2	3	4 All Grades Photo Retakes	5	6 Senior Play	7 Senior Play
		Class of 2031 Selling Activity (11/2-6)				
8	9 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	10	11  No School	12	13	14
		Class of 2030 LaTee Da Candle Sales (11-9-13)				
15	16 JV/Varsity Winter Sports Begins	17	18	19 PK-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (11:00 Dismissal)	20 Area All-State @ NAC	21 Area All-State @ NAC
		Varsity Club Panther Gear Sales (11/16-20)				
			PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)			
22 Letters to Santa sponsored by PTSO	23 Modified Winter Sports Begins	24	25	26 	27	28
			Thanksgiving Break - No School (11/25-27)			
29	30	FFA Wreath Sales - all month				

Health Office Rules

The following rules have been instituted regarding visits to the nurse's office:

- A. **Except in an emergency, all students in Grades 5-12 will have a signed pass from their classroom teacher.** Do not arrive between classes.
- B. If the nurses are not in the office, **return to class!** Do not wait in the nurse's office anticipating their return. It is extremely rare that the health office is vacant.
- C. **It is against school policy for students to make arrangements for early dismissal due to illness without first being evaluated by a school nurse. Do not use the classroom phones, or cell phones to call home because of illness.**
- D. If a student is being excused due to illness, the student is NOT allowed to drive home and transportation must be provided.
- E. Students requiring medication during school hours must first have on file a written request form signed by both the parent and the prescribing physician. Forms are available at the nurse's office. **NO MEDICATION (PRESCRIPTION OR OVER-THE-COUNTER) WILL BE ADMINISTERED WITHOUT THIS PERMISSION FORM ON FILE.** Students are also reminded that all medication is to be kept in the nurse's office unless instructed otherwise by the health office.

Important Sports Physical News! Athletes, Please Read!

Sports Physicals must be completed by either their Primary Care Provider or our School Medical Director before students will be eligible to participate in any athletic practice or game. Typically, sports are offered to our students and completed by our school physician during the latter half of the school year for the next school year's sports seasons. While most parents choose not to be present during these exams, you may do so if you wish. Please just let us know ahead of time so that we can accommodate your request. If you do not want your child's physical to be completed by our school medical director please notify the health office at your earliest convenience at the start of the school year so that other arrangements can be made.

In addition to physicals each student athlete and parent are required to complete an Interval Health History Update as well as Concussion paperwork prior to each sports season in order to be eligible to participate.

You can find all necessary forms to complete on the BMC website.

A Friendly Reminder

All visitors to Brushton-Moira Central School during regular school hours are asked to enter through Door #4. All other doors are locked.

A gatekeeper is in place to call your child(ren) down to the door at dismissal, or if you need to sign a child out for an appointment. All visitors need to sign in with the gatekeeper and pick up a visitor's badge that must be worn while you are in school.

We are all working very hard to ensure the safety of all our children.

Parent Square App

ParentSquare is a communication app designed to keep families connected with their child's school district, teachers, and classroom activities all in one place.

ParentSquare allows schoolwide announcements, urgent alerts, and direct messages from teachers via app notifications, email, or text. Parents will be able to sign digital permission slips, view calendars, and book parent-teacher conferences without paper forms.



BoardDocs

We have a program for our Board of Education Meetings/Minutes/Policies. To access this information, please go to our website, select the menu, scroll down to BOE, click on the plus sign and choose BoardDocs. You can access current board policies, meetings or go to the meetings tab at the top to access past meetings, and minutes.



