



Celebrating 75 Years of Excellence

2025-2026 CALENDAR

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A Letter from Superintendent Kathleen Skeals



KATHLEEN SKEALS
SUPERINTENDENT
2023 - PRESENT

Seventy-five years ago, Edgar Pitkin, the founding superintendent, and the leaders of this district had a bold and aspirational vision: to unite a growing community through strong public education. They believed deeply in the power of schools to bring people together — to nurture young minds, strengthen civic life, and invest in a brighter future for all. That vision remains alive today, as vibrant and vital as ever.

From that founding moment, our story began — a story of growth, resilience, and shared purpose. From a graduating class of just 75 students to one that now celebrates over 500 young people each year, our journey has been nothing short of extraordinary. Our schools have evolved — not just in number and size, but in spirit. We have grown into a district that nurtures curiosity, champions each child, and inspires excellence across generations.

As we mark this 75th anniversary, I am deeply honored to serve as Superintendent at this moment in time. I celebrate

the enduring vision of those who came before — educators, students, families, and community members who believed, as I do, that public schools are not merely institutions, but living expressions of a community's highest hopes.

That vision has guided us for 75 years — and it continues to guide us still. In our classrooms and on our playing fields, through music, art and innovative technology, in every lesson and every act of care, we strive to fulfill that promise each day. Our hallways echo with learning, laughter, and the quiet work of building futures.

This celebration is more than a milestone — it is a tribute to the generations who have believed in this work and a call to all of us to carry that legacy forward. Let us continue to educate with passion and purpose. Let us believe, as those before us did, that public education can unite a community and light the way to a better tomorrow.

Thank you for being part of this remarkable journey. May the next 75 years shine as brightly as the foundation laid by those who first dared to dream.

With gratitude and pride,

Kathleen Skeals,
Superintendent of Schools

Superintendents of North Colonie



EDGAR PITKIN
1950-1970

CHARLES SZUBERLA
1970-1990



MARYA LEVENSON
1990-2001

RANDY EHRENBERG
2001-2010



JOSEPH CORR
2010-2023

2025-26 School Year

September 1	Labor Day (No School)
September 2 & 3	K-12 Superintendent's Conference Days, No School for Students
September 4	First Day of Classes, Grades K-12
October 2	Yom Kippur (No School)
October 10*	Emergency Early Release (students dismissed 15 minutes early)
October 13	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day (No School)
October 20	Diwali K-12 Superintendent's Conference Days, No School for Students
November 11	Veterans Day (No School)
November 17	Grades K-5 Half Day of Classes
November 26-28	Thanksgiving Recess
December 5	Grades K-5 Half Day of Classes
December 11	Grades K-5 Half Day of Classes
December 16	Grades K-5 Half Day of Classes
December 22 to January 2	Winter Recess (No School)
January 5	Classes Resume
January 19	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day (No School)
January 20-23**	Regents Exam Days
February 16-20	February Recess (No School)
February 16	Presidents' Day (No School)
February 17	Lunar New Year (No School)
March 20	Eid al-Fitr K-12 Superintendent's Conference Day, No School for Students
April 3	Good Friday (No School)
April 6-10	Spring Recess (No School)
April 6-May 15	3-8 ELA & Math Administration and 5-8 Science Administration
May 25	Memorial Day (No School)
June 9	ELA & Algebra II Regents
June 10	Chemistry & Physics Regents
June 17-18	Regents Exams
June 19	Juneteenth (No School)
June 22-25	Regents Exams
June 26	Last Day of Classes for K-8
June 26	Graduation Regents Rating Day

NOTE: Event details may change throughout the school year. For all updates and information, please visit www.northcolonie.org/events.

DISTRICT MISSION:

All students are provided the opportunity and necessary support to engage in relevant, challenging work, which contributes to their academic and social growth and development. All staff, teachers and administrators are part of a larger learning community working together to build collective capacity in order to provide a high-quality, relevant, and equitable education for all.

Schedules for the 2025-26 School Year

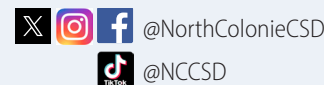
School	Buses Arrive by	First Instructional Period Begins	Last Period Ends/Dismissal Begins	Buses Depart by	Late Buses
Shaker High School (SHS)	7:10 a.m.	7:34 a.m.	2:06 p.m.	2:12 p.m.	3:07 p.m. – SMS buses
Shaker Middle School (SMS)	8 a.m.	8:07 a.m.	3 p.m.	3:07 p.m.	4:45 p.m.
All Elementary Schools	9 a.m.	9:15 a.m.	3:30 p.m.	4 p.m.	None

District Office Hours: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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District Website & Social Media

