

DeWitt Middle School Hours:
8:55am – 3:21pm
(Doors open at 8:00 am)

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DeWitt PTA News

The PTA newsletter, DeWitt PTA News, keeps families and staff up to date with what is happening at school. It is published three times a year: August December and April, mailed to every family and posted on the DeWitt PTA website (dewittpta.org).

If you would like to submit an article, please send it to Carol Barry at cmbarry@icloud.com.

The deadline for the Fall 2017 edition is August 1st, 2017

Message From The Principal

Dear Families of DeWitt Middle School,

Greetings to all. I want to take this opportunity to say thanks to all of you for making the first half of the 2017 academic year, a success. As we begin the transition into second semester and the coming of Spring, I want to encourage your continued involvement and participation in the teaching and learning process of our learning community. In addition, I hope to share updates, current trends, and perspectives that support our effort to provide a positive and nurturing learning environment for your children and keep you informed. In the same vein, we welcome any suggestions, concerns or any feedback that informs areas of awareness and improvement. The truth is that it takes all of us to make a difference and prepare our children for a bright and shining future.

Our staff continue to work diligently in creating a student-centered classrooms with interdisciplinary, project based, problem based and inquiry learning along with socratic seminars, literary circles and simulations. Homespun days, Solar Sprint, Pi Day, Harlem Renaissance are just few examples of interdisciplinary projects with a problem-solving or project based outcome. As we move into our second year of having chromebooks, the world around us and information has become a finger touch away in ways we never imagined. It is our responsibility to monitor the appropriate and safe use for educational purposes only.

We invite you to keep an eye on the calendar for field trips, athletic events, musical, recitals, dances, promotion and end of the year activities. Your support as chaperones and/or spectator, guest artist will be of primary importance. We will also be interviewing to fill teaching positions from resignation due to relocations and retirements. Your presence and input in



Mac M. Knight, Principal

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the hiring process to replace staff members at DeWitt is important and needed to maintain continuity, consistency and credibility for our learning community.

As you may know we will be using the CBT (Computer Based Testing) format to administer the 2017 NYS 3-8 ELA and Math tests. The ELA test will be March 29, 30, 31 and the Math will be May 3, 4, 5. All of the staff who serve as proctors will go through an online training to prepare them for their roles in assisting students with the test. Since we will be using chromebooks for the tests, we ask that you make sure the devices are fully charged before the start of each testing day and in good working condition. In addition, take some time to discuss

ways to prepare students for the three days of testing, starting with a good night's sleep, providing good nutrition and tips on test taking. We will continue to celebrate this event with cheers, mojos and inspirational quotes to reduce the anxiety and anxiousness that students may have.

We appreciate all you do on a daily basis to prepare your children for a day of learning at DeWitt. Remember every day is an opportunity for success and excellence. Your engagement as a family goes a long ways in making all our days with your children rewarding. Let's keep the lines of communication open and continue to work as a team. Teamwork makes the dream works.

*Be in peace,
mac*



Thank You Volunteers!

The PTA would like to thank all of the volunteers who add so much to our children's experience at DeWitt Middle School.

DeWitt PTA Direct Appeal

Many thanks to all who contributed to the Direct Appeal fundraiser! We are about \$500.00 short of our goal. If you have not yet made a donation, you may still do so by sending it in with the form below to the school office, in an envelope

marked "DeWitt PTA - Direct Appeal". As a reminder, 100% of your tax-deductible donation will go directly to the PTA to help fund programs and activities for DeWitt students and staff. Any amount is welcome and makes a difference!



DeWitt PTA Direct Appeal 2016-2017

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____

Address (if you want a receipt sent): _____

I would like to contribute \$ _____. Enclosed please find my check payable to "DeWitt PTA".