DECEMBER 2026



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1 PK and Kindergarten applications available PTSO Christmas Shop (11/30-12/7) Class of 2028 Cheese Sales (11/30-12/4) FFA Wreath Sales - all month	2	3	4	5 FFA Craft Fair/ Parade of Lights
6	7 PTSO Christmas Shop	8	9 Gr. 7-12 Winter Concert (6:30 pm)	10 Gr. 5/6 Winter Concert (6:30 pm)	11	12
13	14 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	15	16 Gr. 7-12 Winter Concert (6:30 pm) - snowdate PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)	17 Gr. 5/6 Winter Concert (6:30 pm) - snowdate	18	19
20	21 ATJ Christmas Recital sponsored by FFA (5-11 pm) First Day of Winter	22 Mini Olympics ATJ Christmas Recital sponsored by FFA (5-11 pm) -snowdate	23	24	25 	26
			Winter Break - No School (12/23-1/1)			
27	28	29	30	31		
	Winter Break - No School (12/23-1/1)					

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The district's School Health Services program supports your student's academic success by promoting health in the school setting. One way that we provide care for your student is by performing the health screenings as mandated by the State of New York.

During this school year, the following screenings will be required or completed at school:

Vision

- Distance and Near vision acuity for all newly entering students and students in PK or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and 11.
- Color perception screening for all newly entering students.

Hearing

- Hearing screening for all newly entering students and students in PK or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, and all.

Scoliosis

- Scoliosis (spinal curvature) screening for boys in grade 9 and girls in grades 5 and 7.

Health Appraisals

- A physical examination including Body Mass Index and Weight Status Category Information is required for all newly entering students and students in PK or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.

Dental Certificates

- A dental certificate is requested for all newly entering students and students in PK or Kindergarten, Grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11.

A letter will be sent home if there are any findings on the screening done at school that would cause concern or need medical follow-up. Please call the school's Health Office if you have any questions or concerns at 518-529-7342 ext. 7010 or 7011.

Sincerely,

Misty Trim, RN

Dear Parent/Guardian:

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure the student's body mass index or 'BMI'. The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or if it is too high or low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group is included as part of the student's school health examination. Furthermore, a sample of school districts will be selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health. If our school is selected to be part of the survey, we will be reporting to New York State Department of Health information about our student's weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names or information about individual students will be submitted. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

The information sent to the New York State Department of Health will help officials develop programs that make it easier for children to be healthier.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department survey this year, please contact the Health Office at the phone number provided below. Thank you for your cooperation!

Sincerely,

Misty Trim, RN
518-529-7342
Ext. 7010

2026-2027 Marking Periods

Period	Ending Date	Grades due by 12:00 pm	Student home with student
5-week interim	10/9/26	10/14/26	10/16/26
1 st quarter	11/13/26	11/17/26	11/19/26 PK-12 Parent/ Teacher Conferences 11/19/26
15-week interim	12/17/26	12/21/26	12/22/26
2 nd quarter Second Semester	1/29/27	2/2/27	2/4/27 PK-6 Parent/ Teacher Conferences 2/11/27
25-week interim	3/12/27	3/16/27	3/18/27
3 rd quarter	4/9/27	4/20/27	4/22/27 Gr. 7-12 Parent/ Teacher Conferences 3/18/27
35-week interim	5/21/27	5/25/27	5/27/27
4 th quarter	6/25/27	6/17/27 (non-Regents 6/22/27 (PK-6))	6/25/27 (PK-6) 7/2/27 (7-12)

JANUARY 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1  No School	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	12	13 PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)	14	15	16
17	18  No School	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	NHS Meat/Cheese Sales (1/18-22)					
		Regents Exams (1/26-29)				

FEBRUARY 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5 All-County	6 All-County
		Class of 2032 Selling Activity (2/1-5)				
7	8 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	9	10	11 PK-6 Parent/Teacher Conferences (11:00 Dismissal)	12	13
		NJHS Candy Gram Sales (2/8-12)				
		Class of 2027 Flower Sales (2/8-12)				
14 	15 	16	17	18	19	20
		Winter Break - No School (2/15-19)				
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Class of 2029 Little Caesar's Pizza Sales (2/22-26)				
28						