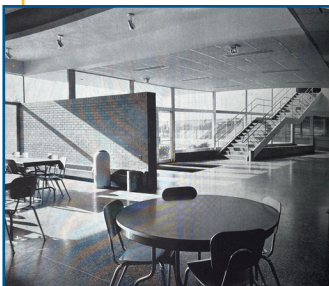
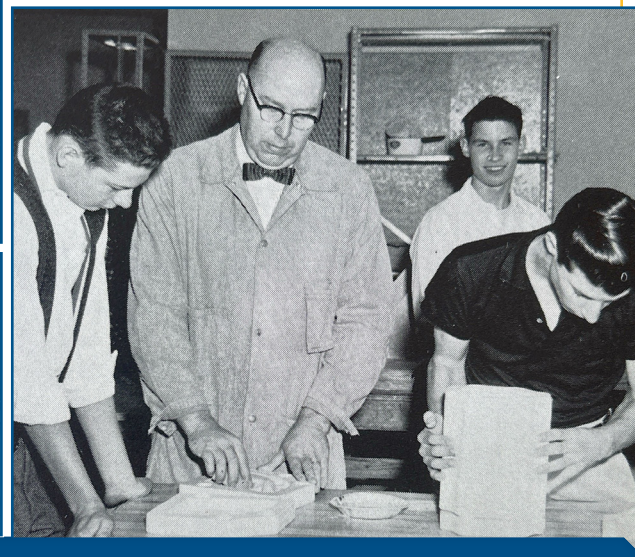
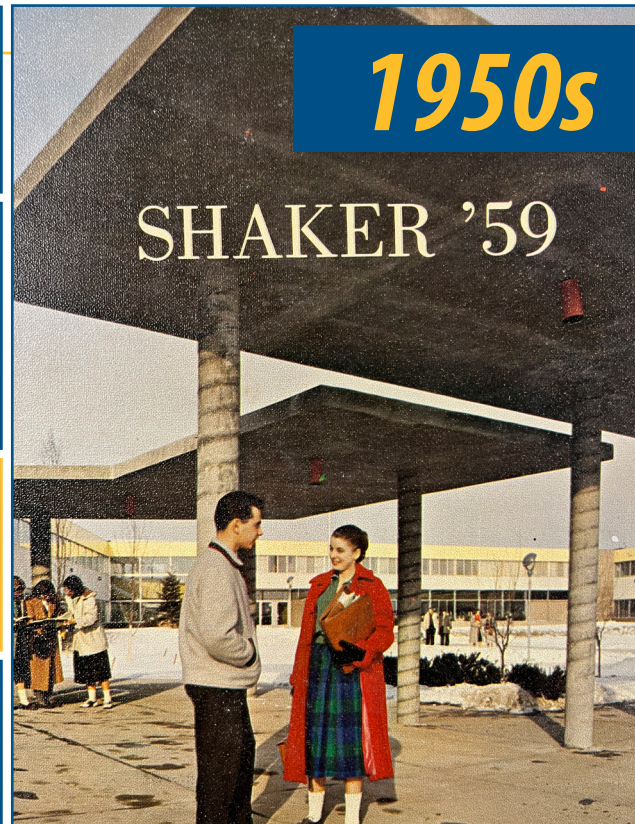
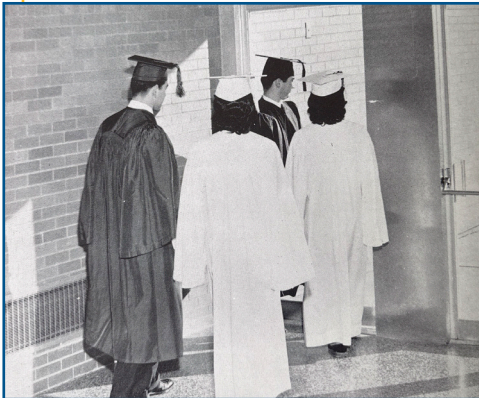
The district website is a central hub for school announcements and information about K-12 activities and programs. Additionally, we will share news, information, and photos on our social media channels to keep you informed about current events and student achievements.



Download the North Colonie CSD app from the iOS App Store or Android Play Store and enable Notifications.

School Closings/Delays

In the event of severe weather conditions or other emergencies, announcements about school closings or late openings will be made on the district website between 5:30-6:30 a.m. The district will provide parents and community members with important announcements and alerts via the North Colonie CSD app, email, text messages, and phone calls. For the 2025-26 school year, the district has moved to the NCCSD App. Parents are connected to the app through Infinite Campus, which is the district's student information management system and Parent Portal. Please make sure your information is up to date in Infinite Campus. School closings are also announced via the district website and social media, as well as the local television and radio stations.



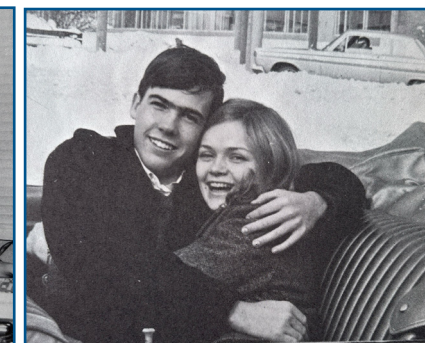
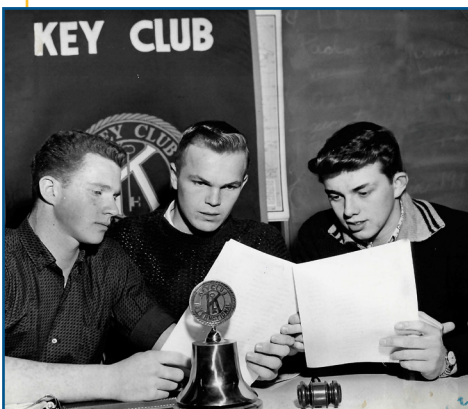
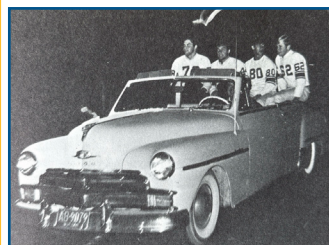
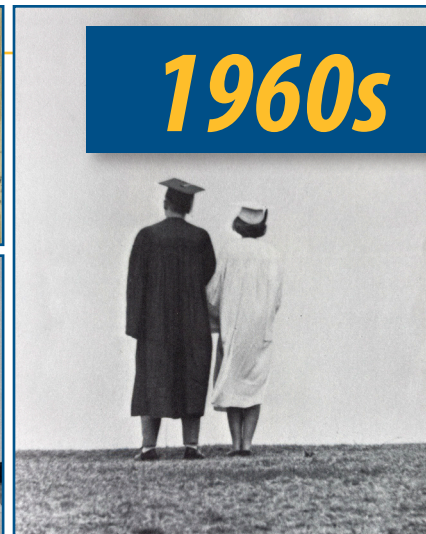
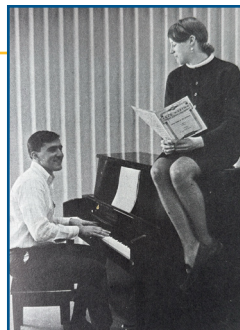
Memorable Moment: The North Colonial Central School District was centralized in 1950 and quickly grew in size and enrollment. Superintendent: Edgar Pitkin

From 1950 to 1957, the elementary population increased 158%. In need of more space, an addition was put onto Loudonville, while Blue Creek and Forts Ferry were built for the 1954-55 school year. With continued increasing enrollment, construction began on Boght Hills and Southgate in 1956. SHS opened in 1958 with wall-to-wall carpet, making it the only carpeted school in the country. This decade also marked the introduction of the Bison mascot.

