

DeWitt PTA News

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

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Drama Club Presents The Addams Family

By Luna King-O'Brien

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The DeWitt Middle School Drama Club has been hard at work rehearsing *The Addams Family*, under the direction of Mr. Woodridge. *The Addams Family*, a family-friendly musical that will make you giggle and squirm while falling in love with the quirky characters, is ultimately a story of love and acceptance. When Wednesday Addams falls in love with mortal Lucas Beineke, havoc ensues. Wednesday's parents, Gomez and Morticia, learn to embrace and honor their daughter's love interest and her future in-laws Mal and Alice. Rounding out the good-hearted fun are Pugsley, Grandma, Fester and the adorable Lurch! Bringing heart and joy to the whole production are the invigorating ancestors who conjure up the energy and charisma to wow audience members.

	<p>The show is December 13, 14 and 15 at 7:00pm, and December 15 and 16 at 2:00pm.</p>
	<p>Tickets are \$10 for adults, and \$8 for children (under 18) and seniors (over 65).</p>
	<p>The musical will be performed at the DeWitt Middle School Theater at 560 Warren Rd, Ithaca NY 14850.</p>

For tickets, contact Mr. Woodridge.

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**NEW
DATE**

Immigration/ International Night

Thursday, November 29, 6 – 8:00pm

Join us for an international Potluck Dinner, bring a traditional dish to share. Our eighth graders will present their immigration projects and there will be performances after dinner. If you have any questions please contact Penny Boynton.

Message from the DeWitt PTA

Support Your PTA Today!

When you contribute today to the DeWitt PTA, you support the group's activities to enhance the school experience for students, families and teachers. This is our only fundraising campaign – no calls for bake sales, door-to-door selling, or “thon’s” throughout the year!

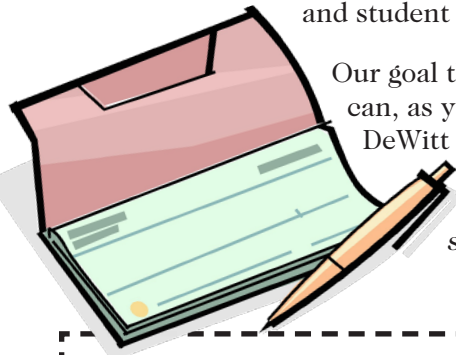
100% of your donation goes directly to our unit, unlike your PTA membership, of which only \$3 comes into our coffers. (The balance supports advocacy efforts at the state and national level.)

Your contribution makes it possible for the PTA to:

- Show our appreciation to teachers and staff
- Present community-building programs like the welcome picnic and movie night
- Host meetings featuring topics of interest
- Enhance school events such as open house and international/immigration night
- Support the 8th grade graduation and field trip
- Provide a channel to learn about and connect with the school through the meetings, newsletter, listserv and volunteer opportunities
- Offer a lending closet for school musicians
- And, if we raise enough funding, provide teacher grants and student scholarships

Our goal this year is \$3,500. Please, give what you can, as you are able, so that we can enrich the DeWitt Middle School experience.

For more information, please contact Suzanne Smith Jablonski at ssmithjablonski@gmail.com.



DeWitt PTA Direct Appeal 2018-2019

Parent/Caregiver Name: _____

Address (if you would like to receive a thank you/acknowledgement):

I would like to contribute \$ _____.

Enclosed please find my check payable to “DeWitt PTA”.

Upcoming PTA Meetings:

Monday, December 10

Monday, January 14

Monday, February 11

All meetings begin at 6:30.

Dear DeWitt Families,

I want to remind everyone that the next PTA meeting is on Monday, December 10th at 6:30pm. The TPCL Teen Librarian will join us to discuss all the programs they are running for our middle and high school age children.

I hope you're able to come to the meeting!

Thank You Volunteers!



I want to thank

Melissa and Jeff R. and Suzanne for their work on our Sept. picnic and all the other parents who pitched in.

Anne T. for organizing our Open House and to **Loredana and Melissa E.** for setting up the borrowing closet.

John M. for organizing Movie Night.

Anindita, Simone and Khandi and the many volunteers who are helping with Immigration Night.

Dr. Cao for his ongoing work with Math Club.

Our new Newsletter Committee: **Carol, Sarah, Elissa, Kelly and Luna.**

The fabulous Penny B. for supporting all these events and having an answer to all of our questions.