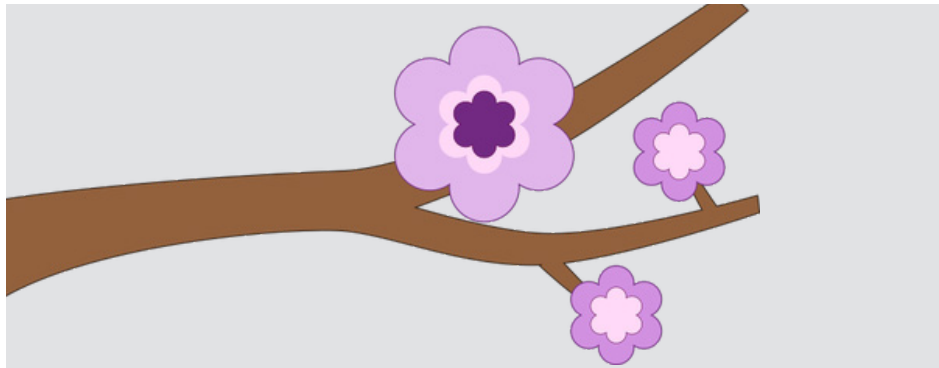
I would like to volunteer. Please contact me at _____

Examples of programs the PTA has made possible include the following:

- Funding for communications such as the Student Directory, a tri-annual newsletter and listserv management
- Providing new books for the school library, new student supplies for the supply cabinet and current maps for classrooms
- Providing funds for the Yearbooks, Welcome Back Picnic, Bring your Family to School Night and 8th Grade Promotion
- Providing support for student clubs and activities, such as educational field trips
- Providing funds for International Night, the Staff Appreciation Luncheon and much more

For questions regarding the PTA Direct Appeal, please contact Patricia Sipple, psipple@twcny.rr.com or 216-1952.

—Thank you for your support!



Message from the DeWitt PTA Co-Presidents

Happy Spring! On behalf of the DeWitt Parent Teacher Association (PTA), we would like to start by expressing our warmest gratitude and appreciation to all the parents, teachers, staff and students who make our work through out the year possible-we could absolutely not do this without you. We are so thankful for your membership and direct appeal donations which support the PTA and help enrich our students' education!

It has been a full year at DeWitt Middle School starting with our annual Welcome Back Picnic and Open House in September, our annual favorite International Night (chaired by Tal Cohen) in November, our winter Direct Appeal (chaired by Patricia Sipple and raised \$1885!) and our Denny's Benefit Night fundraiser.

We have great events planned for the spring including a screening of It's Not Just Jenna in partnership with the Advocacy Center (April 6th, 6:30-8), the New student Ice Cream Social (April 12th), the 6th Grade Science Fair (also April 12th), the Scholastic Book Fair (April 24-28), Staff Appreciation Luncheon (May 17th, chaired by Chelan Mazza) and Eighth Grade Promotion (June 19th, chaired by Michelle Eells). Our final board meeting of the year is Monday June 12th, 7 PM Mark your calendars!

As you plan for your volunteer commitments next academic year, please consider joining the PTA as a member of the board. Board positions include executive board, chairperson and representative positions. There are many important roles available including Co-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Listserv Moderator, and Welcome Picnic chair. See page 12 for a full list.

Please contact us with any questions, concerns, ideas or events you would like the PTA to consider. Thank you again for your generous commitment and support of the DeWitt PTA!

Sincerely,

—Jacquie Kaden (jacquiekaden@gmail.com) and Melissa Rachlinski (mrachlinski@gmail.com)



Immunization Requirements for 6, 7th & 8th Graders:

All 7th and 8th graders must have the Meningitis Vaccine to return to school in the fall. This is a new requirement and could be listed on your student's immunization record as Menactra or Menevo Vaccine. Students that do not have this vaccine will be excluded from school.

All incoming sixth graders must have the Tdap vaccine to enter. It is different from the DTPs they have already recieved. They will be excluded from school if they do not have it. If you have questions please call the school nurse. 607-266-3510.

Thank you

Mary Gessini, RN

School Nurse, DeWitt Middle School

Help Keep Our Website Current!