September 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org 	1 Labor Day	2 K-12 Superintendent's Conference Day BC New Family & Kindergarten Summer Welcome, 6 p.m. LO New Family Orientation, 6 p.m.	3 K-12 Superintendent's Conference Day BH Kindergarten Orientation, 9 a.m. BC Kindergarten Bus Ride/Visit, 11 a.m. SG Kindergarten Orientation, 1 p.m. LR Kindergarten Orientation, 1 p.m. FF Kindergarten Orientation, 1:30 p.m. LO Kindergarten Supply Drop Off, 1:30 p.m. LO Gr. 1-5 Supply Drop Off, 2:15 p.m.	4 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL GRADES K-12	5 SHS Picture Day VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME VS ARLINGTON (NEUTRAL SITE) - 7 P.M.	6
	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL			
7	8 SHS Picture Day	9 SHS Picture Day LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	10 SHS Picture Day	11 LR Open House - Gr. K-5, 5:30 p.m.	12	13
14	15	16	17 LO Open House - Gr. K-2, 6 p.m. BC Open House - Gr. K-2, 6 p.m. Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	18 BC Open House - Gr. 3-5, 6 p.m. FF Open House - Gr. K-5, 6 p.m. LO Open House - Gr. 3-5, 6 p.m.	19	20
21	22 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	23 SMS Picture Day BH Open House - Gr. K-2, 6 p.m. LO PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24 SMS Picture Day SHS Back to School Night, 6 p.m.	25 SG Open House - Gr. K-5, 5:30 p.m. BH Open House - Gr. 3-5, 6 p.m. SMS Open House, 6:30 p.m. Fall Continuing Education Classes Begin	26 SG Picture Day VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME VS SARATOGA, 7 P.M. (JR. BISON NIGHT)	27 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
28	29 BC PTA Meeting, 7 p.m.	30 BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m. SG PTA Meeting, 7 p.m.	1	2	3 August 2025 S M T W T F S 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	4 October 2025 S M T W T F S 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

1960s

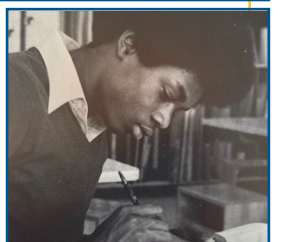


*Memorable Moment: In 1960, 13 buses took students to the World's Fair in Montreal. The group stopped at Lake George High School for breakfast.
Superintendent: Edgar Pitkin*

As the population continued to increase, Shaker Junior High School was added to the district in 1963. Latham Ridge was added as the sixth and final district elementary school in 1968. An addition was also added onto Blue Creek at this time. By 1969, a bond issue was approved to add on to SHS.

October 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
28 September 2025 S M T W T F S 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	29 November 2025 S M T W T F S 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	30	1 FF Picture Day FF PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	2 Yom Kippur (Ends at Sundown)	3 BC Picture Day BH Picture Day HOMECOMING: VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME VS. ALBANY, 7 p.m.	4 SAT Exam at SHS, 7:30 a.m.
5	6 SHS Q1 Progress Reports Posted BH Picture Day LO Picture Day	7 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SEPTA Meeting (Virtual)	8 Elementary XC Meet (All Gr. 4 & 5), 10 a.m.	9 SHS Family Fall Festival, 5 p.m.	10 EARLY RELEASE - STUDENTS DISMISSED 15 MINUTES EARLY	11
12	13 Columbus Day/ Indigenous Peoples' Day	14	15 Elementary XC Meet (Rain Date), 10 a.m. Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	16 SHS Financial Aid Night, 6:30 p.m.	17 VARSITY FOOTBALL GAME VS. SHENENDEHOWA, 7 p.m.	18
19	20 K-12 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY Diwali	21 BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m.	22 BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	23	24 VARSITY FOOTBALL VS. SCHENECTADY (SENIOR NIGHT), 7 P.M.	25 SMS Saturday Support, 9 a.m.
26	27 SHS Picture Retake Day LR Gr.5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	28	29	30 SMS Picture Retake Day	31 Halloween	1 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org



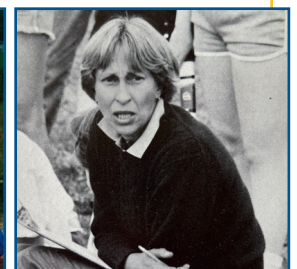
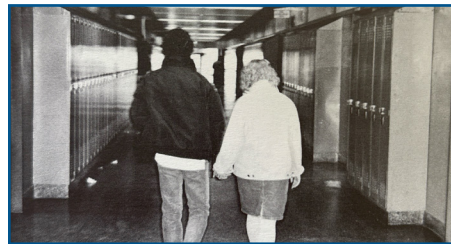
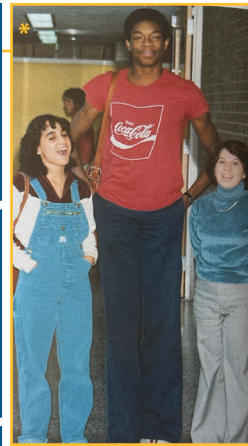
*Memorable Moment: Enrollment peaked in 1974, with 6,376 students.
Superintendent: Edgar Pitkin*

In 1971, to meet the needs of the growing population, the M and K Wings were added to SHS. This decade marked the introduction of a regularly published newsletter to keep the community apprised of what was happening throughout the district. The district relaunched this printed newsletter for the 2024-25 school year. The original program planning and budgeting system used by the district was first introduced in 1970, further establishing a climate for excellence.