If you would like to help with upcoming events, need more information on the PTA at DeWitt, or have some ideas for new events for next year, please let me know (eluciob@gmail.com). Thanks!

–Eglantina

DeWitt Welcomes Mr. Wilcox and Mr. Jackson!

By Luna King-O'Brien and Lindsay Wang

There are many new additions to the DeWitt staff, all valuable to the school's mission. We interviewed two of the new teachers—Mr. Wilcox, a physical education instructor, and Mr. Jackson, a guidance counselor—to find out a little more about them.

Mr. Daniel Wilcox

What do you like most about DeWitt so far?

Everyone is just really welcoming and nice.

Do you have previous teaching experience in PE or otherwise?

Yeah, I taught kids PE at a residential treatment facility.

What do you like to do outside of school?

Work on cars, work out at the gym, play with my dog, hang out with my wife.

What is your dog's name?

Maximus.

What motivates you to teach?

I think it's helping young minds grow and mature. Maybe helping brighten up their day, making them happy. Encouraging them to stay physically fit.



Have you always lived in New York?

I've lived in New York my whole life since I was adopted from South Korea at six months old.

"My mother thinks I am a saint, so let's keep it that way."

—Mr. Wilcox, 2018

Mr. Eric Jackson

What do you like most about DeWitt so far?

I like how everyone has been very welcoming and friendly. Ithaca seems like a laid back, inclusive community.

Do you have previous teaching experience?

I've been in education since 2010; my first six years were in Charlotte, North Carolina as a high school psychologist. I was also a tutoring program director and a special needs teacher assistant. I moved back home to Binghamton, NY in 2016 for a Union Enicott job, then left UE for Syracuse University. After a year there, I wanted to come back to be a middle school psychology counselor.

What schools did you go to?

I went to high school in Binghamton. I graduated with a bachelors in psychology from the University of North Carolina. I went to Capella University in Minnesota. I got an MS in school counseling and a graduate degree in Contemporary Theory of Mental Health services.

What do you like to do outside of school?

I like to stay active by going to the gym, playing basketball and other sports, lifting weights, etc. I enjoy seeing former students and going to their recitals and games.

What motivates you to teach?

I want to try to be the best role model, and help children grow up. They are the future. I like making students smile and being their big cheerleader. I go by, 'You never know what is going on at home,' so I try to make the student experience at school the best one.

What are some things you like?

I love fruity pebbles, eggnog, peanut butter cookies, and buffalo wings. I am an only child—quote, a 'mama's boy.'



"While the students are within these walls, I want to be their greatest motivator."

—Mr. Jackson, 2018

Look for more new staff interviews in upcoming issues!





Career Day at DeWitt

Career Day is Friday, December 7, 2018. The goal of Career Day is to introduce our 8th grade students to a variety of careers. As 8th graders begin to prepare for high school and beyond, it is important to provide opportunities for them to begin seeing themselves as future adults. Career Day is one way we do this at DeWitt.

Throughout the day, students will attend a keynote address and learn about 7-8 careers. This year's keynote speaker is Dr. Luvelle Brown. Students are able to select the career presentations they attend, allowing them to explore topics in which they have an interest. A sampling of career presentations includes, but is not limited to: animal therapy, agriculture, research biology, computer programming, nursing, and cardiology.

If you will be a presenter this year, thank you! If you would like to present at our next Career Day in 2019, please send an email to Amy Cullen (amy.cullen@icsd.k12.ny.us).

