

# FOCUS

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Budget  
Edition

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## Dear Neighbors, Friends and Community Members,

"In the face of adversity you have three choices... you can let it define you, let it destroy you or let it strengthen you."

- Tanya Masse

It is undeniable that Brockport Central School District has encountered challenges throughout the course of this school year. While by definition challenges are never easy, the sudden loss of one of our first-grade students was particularly difficult. When tragedy strikes, our entire school community is affected.

However, it is also undisputable that we have not let those challenges define us, nor destroy us. Students, staff and families take comfort in the support systems that live organically within our district. During times of duress, we bond together to lift each other up. We are a unified, strong and resilient community.

As our theme for the school year states, "It's a small world." Throughout this publication you will see the impact that our district, students, staff and community members are having on the world beyond Brockport. One of our middle school students competed in an Irish dance competition in Scotland. A 2016 Brockport High School graduate is representing the USA in a race walking competition in China. The OMS Student Council funded the shipping to send more than 750 pounds of school supplies to Puerto Rico following our school supply drive (see photo on right side of page). A group of musicians and dancers brought traditions from their home country of Ghana here to our campus. These are just a few of the many ways our theme comes to life.

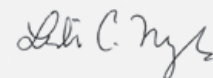
Brockport Central School District has made a significant impact at the state level as well. In September, we shared that the Hill School is home to the 2018 New York State Teacher of the Year, Christopher Albrecht. This March, we were notified that Jerrod Roberts,

assistant principal at Oliver Middle School, was named Assistant Principal of the Year by the School Administrators Association of New York State (SAANYS) and the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP). The fact that we are home to both the NYS Teacher of the Year and Assistant Principal of the Year is extraordinary and a true testament to the caliber of staff we have. (See page 2 for details).

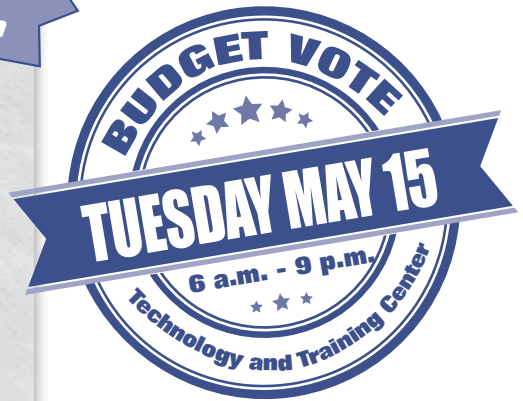
Locally, our own small world - the Brockport community - is also experiencing the phenomenal impact of our district. Our partnerships and collaboration with community organizations allows us to become unified and stronger as a whole. For instance, we partnered with local law enforcement to host a community safety forum. We are fortunate to have close relationships with all our local law enforcement agencies who work hard to ensure the safety of our district and their input at the forum was extremely valuable. Further, our collaboration with Monroe County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo, the Monroe County Legislature and the PTSA empowered us to host an informative panel on a topic that is affecting us locally and nationally: the opioid epidemic. These outreach events exemplify our dedication to our core belief of community: student, family and community engagement is critical to our success.

I want to reiterate my thanks for having such a supportive and kind community. You help us actualize our mission of engaging and empowering our students to achieve excellence as learners and citizens.

Yours in Education,



Lesli C. Myers, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



**40 Allen St., Building 800**  
**Board Trustee Election**  
**Budget Vote**  
**Bus Proposition**

**PTSA Meet the Board**  
**Candidates Night**

May 7, 7 p.m.

A.D. Oliver Middle School LGI

**Budget Insert I - VIII**  
**Continuing Education 11-15**



Melody Martinez-Davis (OMS principal),  
Natalie Utz, Joseph Stempien, Ivan Mofardin

## Instruction Office Highlights

*By Assistant to the Superintendent for Elementary Instruction  
Susan Hasenauer*

A team of administrators and teachers from our district and The College at Brockport attended the National Association for Professional Development Schools' (NAPDS) Conference this March where they had a chance to share with practitioners nationwide how they work together to advance agendas of mutual interest. This collaboration has been particularly noteworthy in the field of education where the goal of preparing and sustaining professional educators has enhanced both institutions through a comprehensive professional development plan of which both pre-service teachers and current teachers and leaders can benefit.

At the conference, the team discussed how just a fence separated The College at Brockport and the Brockport Central School District campuses. Unfortunately, there was no true partnership between this higher education institution and the district until a grant was released that focused on teacher leadership and enhancing the pipeline for pre-service teachers. Using the Strengthening Teacher and Leader Effectiveness (STLE) grant as the catalyst for bringing stakeholders together from both sides of the fence, the team discussed the goals accomplished regarding joint professional development and then some. In fact, the partnership has grown beyond expectations for both organizations.

The team looked back and shared with other experts their four-year journey from finding a focus to achieving sustainability after refining and defining their strong partnership by aligning their goals to a strong vision and mission. They developed a robust Mentor/Teacher Induction Program that acclimates new and pre-service teachers to the culture of a district and the strong pedagogical strategies that are expected and seen from successful teachers. They also used the enhancement of clinically rich field experiences through the creation of demonstration classrooms, action institutes and embedded coaching cycles. In addition, pre-service teachers and leaders participate in mock interviews and receive descriptive feedback in preparation for the interview process.

When we looked to the future, we realized a distinct focus was on curriculum and instructional practices. As we enter the upcoming school year, the partnership will continue to focus on activities that support those key areas but we will also begin broadening our horizons and implement a Diversity Certification Program where collectively 25 staff members will be trained in promoting discussions and awareness of diversity and inclusive excellence. Ultimately, we are very excited about what this collaboration has meant for both entities and we look forward to a long-term, highly-successful partnership.

## Assistant Principal of the Year

Oliver Middle School Assistant Principal Jerrod Roberts was selected as a 2018 New York State Assistant Principal of the Year. The award is presented annually by the School Administrators Association of New York State (SAANYS)



and the National Association of Elementary School Principals (NAESP) to someone who has set the pace, character and quality of education for the children in his or her school.

OMS Principal Melody Martinez-Davis said Roberts is highly respected among staff, students, parents and the community alike.

“When entering any space, Mr. Roberts carries a sense of optimism, tenacity and passion that is unwavering,” said Martinez-Davis. “He is a role model for all educators and students and a valuable partner to parents and our administration team. Students report that Mr. Roberts cares about them as a person and he truly listens to them.”

“Jerrod’s positive influence has been felt district-wide, specifically with his significant contributions to the Oliver Middle School and district-level strategic plans,” said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Lesli C. Myers. “He is adept at using and evaluating strategic processes and structures to promote continuous and sustainable improvement, within and beyond his area of responsibility as an assistant principal.”

Jerrod was honored at an awards ceremony on May 4 at the Century House in Latham, New York.

## BrainPOP at home

Many digital resources that students use in school may also be accessed from home. One such resource is BrainPOP, an educational website that offers curriculum-based learning strategies.

Each month, BrainPOP shares ideas and activities for using BrainPOP at home around a timely topic. You have the opportunity to sign up to receive timely tips and ideas for how to use BrainPOP’s movies, tools, quizzes and other resources to extend learning at home and reinforce what your child is learning in school. A link to BrainPOP is available on our website. Click the “Digital Resources” button on the quick links bar in the middle of the page, then select “Students.”

# “Student, family and community engagement is critical for our success.”

- Brockport Central School District core belief

Brockport Central School District is fortunate to have a myriad of community partners that contribute to its success as an innovative, high-performing school district. From law enforcement to county health officials to The College at Brockport to local non-profits, the district consistently collaborates with its community partners to maximize their symbiotic relationships. This page highlights a few of the many collaborative events.

## Community safety forum

Nearly 150 staff, parents and community members attended our Community Safety Forum on March 7 in which district officials outlined current safety measures and answered questions surrounding school safety. Representatives from local law enforcement agencies were also on hand to discuss their role in keeping our schools safe.

### Panelists

- Chief Mark Cuzzupoli, *Brockport Police Department*
- Trooper Jason Klewicki, *New York State Police*
- Dr. Lesli C. Myers, *Superintendent of Schools*
- Jeffery Phillips, *Director of Security*
- Captain Kevin Reilly, *New York State Police*
- Lt. Dean Tuthill, *Monroe County Sheriff's Office*
- Darrin Winkley, *Assistant Superintendent for Business*

The video from the forum is now available on our website. Visit [bcs1.org/safety](http://bcs1.org/safety), then click “Safety Forum Video” in the menu. (If you are viewing on a computer, the menu will be located on the right side of the screen. If you are viewing on a mobile device, select “menu” located under the social media icons and the menu will appear on the left, then scroll down).

The event was sponsored by the Brockport PTSA.