November 2025

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2 Daylight Saving Time Ends	3 BH Gr. 5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m.	4 SG Gr. 5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m.	5 Fall Sports Mock Signing, 3 p.m. LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	6 SMS End of Q1	7	8
9	10 SHS Q1 Report Cards Posted	11 Veterans Day NO SCHOOL	12 FF Picture Retake Day Music Faculty Recital @ SHS, 7 p.m.	13 SMS Q1 Report Cards Posted SHS Armed Forces Day BC Picture Retake Day BH Picture Retake Day SG Picture Retake Day	14	15
16	17 HALF DAY FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - ELEMENTARY PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES SHS Winter Sports Start Date	18 BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m. LO PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SEPTA Meeting	19 BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SHS Friends of Music Meeting, 7 p.m.	20 LO Picture Retake Day	21 NYSSMA Area All-State @ Proctors Theatre, 1 p.m. SHS Fall Play, 7 p.m.	22 NYSSMA Area All-State @ Proctors Theatre, 9 a.m. SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m. SHS Fall Play, 7 p.m.
23 SHS Fall Play, 2 p.m.	24 Mod Winter Sports Start Date Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	25	26	27 Thanksgiving	28	29
30	NO SCHOOL - THANKSGIVING RECESS					30

1980s

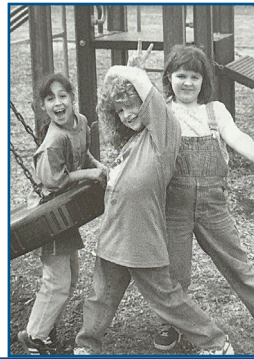
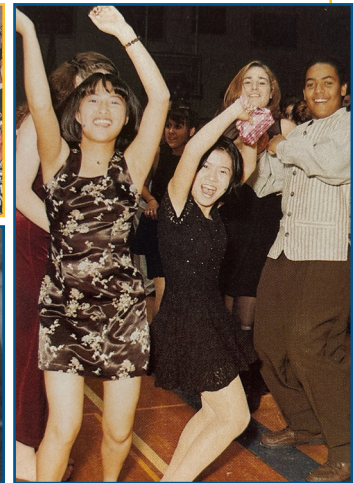
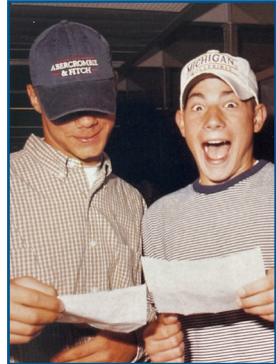
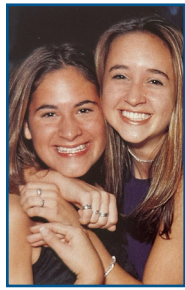
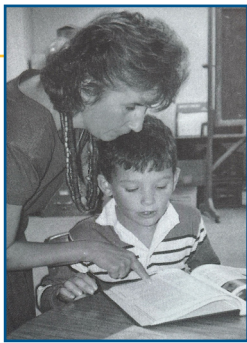


Memorable Moment: Future All-Star Sam Perkins helped lead the Shaker Boys Varsity Basketball team to several seasons of excellence before a long and storied professional career in the NBA. Superintendent: Charles Szuberla

As a result of introducing new ideas for programs and services, the North Colonic CSD saw an increase in scholarships, student awards, and honors. As a result, the district began to see an increase in enrollment once more. A proposal for additions to all six elementary schools passed by 80%. SHS was also awarded a federal distinction for "Excellence in Education" for the 1984-1985 school year.

December 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30  7	1	2 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	3 SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	4 FF PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	5 HALF DAY FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - ELEMENTARY PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES	6
14	8 SHS Q2 Progress Reports Posted SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	9 SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	10 SHS Art Reception, 6:45 p.m. SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	11 HALF DAY FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - ELEMENTARY PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	12	13 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
14 Hanukkah (Begins at Sundown)	15 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m. Hanukkah	16 HALF DAY FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - ELEMENTARY PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES SMS Concert, 7:30 p.m. SEPTA Meeting Hanukkah	17 SMS Concert, 7:30 p.m. Hanukkah	18 Hanukkah	19 Hanukkah	20 Hanukkah
21 Hanukkah	22 Hanukkah	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Christmas Day	26	27
NO SCHOOL - WINTER RECESS						
28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	1 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	2 November 2025 S M T W T F S 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	3 January 2026 S M T W T F S 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
NO SCHOOL - WINTER RECESS						



Memorable Moment: In 1998, the North Colonie CSD was the only district in the state to be awarded the Department of Agriculture regional Best Practices Award for "Innovative Cafeteria Practices." Superintendent: Marya Levenson

The 1990s marked a turning point for incorporating technology in the district. In 1994, the district began using technology as a tool to enhance education for all students by incorporating it into the curriculum. The achievements continued with Shaker Junior High receiving a Blue Ribbon award in 1993 and Southgate Elementary in 1997.

January 2026

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				NO SCHOOL - WINTER RECESS		
4	5 Classes Resume	6 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	7 Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	8 FF PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m.	9	10
11	12 FF Gr. 5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m.	13 LO PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m. SG Concert, 7 p.m. SEPTA Meeting (Virtual)	14 LO Concert, 7 p.m.	15 BC Concert, 7 p.m.	16	17
18	19 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20 SHS Mid-Year/Regents Exams BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m. SG PTA Meeting, 7 p.m. LR Concert, 7 p.m.	21 SHS Mid-Year/Regents Exams BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. FF Concert @ SHS, 7 p.m.	22 SHS Mid-Year/Regents Exams SMS Art Reception, 4:30 p.m. BH Concert @ SHS, 7 p.m.	23 SHS Mid-Year/Regents Exams	24 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
	NO SCHOOL					
25	26 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	27 BC Gr. 5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m.	28 LO Gr. 5 SPAC Performance, 6:30 p.m.	29 SMS End of Q2 SHS Gr. 8 Grade Parent Night Part 1, 6 p.m.	30	31



2000s



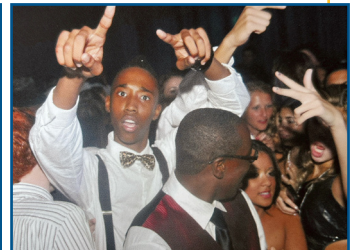
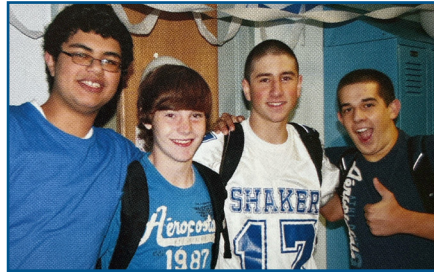
Memorable Moment: Loudonville Elementary was named a National Blue Ribbon School in 2008.
Superintendent: Marya Levenson (until 2001)
 Randy Ehrenberg (2001-2010)

The start of a new century marked continued growth for the district. In May 2001, taxpayers approved a plan to build three to four new classrooms at each elementary school, 24 new classrooms at SHS, and six classrooms at what would become SMS in 2020. The expansion allowed the district to merge with the Maplewood School District (grades K-8), which was approved by taxpayers in 2007.