MARCH 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 FFA ATJ Rehearsal (3:30 pm)	2	3 FFA ATJ Rehearsal (3:30 pm) snowdate	4	5 Paint & Snack sponsored by Art Club (6 pm)	6
		Art Club Selling Activity (3/1-5)				
7	8 JV/Varsity Spring Sports Begins Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	9 PK-Gr. 6 Spring Photos	10	11	12 Musical (6 pm)	13 Musical (6 pm)
14 Circus sponsored by Class of 2027	15 Modified Spring Sports Begins	16	17 PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)	18 Gr. 7-12 Parent/Teacher Conferences (11:00 Dismissal)	19	20 First Day of Spring
		SADD Selling Activity (3/15-19)				
		Varsity Club Selling Activity (3/15-19)				
21	22	23	24 ½ Staff Development Day (11:00 dismissal)	25 Superintendent's Conference Day (no school for students)	26 March Recess (no school)	27 FFA Open House/Easter Egg Hunt Pictures with the Easter Bunny sponsored by PTSO
		FFA/Class of 2028 Selling Activity (3/22-4/2)				
28 	29 March Recess (no school)	30	31			
		FFA/Class of 2028 Selling Activity (3/22-4/2)				
		FFA Donkey Ball Ticket Sales (3/29-4/2)				

APRIL 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2 Donkey Ball sponsored by FFA (5:30 pm)	3
4	5 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	6	7 All-County @ FA PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
		Spring Break (4/12-16)				
18	19	20 Special BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
	NJHS Lemonade/Bake Sale (4/26-30)					

MAY 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Class of 2027 Krispy Kreme Donut Sales 5/3-7				
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	NYSSMA Majors @ CCS Budget Hearing/Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	NYSSMA Majors @ CCS Class of 2028 Selling Activity/Prom Tickets (4/10-14)	Gr. 7-12 Concert (6:30 pm)	Gr. 5-6 Concert (6:30 pm)		Prom (7-11 pm) Coronation (10 pm)
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Budget Vote  School-Wide Art Show Top 15% Dinner	PTSO Mtg. (6 pm)			NYSSMA Solo Festival at Crane
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					Memorial Day Recess (5/23-31-no school)	
30	31					
Senior Trip (5/28-31)	Memorial Day Recess (5/28-31) no school				Senior Trip (5/28-31)	

Statement of Compliance

The Brushton-Moira Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of age, color, religion, creed, disability, marital status, veteran status, national origin, race, gender, sexual orientation or other prescribed basis in its programs, activities, or employment matters.

NOTE: ANY PERSON, STUDENT, PARENT OR EMPLOYEE WITHIN THE BRUSHTON-MOIRA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT may readily receive information detailing how to pursue concerns or complaints regarding discrimination or harassment on the basis of age, color, religion, creed, disability, marital status, veteran status, national origin, race, gender or sexual orientation by asking for the "Brushton-Moira Central School Discrimination/Harassment Grievance Procedure" available in each of our school district's offices by contacting either Compliance Coordinator.

Mr. Todd M. LaPage
Mrs. Jennifer Lynch
Brushton-Moira Central School
758 County Route 7
Brushton, New York 12916

Test Taking Tips

If your child(ren) seem(s) especially nervous about tests:

1. Offer words of encouragement and practice stress-relieving exercises together.
2. Try to keep your talk about tests casual and non-confrontational.
3. Stay well-informed about your child's tests.
4. Know how different test results are used and how they will affect your child's placement in school.
5. Let your child know that you will be proud of the test results as long as his/her best efforts was put forth.

Before important tests, make sure your child:

1. Gets a good night's sleep
2. Eats a wholesome breakfast
3. Dresses comfortably
4. Arrives at school on time
5. Has all necessary material (e.g., pen, pencil, eraser, calculator)
6. Avoids stressful situations (such as arguments) prior to testing



Title I Notification about Teacher and Paraprofessional Qualifications

As part of "Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)" legislation, parents of each student attending a Title I School may request information about the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher. The same information can be requested for a teaching assistant who is assigned to the child's classroom.

If you request this information in writing, the district will respond to you in writing within ten school days. The information will be provided in an understandable and uniform format and in a language you can understand.

The written response will include the following information:

1. whether the teacher has met State qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
2. whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
3. the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher as well as the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
4. whether the child is provided services by teaching assistants; and if so, their qualifications.

The district makes every effort to ensure that all teachers and teaching assistants are highly qualified and provides training opportunities to enhance the skills and knowledge of all staff members.