Todd Hagreen, athletic director; Lesli C. Myers, Ed.D. superintendent; John DeBaun, co-founder of Westside Challenger Tennis; Gigi Gowanlock, buildings and grounds; Jack Milner, co-founder of Westside Challenger Tennis; Doug Collier, The College at Brockport; Christian Hansen, director of buildings and grounds

## Opioid awareness panel discussion

Brockport CSD partnered with Monroe County Executive Cheryl Dinolfo, the Monroe County Legislature and the Brockport PTSA to host a panel discussion on April 18 surrounding the opioid epidemic that has swept our nation and community. Monroe County Commissioner of Public Health Dr. Michael Mendoza provided a comprehensive review of opioid addiction and shared steps the county is taking to combat the issue, then attendees asked questions to the panel of experts.

### Panelists

- Sandra Doorley, *Monroe County District Attorney*
- Michael Favata, *Monroe County Sheriff's Office*
- Carlee Hulsizer, *Person in Recovery*
- Yana Khaspher, *Co-Founder of ROCoverly Fitness*
- Dr. Michael Mendoza, *Monroe County Public Health Commissioner*
- Alyssa Morehouse, *Adolescent Addiction Therapist at Rochester Regional Health System*
- Robert Zerby, *Monroe County Chief Medical Investigator*

## Calling all local veterans!

All local veterans are invited to be recognized at Oliver Middle School's annual Memorial Day ceremony on May 25. Veterans in attendance will be introduced during the ceremony, which begins at 7:30 a.m. in front of the middle school. A breakfast will be held in the cafeteria immediately following the ceremony for attending veterans. If you are a veteran and would like to attend, please call Melisa Greenman at 585-637-1865.

## Westside Challenger Tennis plaque

Brockport CSD officials were presented with a plaque on March 26 in appreciation of the district's support of the Westside Challenger Tennis program. Westside Challenger Tennis is a free program for students with special needs in grades K-12 that allows participants to learn and play tennis in a fun, safe environment. Instruction takes place on the district's tennis courts and gyms.

## All-county music festivals

*Congratulations to the musicians who represented Brockport Central School District in all-county music festivals this March.*

### Junior High All-County Music Festival, Churchville-Chili HS, March 2-3

Alex Stoker, Joey Stempien, Zachary Thomas, Hannah Williams, Oriel Hodge, KhaNy Sangasy, Greta Hall, Bella Viola



### Senior High All-County Music Festival, East Rochester HS and the Eastman Theatre, March 9-10

**Band:** Hannah Schultz, Laine Ramsay, Gavin Tremblay

**Orchestra:** Abby Foley, Grace Crowe, Caspar Carson

**Mixed Chorus:** Josie Caiazza, Clara Barrett, Amanda Giardina, Sacred Howland, Isaac Barrett, Neil Czerniak IV, James McAllister, Jakeb Specht



### Elementary All-County Music Festival, Hilton HS, March 16-17

**Hill:** Heleyna Dela Cruz, Paige Ireland, Bella Bruno, Machara Miller, Spencer White, Isiah Markel, Andrew Lennartz, Mason Schram, Vincenza Viola, Ziyad Elovardighini, Daniel Dailey, Kristina Irene, Ella Johnson, Sadie Contrera and Graham Wisnowski



### All-County Jazz Music Festival, Spencerport HS, March 23-24

**Jazz Band:** Josh VanDeMark, Alec Andrews, Austin Stroup

**Vocal Jazz:** Nzinga Marah, Claire Gratto, Grace Crowe, Molly Falkenstein, Shay Gauthier, Lillyanna McNamee, Sam Sevor, Gavin Tremblay



**OMS Band:** Samuel Bonisteel, Joseph Stempien

## Brockport's Best

Brockport High School juniors Jordyn Bombay, Madelyn Fadale and Sheridan Grady and senior Samantha Rogers were recognized as Brockport's Best during the board of education meeting on Feb. 27 for their efforts in the Unified Sports Youth Activation Committee meeting and their participation as partner players on the Brockport Unified Basketball Team.

The students presented strategies for "spreading the word to end the word" during the Jan. 26 Unified Sports Youth Activation Committee meeting. Students from 19 different schools throughout Section V were in attendance.

"I am extremely proud of their leadership skills and courage to present in front of their peers from other school districts on such a meaningful topic," said Director of Athletics Todd Hagreen.



# School HIGHLIGHTS

## Police officers visit UPK

“P” was the letter of the day in UPK on Feb. 26. In celebration, students received a special visit from members of the Brockport Police Department. Brockport Police Chief Mark Cuzzupoli and Officer Lucas VanDervort passed out special badges and taught students about the important job of police officers to help people and keep our community safe.



## 100 days to graduation

The countdown to graduation is on! Brockport High School seniors marked 100 days to graduation with a celebration on March 16. They cycled through various stations to confirm spelling on their diplomas, select staff members to invite to graduation and note other graduation and prom preferences. They also enjoyed lunch from Jimmy Z's, participated in games sponsored by the PTSA and picked up graduation lawn signs.



## OMS Variety Show

Song, dance and talent filled the Oliver Middle School gym during the Variety Show held on March 9. This year's show featured 16 different acts including singing, dancing, trombone playing, violin playing, unique drumming and a band. Cheers filled the gym after each performance as classmates showed their support for their peers. Congratulations to all the performers on a wonderful show!



## Barclay students travel the world

Barclay third-graders took a trip around the world during the school's annual Multicultural Day on Feb. 16. Students from Northstar Christian Academy taught third-graders about traditions and beliefs in Belgium, Brazil, China, Italy, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey, Ukraine and Vietnam. The day also involved African drumming performances and sampling of various food from around the world. New this year, Barclay students taught Ginther first-graders about the countries they studied.



## Hill spelling bee champions crowned

Congratulations to Isaac Allen and Raegan Horschel, the winners of our fifth- and fourth-grade spelling bees! Both grade levels cycled through numerous rounds of words before it was narrowed down to five finalists. The fifth-grade finalists competed for the championship on March 19 and the fourth-grade finals were held on March 15. The five finalists from each grade level were presented with their own dictionaries and the winners' names were inscribed on a plaque. Great job to all the spelling bee participants!



## Together We Learn at Ginther School: Math and Literacy Night

By Kelly Keenan, instructional coach and Jennifer Cooper, first-grade teacher

Each year students and families from Ginther School gather for a night of learning and fun. This year, on Monday, March 26, the annual event called “Together We Learn” took place. Teachers designed learning stations for students to participate in while families were right there to learn beside their children. Each station was designed around a learning standard in math, ELA or technology. Teachers also provided parents and families with ways to recreate this learning at home. Written directions were provided for every station. Regular household items, along with some provided “goodies” from math baggies, made recreating the learning very easy to do. This year a committee called “From Bottles to Books” added a station with free books and information for prepping children from birth to age 4 for school.

Principal Debra Waye also provided books for students to add to their home libraries. PTSA contributed delicious ice cream sundaes for families and coffee for the adults. As the saying goes, “It takes a village to raise a child” and Ginther exemplified this through the event by the many groups involved. Parents and families attended, BHS National Honor Society provided volunteers, custodial staff helped with set up and tear down, teachers executed stations, prepped materials, set up, cleaned up and got students excited to come to the event and PTSA helped with advertising and, of course, the ice cream!

We are already looking forward to next year’s event!



## Day of Caring and Wellness

Promoting mental health and wellness was the goal at Brockport High School on March 29. The Day of Caring and Wellness (formerly known as Breaking Down Barriers Day or Peace Day) provided students the opportunity to sign up for two shorter sessions of their choosing or one longer session. Sessions were offered on a wide spectrum of topics, including art, music, yoga and mindfulness. Some students opted to participate in a listening session in which they could submit questions to the principal. Others painted murals around the building or tie dyed t-shirts. Relaxing in the library with therapy dogs was another popular option. One of the long sessions featured music recording technology in which each student contributed a musical piece to be produced and engineered into a collaborative original song.



## Safety excellence award

Brockport Central School District’s safety efforts were recognized by the Utica National Insurance Group for the 14th consecutive year. After evaluating the district in 22 different safety categories, Utica National presented the district with the highest, titanium level with honors,

School Safety Excellence Award. District officials were given a plaque and a \$500 award, which will be used to further safety efforts.



Brockport’s safety committee meets monthly to examine how the district carries out safety and security measures and to ensure that any concerns are addressed. The committee also performs building safety inspections and holds “table top drills,” where members review hypothetical scenarios to test emergency procedures. The committee includes representatives from every school building, central office, buildings and grounds, security, athletics, transportation, food services, school nursing staff, parents (PTSA) and representatives from the district’s insurance company.

The award was presented during a school safety seminar in Batavia this March. BHS Principal Brian Weller, OMS Principal Melody Martinez-Davis, Hill Principal Brandon Broughton, OMS Assistant Principal Jerrod Roberts, OMS teacher Don Voorheis, Director of Security Jeff Phillips and Assistant Superintendent for Business Darrin Winkley attended the free seminar, presented by Utica National Insurance Group, to learn about mental health and wellness among school-aged youth.