February 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 SHS Q2 Report Cards Posted	3 LR PTA Meeting 6:30 p.m. String Festival @ SHS, 7 p.m.	4	5 SMS Q2 Report Cards Posted	6 Jazzaret @ SHS, 7 p.m.	7
8	9	10	11 Concert for All Gr. 3 @ SHS, 10 a.m.	12 Concert for All Gr. 3 @ SHS (Snow Date), 10 a.m. SHS Junior Parent Night, 6:30 p.m.	13	14
15	16 Presidents' Day	17 Lunar New Year Ramadan (Begins at Sundown)	18	19	20	21
NO SCHOOL - MID-WINTER RECESS						
22	23 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	24 BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m.	25 BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	26 SHS Junior Parent Night (Snow Date), 6:30 p.m.	27	28 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
1 	2	3	4	5 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	6 January 2026 S M T W T F S 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	7 March 2026 S M T W T F S 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

2010s

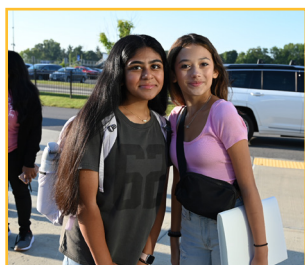


*Memorable Moment: Two SHS students rose to stardom, with Moriah Formica on "The Voice" in 2017 and Madison VanDenburg competing on "American Idol" in 2019.
Superintendent: Joseph Corr*

With enrollment on the rise once again, in 2017 a capital project was approved to move sixth grade to the future SMS in 2020. Updates were also made to reconfigure classrooms for more project-based learning and expand special education classrooms. In 2015, the district adopted full-day kindergarten. In 2017, SHS was named a "Rewards School" by the New York State Education Department.

March 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	4 SHS Gr. 8 Parent Night Part 2, 6 p.m. Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	5 FF PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	6	7
8 Daylight Saving Time Begins	9 SHS Q3 Progress Reports Posted SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	10 LO PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SG PTA Meeting, 7 p.m. SEPTA Meeting	11	12	13 SMS Musical, 7 p.m.	14 SAT Exam at SHS, 7:30 a.m. SMS Musical 7 p.m.
15 SMS Musical, 2 p.m.	16 SHS Spring Sports Start Date	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. Portfolio Project Art Information Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	19 Ramadan (Ends at Sundown)	20 K-12 SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY Eid al-Fitr NO SCHOOL	21
22	23	24 SHS Transition Fair, 6 p.m. BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m.	25	26	27 SHS Musical, 7 p.m.	28 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m. SHS Musical, 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.
29	30 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	31	1	2 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	3 February 2026 S M T W T F S 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	4 April 2026 S M T W T F S 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



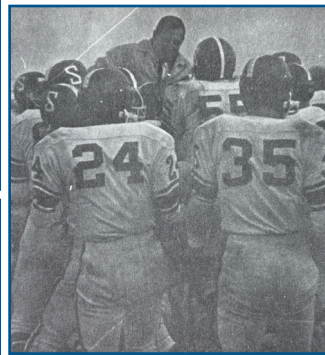
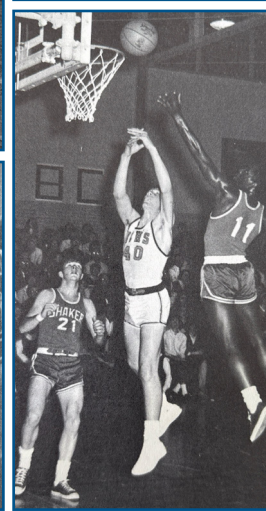
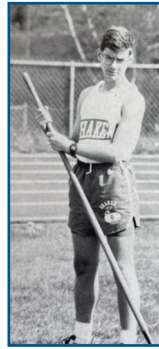
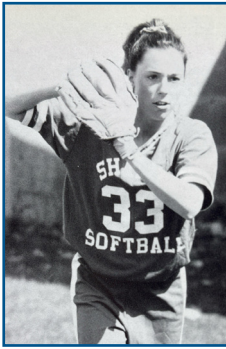
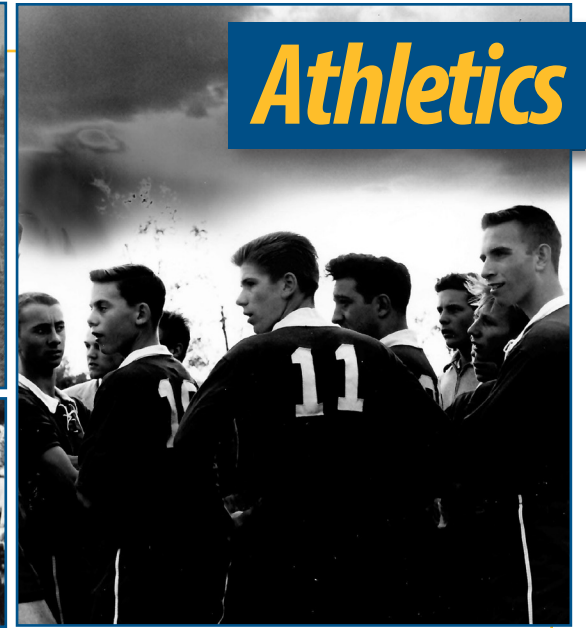
Memorable Moment: Shaker Middle School officially opened in 2020.
Superintendent: Joseph Corr (2010-2023)
Kathleen Skeals (2023-Present)

We are only halfway through the 2020s, but there is so much more to come! While the start of the decade was marked by the COVID-19 pandemic, students, staff, and the North Colonie community pivoted to allow for virtual learning. In 2021, the North Colonie CSD was ranked #21 in New York State by U.S. News & World Report. A capital project was approved in 2024, which will allow for renovations to set SHS up for the next century of learning.