Jennifer Lynch
Building Principal 7-12/CIO

Donna Steenberg
Building Principal PK-6

School Pesticide Notification

Schools are required to maintain a listing of staff and persons in parental relation who wish to receive 48 hour written notification of pesticide application at relevant facilities and procedures on how to register with the school to be on such a list for notification. This notice shall be made available for the beginning of summer school session and at the beginning and end of each school year.

At this time, the Brushton-Moira Central School District is not using any pesticide application that falls under the regulation put forth by the State Education Department. There is no need for any staff or parent to request prior notification.

Any person with questions or concerns shall contact Todd M. LaPage, Superintendent of Schools, Brushton-Moira Central School District at 518-529-7342.

Change of Address

If you have a change of address during the school year or your phone number has changed, please notify Mrs. Karen Armstrong, at ext. 7101.

When your child receives his/her report card, please check the mailing address to make sure it is correct. If the address is not correct, please contact Mrs. Karen Armstrong at the Elementary/CSE Office at 529-7324, so that your child's records can be updated. This is very important that the school has your correct mailing address and phone number in case of an emergency. Thank you in advance for your help with this matter.

JUNE 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2 FFA ATJ Rehearsal (3:30 pm)	3	4 FFA ATJ Showcase	5
6	7	8	9	10 Gr. 7-12 Academic Awards (6 pm)	11	12
13	14 Regular BOE Mtg. (6:30 pm)	15	16	17	18 Juneteenth (no school)	19
		Regents Exams (6/15-25)				
20 	21 PK Moving Up Day (9 am) First Day of Summer	22 Kindergarten Graduation (9 am)	23	24	25 Graduation (6 pm)	26
		Regents Exams (6/15-25)				
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1	2	3
4 Independence Day	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

AUGUST 2027



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

A Summary of the Brushton-Moira Central School District Code of Conduct Reviewed August 2026

Our Mission "... is to foster a united community working cooperatively for the intellectual, physical and personal development of all our students so that they will become responsible, caring citizens prepared to meet future challenges."

INTRODUCTION:

The following is a summary of the Code of Conduct adopted by the Brushton-Moira Central School Board of Education. Each school district and Board of Cooperative Educational Services must adopt a Code of Conduct pursuant to the New York State Laws of 2000 popularly known as the SAVE law. The Brushton-Moira Central School has maintained guidelines for students and visitors for years. Much of what is in the Code is required under the SAVE legislation and is designed to ensure that all students go to school in a safe, orderly and civil learning environment. Copies of the full code are available in the school offices.

CODE OF CONDUCT SUMMARY:

Section 1. Section 1 gives an overview of the Code of Conduct like that written above.

Section 2. Section 2 includes legal definitions required under the SAVE legislation & Dignity for All Students Act.

Section 3. Section 3 outlines the responsibilities of the essential **partners* in education**. These expectations are common sense, well – established practices that support the education of students in a safe, orderly, and civil school setting.

***parents, teachers, support staff members, guidance counselor, administrators, psychologists, social workers, mental health counselors, superintendent, and board of education**

Section 4. This section states students' rights and responsibilities as listed below.

Student Rights and Responsibilities:

Students have a right to:

1. A safe, healthy, orderly, and civil school environment.
2. Take part in school activities on an equal basis regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.
3. Present their version of the relevant events to district personnel authorized to impose a disciplinary penalty.
4. Access to school district rules and, when necessary, to receive an explanation of those rules from district personnel.

Students have the responsibility to:

1. Contribute to maintaining a safe and orderly school environment.
2. Be familiar with and abide by all district policies, rules, and regulations dealing with student conduct.
3. Attend school and class every day, be on time, and be ready to learn.
4. Work to the best of their ability in all academic and extracurricular pursuits and strive toward high achievement.
5. React to direction given by teachers, administrators, and other school personnel in a respectful, positive manner.
6. Work to develop mechanisms to control their anger.
7. Ask questions when they do not understand.
8. Seek help in solving problems that might lead to discipline.
9. Dress appropriately for school and school functions.