## Hill students' work published by The America Library of Poetry

Six Hill School fifth-graders are now nationally-published poets. Daniel Sidore, Naomi Stroup, Gianna Matthews, Paige Ireland, Kailah Murch and Audrey Bazinet wrote poems last year in Natalie McCue's, Melissa Norment's and Julie Wilson's fourth-grade language arts class. McCue submitted the poems to a national contest.



*Natalie McCue, Daniel Sidore, Naomi Stroup, Gianna Matthews, Paige Ireland, Kailah Murch, Audrey Bazinet*

The contest, offered by the America Library of Poetry, is an annual contest for students in grades 3 – 12. Submissions are reviewed by a panel of judges and winners are selected based on originality, creativity and artistic quality.

The 2017 winning poems were published in "Treasured, 2017 Student Poetry Collection," a book intended to bring critical acclaim to the work of many exceptional young authors from across the United States. Out of the thousands of submissions received by The America Library of Poetry, less than 20 percent were selected for publication.

## Hill School Tolerance Week

Hill School celebrated tolerance and diversity through a school-wide PBIS event during the week of April 23. Included during the week were classroom lessons focused on exhibiting tolerance, as well as activities in physical education, art class and other special areas. Assemblies were held to promote successful individuals and how differences work together to make stronger groups. On Thursday, students experienced a "mix it up lunch" that included teamwork tasks and STEM challenges. The week culminated with a school-wide assembly featuring guest speaker Brandon Lee White, The Youth Mover. A special thank you to the members of the PBIS team at Hill for planning and organizing the week-long event, as well as Jill Corner, the school's PBIS coach!

## Barclay Soup Parade

Art, literature and community service were the primary components of a third-grade project at Barclay. Each student chose a book from the library to use as inspiration to create a soup can label. The finished cans were then placed on display before students took them on a parade around the building. The culmination of the project was the Second Annual Third-Grade Soup Parade, held on March 26. The soup was then donated to the Brockport Food Shelf and Hamlin Life Solutions.



## OMS hosts parent learning walks

Oliver Middle School parents and guardians witnessed first-hand the innovative curriculum and educational experiences students receive at the middle school during the school's first ever Parent Learning Walks event on March 15.

Throughout the last few years, OMS staff members have been working on incorporating instructional practices such as learning targets and listening and speaking protocols, along with using technology as a tool for instruction to align with the building's strategic plan and district vision. Parent Learning Walks gave parents the opportunity to see these practices in action.

Parents received an orientation before visiting a number of classrooms, then debriefed with administration. Oliver Middle School administrators said the event was a success and they hope to hold more in the future.

## OMS student competes in Scotland

Talent brought an Oliver Middle School student across the world. Eighth-grader Kiera Wilson competed in the World Championships of Irish Dance on March 26 in Glasgow, Scotland. She participated in the 13-14 age group and danced a slip jig (soft shoe) and treble jig (hard shoe) in the solo event competition. Wilson dances for the Rochester Academy of Irish Dance, directed by Rachel and Paula Burke and Kathleen O'Keefe. Accompanying Wilson on the trip to Scotland was her mother, Cathy Houston-Wilson and her sister Meaghan. She is the daughter of Cathy and Kevin Wilson and sister to Meaghan and Shannon. Small world, big talent – congratulations, Kiera!



# PTSA News

By Lynn Rodrigues, PTSA president

## Books & Bingo was fun for all!

Books & Bingo night is a yearly tradition at Barclay School for UPK-5 families. Everyone came out on March 1 for an evening of bingo games and fun prizes provided by Brockport PTSA. Mr. Morrison even told a bunch of corny jokes. Can't wait until next year!



## Thanks to everyone who supported the 2018 Sock Drive!

Our collection boxes were full. The new socks were shared amongst the schools to make sure we had supplies to keep everyone's feet warm and dry this winter.



## 100 Days Until Graduation event was a hit on March 16!

Brockport PTSA was excited to be part of the 100 Days Until Graduation event at BHS. Students participated in our "Minute to Win It" game and graduation prep activities as well as snacked on food from Jimmy Z's. One lucky winner received a fun gift basket. Congratulations to the Class of 2018! We are proud of all of you!



## The PTSA Candy-Gram Sale brought in over \$300 for the American History Trip Scholarship Fund!

Boxes of candy hearts with fun messages were purchased by OMS parents, students and staff this year for Valentine's Day. All proceeds went to the AHT Scholarship Fund along with another \$500 donation from PTSA.



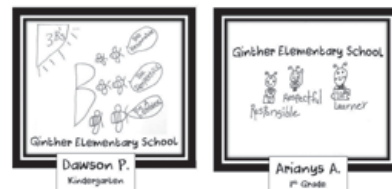
## Our Annual "Ask Dr. Myers" Q&A session was a success!

We had a large turnout for our annual parent Q&A with Dr. Myers on March 22. There were discussions about homework, incorporating accelerated academic programs into elementary schools, i-Ready, how to participate in the school budget preparation and many more topics. Thanks to everyone who came and participated in this informative event!



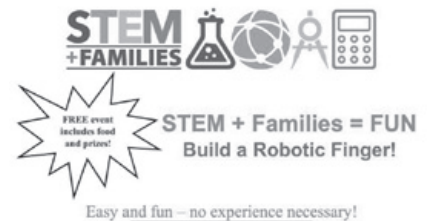
## Congratulations to our Ginther t-shirt contest winners!

This is one of our favorite annual events. We have amazing Ginther artists. The winning designs were made into t-shirts for Ginther families to purchase.



## Brockport PTSA won a National PTA grant to have a STEM Family Night at OMS!

We were one of 35 selected grants out of 280 applicants! The STEM Family Night will allow OMS students and families to work together building a robotic finger while enjoying pizza and the chance to win prizes. Date/time TBA.



PTSA provided ice cream sundaes for Together We Learn: Math & Literacy Night on March 26! Ginther families participated in math and literacy activities that their whole family could enjoy.



# PTSA News

**Congratulations, fourth- and fifth-grade Spelling Bee finalists!**



*T-Shirts sponsored by Brockport PTSA*

**Thank you all who attended the Brockport PTSA Community Safety Forum on March 7**

We had a very knowledgeable panel including school district administration and staff, the Brockport Police Department, Monroe County Sheriff's Office and New York State Police. We, at Brockport, are lucky to have a partnership with all these agencies. Thank you for keeping our schools safe.



**The PTSA Green Team welcomed next year's class of kindergarten parents to Ginther on March 5 at info night.**

Along with a wealth of information, each kindergartener received a new reusable lunch container to encourage our families to reduce/reuse/recycle!

**Books, books and more books!**

The Barclay Book Fair Coin Challenge brought in over \$800 in loose change!

Not only does Scholastic match those donations nationally by providing books to children that need them across America, but EACH Barclay classroom teacher received \$30 to shop the book fair for new classroom books.

We also provided a new book to each student in Barclay and Hill schools during Read Across America Week.



**Buy One-Get One Free Book Fair**

Don't miss the last book fair of the year!

**June 18 - 19**

Look for detailed flyers to come home with your student soon

**Do you want to be part of a group that makes a difference in the school district?**

PTSA still has positions open for next school year.

It's a great way to be involved in your child's education!

**Meet the BOE Candidates**

Join us at the OMS LGI on **Monday, May 7 at 7 p.m.**

**BCSD Budget Presentation**

**Thursday, May 10, 9:45 a.m. Technology & Training Center**

**Don't miss this informative meeting!**

**Upcoming PTSA meeting dates**

*Join us for the last meetings of the year*

- General meeting: June 18 at 6 p.m.
- OMS meeting: June 4 at 2:15 p.m.
- Elementary meeting: June 14 at 9:45 a.m.



Keep in touch with Brockport PTSA!

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# Alumni SPOTLIGHT

2016 Brockport High School graduate AJ Gruttadauro race walked his way to a spot in the 2018 World Race Walking Team Championships in Taicang, China this May.



Gruttadauro is currently attending West Virginia University Institute of Technology on a race walk scholarship. In January, he qualified for the 50 kilometer team that is headed to China for the championships. He also qualified for the 20 kilometer team in April, but could not do both and opted to compete in the 50 kilometer event. *(For reference, a marathon is approximately 42 kilometers.)*

Gruttadauro began running cross country and track when he was in seventh-grade at Oliver Middle School. In January of 2015, he pursued an interest in race walking, a sport that his coaches knew little about. Through a lot of research and practice, Gruttadauro not only mastered the sport, but found his passion. He has since gone on to earn several national titles and we wish him luck as he represents the USA in China. It's a small world and he is making Brockport CSD proud!

## Congratulations, Junior Rockhounds of America!

Six Hill School students earned the status of Junior Rockhound of America from The American Federation of Mineralogical Societies (AFMS). The AFMS youth program, supported locally by members of the Rochester Lapidary Society, promotes popular interest and education in various earth sciences such as geology, mineralogy, paleontology and lapidary. Students earn their Junior Rockhound of America patch with a show of proficiency in at least six topics in the program. Subjects include earth processes, rocks and mineral identification, fossils, gemstones, lapidary arts, maps, rocking on the computer and more.