April 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 March 2026 S M T W T F S 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	30 May 2026 S M T W T F S 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	31 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	1 Mod Spring Sports Start Date Passover (Begins at Sundown)	2	3 Good Friday NO SCHOOL	4
5 Easter	6	7	8	9 Passover (Ends at Sundown)	10	11
NO SCHOOL - SPRING RECESS						
12	13	14 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	15 Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	16	17 SMS End of Q3 Suburban Council Festival @ BSPA HS, 1 p.m.	18 Suburban Council Festival @ BSPA HS, 9 a.m.
19	20 SHS Q3 Report Cards Posted	21 NYSSMA Majors Festival @ SHS, 7 a.m. BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m. SEPTA Meeting	22 NYSSMA Majors Festival @ SHS, 7 a.m. 3rd Grade Instrument Night @ SHS, 6:30 p.m.	23 District PE Leadership Awards Ceremony (SMS Auditorium), 7 p.m.	24 SMS Q3 Report Cards Posted	25 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
26	27	28 SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	29 K-5 District Art Reception, 5 p.m. SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m. Board of Education Meeting (BOCES Budget), 6:30 p.m.	30 SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	1	2


Athletics



Memorable Moment: The 2025 Varsity Boys Basketball team joined the 2010 Boys Cross Country team as the second state championship title in district history.

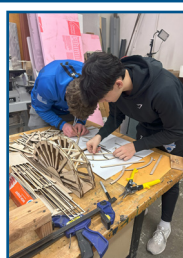
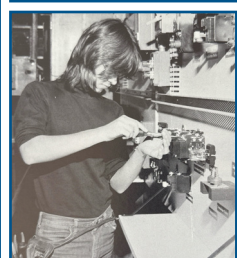
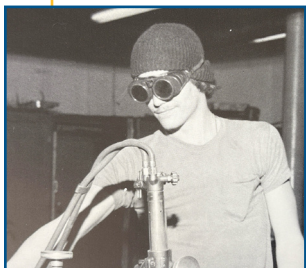
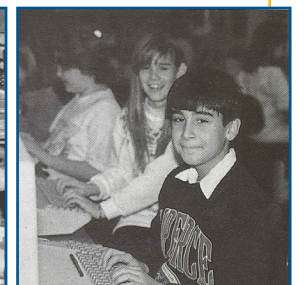
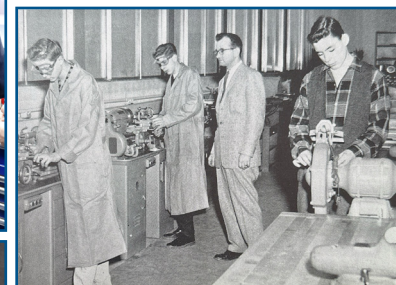
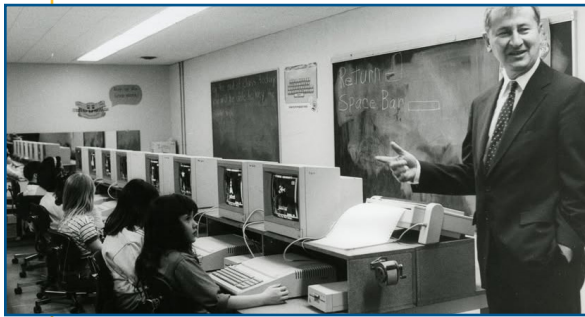
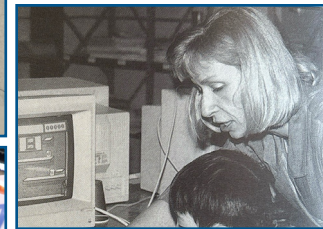
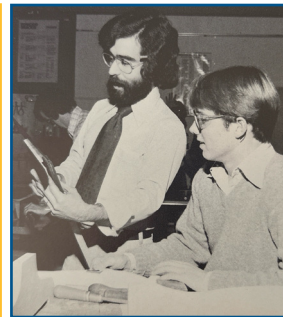
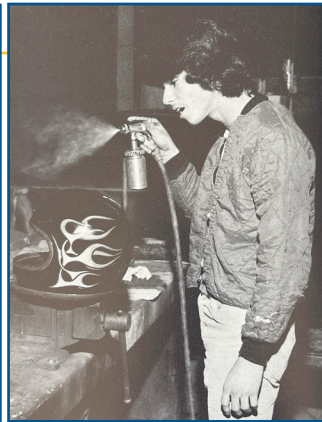
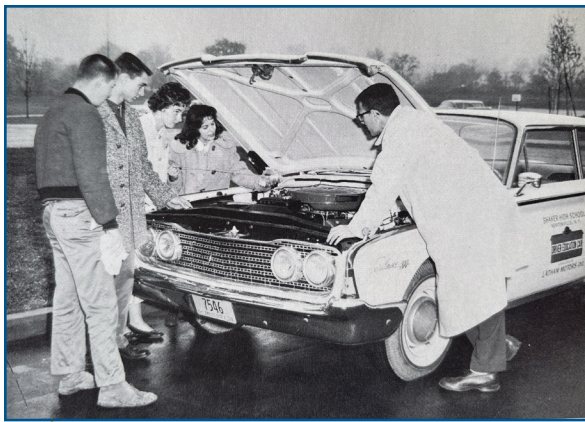
What started as nine teams in the district has blossomed into 29 varsity teams and 80 levels of interscholastic competition for grades 7-12. Shaker Athletics has a long tradition of athletic excellence, starting with a Division/League football title in 1959. A proud member of NYSPHSAA and the Suburban Scholastic Council, Shaker Athletics accomplishments have grown to two state, 112 regional, 125 sectional, and 223 division/league championships at the team level. In 2025, SHS was named a NYSPHSAA School of Excellence for the 2024-25 school year.