10. Accept responsibility for their actions.

11. Conduct themselves at all times as representatives of the Brushton-Moira Central School.

Section 5. Section 5 outlines the Student Dress Code. Students are expected to dress in a manner which is safe, appropriate, and not disruptive. Appropriate means clothing that is not extremely brief or revealing, vulgar, endorsing drug use or provocative. In addition, the wearing of hats during the school day is prohibited unless specifically permitted by school officials. Hats should be left in lockers.

Section 6: Dignity for All Students Act

Section 7. Section 7 lists prohibited student conduct. This list is not all inclusive, but contains the most common violations.

Prohibited Student Conduct:

- **Disorderly conduct**
- **Insubordination**
- **Possession and/or use of a cell phone during the school day**
- **Disruptive conduct**
- **Conduct that endangers others**
- **Violent behavior**
- **Threatening behavior**
- **Use or possession of tobacco products (smoking/smokeless)**
- **Use or possession of electronic or vapor cigarettes**
- **Use or possession of drugs, alcohol, and/or related paraphernalia (including synthetic or look-alike drugs)**
- **Weapon use or possession**
- **Bus misconduct**
- **Academic misconduct**
- **Disrespectful behavior**
- **Unacceptable behaviors according to common rules of civility**
- **Possession of open containers during the school day**
- **Possession of backpacks, bookbags, totes, large purses, etc. during the school day**

Section 8. Section 8 lays out the requirements for reporting violations of the Code of Conduct.

Reporting Violations - Any student observing a person possessing a weapon, alcohol, or illegal substance shall report this information immediately to a teacher or administrator.

Section 9. Section 9 describes in detail the disciplinary procedures and penalties in the event a student is found to have violated the Code of Conduct.

The range of penalties are:

1. Verbal warning
2. Written warning
3. Written notification to parent
4. Detention
5. Suspension from transportation
6. Suspension from athletic participation
7. Suspension from social or extracurricular activities
8. Suspension of other privileges
9. In – school suspension
10. Removal from classroom by teacher
11. Short – term suspension
12. Long – term suspension
13. Permanent suspension

The key elements of all the procedures are due process and parental involvement.

Certain violations are considered to be so bad as to warrant immediate removal and possible suspension for up to one year.

These are:

- Bringing a weapon to school or to a school function.
- Committing a violent act in school or at a school function.
- Making threats in or out of school related to school, its students or staff.
- Possessing, being under the influence, using or selling alcohol marijuana or illegal substances at school or school functions.

Section 10. Section 10 provides details on the requirements for disciplines of students with disabilities. Students with disabilities have no more or less rights than students without disabilities. The main safeguard for them is that they may not be disciplined if the cause of their violation of the Code of Conduct is their disability. Therefore, safeguards have been put into place to ensure that the rights of students with disabilities are protected. Whenever the health or safety of students or staff members is in doubt, however, the student will be removed and due process will be carried out with due diligence. For information on the range of protections for students with disabilities, see the complete Code of Conduct or talk to the Director of Special Education or CSE Chair at Brushton-Moira Central School.

Section 11. Section 11 concerns Corporal Punishment. Corporal punishment is not allowed in the Brushton-Moira Central School District. The only occasion when a staff member may use physical force is to restrain a student, if in the judgment of the staff member, that student presents a danger to him/herself, others, or property.

Section 12. Section 12 deals with student searches and interrogations. In short, any property of the Brushton-Moira Central School District, includes desks, chairs, lockers, etc. can be searched any time and for any reason by BMCSO officials. Students should have no expectation of privacy in spaces they are using which are the property of the school district. This includes the cars of students parked on school property. Parking on school grounds is a senior privilege. **Inspections of lockers can be conducted by authorized school personnel, law enforcement officers, and drug detecting dogs. Simply, put, there is no right of privacy between the school and its students as far as lockers are concerned.** Students' belongings may be searched if there is reasonable suspicion that the student possesses contraband or weapons.