Please help us keep our website up to date! Send club information and announcements to Carol Barry (cmbarry@icloud.com) and she will post your DeWitt event on the PTA website.

Stay Informed! Join the Listserv.

Get up to date information about DeWitt Middle School. Join the PTA Listserv.

To join, go to dewittpta.org and click on the link to join the listserv.

DeWitt Technology Team Launches Crowdfunding Campaign

If you've ever visited the technology rooms at DeWitt Middle School, maybe you've noticed, high on a shelf overlooking the workbenches and equipment, a huge collection of gleaming trophies. There doesn't appear to be a lot of remaining space up there. But in a few short months, DeWitt's Technology Student Association (TSA) chapter is going to try to fill its groaning trophy shelf even more.

The DeWitt TSA group, led by faculty advisors David Buchner and Bob Walters, is sending a team to the National TSA Conference in Orlando in June. There, over 7,000 students from at least 49 states and several countries are expected to compete in over 30 events, ranging from website design to aeronautics to structural engineering to extemporaneous speech, and much more. Perennially, the DeWitt team performs extremely well, taking home numerous top-ten finishes and even two first-place finishes in the past four years (David Cheng in the promotional design event in 2015, and Francesca Chu in the technology essay competition in 2013).

Many of these events reinforce classroom teaching, but also help to expand and apply knowledge in more practical applications. All events focus on research and/or engineering in some way, but just as importantly, they emphasize teamwork, cooperation, and connection with real issues and needs in our society.

This conference, as well as other expenses such as materials and national TSA fees, require significant financial support. Team members' families contribute by far the largest share, but the TSA team also needs to raise funds in the community. To this end, the team has just launched a crowdfunding campaign.

If you can support the team, please visit <http://tinyurl.com/ihsdewitttsa17> by April 7, or send a check made out to the Ithaca Public Education Initiative (IPEI), P. O. Box 4268, Ithaca NY 14852, noting "TSA" in the memo line of your check. Also, please spread the word to friends and colleagues. All donations are tax-deductible.

Thank you for your support!

Discover and Explore at the Museum of the Earth and Cayuga Nature Center



Exhibitions | Animals and Fossil Collections | Seasonal Camps
Birthday Parties | Special Events | Year-Round Programs | Fun for all ages!



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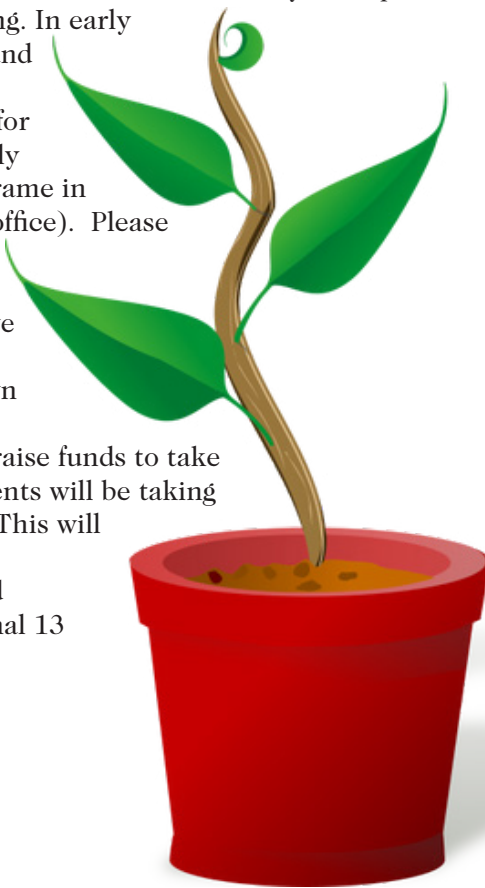
Museum of the Earth: 1259 Trumansburg Road, Ithaca, NY 14850
Cayuga Nature Center: 1420 Taughannock Blvd, Ithaca, NY 14850

Community Based Life Skills

The Community Based Life-skills class has been working hard all year to learn the skills needed to be inde/interdependent adults. They have made over 100 pies and over 1000 cookies from scratch on their way to acquiring skills through project-based learning. In early February they got the greenhouse up and running and are well on their way to growing flowers, vegetables and herbs for the Ithaca community. Starting in early April, plants will be for sale on the A-frame in the front school lobby (outside of the office). Please think about making purchases of your plants from these students. All seeds are heirloom, many are organic, and we try to purchase from known non-gmo nurseries. All of our plants are all grown from seed, by the students.

