Spencer-Van Etten
CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

AUTUMN 2026



New Staff (L. to R.): Jessica Rose – Pre-K Teaching Assistant, Deb Morais – Senior Clerk, Nena Morse – Elementary Teaching Assistant, Judy Ammack - Grade 4 Science and Social Studies Teacher, Destiny Baker – Pre-K Teacher, Bridget LeRoy – Speech Therapist, Elyse Butts – Grade 9 ELA and Journalism Teacher, Lindsey Corsaro – Grade 7 Science and Grade 8 Biology Teacher, Megan Henry – High School Band Director, James Sutherlin – Pre-K Teacher and Kris Williamson – School Business Administrator with Patrick Patterson – Superintendent

WELCOME BACK, S-VE PANTHERS!

There is always something special about the start of a new school year—a time to reconnect, settle into new routines and look ahead to new possibilities.

We are excited to welcome several new staff members (pictured above) and are pleased to partner with the Tioga County Sheriff's Department to welcome School Resource Officer Roy Schreiner, better known to students as "Officer Roy." His experience in law enforcement, emergency services and education will support our continued focus on school safety and positive relationships throughout the district.

As we welcome new members to the team, we also recognize four longtime employees (pictured at right) who recently retired: School Business Administrator Debra Eichholtz, Middle School teachers Antoinette Bloss and Betty Morgan and High School English teacher William Dove. We are grateful for their many years of service and lasting impact on our school community.



This summer, community spirit was on display through our first community mural project in collaboration with Spencer-Van Etten Community Partners. Participants of all ages created murals at the Nichols Park tennis courts celebrating nature, community pride and America's 250th anniversary.

We proudly celebrate the many accomplishments of our Class of 2026. This success reflects the hard work of our students and the support of our staff and families.

Our schools are strongest when students, staff, families, and our community members work together. I encourage you to stay connected through ParentSquare, our district website and social media channels.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We look forward to a great year together.

Together We Achieve!

Patrick Patterson
Superintendent of Schools

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SCHOOL SAFETY & LOCAL PARTNERSHIP

Spencer-Van Etten Partners with Tioga Co. Sheriff's Department for Resource Officer

The Spencer-Van Etten Central School District is pleased to welcome Roy Schreiner as the district's new School Resource Officer (SRO) for the 2026–2027 school year.

Schreiner will serve all three S-VE schools – the Elementary School, Middle School and High School – helping support a safe and welcoming environment for students, staff and visitors while becoming an active part of the school community.



Schreiner brings three decades of law enforcement experience to S-VE. A graduate of the Southern Tier Law Enforcement Academy, he retired from the Tioga County Sheriff's Office after a 30-year career and has served as an SRO at the Broome-Tioga BOCES campus in Apalachin. He also brings 40 years of experience as a firefighter and emergency medical responder and is an outreach instructor for the Tioga County Emergency Management Office, providing training in CPR, first aid, AED use and more.

For Schreiner, the role of an SRO goes beyond school safety. He also is looking forward to building relationships with students and becoming a familiar, trusted presence in their schools. "It's important for an SRO to not only support the safety and security of staff and students, but to be a part of their everyday lives," Schreiner said. "Someone to talk to, a mentor."

Schreiner has already started getting to know S-VE, meeting with building principals and learning more about each of the district's schools.

Students got to know him as "Officer Roy" when he was introduced throughout the district during the first week of school.

He is looking forward to becoming part of the S-VE community, getting to know students and staff, and playing a role in keeping the district's schools safe and welcoming for everyone.

"We are proud and excited to partner with the Tioga County Sheriff's Office," Superintendent Patrick Patterson said. "Roy comes to us highly recommended and brings a tremendous amount of experience to this role in our schools. We are excited to welcome him to S-VE and look forward to the positive relationships he will build with our students, staff and families."

Schreiner's commitment to service extends beyond his professional career. He has been involved in his community in a variety of ways throughout the years. Outside of work, he enjoys spending time outdoors, including camping, hiking and fishing. He also is a longtime NASCAR fan and has spent many years working NASCAR events at Watkins Glen International. Schreiner and his wife, Liz, have two adult sons, and reside in Owego.



As the new school year begins, Schreiner is looking forward to getting to know S-VE students, staff and families and becoming a familiar and trusted presence throughout the district.

SPENCER-VAN ETTEN COMMUNITY MURAL PROJECT

A special thank you to our Spencer-Van Etten Community Partners, talented artists and everyone who supported the Community Mural Project and cast a vote! Together, you transformed the Nichols Park tennis courts into a beautiful work of art that celebrates the creativity and pride of our community.

CELEBRATING SUCCESS AND THE CLASS OF 2026

The accomplishments and success of the S-VE Class of 2026 give us much to celebrate.

- 98 percent graduation rate
- 35 percent received an Advanced Regents Diploma
- 20 students earned the Seal of Civic Readiness
- One student earned the Seal of Biliteracy
- Six students earned an Associate Degree from Tompkins-Cortland Community College
- The class graduated with over 900 college credits
- 41 percent planned to attend a four-year college
- 31 percent planned to attend a two-year college
- Two percent joined the military
- 26 percent planned to enter the workforce
- Regents exam scores improved across all content areas



BACK IN ACTION AT S-VE



HEALTH OFFICE NEWS

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
ABOUT PERSONAL CARE ITEMS AND MEDICATIONS

The New York State Education Department no longer allows school districts to provide students with over-the-counter personal-care items unless the school has a healthcare provider's written order on file for the specific student.

These items include, but are not limited to:
ChapStick, lip balm, petroleum jelly, lotion, deodorant, contact lens solution and toothpaste.

Many of these products contain active ingredients that could cause adverse or unwanted reactions.

Families may send personal care items to school with their child
for the child's individual use. The items must NOT be shared with other students.

Our district has donated its remaining supply of personal care items to the local food pantry.
Families are welcome to visit the pantry to obtain items they may need.

If your child needs medication during school hours,
such as Tylenol, Advil, Tums, Benadryl or contact solution, **the school must have a medication order from your child's healthcare provider and written permission from a parent or guardian.**

All prescribed medications, including over-the-counter items,
must be provided by the parent or guardian. Medication must be in its original pharmacy-labeled or manufacturer-labeled over-the-counter container.

Please reach out to your child's school nurse with any questions or concerns.

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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

Emergency Contact Information

Please be sure we have accurate emergency contact information for your student(s). To update your contact information, please contact the main office at your child's school.

School Taxes

School property tax payments are due September 30 to avoid paying a penalty. Payments will be only be accepted through October 31. Online payments can be made using MuniciPay through the district website: https://www.svecsd.org/page/tax-information, in person at the Spencer branch of Tioga State Bank or by mail to: Tioga State Bank, P.O. Box 1010, Spencer, NY 14883.

Please contact the District Office at 607-589-7100 with any questions.

Supporting Our Community

Our hearts remain with everyone affected by the recent fire at Shurfine. We're sharing helpful local food resources and inviting residents to complete a brief community needs survey so we can better understand and respond to the needs of our neighbors. Please visit www.svecsd.org/page/food-resources to learn more.

Capital Project Community Presentation

Save the date! A capital project presentation will be held on January 28, 2027 at 5:30 p.m. in the S-VE High School Auditorium.

STAY CONNECTED WITH S-VE!

Don't miss important updates— join us on ParentSquare!

Sign up:
http://parentsquare.com/signin

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