Finally, students may be asked to remove articles of clothing for the purposes of a search only if:

1. An emergency situation exists threatening the health and safety of the student or others or there is probable cause to believe there has been a violation of law.
2. The searcher is the same sex as the student.
3. District officials strive to notify parents by telephone before a search, or in writing after such a search. Such an intrusive search would only be conducted if authorized in advance by the superintendent and the school attorney.

Section 13. Section 13 describe the rules governing the behavior of any visitors to the Brushton-Moira Central School District facilities and grounds and lists them.

Prohibited Visitor Conduct:

No person either alone or with others shall:

1. Intentionally injure any person or threaten to do so.
2. Intentionally damage, destroy, or remove district property.
3. Disrupt the orderly conduct of classes.
4. Distribute or wear obscene or otherwise inappropriate garments or materials.
5. Intimidate, harass, or discriminate against any person on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.
6. Enter district buildings without proper authorization or remain after closing.
7. Obstruct the free movement of anyone where the code applies.
8. Violate the traffic laws.
9. Possess, consume, sell, distribute, or exchange, alcoholic beverages, marijuana, controlled

substances or be under the influence of either.

10. Possess or use firearms or other weapons except for law enforcement officers.

11. Loiter.

12. Gamble.

13. Refuse to comply with a lawful order of any school district official performing his/her duties.

14. Willfully incite others to commit acts prohibited by this code.

15. Violate any laws while on district property.

16. Smoke or otherwise use any tobacco product.

Persons who violate this code will be asked to leave the district's premises. When a law has been violated, local law enforcement will be notified.

Section 14. ANTI-DISCRIMINATION/ANTI-HARASSMENT POLICY

Section 15. Section 15 describes the procedures for distributing this code to the students, staff members, parents or students, and community members.

The procedures consist of:

1. Providing the Code Summary and an explanation to students at the start of each school year.
2. Mailing the Code Summary to the parents of students at the start of the school year.
3. Posting the Code of Conduct on the district's web page.
4. Providing all teachers and staff members with a copy of the Code of Conduct. Provide training for staff members consistent with its implementation.
5. Making copies of the Code of Conduct available upon request.

If there is reason to believe a law has been violated in the Brushton-Moira Central School District building, on the school district grounds, or at any district function by any student, employee, or visitor, the appropriate law enforcement agency will be notified immediately.

To request a copy of the complete Code of Conduct or to obtain responses to questions about it, please contact the appropriate office.

Superintendent of Schools – 529-8948 ext. 7001

Building Principal PK-6 – 529-7324 ext. 7100

Building Principal 7-12 or Assistant Principal PK-12 – 529-7342 ext. 7200



PARENT DROP OFF & PICK UP

NEW ROUTE FOR 2026-2027



Due to construction,
PARENT DROP OFF & PICK UP
will take place in the
FRONT PARKING AREA.



PARENT DROP OFF & PICK UP

- Enter the front parking area.
- Drop off or pick up your student.
- Students will exit the vehicle and walk on the sidewalk.
- Students will use the crosswalk to safely get to and from the building.
- Barriers and a staff member will be in place to help students cross safely.



CROSSWALK SAFETY

Students will cross at the designated crosswalk with the help of staff.



BUS LOOP

The inner loop closest to the building is for buses only. Students will enter and exit through Door 4.

Thank you for your patience during our construction project and helping to keep our Panthers safe!



Thank you for helping us keep all Panthers safe during this transition.



School Bus Scheduling and Routing Procedures

Bus routes have been established with the Superintendent of Schools in cooperation with the School Business Executive, District Transportation Assistant and Lead Driver.