These projects also help the class raise funds to take a field trip off-site. This year the students will be taking a 4 day trip to Boston and Cape Cod. This will coincide with their units of study on marine-life, mammals, soil erosion and protection of our waterways, the original 13 colonies and the Revolutionary War.

Tricia Armstrong (CB teacher)



Celebrating Women's History Month

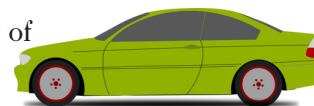
Students and staff at Dewitt celebrated International Women's Day on Wednesday, March 8th by wearing red. Students also helped to create a bulletin board for the day's theme, "Be Bold for Change," by assisting in making paper flowers or reflecting on why it is important for women to be bold or what they will do to be bold. These reflections will be displayed to inspire all students to be courageous in thought and action. In addition, thirteen 7th and 8th grade female students attended "Sister Friends," a yearly event sponsored by the Multicultural Resource Center and held at Ithaca College on Friday, March 17th. Students from Boynton Middle School, Ithaca High School, and several elementary schools took part in the luncheon. Women's History Month is a special time to honor women in our shared histories. We thank everyone for supporting and participating in these events.

Submitted by Theresa Souchet, ENL Teacher

The advertisement features a dark background with white text and a silhouette of several children jumping joyfully. The logo for 'the Y' is in the top left corner, with the tagline 'FOR YOUTH DEVELOPMENT™ FOR HEALTHY LIVING FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY'. The main title is 'Ithaca Y Summer Camp & Preschool Programs'. Below this, four programs are listed: 'Y-Wilderness Camp For ages 8-14', 'Camp Adventure For ages 5-12', 'CIT (Counselor in Training) For ages 13-17', and 'Summer Blast Pre-K Package For ages 3-5'. At the bottom, it says 'NIGHT OWLS Overnight camp-out at the Y Outdoor Education Center. For ages 5+', followed by the phone number '607-257-0101 or visit' and the website 'ithacaymca.com'.

Parking Reminder

For the safety of everyone in the DeWitt school community, please do not park in the Fire Lane area. Even if you are picking up your child, you must park in a parking spot, not the Fire Lane. Thank you for your cooperation.



Keep Track of Your Child's Progress with the Parent Portal



Stay informed with your child's progress is by signing up for the SchoolTool Parent Portal. Just click on the SchoolTool Icon on the upper right side of the Ithaca City School District's website. (<http://www.ithacacityschools.org>) You can access the Parent Portal Request Form at <https://docs.google.com/a/icsd.k12.ny.us/forms/d/1ouyodBC-SMLtig9ObUbukNG-ipKxtX6LpSlGDfb150U/viewform>. Or follow the link on the SchoolTool page.

If you would like to arrange a meeting with your child's teachers, contact their Guidance Counselor: Leann Young (leann.young@icsd.k12.ny.us) for last names from A-K; Alan Miller (alan.miller@icsd.k12.ny.us) for last names L-Z.

8th Grade Promotion Information

The 8th grade "moving up" ceremony will be held at Kulp Auditorium on Monday, June 19th. The students will have their dance/party on Friday, June 16th.

Volunteers will be needed for the party as chaperones, refreshment committee and decorating committee. Please contact the office or email Michelle Eells mle93416@gmail.com for further information.

Family Liaison at DeWitt

Penny Boynton, DeWitt's Family Liaison

My function as the DeWitt Middle School Liaison is to assist with the flow of information and resources around your child's and our student's circle of learning.