Winter Modified Home Basketball Schedule

DATE	START TIME	GAME TYPE	LEVEL	LOCATION	OPPONENT	END TIME	SPORT
Dec 10, 2018, Mon	4:30 PM	Scrimmage	7th/8th (Gold)	DeWitt MS Gym	Vestal (Green)	6:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Dec 10, 2018, Mon	6:00 PM	Scrimmage	7th/8th (Cardinal)	DeWitt MS Gym	Vestal (Gold)	7:30 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Dec 12, 2018, Wed	4:30 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Gold)	Boynton MS Gym	Horseheads (White)	5:30 PM	Basketball (Boys)
Dec 12, 2018, Wed	6:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Cardinal)	Boynton MS Gym	Horseheads (Blue)	8:00 PM	Basketball (Boys)
Dec 12, 2018, Wed	6:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Cardinal)	Boynton MS Gym	Horseheads (Blue)	7:30 PM	Basketball (Boys)
Dec 17, 2018, Mon	5:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Gold)	DeWitt MS Gym	Elmira (White)	6:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Dec 17, 2018, Mon	6:30 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Cardinal)	DeWitt MS Gym	Elmira (Cardinal)	8:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Dec 19, 2018, Wed	5:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Gold)	DeWitt MS Gym	Union-Endicott (Orange)	6:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Dec 19, 2018, Wed	6:30 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Cardinal)	DeWitt MS Gym	Union-Endicott (Black)	8:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)
Jan 3, 2019, Thu	4:30 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Gold)	Boynton MS Gym	Owego Apalachin (Red)	5:30 PM	Basketball (Boys)
Jan 3, 2019, Thu	6:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Cardinal)	Boynton MS Gym	Owego Apalachin (Blue)	7:30 PM	Basketball (Boys)
Jan 7, 2019, Mon	5:00 PM	Regular Season	7th/8th (Gold)	DeWitt MS Gym	Binghamton (West)	6:00 PM	Basketball (Girls)



DeWitt Musical Performances

By Luna King-O'Brien

Dewitt provides a plentiful array of music opportunities and performances. Our upcoming performances include a chorale concert, an orchestra concert, and a band concert, all of which will be held at the Kulp Auditorium in Ithaca High School. Past performances have had wonderful turnouts, and are treasured as excellent showcases for students' work. If you have ever been to one of these concerts, you know that the enjoyment isn't just in the audience; the students are delighted to share their music and the work they have put into it. Viewing the concert, you will be able to see their enthusiasm in the pieces themselves.

This year, the winter band concert's theme is "Rituals." The 6th Grade Band and Orchestra make their first appearance, creating exciting memories and a wonderful experience, as the 7th/8th Grade Band and Orchestra raises the experience level and performs longer, more difficult, wondrous pieces. Chamber groups perform as an advanced, smaller group ensemble. And the Dewitt Jazz Band performs as an upbeat, colorful addition to the band concert. The dates of each concert are as following:

Winter Band Concert: Thursday, December 6th, 7:00 pm

Winter Orchestra Concert: Wednesday, January 16th, 7:00 pm

Winter Choir Concert: Thursday, January 10th, 7:00 pm



Music Department Borrowing Closet

Check out our new PTA concert dress borrowing closet!

The closet has some concert-ready clothes for students to borrow. If your child needs to borrow some clothes, please let his/her teacher know, or contact Loredana (LL775@cornell.edu).

If your child has outgrown last year's concert clothes, please consider donating them to our closet. **We especially need black shoes.** If you'd like to make a donation, please contact Loredana (LL775@cornell.edu). Thank you!



Concert Dress Code Items

- Black dress shirts (for orchestra only)
- White dress tops (for band and choir)
- Black dress pants
- Black shoes
- Black socks
- Solid black dresses (must fall below the knees when sitting down)
- Black skirts (must fall below the knees when sitting down)

If you have any concerns about the dress code, please contact your teacher.

Clubs At DeWitt

If your child is interested in a club that is not on the list, they should speak with Ms. Boynton, and she will meet with your student to try to make that happen.

Penny has a club information and sign up table in the cafeteria and you can contact her at pboynton@icsd.k12.ny.us or 266-3554 .