Throughout the year students shared their enthusiasm with their peers by creating rock and fossil displays, making posters and sharing mineral samples.

On March 19, Ed Smith, president of the Rochester Lapidary Society, presented Junior Rockhound of America certificates and badges to Payton Preston, Molly Krotz, Jack Venturelli, Chase Cole, Daniel Ballou and Abigail Kingsley. Maelyn Kroeckel, already a Rockhound, gained her leadership badge by assisting mentor Karen Rakoski throughout the year.

### Virtual Backpack reminder

Our updated Virtual Backpack is up and running! The Virtual Backpack is a collection of flyers pertaining to events and activities within the community.

To subscribe to the Virtual Backpack, visit [bcs1.org/vb](http://bcs1.org/vb) and scroll down to the box at the bottom of the page. Click "Subscribe" in the top right corner of the box, then enter your information and select the frequency in which you would like to receive notifications. You will receive email notifications to inform you of new events either immediately, daily or weekly based on your selection.

If you would like to view the flyers without subscribing, you may visit the website at any time. To access our Virtual Backpack, visit [bcs1.org/vb](http://bcs1.org/vb).

*Please note: The Virtual Backpack flyers are provided as a community service and Brockport CSD does not sponsor or endorse community activities.*

## OMS Student Council funds school supply shipping to Puerto Rico

More than 750 pounds of school supplies were collected during our school supply drive for Puerto Rico – thank you to everyone who contributed! A special thank you to the OMS Student Council who donated the necessary funds to ship the supplies to the Las Piedras and Fajardo school districts in Puerto Rico.



*Students in the Jose de Diego School show off their new supplies.*

The district kicked off the school supply drive after Hurricane Maria left many schools in Puerto Rico without power or supplies. Our district theme for the school year, "It's a Small World," celebrates our unique backgrounds and perspectives that combined give us the power to change the world. The school supply drive was a way in which our small Brockport community could positively impact students in another country.

Dear Residents,

Welcome to Brockport Continuing Education program! The mission of our program is to offer continued learning opportunities that meet the needs and interests of our community.

The Brockport Continuing Education program is a self-sustaining program funded by enrollment fees. Since we rely solely on course fees, it is necessary to maintain minimum registration requirements. Please know that classes not meeting minimum registration requirements may be cancelled. Notifications for class cancellations due to limited registration will be made prior to first class sessions and refunds will be issued. Please know that class registration fees do not include the cost of books, materials or supplies unless noted in class descriptions.

Thank you for your support and participation in our program. We encourage you to contact us with questions, concerns or suggestions.

Respectfully,



Debra Wayne, Director of Continuing Education



Katrina Schwartz, Program Secretary

**Class cancellation & confirmation:** Individual canceled classes will be made up whenever possible; however, if they are not, there will be no refunds. No continuing education classes are held when Brockport schools are closed due to weather or other emergency conditions. Please check the Brockport Central School website, your local TV or radio stations for broadcast cancellations. Summer classes will begin the week of Monday, July 2, 2018 unless otherwise noted. **If you do not receive notification of cancellation, your class will be held. No confirmations are sent.**

**Due to holiday observances, school functions or scheduled recesses, classes will not meet on the following date: July 4, 2018.**

**Parking:** Please be sure to park in designated areas, not in bus or emergency lanes.

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Trina Kenney

Phone: 585-637-1961

Email: [trina.kenney@bcs1.org](mailto:trina.kenney@bcs1.org)

**WEMOCO adult classes:**

A vast number of vocational programs in business, health, trade and industrial areas are available. Information concerning offerings, dates, cost, etc. can be obtained by calling the Center for Workforce Development Office at 349-9100.

**REGISTRATION: (mail-in)**

Please mail the completed registration form with payment to:

**For Continuing Education Courses:**

Office of Continuing Education  
Fred W. Hill School  
Brockport Central School District  
40 Allen Street  
Brockport, New York 14420

**For Driver Education Courses:**

Office of Driver Education  
Oliver Middle School  
Brockport Central School District  
40 Allen Street  
Brockport, New York 14420

All checks must be made payable to: Brockport Continuing Education. Our office must receive all forms one week prior to first class session date. Please remember that prompt registration may reduce the likelihood of classes being cancelled due to low enrollment. Also please know that anyone who is 18 years of age or older is eligible to register, with the exception of those courses designed specifically for younger students.

**Refunds:** Refunds are provided only if a student withdraws from the class 24 hours prior to the scheduled start date. No refunds will be provided after the first class. If you join a class after the scheduled start date, the tuition will be the same amount. If a class needs to be canceled due to maintenance or weather emergencies, no partial refund will be issued. **Refunds will be processed for courses that have been fully cancelled from our schedule for reasons such as low enrollment.** Fees for registration do not include the cost of books, materials or supplies, unless noted.

**We are now accepting registration and payment online!**

Visit [bcs1.org/continuinged](http://bcs1.org/continuinged)

## Sports Programs & Clinics

### Golf Lessons Ages 16 & Up

enjoy this fun 4 day class for ages 16 and up. This class will teach the fundamentals of the game of golf, and focus on achieving a full swing and solid contact with the ball. Please join the instructor, Tom Stanton, at Woodlands Golf Range, 5500 West Ridge Rd. Spencerport 14559. The fee is \$75 per session, clubs and equipment are included for those who need them. There is an additional ball fee of \$7 per class. The class is limited to 10 participants, so early registration is recommended. There are Multiple 4 day sessions available.



Please see dates and times below.

Fee: \$75 per session

Maximum Enrollment: 10

Instructor: Tom Stanton

Location: Woodlands Golf Range

June Sessions: Tuesdays: 5, 12, 19, 26

Thursdays: 7, 14, 21, 28

July Sessions: Tuesdays 10, 17, 24, 31

Thursdays 12, 19, 26, 8/2

Time: 6:15-7:15 p.m.

## Sports Programs & Clinics (continued)

### Me and My Pal Golf

Learn to play golf and have some fun with your best pal! Instructor, Tom Stanton, will teach you and your child or grandchild the fundamentals of golf, including a full swing, proper grip and how to develop good ball contact. You and your child will learn to play safely, and with proper golf etiquette. This class is designed for all ages. Join Tom for four classes at Woodlands Golf Range, 5500 West Ridge Rd., Spencerport 14559. The registration fee is \$65 for two people. There is an additional ball fee of \$7 per class. The class is limited to 10 participants, so early registration is recommended.

Fee: \$65 (includes one adult & one youth)      Dates: Saturdays  
 Maximum Enrollment: 10      June 2, 9, 16, 23  
 Location: Woodlands Golf Range      July 7, 14, 21, 28  
 Instructor: Tom Stanton      Time: 10-11 a.m.

### Munchkin Tennis (Grades K-2)

This program will introduce your child to the basics of tennis through fun-filled, games-based instruction. Each child is expected to have a 23 or 25 inch racquet. Register By Friday, July 13 and get a free camp t-shirt!

Fee: \$70 per child      Dates: July 23-26 (27 rain date)  
 Time: 9-10:30 a.m.      July 30-Aug 2 (3 rain date)  
 Minimum Enrollment: 3      Maximum Enrollment: 10  
 Location: Brockport High School Tennis Courts  
 Instructors: Alyx Hullfish, Taylor Hullfish

### Beginner Tennis (Grades 3-7)

This program will provide your child with basic instruction in proper grips and strokes of tennis. A games-based approach will be used and match play will be introduced. Each child is expected to have a 25 or 27 inch (full size) racquet. Register By Friday, July 13 and get a free camp t-shirt!

Fee: \$70 per child      Dates: July 23-26 (27 rain date)  
 Time: 10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.      July 30-Aug 2 (3 rain date)  
 Minimum Enrollment: 3      Maximum Enrollment: 10  
 Location: Brockport High School Tennis Courts  
 Instructors: Alyx Hullfish, Taylor Hullfish



Please fill out the form below for Continuing Education courses and return with your check to our office. You may also register and pay online at [bcs1.org/continuinged](http://bcs1.org/continuinged). For Driver Education please see the form in the driver education section of this publication.