I do this by connecting students, families, school staff and community agencies to address their needs. This is done by embracing the values of the Circle of Courage: Belonging, Mastery, Independence and Generosity.

I am happy to encourage any one of our community to start clubs, create events, supply school materials, share information, find and share resources and provide service-learning opportunities.

This year we have 24 different clubs happening at DeWitt so far this Spring. This does not include Home Work Club, TSA, NJHS or the other agencies doing activities here. Most all these clubs are happening because students shared their ideas about what they would like to do after school. I am so happy to be able to find connections, turning their ideas into reality. Thanks!

Contact me with more ideas or questions: 266-3554-office
pboynton@icsdk12.ny.us home-539-6345



National Junior Honor Society



National Junior Honor Society is an organization that fosters and promotes the growth of student scholarship, service, leadership, citizenship and character. Incoming 8th graders with a cumulative average of 3.5 or above will be invited to apply for membership to NJHS. Qualifying students will be notified in writing that they are eligible to apply. However, students who are invited to apply to NJHS are not guaranteed entry. Selection is based on a student's demonstration of initiative, leadership, good character and citizenship.

Students who participate in NJHS are required to complete 5 hours of community service before the start of 8th grade. During the school year, students are required to complete 2.5 hours of community service each quarter, as well as attend bi-weekly meetings. Students are also expected to participate in NJHS activities, fund-raisers and initiatives throughout the year. Applications for National Junior Honor Society will be available in the guidance office starting March 27th, and are due back to the guidance office by April 14th. Applications must be complete and signed by both the student and the parent/guardian. **Late applications will not be accepted.**

Questions? Contact elizabeth.quadrozzi@icsd.k12.ny.us or aaron.arm@icsd.k12.ny.us

Clubs at DeWitt

Registration forms are available on Penny's table. Late buses are available.

Club Name	Day	Time	Staff	Meeting Place
HomeWork Club	m,t,th,	3:20-4:30	Penny Boynton	Cafeteria /Classrooms
TSA	Tues. - Thurs	3:30-6:00	Mr. Walters	TECH N
Jazz Improv Club	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Mr. Treat	Band Room
Knitting club	Mon.	3:25-4:30	Ms. Edwards-Parker	E 219 A
Chess Club	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Pboynton & E. Klimowicz	D 241
Writers Guild	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Mr. Arm	B204
Club of Clubs	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Karli Potter	D235
Student Action Committee	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Penny Boynton & Dr Duff	Model Classroom
Guitar Club	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Mr. North	E202
Horse Club	Tues	3:20-4:30	Smith / Palmer	D223
Library Squad	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Ms Church	Library
Anime /Manga	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Regina De Mauro TCPL	Library
Destination Imagination	Fri.	3:20-5:00	LLoiacono/PBoynton	C105
Year Book Club	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Smith	Library Computer Lab
Ping Pong Club	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Hoffman	Game Room
Bring your Game	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Fagerland	D235
Comic Book DeSign	Thurs	3:20-4:30	Mr. Mclean	A207
Newspaper/Blogs	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Mr. Pritz	C102
Morning Clubs				
Aquarium club	Fri	8:00-8:45	Mr. Gottlieb	D205
NJHS	Thurs.	8:00-8:45	Quadrozzi	Library
Agency sponsored clubs				
Dungeons & Dragon	Tues	3:20-4:30	Beth Bannister	
Art & Soul	Thurs	3:20-4:30	Beth Bannister	Begins April 27
Geocaching & Pokemon	Mon	3:20-4:30	Beth Bannister	Begins June 5
Tutoring Program:				
Go Tutors	Tues. Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Robin Rosoff/K Harrell	Library
STEP Cornell	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Eric Pritz	C102
IYB College Discovery	Mon. & Thurs	3:20-4:30	Ithaca Youth Bureau	Library
Learning Web	Wed	3:20-5:30	Isaac Piha	D241
Cornell Film Makers	Wed. & Fri	3:20-5:00	CU Dr. Duff	B102 B103 B104
Paul Schreurs (IYB)	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Mike Smith, IYB	A201