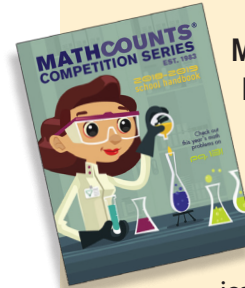
Club Names	Day	Time	Staff	Meeting place
Home Work Club	M,T,Th,	3:20-4:30	Penny Boynton	Cafeteria /classrooms
Jazz Improv Club	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Mr. Treat	Band Room
Sewing/Knitting	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Janet Edwards Parker	E219
Girls Empowered	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Smith	Library Lab room
Chess Club	Mon.	3:20-4:30	Robert Weinberg/Penny	C205
TSA	Tues. Fri.	3:30-6:00	Mr. Buchner	Tech South
Writers Guild	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Mr. Arm	B204
Science Club	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Quadrozzi	D105
LGBTQ&Support	Tues. 2 nd , 4 th	3:20-4:30	Mr. Isley	F119
Guitar Club	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Mr. North	B206
Battle Bots	Tues.	3:20-4:30	TCPL/Joah Tang	Lib. Computer Lab
Math Club	Tues.	3:20-4:45	Mr. Cao	C204
Art Club	Thurs.	3:25-4:30	Ms. Kivisild	Art Room or E203
Bass Club	Thurs.	3:20-4:43	Mr. Buck	E204
Library Squad	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Spisak	Library
YearBook Club	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Smith	Lib.computer Lab
Ping Pong Club	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ms. Hoffman	A205
Morning Clubs				
Aquarium club	Fri.	8:00-8:45	Mr. Gottlieb	D205
NJHS	Thurs.	8:00-8:45	Ms. Quadrozzi	Library
Cooperative Extension				
Magic the Gathering	Tues.	3:20-5:30	Beth Bannister	Art Room
Dungeon&Dragons	Tues.	3:20-5:30	Beth Bannister	Art Room
Art & Soul	Wed.	3:20-5:30	Beth Bannister	Art Room/
Tutoring Program:				
Go Tutors	Tues. Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Robin Rosoff/K Harrell	Library
STEP Cornell	Tues.	3:20-4:30	Ray Hage	A201
IYB College Discovery	Mon. Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Ithaca Youth Bureau	Library
Cornell Film Makers	Wed.& Fri.	3:20-5:00	CU Dr. Duff	A101 A106 Lib.compLib
Paul Schreurs (IYB)	Thurs.	3:20-4:30	Mike Smith, IYB	A201

Math Club

The DeWitt PTA Math Club will be hosting the MathCounts school-wide competition on January 15th, 2019 (tentative date). This event is open and free to the entire DeWitt community, but please let the coaches know by December 8th if your kids are planning to participate, so they can plan ahead.

The Math Club will also travel to SUNY Delhi on February 2nd, 2019 to participate in the MathCounts regional competition. There is still one seat available for an interested student.

Please contact xiaodongcao@cornell.edu if you are interested in the school and regional competitions. The state-wide competition will be held in March 2019. More details can be found at <https://www.mathcounts.org>.



MATHCOUNTS | Fun Math Competition and Club Programs

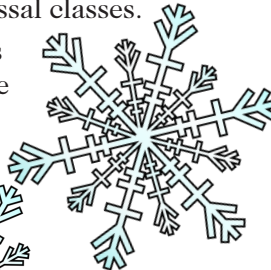
MathCounts is a national middle school mathematics enrichment program that gives educators the resources and guidance needed to run math clubs in schools and other groups.

Two-Hour Delay Procedure:

On these days, parents are encouraged to develop a plan so their children can safely stay home for an additional two hours.

In the event that a two-hour delay is activated, the following procedures will be followed:

- Local news and radio stations will be contacted to report the delayed start, notices will be posted on the District website, Twitter and Facebook pages and emails will be sent to families using the SchoolMessenger system. Caregivers are encouraged to update their contact information in SchoolTool by contacting their school secretary.
- If conditions do not improve within two hours, classes may be cancelled for the entire day and the same methods of notification will be made.
- All bus routes will be delayed by exactly two hours (i.e. If your bus stop is normally at 8:37 a.m., it will be at 10:37 a.m. on delayed start days).
- All schools will start exactly two hours later than normal. Elementary students should arrive at school between 9:40 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
- Secondary school doors will open at 10:30 a.m. Students will follow a condensed bell schedule of all scheduled classes. There will be no zero period at Ithaca High School on two-hour delay days.
- Pre-K classes will NOT be held if a two-hour delay occurs on a Friday. This does not apply to Pre-K 12:45 dismissal classes.
- Simple breakfasts will be available to students when schools open and regular lunches will be served at modified times.
- Schools will be dismissed at their normal times at the end of the school day.