## Summer Registration Form 2018

Please fill in all areas that apply to the program(s) you are registering for. Please use a separate form for each participant you are registering

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Name or Initial

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade As Of Sept. 2018: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Please circle shirt size (if applicable to the program)

Youth M (6-8), L (10-12), Adult S, M, L, XL

### Check Desired Program(s):

- |                           |       |                                   |                         |
|---------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Golf Lessons              | _____ | Fee \$75 (Ages 16 & Up)           | Medical Concerns: _____ |
| Me & My Pal Golf Lessons  | _____ | Fee \$65 (includes Adult & Child) | _____                   |
| Munchkin Tennis 7/23-7/26 | _____ | Fee \$70 (Grades K-2)             | _____                   |
| Munchkin Tennis 7/30-8/2  | _____ | Fee \$70 (Grades K-2)             | _____                   |
| Beginner Tennis 7/23-7/26 | _____ | Fee \$70 (Grades 3-7)             | _____                   |
| Beginner Tennis 7/30-8/2  | _____ | Fee \$70 (Grades 3-7)             | _____                   |
| Speed & Strength Training | _____ | Fee \$75 (Grades 7-12)            | _____                   |
| Home Alone July 5         | _____ | Fee \$25 (Ages 7-12)              | _____                   |
| Home Alone Aug 30         | _____ | Fee \$25 (Ages 7-12)              | _____                   |
| Baby Sitting              | _____ | Fee \$45 (Ages 11-15)             | _____                   |

**Make checks payable to:**  
 Brockport Continuing Education

**Send payment and registration to:**  
 Brockport Continuing Education  
 Fred Hill School  
 40 Allen Street  
 Brockport, NY 14420

\*To register for Summer Percussion Lessons or class, please email Miss Valente at [victoria.valente@bcs1.org](mailto:victoria.valente@bcs1.org)

## Sports Programs & Clinics (continued)

### Speed & Strength Training Grades 7 - 12 "NUGECAMP"

This training session will help to:

- Improve every aspect of your play
- Increase speed and agility
- Improve athletic strength
- Reduce chance of injury

Monday/Thursday – linear speed and acceleration

Tuesday/Friday – Agility

Wednesday = off (football players report only)

Fee: \$75

Dates: June 25 – Aug. 3

Session 1: 8:30–10 a.m.

Session 2: 10-11:45 a.m.

NOTE: District closed July 4

Location: High School Fitness Center/High School Softball Fields

Instructors: Scott Nugent, Paul Carella, Phil Thore

## Music Lessons

### Private Percussion Lessons

If your student would like to study percussion this the summer, Miss Valente is offering private lessons! Miss Valente teaches band at the Brockport High School as well as conducts the percussion and jazz ensembles during the regular school year. She is a graduate of Nazareth College, with an emphasis in percussion. Lessons will be offered on Thursdays during August (8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23). Each scheduled lesson will cost \$20 per half hour. To schedule a time for a lesson or lessons, please contact Miss Valente directly at [Victoria.valente@bcs1.org](mailto:Victoria.valente@bcs1.org).

### Summer Percussion Class

Miss Valente is offering a new percussion class this summer! Percussionists will participate and learn in a group setting for 45 minutes per week. Classes will be on Wednesdays August 1, 8, 15, & 22. The cost is \$60 per participant. Times will vary by age group. Please see the time schedule below. For more info and to sign up, please contact Miss Valente directly at [Victoria.valente@bcs1.org](mailto:Victoria.valente@bcs1.org).

Summer Percussion Class Times

9-9:45 a.m. – 5th grade

10-10:45 a.m. – 6th grade

11-11:45 a.m. – 7th & 8th grade

12-12:45 p.m. – 9th -12th grade



## Youth Safety

### Home Alone

It's difficult to know when your child is ready to stay home alone. This two-hour class from Epic Trainings is designed to teach youth ages 7-12, who might be home alone or with older siblings, how to be safe and responsible. Preparation can make the transition easier for you and your child. There are two dates available for this one-day class. See dates below.

Topics for this class include but are not limited to:

- Basic first aid
- What to do when a stranger comes to the door
- Answering the telephone
- Internet safety
- How to react during an emergency such as fire or power outage

Fee: \$25

Minimum Enrollment: 5

Maximum Enrollment: 30

Location: Hill School Art Room #211

Instructor: Epic Training staff

Thursdays 9-11 a.m.

Session 1: July 5

Session 2: Aug. 30

### Babysitter Training

Instructors lead lecture through classroom discussion and an interactive video presentation. This five- hour class for boys or girls ages 11 and up teaches participants the roles and responsibilities of a babysitter, including skills in accident prevention, first aid and abdominal thrusts for choking. Each student will receive a workbook and a certification card upon completion. Students are asked to bring a self-addressed stamped envelope to class along with a bagged lunch.

Fee: \$45

Minimum Enrollment: 5

Location: Hill School Cafeteria

Instructor: Epic Training staff

Date: Thursday, July 5

Maximum Enrollment: 30

Time: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

## Summer 2018 Driver Education

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to our Driver Education Program at Brockport High School. This is an exciting time for your child in their academic career that comes with a great deal of freedom and responsibility! Our Driver Education program is offered to anyone who desires expert instruction from highly qualified teachers prior to receiving a New York State Driver's License. Our Driver Education Program is a comprehensive experience that includes both theory and practice. This program is an investment in your child's future; providing them with the necessary knowledge and experience to become a safe driver.

Below is important information about the program and the process for registering your child. Thank you for your interest and participation in our program and please feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully,



Melody Martinez-Davis,  
Coordinator of Driver Education



Trina J. Kenney,  
Administrative Assistant



Enrolled students will receive instruction in the classroom, behind the wheel and on the road as required by New York State Department of Motor Vehicles. Those successfully completing the class will receive an MV285 certificate that gives the holder the privilege to receive a Class D operator's license when reaching age 17, allowing them to drive after 9 p.m. Students must be 16 years old by June 25, 2018 and hold a valid NYS driver permit or license to be eligible for the course. The Pre-Licensing 5-hour Course material is included in Driver Education.

Most insurance companies will offer a discount on compulsory car insurance upon request.

**Classroom instruction** – Students must attend all 16 sessions of classroom instruction in the high school LGI. The loan of a text is included in the class fee.

Instructors: Richard Fiorito – Session I - LGI  
Richard Barrett – Session II - Room 192  
Richard Barrett – Session III - Room 192

**Students must have the following:**

- Permit/license
- New York State Driver Manual
- Notebook/folder
- Writing materials
- Sunglasses are encouraged
- Appropriate footwear (i.e. no sandals)

### **Session I – June 25 – July 19, 2018 – Theory Class in High School LGI**

#### **GROUPS**

SA1	8–9:30 a.m.
SA2	9:30–11 a.m.
**Theory Class	11 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
SA3	12:45–2:15 p.m.
SA4	2:15–3:45 p.m.

#### **TIME**

**All car groups and theory classes will happen on the following dates:**

June 25, 26, 27, 28, 29; July 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19

\*\*All students in session I will attend daily theory class at 11 a.m. in the LGI

**Driving groups** - will start and end at the high school student parking lot. ALL students must attend ALL classroom and road classes to receive a certificate (MV285). Should a make-up driving class be requested by a student due to extenuating circumstances, they will be scheduled at the discretion of the instructor. Scheduling of or transportation to the road test are not included. Parents or other qualified adults should plan to devote time for enrolled students to practice the skills learned in this class. Only experience and good judgment makes a safe driver. A current NYS learner's permit must be brought to all classes.

**PLEASE PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THESE REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS – THANK YOU!** Please send your payment and completed registration form along with a copy of the student's permit/license to the address listed on the registration form. The cost is \$450 for district residents, \$470 for non-residents. The registration process for Sessions I & II will end on Friday, June 15, 2018. Please select your drive groups, listing your choices in order of preference. First priority will be given to resident seniors, then resident juniors, then underclassmen and non-residents. Every effort will be made to accommodate your request. You will be notified by e-mail or telephone. If a registrant did not get into one of the summer sessions, they will be notified in writing and placed on a priority list for the next session.

# Summer 2018 Driver Education

## Session II - June 25 - July 19, 2018 - Theory Class in High School - Room 192

<b>GROUPS</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<u>All car groups and theory classes will happen on the following dates:</u>
SA5	8-9:30 a.m.	June 25, 26, 27, 28, 29; July 2, 3, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 17, 18, 19
SA6	9:30-11 a.m.	
SA7	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	
**Theory Class	12:45-2:15 p.m.	
SA8	2:15-3:45 p.m.	

\*\*All students in session II will attend daily theory class at 12:45 p.m. in the LGI

## Session III: - June 25 - Aug. 10, 2018\* - Theory Class in High School - Room 192

<b>GROUPS</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<u>All car groups and theory classes will happen on the following dates:</u>
SA1	8-9:30 a.m.	July 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 30, 31; Aug. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10
SA2	9:30-11 a.m.	
**Theory Class	11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.	
SA3	12:45-2:15 p.m.	
SA4	2:15-3:45 p.m.	

\* This session will only occur if sessions I & II are filled. A minimum of eight registrations will be required to hold the session open.

Detach and mail in form with a copy of permit/license.