May 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26 April 2026 S M T W T F S 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	27 June 2026 S M T W T F S 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	28 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	29	30	1	2 SAT Exam at SHS, 7:30 a.m.
3	4 SHS AP Exams	5 SHS AP Exams LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SMS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	6 SHS AP Exams Spring Sports Mock Signing, 3 p.m. Advanced Senior Art Reception, 5 p.m. BOE Budget Forum, 6 p.m. SG PTA Meeting, 7 p.m. SMS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	7 SHS AP Exams SMS Concert @ SHS, 7:30 p.m.	8 SHS AP Exams	9
10	11 SHS Q4 Progress Reports Posted SHS AP Exams Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	12 SHS AP Exams LO PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	13 SHS AP Exams 6-12 District Art Reception, 5 p.m. BH Concert @ SHS, 7 p.m.	14 SHS AP Exams FF PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. SHS Senior Awards, 7 p.m.	15 SHS AP Exams SHS Senior Picnic, 10 a.m. SHS Senior Prom, 7 p.m.	16
17 	18 LR Concert, 7 p.m.	19 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE AND BOARD ELECTIONS (GOODRICH 6 A.M. - 9 P.M.) BH PTA Meeting, 6 p.m. SEPTA Meeting	20 BC PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m. LO Concert, 7 p.m. FF Concert @ SHS, 7 p.m.	21 SHS Armed Forces Day SHS NAHS Induction & Art Recognition Ceremony, 4:30 p.m. SG Concert, 7 p.m.	22	23 SMS Saturday Support, 9:15 a.m.
24	25 Memorial Day	26 Tri-M Music Honor Society Inductions @ SHS, 3 p.m. BC Concert, 7 p.m.	27 District Recital @ SMS 7 p.m.	28 Elementary Track Meet (All Gr. 5), 10 a.m. SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	29 Elementary Track Meet (Rain Date), 10 a.m.	30 SHS Junior Prom, 7 p.m.
31	NO SCHOOL					

June 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31	1 SHS Concert, 7:30 p.m.	2 LR PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	3 SHS Senior Night Concert, 7:30 p.m.	4	5	6
7	8 College Athlete Recognition Night (Shaker All Sport Booster Club), 7 p.m.	9 SHS Regents Exams - ELA & Algebra	10 SHS Regents Exams - Chemistry & Physics Friends of Music Meeting @ SHS, 7 p.m.	11 SHS Harrison Carnevale Media Arts Open House, 4:30 p.m.	12	13
14	15 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30 p.m.	16	17 SHS Regents/Final Exams	18 SHS Regents/Final Exams	19 Juneteenth	20
21	22 SHS Regents/Final Exams	23 SHS Regents/Final Exams	24 SHS Regents/Final Exams SMS Gr. 8 Recognition Ceremony	25 SHS Regents/Final Exams SMS Q4 Ends	26 NO SCHOOL	27
28	29 SHS Q4 Report Cards Posted	30	1	2 All school level events can be found on the district website calendar. www.northcolonie.org	3 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL GRADES K-8 Regents Rating Day SHS Graduation, MVP Arena	4
					May 2026 S M T W T F S 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	July 2026 S M T W T F S 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



Memorable Moment: The Innovation Labs at SMS and all six elementary schools opened in 2020, ushering in a decade of new technology, learning, and experiences.

The North Colonie CSD has always been known for its innovation. In 1992, SHS and Shaker Junior High School were established as one of five national demonstration sites for technology education. Since then, the district has continued to grow the buildings and curriculum to accommodate the ever changing technological landscape and innovations.

July 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2 SMS Q4 Report Cards Posted	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 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
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Annual Notifications, Policies and Procedures

Directory Information – Opt Out (4550-E.2) and Student Records (5500)

Occasionally North Colonie CSD publishes information and/or student directory information material in print, non-print or electronic format. Such material could show a picture of your child (children) with the name and school identified. To learn more, view the District's full policy on the Release of Student Directory Information: Opt Out (4550-E.2), Student Records (5500).

ESSA Complaint Procedures

New York State Education Department (NYSED) has created a process for resolving complaints alleging that a local educational agency, grantee, or NYSED has violated a law, rule, or regulation in the administration of any "covered Federal program" under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). These procedures offer parents and other stakeholders a process to file complaints and allow for the timely resolution of such complaints. To learn more about these procedures and how to file a complaint, please visit the NYSED website.

Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA)

The federal FERPA provides parents/guardians and students who are 18 years of age or older (known as "eligible students") with certain rights with respect to the student's education records. Parents/guardians and eligible students have the right to:

- Inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day a request for access is received by the school. These requests should be submitted to your child's school principal.
- Request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent/guardian or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights;
- Provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information from the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent;
- File a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the district to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The name and address of the office that administers FERPA is: Family Policy Compliance Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue SW Washington, DC 20202

Non-Discrimination Policy/ Equal Opportunity Policy

The North Colonie CSD does not discriminate on the basis of race (defined as, but not limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, as well as traits historically associated with race including hair texture and protective hairstyles), color, national origin, creed, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, military status or any other protected status in its educational programs, employment or any other activities. Further, it is unlawful for an employer to retaliate against any individual because that person filed a complaint, opposed any unlawful practice or testified or assisted in an investigation or proceeding. Any inquiries and complaints regarding non-discrimination in the district may be referred to the district's Compliance Officer found on the district website.

Right to Know

Because North Colonie receives Title I federal funding, parents and guardians have the right to request information regarding the professional qualification of their child's classroom teacher(s). Learn more at www.northcolonie.org/academics.

Student Data Privacy

The North Colonie CSD is committed to ensuring student privacy in accordance with local, state and federal regulations and district policies. To this end and pursuant to U.S. Department of Education regulations, the district is providing the following Parents' Bill of Rights for Data Privacy and Security on our website at www.northcolonie.org/studentdataprivacy.





Community Services Information

Continuing Education

The North Colonie CSD is proud to present our Continuing Education Program, offered in the fall and spring semesters. This program offers a diverse selection of courses that meet the interests and needs of our community. Registration is open to all who are 21 years of age or older. Town of Colonie residents will have priority when space is limited. All classes are filled on a “first come, first served” basis with preference given to district residents. Non-residents will be accepted if space is available. We retain our adult education instructors to teach a course in their area of expertise. Learn more on our website at www.northcolonie.org/CE.

Health, Safety, Student Conduct Information

Advanced Coursework

The benefits and opportunities for students to participate in advanced coursework can be found on the district website at www.northcolonie.org/advanced-coursework.