Calendar

PTA events are listed in bold

December

- M 10** PTA Meeting: TCPL Teen Services Librarian
24-1 Winter Recess

January

- M 14** PTA Meeting
M 21 MLK Day Recess

February

- M 11** PTA Meeting
18-22 School recess

March

- M 11** PTA Meeting: ICSD Budget
F 15 Vacation
M 18 District Conference Day

April

- 01-02 NYS ELA Assessments
T 09 Ice Cream Social
15-19 Spring Recess

May

- W 01** Staff Appreciation
06-07 NYS Math Assessments
M 13 PTA Meeting
F 24 Possible Break (make up day depending on school closings)
M 27 Memorial Day recess

June

- M 10** last PTA Meeting
F 21 8th Grade Dance
M 24 8th Grade Promotion
T 25 Last day for students
W 26 Last day for staff

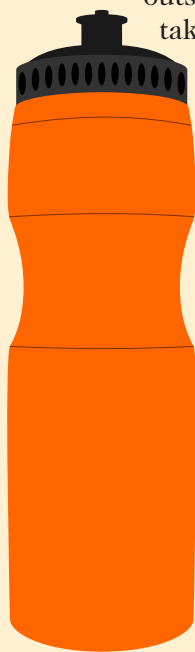
Free School Supply Closet With Its Pass-It-On Point Of View

At one time or another, nearly everyone has found themselves lacking a pencil, ruler, notebook, or other important item for school—whether through forgetfulness, carelessness, or an inability to acquire the item in the first place. If any of the above describes you—or a student you know—take note of the School Supply Closet, a free-to-students service run by Penny Boynton, DeWitt's Family Liaison.

The closet runs on a “pass-it-on” gift philosophy. If any student, for any reason, needs a school supply, that student can stop by Penny's office (or browse the auxiliary supply cart located just outside her office—her door opens into the cafeteria) and take whatever supplies are needed. The pass-it-on part is

this: students who have the means—whether now or at any time in the future—are asked to give back to the closet. So, a student could take a pencil one day, but give back with a three-ring binder a day later, a year later, or still later as an adult. The most popular items in the closet at the start of the school year are index cards, colored pencils, markers, and loose-leaf notebook paper. Other perennially popular supplies include spiral notebooks, three-ring binders, pocket folders, and binder dividers. **This year we have a desperate need for water bottles.** Backpacks are also a desired item in the closet, and students can trade backpacks in, if their tastes or needs change.

The PTA provides the closet with funding for some items, but students' families are encouraged to donate extra supplies to ensure that the closet is always stocked. Thank you for your help!

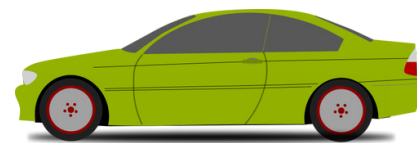


Student Drop-Off And Pick-Up

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.



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.

Volunteer Opportunities With The PTA!

We need people to lead events and programs, and many more people to help support those events and programs.

We are looking for 8th grade parents to help with the June events. If you are interested, please contact Karen Gorsky, karengorsky@gmail.com.

If you can help with help with Staff Appreciation, please contact Eglantina, eluciob@gmail.com.

Join The DeWitt PTA Listserv!

Sign-up on the DeWitt Listserv to receive important information regarding school events, choir/band, PTA events, and community announcements! Sign-up at dewittpta-subscribe@yahoogroups.com with “Join Listserv” in the subject line.

Parent/Teacher Conferences at DeWitt

If your student attended elementary school in the Ithaca City School District, you've probably already been to a few parent-teacher conferences and you know that parent-teacher conference days are marked on the official ICSD calendar. However, once a student moves up to middle school, these conferences don't occur automatically.

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-L; Eric Jackson (eric.jackson@icsd.k12.ny.us) for last names M-Z.

Another way to stay informed with your child's progress is by signing up for the SchoolTool Parent Portal. To sign up please contact Kathy Troy at 257-3445 or (ktroy@icsd.k12.ny.us).

Details can be found on the ICSD website. (<https://ithaca.schooltool.cnyric.org/SchoolToolWeb/>) or click on the school tool button at the top of the of any ICSD web page.

DeWitt PTA Membership Form

Join Us!

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

2nd Parent/Guardian or Child (if s/he would also like to be a member): _____

Telephone: _____

email: _____

☐ Check here if you'd like to be added to the Dewitt PTA listserv (we'll post info and updates on PTA and school events).

Oldest/Only Child's Name (Grade): _____

Membership fees (cover some of our unit's expenses, and our NYS and National PTA dues)

Individual membership: \$ _____ x \$7
(We keep \$3)

Additional member: \$ _____ x \$5
(We keep \$1)

Additional Donation: \$ _____
(We keep 100%)

Grand Total: \$ _____

☐ cash or ☐ check (# _____)

Please make checks payable to DeWitt PTA.

We invite you to participate in as many events and programs as you wish to join.