## 2018 Summer Driver Education Registration Form

Circle Session preference: Session I (June 25 - July 19)    Session II (June 25 - July 19)    Session III\* (July 23 - August 10) \*if necessary

Driver Group Choices: (Pick 3 different choices ranking them by preference) Choice #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Choice #2 \_\_\_\_\_ Choice #3 \_\_\_\_\_

Please print name as it appears on Permit/License

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle Name or Initial

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip

Parent Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone: (Day) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_ Student Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ District Resident (Circle One) Yes No Are You (Circle One) Male Female

High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Are You (Circle One) Senior Junior Other

Learner's Permit/Driver License #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date issued: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special needs (test mods, physical limitations, etc): \_\_\_\_\_

**Make checks payable to:**  
Brockport Driver Education  
Or pay online at [bcs1.org/drivered](https://bcs1.org/drivered)

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail Enrollment Form and Payment to:**  
Office of Driver Education  
Brockport Central School District  
40 Allen Street  
Brockport, NY 14420-2296

Email any questions to Trina Kenney's attention at [trina.kenney@bcs1.org](mailto:trina.kenney@bcs1.org). Thank you!



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## Performing arts e-news

Would you like to receive email notifications about our visual and performing arts events such as school plays and the district art show? Subscribe to our Visual & Performing Arts E-News! Visit our website at [bcs1.org](http://bcs1.org), select "Community," then "Visual & Performing Arts E-News." Click on the Visual & Performing Arts E-News link and click "Subscribe" in the top right corner.

## African drumming assemblies promote music and culture

Brockport CSD students received an exciting taste of African culture during special music assemblies held at each of the five schools in February. Bernard Woma and the Saakumu Dance Troupe projected pure energy and passion through their African drumming and dancing performances.



Woma and the dance troupe are from Ghana. They tour the world to keep tradition alive through music. One of their requirements during all of their performances: "everyone participates!" Students at all grade levels took to their feet and let the music move them, then followed along as the troupe taught them traditional dances.

Woma and the troupe explained their instruments, costumes and traditions during each performance. They told students that many of their costumes are hand-woven and their drums are handmade. They also explained the purpose behind the vibrations that the traditional instruments exude, "vibration brings energy; energy brings power."

Bernard Woma and the Saakumu Dance Troupe truly exemplified their mantra that music and dance promote happiness, healing and joy.

Videos from the assemblies are posted on our Facebook page at [facebook.com/brockportcsd](https://facebook.com/brockportcsd).

A special thank you to Andrew Stoker and the music department for organizing the event!

## Senior citizens invited to breakfast on May 15

Senior citizen residents of the Brockport Central School District are invited to a complimentary breakfast at A.D. Oliver Middle School, located at 40 Allen St., on Tuesday, May 15 from 8-9:15 a.m. in the school cafeteria. The breakfast, hosted by student council members, is held annually to recognize and support the important connections between our community's youth and senior citizens.

The event includes a complimentary breakfast with student council members, staff, administrators and Board of Education members. Student performers will provide live entertainment during and after the meal.

Seniors are asked to RSVP via phone to 585-637-1860 or email to [donald.voorheis@bcs1.org](mailto:donald.voorheis@bcs1.org) by Friday, May 11. One bus will be available for pick up at the Sweden Senior Center upon request. Seniors wishing to utilize the bus should include the request with their RSVP.

## Download our mobile app!

Our Brockport Central School District mobile application is now available for download! The app coincides with the district website and offers an additional way for parents and guardians to stay connected with district news and important updates.

The app features easy access to school calendars, contact information, social media and more. Additionally, users will have the option to receive push notifications from the district and specific schools regarding closings and other alerts.

We continuously strive to maintain an open line of communication with families and are excited to expand our channels via the launch of a mobile application.

The app is free and available on both iPhone and Android devices. To download the app, open your device's app store and search "Brockport Central." Once the app is downloaded, you may customize your settings by school.





# BROCKPORT

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## CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

[www.bcs1.org/budget](http://www.bcs1.org/budget)

**2018-19 PROPOSED BUDGET**

Dear District Residents,

The Brockport Central School District Board of Education unanimously adopted the proposed 2018-19 budget during its April 10 meeting.

Each year, the Board of Education, administrators, teachers and staff collaborate to analyze data and assess needs relative to the school budget. The proposed \$80,248,343 budget aligns with our district's strategic plan and supports our vision of being a leading, innovative, high-performing school district that graduates each student prepared for college or a career.

The following items are on the ballot for May 15:

- **Proposition 1: 2018-19 Proposed Budget**

The \$80,248,343 proposed budget projects an estimated 0.46 percent tax rate increase (the actual rate is set in August). The budget was balanced utilizing \$3,477,252 of fund balance and reserves and a tax levy increase of 2.6 percent, which is under the district's tax levy limit. The proposed budget emphasizes effective teaching and high-quality learning through the expansion of the district's one-to-one computing initiative.

- **Proposition 2: Bus Purchase Proposition**

This proposition includes purchasing 14 buses and one suburban and trading in 14 buses. The state aid ratio is approximately 87 percent, making the net local share per bus \$11,226. The estimated average cost for the bus proposition is \$3.10 per year on a house valued at \$100,000.

- **Board of Education Trustee Election**

Two Board of Education trustees will be elected to serve five-year terms beginning July 1, 2018. The terms of Lisa Ireland, board president, and Michael Guerrieri, board trustee, will expire on June 30, 2018. Three candidates will run for two seats. Please see page VII for candidate information.

The following pages contain detailed information about the proposed budget, bus purchase proposition and board candidates. Community members will also have an opportunity to learn more about the budget during a public hearing on May 1 at 7 p.m. in the Fred W. Hill School Cafetorium. Additionally, the PTSA is hosting a Meet the Board Candidates Night on May 7 at 7 p.m. in the A.D. Oliver Middle School LGI.

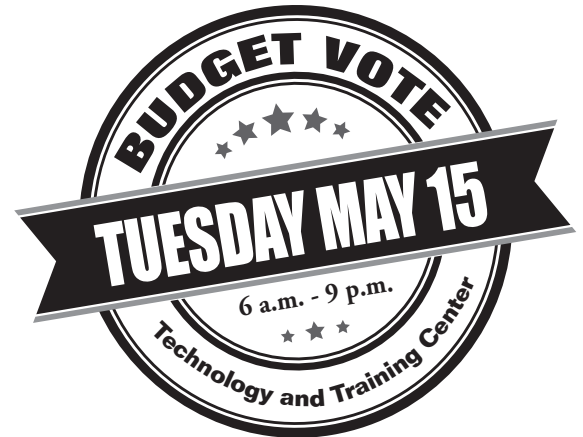
Further, the public budget presentation and additional resources are posted on our website at [www.bcs1.org/budget](http://www.bcs1.org/budget). Please do not hesitate to contact the Business Office at 637-1820 if you have any questions regarding the proposed budget.

Thank you for your continued support of our district and please remember to exercise your right to vote on May 15.

Sincerely,

Lisa E. Ireland  
Board of Education President

Lesli C. Myers, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools



*40 Allen St., Building 800*

**Board Trustee Election  
Budget Vote  
Bus Proposition**

**Public Budget Hearing**

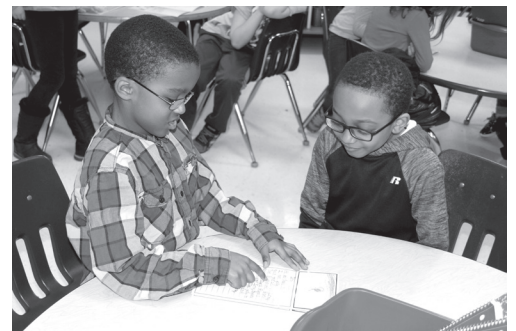
May 1, 7 p.m.

Fred W. Hill School Cafetorium

**PTSA Meet the Board  
Candidates Night**

May 7, 7 p.m.

A.D. Oliver Middle School LGI



## Three Part Budget Summary of Expenditures

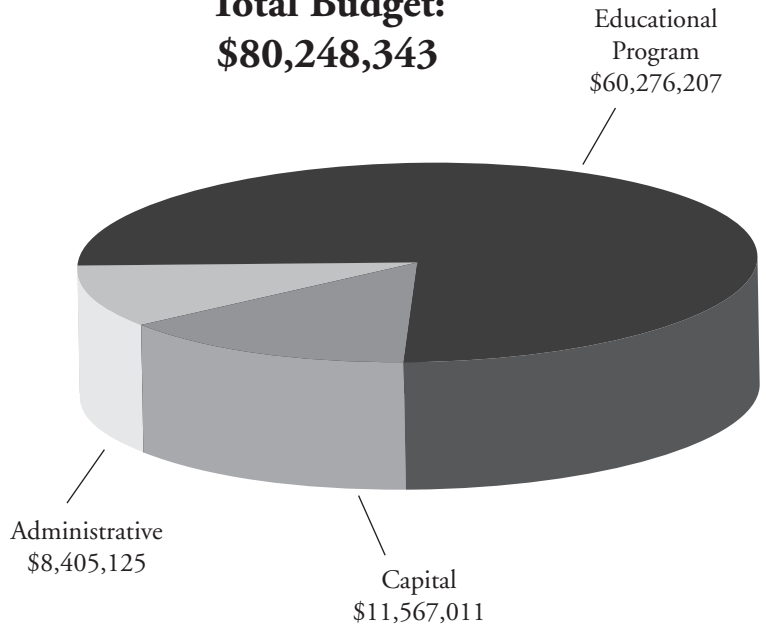
New York State law requires that school districts present the proposed budget in three parts: administrative, educational program and capital.