Asbestos Management Plan

In accordance with the requirements of the federal regulation known as AHERA (Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act), the school district has conducted inspections and developed management plans for each of the district's schools. These management plans are available for your review during regular business hours at the individual schools. Included in these management plans is information regarding AHERA inspections, operations and maintenance, period surveillance and response action activities. It is the intention of the North Colonie CSD to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take the appropriate steps necessary to ensure students and employees have a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work. For information more contact the Maintenance Department at (518) 785-5771.

Attendance

The district attendance policy can be found on our website at www.northcolonie.org/policies.

Body Mass Index (BMI) Information

As part of a required school health examination, a student is weighed and their height is measured along with vision and hearing screening, as well as scoliosis for certain students. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group (NOT individual student) be included as part of the student's school health examination in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11. Each year, a sample of school districts will be selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health

(NYSDOH) and, if selected, we will report health information about our students' weight status groups to the NYSDOH. No names and no information about individual students are sent. You may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report by submitting a request in writing to the health office. You can also contact the health office to request an opt out form. This form must be signed and returned to the health office of your child's school.

Budget and Election

For more information on the Budget and Election process, visit the Board of Education page on our website at www.northcolonie.org/boe and the Budget and Finance page at www.northcolonie.org/budget.

Child Abuse Hotline Notification

If you suspect a child is being abused or maltreated (neglected), report it by calling the toll-free 24-hour hotline operated by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services at 1(800)-342-3720. If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department. Learn more about reporting child abuse and maltreatment (neglect). See District Policy # 5460-R, Suspected Child Abuse & Maltreatment.

Code of Conduct

The North Colonie CSD has a tradition of care and respect for the individual student and holds high expectations for all. Each student is encouraged to grow intellectually, emotionally, physically, and socially. All members of the community are entitled to feel safe and to expect that their person, property and opinions will be respected. Of equal importance is the expectation that everyone shares the responsibility for creating an atmosphere of trust. School must be a setting in which respect for rules and common decency are accepted by all as the necessary structure for learning and community. Learn more in our Code of Conduct: Student Rights & Responsibilities.

Dignity for All Students Act (DASA)

New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (The Dignity Act) took effect on July 1, 2012. Just as with the district's Code of Conduct, the new law seeks to provide the state's public school students and staff with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function. The Dignity Act includes, but is not limited to, acts of discrimination and harassment based on a student's race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender (defined to include gender identity or expression), or sex. Visit our DASA page to learn more at www.northcolonie.org/dasa.

Districtwide School Safety Plan

Emergencies in schools must be addressed in an expeditious and effective manner. Schools are at risk of acts of violence, natural, and manmade disasters. To address these threats, the State of New York has enacted the Safe Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) law. Project SAVE is a comprehensive planning effort that addresses prevention, response, and recovery with respect to a variety of emergencies in schools. The North Colonie School District supports the SAVE Legislation, and intends to facilitate the planning process. The Superintendent encourages and advocates on-going district-wide cooperation and support of Project SAVE. View North Colonie's District-Wide School Safety Plan on our website at www.northcolonie.org/safetyplan.

Idling School Buses on School Grounds

The Board of Education recognizes the need to promote the health and safety of students and staff and to protect the environment from harmful emissions found in vehicle exhaust, in particular diesel exhaust, by eliminating the unnecessary idling of all school vehicles. For purposes of this policy, an “idling school vehicle” shall mean a school vehicle that is parked or stopped at a school or other location

and has its engine running. This policy applies to the operation of every district-owned and/or contracted school bus as well as other district-owned vehicles (i.e., licensed maintenance vehicles). The district shall strive to eliminate all unnecessary idling of school buses and district-owned vehicles such that idling time is minimized in all aspects of operation. For more information on the Idling School Buses on School Grounds policy, www.northcolonie.org/policies.

Release of Student Directory Information

Pursuant to the federal No Child Left Behind Act, the school district must disclose to military recruiters and institutions of higher learning, upon request, the names, addresses and telephone numbers of our high school juniors and seniors. However, parents or students may request, in writing, that the district not release such information. Parents, or students who are at least 18 years old, wishing to exercise their option to withhold their consent to the release of this information must contact the guidance office.

Use of Pesticides & Request for Notification

The use of pesticide products may be applied periodically throughout the school year at the North Colonie CSD. Under the Pesticide Neighbor Notification Law, Section 409-h of the Education Law, the District is required to maintain a list of parents/guardians and school staff, who wish to receive 48 hour advanced written notice of an actual pesticide application in the facilities or on school grounds. To register for the 48 hour notification, please fill out the form on our website at www.northcolonie.org/notifications before the start of each school year. To obtain additional information on the Pesticide Neighbor Notification Law contact the Director of Custodial Services at (518) 273-4844.

Wellness

The North Colonie CSD is committed to developing healthy schools that support student learning and create an environment conducive to the health and well-being of faculty, staff and all students, while also supporting parents in accomplishing this goal. Learn more about our Wellness policy on our website.

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Working Papers	Shaker High School Guidance Office	518-785-5511

For additional questions or concerns on the correct point of contact, please visit the North Colonie Chain of Command at northcolonie.org/chainofcommand.

Our Schools

Blue Creek (BC) Elementary School

18 Clinton Road Latham, NY 12110

518-785-7451

Principal – Christopher Turcio

Loudonville (LO) Elementary School

349 Osborne Road Loudonville, NY 12211

518-434-1960

Principal – Scott Thompson

Boght Hills (BH) Elementary School

38 Dunsbach Ferry Road Cohoes, NY 12047

518-785-0222

Principal – Hilary King

Southgate (SG) Elementary School

30 Southgate Road Loudonville, NY 12211

518-785-6607

Principal – Jerri Lynne Dedrick

Forts Ferry (FF) Elementary School

95 Forts Ferry Road Latham, NY 12110

518-785-9203

Principal – Dr. Casey Parker

Shaker Middle School (SMS)

475 Watervliet-Shaker Road Latham, NY 12110

518-785-1341

Principal – Davis Chamberlain

Latham Ridge (LR) Elementary School

6 Mercer Avenue Latham, NY 12110

518-785-3211

Principal – Aaron Thiell

Shaker High School (SHS)

445 Watervliet-Shaker Road Latham, NY 12110

518-785-5511

Principal – Marcus Puccioni

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