Please let us know if you or another member of your family like to help us. Some of these programs require a minimal time commitment.

Would you like to volunteer?

☐ Yes! ☐ I'm not sure (please contact me)

I'd love to help coordinate or volunteer for the following program(s):

- ☐ Back to School Picnic
- ☐ Open House
- ☐ Outdoor movie night in the Fall
- ☐ Immigration Night
- ☐ Outdoor musical festival in the Spring
- ☐ Staff Appreciation
- ☐ 8th Grade Dance and Promotion
- ☐ Help coordinate student efforts for Newsletter
- ☐ Help with the Newsletter
- ☐ Manage the PTA website

Mail form and dues to DeWitt PTA, attention: PTA Membership, 560 Warren Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850, or put in an envelope labeled "DeWitt PTA / Membership" and send in with your child to school. Thank you!



**Supporting student success means making sure all students
can get to activities they're interested in,
and families have the transportation they need to stay involved.
Students and families who participate do better!**

PENNY BOYNTON, YOUR SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION LIAISON!

As your School Transportation Liaison, I can share information on existing transportation services and resources, and/or help problem-solve transportation challenges. I can be reached at pboynton@icsd.k12.ny.us or 266-3554.

CARS ARE FOR DRIVING FULL:

Find or offer a ride, and help make the whole community successful! For help setting up carpooling or shared rides, contact your Transportation Liaison (see above) or call Sophie at Way2Go at (607) 272-2292 x184. Or talk directly with other parents/caregivers, your child's coach, drama director, afterschool program teacher, or other activity leader, to offer or look for a ride.

HELP WITH RIDESHARING:

Way2Go also offers a guide to ridesharing that can help you support parents and caregivers like yourself who want to do more ridesharing! To get the guide and/or volunteer to help out, contact your School Liaison, your child's activity leader, or Way2Go, as shown above.

TCAT BUS PASSES

Are available for students who can use a TCAT bus route for transportation to or from school-based (or related) activities. Contact your school transportation liaison or Way2Go.

INSTANT HELP USING TCAT BUS ROUTES:

Download a free app from iTunes called Ride 14850 for instant bus info based on where you want to go. The app is not affiliated with TCAT, but is based on TCAT's route maps.

RED

School Rides offers rides to school meetings and events by volunteer drivers, when possible. Contact RED at least a week ahead by emailing redschoolrides@gmail.com. If you call at the last minute, they will try but it's harder to find a ride. If you have a car, consider volunteering to help families get to meetings. You decide which and how many rides to offer—even just one ride makes a difference!

VIDEOS!

See Way2Go's videos on using the bus, carsharing and ridesharing at way2go.org.

ITHACA CARSHARE DISCOUNT:

For self-serve, by-the-hour access to Ithaca Carshare cars—plus a truck and a minivan—check out the Easy Access plan for low-income families! Call Ithaca Carshare at 607-277-3210.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Call 2-1-1 (or 877-211-8667) for information on current transportation services, contact your school Transportation Liaison, or see www.way2goinfo.org or call Way2Go at 272-2292.

CONTACT:

Sophie Somerfeldt, Way2Go Educator
607-272-2292 ext. 184; chrisophia@cornell.edu

DeWitt At A Glance

A Reference Guide to Help Families Find What They Need

Who Do I Call?

Absent/Tardy Excuses	Attendance
Academic Concerns	Guidance Counselor
AIS	Support Teacher
Athletic/ Sports.	Main Office
Attendance	Attendance
Bulletin Board Approval.	Principal
DeWitt Website.	Coordinator
District Enrollment	274-2201
Early Dismissal.	Superintendent
ENL.	Guidance
Extracurricular Activities.	Family Liaison
Field Trips	Principal
Homework Requests.	Guidance
Illness	Attendance/Nurse
Lockers.	Attendance
Lost & Found	Family Liaison
Lunch Charges	Cafeteria
Personal Problems	Guidance/Nurse/Principal Social Worker/Psychologist
Program of Studies	Guidance
Registration/Withdrawal.	Guidance
Self-Discipline	Associate Principal
Scheduling	Guidance
School Calendar	Main Office
School Policies	Principal
Testing Information	Guidance
Transportation	274-2128
Visitations.	Attendance
Working Papers.	Nurse

Phone Numbers/Who's Who

Principal	Mac Knight 257-3222
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