Music at DeWitt

DeWitt 7/8 Choir Spring Events and Dates

Please contact Ms. Kivisild with questions about any of these events: jkivisil@icsd.k12.ny.us

- There are two Spring fundraisers for 7/8 Choir, starting March 21 (first day of Spring!) and ending the first week in April: Flower bulbs/gardening (orders can be sent directly to customers for \$6) and Krispy Kreme donuts (the donuts will be delivered April 11th, by 10:00am).
- May 5th and 6th is the NYSSMA Solo Festival. Students participating must remember to secure ORIGINALS of their music/pieces, and sign up for coaching with Ms. Kivisild!
- May 19th and 20th is the Hershey Park Competition/performance trip with 7/8 Band. There will be an optional parent/guardian info meeting (date/time TBA).
- The Spring Concert for all DeWitt Choral ensembles is June 1st at Kulp/IHS. Specific 7/8 Choir concert dress and arrival time will be posted on Google Classroom in early May.
- June 17th is the NYC day trip to see a Broadway show. Details/forms are posted on Google Classroom and paper copies are sent home. Deposits are due March 29th and students attending must be confirmed by 4/12/17.

The 7/8 Choir will be singing at the 8th grade Promotion June 19th. Please look for details via Google Classroom and information sent home!

DeWitt Band

The spring band concert is May 16th at 7:00pm. at Kulp Auditorium, Ithaca High School and will begin at 7:00pm. Mr. Treat will let students know when to arrive at the auditorium. Guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from the event. Timely planning is encouraged if there are transportation issues.

The Concert Dress Code is simple: All white on top and black on the bottom with black shoes. Skirts must fall below the knee when sitting down.

The 7th and 8th grade band will be going to Hershey Park for the "Music in our Parks" celebration (May 19 & 20).

You can contact Mr. Treat at michael.treat@icsd.k12.ny.us.

DeWitt Chorus

The spring chorus concert is June 1st, 2017 at Kulp Auditorium, Ithaca High School. The concert is scheduled to begin at 7:00pm. The Concert Dress Code is simple: All white on top and black on the bottom. No ties. Comfortable shoes. If there is a need due to economic restraints, guardians can contact me no later than two weeks prior to the concert.

Guardians can email me directly at jwoodrid@icsd.k12.ny.us.

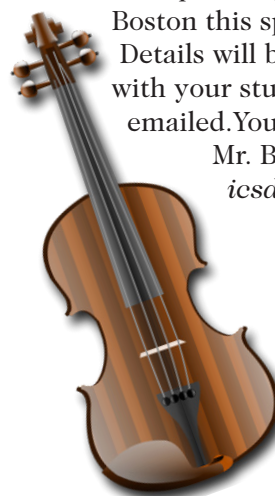


DeWitt Orchestra

The spring orchestra concert is June 14th, 2017 at 7:00pm at Kulp Auditorium, Ithaca High School. Mr. Buck will let the students know what time to arrive at the auditorium. Guardians are responsible for transporting their child to and from the event. Timely planning is encouraged if there is transportation issues.

The Concert Dress Code is all black. Black shirts, pants and shoes. Girls may wear black dresses that fall below the knee when sitting down.

The 7th and 8th grade Orchestra is planning a trip to Boston this spring. Details will be sent home with your students or emailed. You can contact Mr. Buck at abuck@icsd.k12.ny.us.



DeWitt Middle School Presents:



**Friday May 5
Saturday May 6
& Sunday May 7**

**For more information,
contact Mr. Woodbridge**

Spring Modified Sports have Begun!

Spring sports offered this year are Boys Baseball, Girls Softball, Boys and girls Lacrosse and Boys and Girls Track.