**Administrative Component** – The administrative component increased 7.36 percent. Some of the increase includes the following: Central Administration: \$8,000 for actuarial study, \$35,000 for employment advertising costs; Central Services: \$75,000 for IT audit; Special Services: \$60,000 insurance and \$40,000 BOCES administrative fees; Employee Benefits across all portions of the administrative budget.

**Educational Program Component** – The educational component increased 2.07 percent. Some of the increase includes the following: employee benefits across all portions of the educational program and \$550,000 in computer purchases to continue the districts initiative of 1:1 computing.

**Capital Component** – The capital component decreased 3.33 percent. Some of the change is found in the Principal/Interest Payments and Debt Service: there was a \$225,790 decrease in debt service as the final payment for the BOCES capital project was made in 2017-18. Additionally there was a \$585,000 decrease in principal/interest payments due to final payment on a previous capital project.

**Total Budget:**  
**\$80,248,343**



Component	Proposed Budget 2018-19	Percentage of 2018-19 Budget
Administrative	\$8,405,125	10.47%
Educational Program	\$60,276,207	75.12%
Capital	\$11,567,011	14.41%
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$80,248,343</b>	<b>100.00%</b>



Component	Actual Budget 2017-18	Proposed Budget 2018-19	Dollar Increase/Decrease	Percentage Increase/Decrease
Administrative	\$7,828,853	\$8,405,125	\$576,272	7.36%
Educational Program	\$59,053,307	\$60,276,207	\$1,222,900	2.07%
Capital	\$11,965,063	\$11,567,011	\$(398,052)	(3.33%)
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$78,847,223</b>	<b>\$80,248,343</b>	<b>\$1,401,120</b>	<b>1.78%</b>

Visit [www.bcs1.org/budget](http://www.bcs1.org/budget) for more information.

## Three Part Budget Detail of Expenditures

Component	Actual Budget 2017-18	Proposed Budget 2018-19
<b>ADMINISTRATIVE</b>		
Board of Education	\$84,929	\$87,285
Central Administration	\$1,439,853	\$1,535,876
Instructional Supervision	\$1,680,077	\$1,742,497
Curriculum Development	\$227,917	\$209,860
Central Services (Legal, Data Processing, Printing, Mailing, Storage)	\$1,309,943	\$1,460,351
Special Items (Insurance, BOCES, Etc.)	\$1,099,349	\$1,197,345
Employee Benefits	\$1,986,785	\$2,171,911
<b>TOTAL ADMINISTRATIVE</b>	<b>\$7,828,853</b>	<b>\$8,405,125</b>
<b>EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM</b>		
Teaching – Regular & Special Schools	\$31,271,763	\$30,917,183
Instructional Media (Libraries, Aides, Audio/Visual, Supplies)	\$1,954,531	\$2,402,913
Pupil Personnel Services (Attendance, Counseling, Health, Psychologist, Athletics, Recreation/Civic Activities)	\$3,618,200	\$3,636,037
Other Educational (Recreation, Civic, Legal)	\$402,493	\$404,468
Pupil Transportation	\$4,439,799	\$4,508,147
Employee Benefits	\$17,366,521	\$18,407,459
<b>TOTAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$59,053,307</b>	<b>\$60,276,207</b>
<b>CAPITAL</b>		
Operations and Maintenance	\$4,775,824	\$5,018,839
Principal/Interest Payments	\$5,282,752	\$4,697,651
Transfer to Capital & Debt Service Fund	\$325,790	\$100,000
Property Tax Refunds	\$11,000	\$11,000
Employee Benefits	\$1,569,697	\$1,739,521
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL</b>	<b>\$11,965,063</b>	<b>\$11,567,011</b>
<b>TOTAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$78,847,223</b>	<b>\$80,248,343</b>

## Answering your tax-related questions...

### What is Brockport’s allowable tax levy limit?

Brockport’s allowable tax levy limit is 2.65 percent for a simple majority vote. The proposed tax levy increase is 2.60 percent. To see Brockport’s tax cap calculation, visit [www.bcs1.org/budget](http://www.bcs1.org/budget).

2018-19 Proposed Tax Levy	\$31,587,298	2.60%
2018-19 Maximum Allowable Tax Levy Limit	\$31,603,068	2.65%
Amount Under the Limit	(\$15,770)	-0.05%

### What is an “allowable tax levy limit?”

For school districts, the “tax levy limit” is the highest allowable tax levy (before exemptions) that a school district can propose as part of its annual budget for which only the approval of a simple majority of voters (more than 50 percent) is required. Any proposed tax levy amount above this limit will require budget approval by a supermajority (60 percent or more) of voters.

Essentially, the “tax levy limit” sets a threshold requiring districts to obtain a higher level of community support for a proposed tax levy above a certain amount.

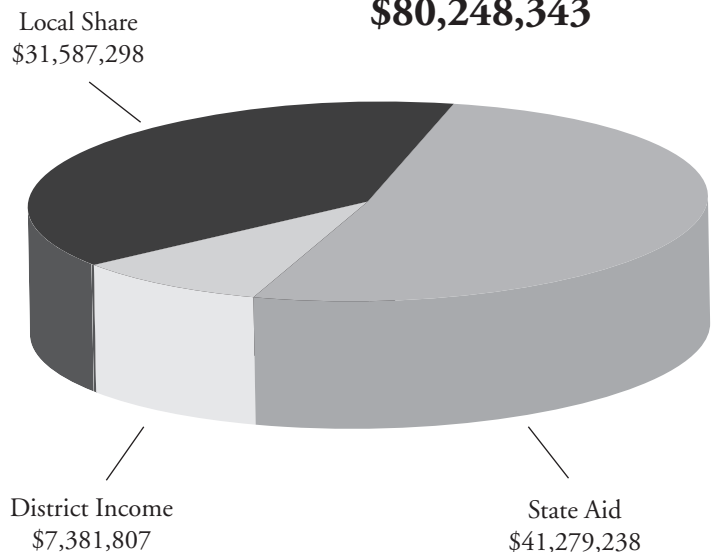
However, the new legislation does not place a limit on any taxes a school district would levy to pay for expenditures related to specific “exempt” items, including some court orders, some pension costs and local capital expenditures. These items are then added to the “tax levy limit” to arrive at the “allowable” tax levy limit.

## 2018-19 Revenue

Revenue Sources	Actual Budget 2017-18	Proposed Budget 2018-19
Local Property Tax & STAR	\$30,786,840	\$31,587,298
Other Tax Items	\$97,031	\$135,555
Sales Tax	\$3,100,000	\$3,100,000
Charges for Services	\$36,000	\$36,000
Use of Money & Property	\$113,000	\$113,000
Other Revenue	\$385,000	\$470,000
State Aid	\$41,379,541	\$41,279,238
Federal Aid	\$75,000	\$50,000
Retirement Contribution Reserve (ERS)	\$1,200,000	\$1,550,000
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$1,674,811	\$1,927,252
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$78,847,223</b>	<b>\$80,248,343</b>

The major sources of projected revenue for the 2018-19 school year are shown in the graph. State aid accounts for 51.44 percent of revenues. The local share, which represents local property taxes and STAR, accounts for 39.36 percent of revenues. District income, which represents all other sources of revenue, accounts for 9.20 percent of revenues.

### Total Revenues: \$80,248,343



### 2018-19 Tax Data

Budget Notice	2017-18 Actual Budget	2018-19 Proposed Budget	2018-19 Contingency Budget
Total budgeted amount, not including separate propositions	\$78,847,223	\$80,248,343	\$79,424,197
Increase/(decrease) for the 2018-19 school year		\$1,401,120	\$576,974
Percentage increase/(decrease) in each proposed budget		1.78%	0.73%
Change in the consumer price index		2.13%	
Total proposed school year tax levy	<b>\$30,786,840</b>	<b>\$31,587,298</b>	<b>\$30,786,840</b>
Total permissible exclusions	\$664,097	\$701,216	
A. Proposed school year tax levy, NOT including levy for permissible exclusions	\$30,315,600	\$30,901,852	
B. School tax levy limit, NOT including levy for permissible exclusions	\$30,122,743	\$30,886,082	
Difference: A-B (negative value requires 60 percent voter approval)	\$192,857	\$15,770	
Administrative component	\$7,828,853	\$8,405,125	\$7,980,476
Program component	\$59,053,307	\$60,276,207	\$60,173,770
Capital component	\$11,965,063	\$11,567,011	\$11,269,951

Statement of assumptions made in projecting a contingency budget, pursuant to section 2023 of the Education Law, for the 2018-19 school year, should the proposed budget be defeated.