1. Limitations. Bus routes will be established so that no elementary or high school pupil spends more than ninety (90) minutes on the bus. Authorized bus stops will be located at convenient intervals in places where students may be loaded and unloaded, cross highways and await the arrival of buses with the utmost safety allowed by road conditions. In establishing pick-up points, the district must consider and balance considerations of pupil safety, convenience, and routing efficiency.
2. All students need to have one main location for pick-up and drop-off at the commencement of enrollment.
 - a. **A secondary pick-up and drop-off location needs to be maintained in the student's records (SchoolTool) for necessary changes, such as a sitter, relative, or etc.**
 - b. The district would like to maintain no more than two drop off locations on a consistent schedule in order to facilitate a normal routine for the student.
 - c. All bus passes need to be sent in writing to the gatekeeper's office for any changes.
 1. All written requests need to be received by the gatekeeper by 9:30 am. Emails are considered written requests. Requests must be made by a parent or guardian.
3. Fixed Stops. Fixed bus stops will be established using the following guidelines:
 - a. Generally, dead-end streets, roads will not be serviced by school buses; unless a district approved turn-around has been established and maintained;
 - b. Numbers of students at bus stops will be varied according to the concentration of riders in an area, the degree of traffic, the presence of stop signs, speed limits, and bus turn-around requirements;
 - c. Walking distances to pick-up points may vary according to grade level.
 - d. Pre-K and Kindergarten children will be picked up and left at their places of residence, if possible; and in setting routes, efforts will be made to minimize crossing of the road by students.
 - e. Students PK-4th grade will only be dropped off with a parent or guardian present. Students below the 5th grade will require a visual confirmation of an adult being home. We understand that life happens and you may not be available to be visible at the door, so we will attempt to call you on the phone. If we can not reach you at the numbers provided, the driver will proceed on due to traffic safety concerns. We may attempt to drop off again if your house is on the route a second time, if not we will bring the student back to school where your student can be picked up. No bus will stop while on a route if you catch up to the driver in your vehicle.
4. Turnarounds. Turnarounds will not be established unless adequate space is available and this space is properly maintained.
5. District Map. Maps will be used to determine the transportation requirements necessary to satisfy the needs established by state law, Board Policy, and voter mandate.

Brushton-Moira Central Elementary School Hours

Buses Unload: 7:05-7:15 am

Parent Drop-Offs: 7:15-7:35 am (Please do not drop off before 7:15 am)

Breakfast: Breakfast is served from 7:05-7:35 am

Drop-Off Zone: DOOR #4 (If a child needs to be served breakfast, they need to arrive by 7:20 am)

Tardy: after 7:40 am

Dismissal: 1:55 pm (PK-2: 1:55 pm/Gr. 3-6: 2:00 pm)

**** Any changes to dismissal needs to be done with our Gatekeeper prior to 9:30 am at extension 7000.**

Brushton-Moira Central School
758 County Route 7
Brushton, New York 12916

Non-Profit Organization
Pre-Sorted Standard
US Permit No. 6
Brushton, New York 12916

IMPORTANT CONTACT NUMBERS

Main School Numbers: 518-529-7342 or 7324
Main School Fax Numbers: 518-933-5696
Bus Garage: Mrs. Cheryl Rockhill, ext. 7500
Cafeteria: Mrs. Michelle Richer, ext. 7600
Buildings and Grounds: Mr. Shane Brady, ext. 7400
School Nurse: Misty Trim, ext. 7010
Nurse's Office Fax Number: 518-933-5668
District Office: Mrs. Christina Dufrane, ext. 7001
Business Office: Mrs. Angela DeBeer, ext. 7003
Accountant: Mr. Michael Tallman, ext. 7005
Attendance Office/Gatekeeper: Ms. Kelly Tavernia, ext. 7000
Guidance Office: Ms. Mary Ann Yando, ext. 7300
School Counselor: TBD, ext. 7302
School Counslor: TBD, ext. 7312
School Psychologist: Mrs. Marcy DePaul, ext. 7315
Student Counseling Program Assistant: Mrs. Tiffany LaPage, ext. 7314
Student Counseling Program Assistant: Mrs. Chelsi Bonville, ext. 7311
High School Office: Mrs. Charleen Cummings, ext. 7200
Elementary Office: Mrs. Karen Armstrong, ext. 7100
CSE Office: Mrs. Christene Martin, ext. 7101
Athletic Director: Mrs. Gina McCarthy, ext. 7050
PK-6 Community School Liaison: Mrs. Karen Armstrong, ext. 7100
Gr. 7-12 Community School Liaison: Mrs. Kimberly St. Denis, ext. 4118

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