The complete schedule for Ithaca City School District Sporting Events can be found at Ithacaathletics.digitalsports.com. To view only the sport you are looking for, select your team, in the center of the blue bar, then choose "Apply Filter" at the far right.

Fall Modified Sports

The fall modified sports will most likely include Boy and Girls Soccer, Boys and Girls Cross Country, Girls Volley Ball and Boys Football. Check the PTA website, (dewittpta.org) or the Ithaca City School District's athletic page (<http://www.ithacacityschools.org/districtpage.cfm?pageid=205>) during the summer for an updated list and start dates.

New forms are needed for each sport season, check with the athletic office (607-274-2155) for any questions. Filling out the paperwork may involve taking your child for a physical. You can find links to all of the school forms on the ICSD website (<http://www.ithacacityschools.org/districtpage.cfm?pageid=205>) The link to the forms are on the lower right-hand side of the page, you may need to scroll down and to the right to find them. Or ask the school nurse for paper copies. Students must have an updated physical on file in the medical office before they can participate.

For more information call the athletic office 607-274-2155.



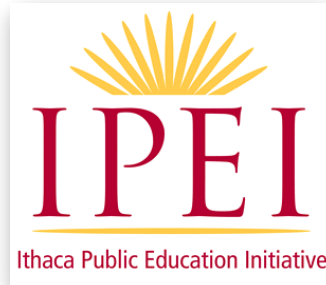
SUMMER MOVIE CAMPS

all ages: 6-16

teen only: 12+

dates, deets and registration online:
WWW.ACTINGOUTNEWYORK.COM

PTA Meeting
Monday, June 12th
7:00 pm
In the Choir Room.



**Enhancing Education of ICSD Students
w/ Community Support & Connections:**

3 Grants Programs
Kids Discover the Trail!
IthacaSTEM Advocates
Fine Arts Booster Group
Awards and Scholarships
Adult Spelling Bee

www.ipei.org

Turning Twenty!
1996-2016



Ping Pong

Ping Pong is thriving at DeWitt on the second Saturday of each month!

Join us for the next Ping Pong Party on April 8 from 2-4pm in the cafeteria when we celebrate World Table Tennis Day (<http://www.tt4all.com/>). We will have fantastic door prizes for World Table Tennis Day. Students, parents, and grandparents encouraged to attend. Fun for the whole family, all levels welcome. Play "mix-it-up" doubles, challenge the robot, improve your game, and meet new people. Co-sponsored by IPEI. Donations to our club for equipment and supplies always welcome: checks made out to DeWitt Student Activities with Ping Pong Club in the memo line. Mark Ping Pong Party on your calendar: April 8, May 13, and June 10 -- a free family event! Contact Carol Hoffman to RSVP or for more information (choffman@icsd.k12.ny.us). Thank you!

JOIN US FOR

The DeWitt Middle School Scholastic Book Fair

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIRS®

BOOK FAIR

WILDERNESS

Get lost in a book!

After a five-year hiatus, the Book Fair is back!

Monday-Friday, April 24th-28th,

Mornings, Lunchtime and After School!

Sponsored by the PTA!

Student Drop-Off and Pick-Up

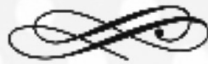
When dropping off or picking up your child at DeWitt, please make use of the drop-off/pick-up area at the North exit (parking lot exit).

Please follow the one-way direction of cars to create a smooth flow of traffic, and be patient during the morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up. In order to keep the flow of traffic moving, it is important that drivers pull up as far as possible in the drop-off area.

It is critical to pay attention to cars moving in all directions and, more importantly, check for pedestrians crossing the lanes. Thank you for your consideration.



STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCH



May 17th from 11-1 pm
Sponsored by the DeWitt PTA

Help us recognize our teachers and staff for
their efforts in supporting our students!

Opportunities to Participate

Contribute A Meal...

Make a favorite family dish,
appatizer, side dish, dessert
or bring drinks

Volunteer Your Time...