If the school district budget is defeated twice, state law requires a Board of Education to adopt a contingency budget. A contingency budget includes only those expenditures allowed under New York State regulations. Expenditures such as certain new and replacement equipment, salary increases for certain employees and student supplies would be eliminated. There would also be mandated charges for use of school facilities by outside organizations.

### Maximum Basic STAR Savings

Town	2018-19 school year
Bergen	\$825.00
Clarendon	\$825.00
Clarkson	\$764.00
Hamlin	\$749.00
Odgen	\$749.00
Parma	\$749.00
Sweden	\$748.00



\* The basic school tax relief (STAR) exemption is authorized by section 425 of the Real Property Tax Law.

### True Value Tax Rate

Tax Date	2017-18	2018-19	\$ Change	% Change
Estimated true value tax rate per \$1,000 full valuation	\$24.47	\$24.59	\$0.12	0.46%

Final tax rates are established in August, when the tax rolls are prepared. These figures are only projections and are subject to adjustments. Projections are based upon the latest assessed values provided by the individual town assessors, and equalization rates established by the New York State Office of Real Property Tax Services.

## School Bus Proposition

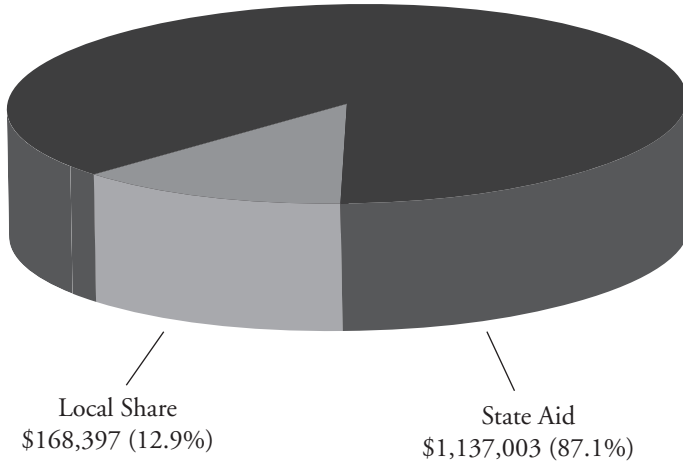
The district will have a proposition to purchase replacement school buses on the ballot May 15 in an amount not to exceed \$1,305,400. The proposition includes purchasing 14 buses, one suburban and trading in 14 buses. If approved, the district will purchase nine large buses, five small buses and one suburban. With the purchase of buses annually, the district will continue to have the fleet of nearly 100 buses on a 10-year replacement schedule.

Brockport receives approximately 87.1 percent state transportation aid on school bus purchases which means the district will receive \$1,137,003 in aid with the remaining \$168,397 local share being financed over five years (\$33,680 each year). The impact of \$33,680 on the levy is approximately \$0.03 per thousand of assessed value or \$3.10/year on a \$100,000 home.

### Summary of Bus Proposition:

- Proposition Amount = \$1,305,400
- Proposed # of Buses = 14 and 1 Suburban (14 trade-ins)
- State Transportation Aid = \$1,137,003
- Local Share = \$168,397
- Local Share per bus = \$11,226
- Tax increase for a \$100,000 home = \$3.10/year

### Bus Proposition Funding



### Did you know?

- Brockport CSD is 72 square miles (one of the largest in Monroe County).
- Buses travel more than 1,300,000 miles per year.
- The district uses more than 180,000 gallons of fuel per year.

Visit [www.bcs1.org/budget](http://www.bcs1.org/budget) to view a video about the school bus proposition.



## Board of Education Candidates



**Name:** Michael Turbeville

**Education:** SUNY Brockport - Bachelor of Science, Master of Science in Secondary Education

**Occupation:** Police Officer, Rochester Police Department

**BCSD resident:** 2 years

**Family:** wife, Carrie (teacher's aide at Hill School); son, Caleb (sixth grade); son, Gabriel (fourth grade)

**School/community activities/memberships:** Boy Scouts and athletics through the Sweden Clarkson Recreation Center, a regular volunteer at our church

**Reason for running:** I know I can positively serve the students, staff, and community of the Brockport Central School District. Additionally, my experience in education gives me insight into the many challenges faced by school districts. I believe that I can be successful in helping the district to overcome many of these challenges.

**Top three issues facing BCSD:**

1. School safety: providing a safe environment for students and staff must be a priority.
2. Increasing district morale: when individuals feel that they are a valued piece of the puzzle, the end result is an improved quality of education.
3. Responsibly balancing the district's budget: fiscal responsibility must be a priority to ensure the district vitality for years to come. Ensuring financial responsibility will allow Brockport to continue to provide quality education to its students.



**Name:** Robert J. Lewis

**Education:** SUNY University at Buffalo - Statistics, Monroe Community College - Management Information Systems

**Occupation:** Data Science Architect, Wegmans Food Markets

**BCSD resident:** 18 years

**Family:** wife, Margaret; children, Robert and Matthew

**School/community activities/memberships:** Boy Scout Troop 375 (adult leader for 11 years), Brockport Elks Lodge (BPOE #2110)

**Reason for running:** The Brockport School District has a long history of providing a quality education to the students of our community. I am running to ensure that tradition is carried into the future. Safety and security of both students and staff is a key concern of everyone in the Brockport community. I will advocate for ongoing review of all aspects of safety and security. Technology has become an important teaching tool across all grade levels. I believe my background in purchasing and implementing technology solutions will complement the skills of the current board members. I believe I can help achieve the maximum value out of the district's investment in technology. The district has stayed under the tax cap of many years. I want to ensure that sufficient planning is done so the district can continue to remain under the cap.

**Top three issues facing BCSD:**

1. Ensuring physical and online safety for students and staff.
2. Managing the district in a period of declining enrollment.
3. Maintaining academic excellence while staying within the two percent tax cap.



**Name:** Lisa E. Ireland

**Education:** St. John Fisher College – BA in Communications, Minor in Political Science

**Occupation:** Director of Agency Advancement, Mary Cariola Children's Center

**BCSD resident:** 22 years

**Family:** spouse, Ken Ireland (NYS Trooper, 31 years); Spencer (eighth grade); Paige (fifth grade)

**School/community activities/memberships:** Board of Education Trustee (5 ½ years); Board President (3 years); Vice President, Monroe County School Board Association; Vice President, Board of Directors, Justice for Children Advocacy Center Foundation; United Way Women's Leadership Council; NYS Commissioner of Education School Board Round Table

**Reason for running:** I have thoroughly enjoyed my time serving on the Board of Education for the past five and a half years and would like to continue to serve our community with another term. I am incredibly proud of the work our district has accomplished during my tenure and would like to continue to work with the district staff, administration and Board of Education trustees to ensure that all our students receive the best education possible.

**Top three issues facing BCSD:**

1. Providing the best education for our students in the safest environment possible.
2. Balancing the increasing demands of educating and caring for the "whole student" while being increasingly attentive to our fiscal responsibilities.
3. Continuing to ensure all our students are college or career ready and providing them with the tools they need to succeed after graduation.

## What Will You See at the Polls?

### Proposition #1

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit:

RESOLVED: that the Board of Education of the Brockport Central School District, Brockport, New York, be and hereby is authorized to expend the sums set forth in the amount of \$80,248,343 during the school year 2018-19 and to levy the necessary tax therefore, be approved?

### Proposition #2

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Shall the proposition set forth in the notice of this meeting authorizing the Board of Education to purchase school buses at a maximum estimated cost not to exceed \$1,305,400; and providing that such sum shall be raised by a tax levy to be collected in annual installments, with district obligations to be issued in anticipation thereof, be approved?

### Board of Education Candidates

Election of two Board of Education trustees – Two (2) five-year terms

## Voter Eligibility and Absentee Voting Information

You are eligible to vote if you are a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age and have lived in Brockport Central School District for at least 30 days prior to the vote (a photo ID and proof of residency must be shown). All occupants of houses or apartments who meet the

criteria may vote, as may any college student whose primary address is in the district. Pre-registration is not required.

*Absentee ballots are available upon request from the Business Office by calling (585) 637-1820.*

### Board of Education

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Terry Ann Carbone  
*Vice President*

Michael Guerrieri  
*Trustee*

Jeffery Harradine  
*Trustee*

David Howlett  
*Trustee*

Daniel Legault  
*Trustee*

Kathleen Robertson  
*Trustee*

### Superintendent of Schools

Lesli C. Myers, Ed.D.

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Jacob Reimer  
*Human Resources*

Darrin Winkley  
*Business*

### Assistants to the Superintendent

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*Inclusive Education and Instruction*

Susan Hasenauer-Curtis  
*Elementary Instruction*

Rachel Kluth, Ed.D.  
*Secondary Instruction*