Choose 1 ...
Shift 1: Setup 10:15-11:30
Shift 2: Lunch 11:30-12:30
Shift 3: Lunch 12:30-1:30
Shift 4: Clean up 1:30-2

Monetary Donations

Monetary donations are greatly appreciated, and make it possible to add the "special touches"!

Checks can be made payable to DeWitt PTA, memo: Staff Appreciation and sent in with your student or mailed to DeWitt PTA, 560 Warren Rd, Ithaca, NY 14850

We look forward to hearing from you!

Please email chelanmazza@gmail.com if you would like to participate. Include your choice(s) of participation and your contact info. Or you may return this sheet to school.

Name:

Provide Food:

Email:

Volunteer Shift:

Monetary Donation:

2016-2017 DeWitt PTA Board and Chairpersons

Please contact Jacquie, jacquiekaden@gmail.com or Melissa, mrachlinski@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer

Co presidentMelissa Rachlinski

Co presidentOPEN

TreasurerOPEN

SecretaryOPEN

PTA Council RepLauren Loiacano

Site Based Council Reps.Wendy Wilcox

.Mark Lewis

.Chuck Goelzer Lyons

DeWitt CommunicationsLauren Loiacano

Newsletter EditorCarol Barry

Newsletter AdsClara Wang

Website ManagerCarol Barry

Membership ChairMichelle Landers

Direct AppealOPEN

Listserv ModeratorOPEN

Back to School Picnic.OPEN

Open HouseAnne Burns Thomas

International Night.Tal Cohen

Book FairMeadow Petersen

.Ewa Pillardy

.Rachel Newton

Staff Appreciation LuncheonOPEN

8th Grade PromotionOPEN

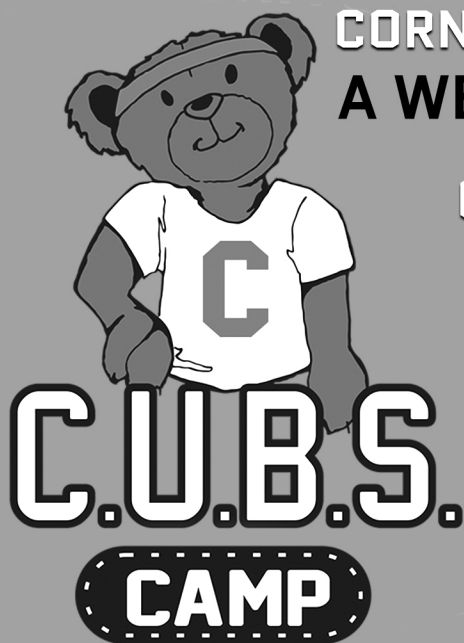


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HARD**
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CORNELL UNIVERSITY BIG RED SPORTS CAMP A WEEK-LONG ALL-SPORTS DAY CAMP

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35+ PEOPLE
SPECIAL GROUP RATES

April 2017						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8 Ping Pong Party 2 – 4 pm
9	10	11	12 Ice Cream Social & 5th Grade Open House 6:00-7:00 pm 6th Grade Science Fair 7:00-8:00 pm 6th Grade families are welcome to come to the Ice Cream Social	13	14 National Junior Honor Society Application Deadline	15 Spring Break
16	17	18	19	20	20	22
Spring Break — No School						
23	24	25	28	27	28	29
30	Scholastic Book Fair					

Notes: _____

May 2016						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
					NYSSMA Solo Festival DeWitt Middle School Presents: Annie	NYSSMA Solo Festival DeWitt Middle School Presents: Annie
			New York State Math Assessments			
7 DeWitt Middle School Presents: Annie	8	9	10	11	12	13 Ping Pong Party 2 – 4 pm
14	15	16 Spring Band Concert Kulp Auditorium 7:00 pm	17 Staff Appreciation Luncheon	18	19	20
					7 & 8 Grade Band and Chorus Trip to Hershey Park	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
						Memorial Day Recess —
28	29	30	31			
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Notes: _____



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