## Principal's Update – April 2022

# Calkins Road Middle School

Pittsford Central School District

#### NYS Math exams coming up

The NYS Math exams will be administered the week after spring break on April 26th and 27th. These tests remain untimed, and are not tied to teacher evaluation or course placement. The data they provide is valuable to our teachers and departments as it shows learning trends and potential gap areas, particularly in this time of pandemic response. Please note: if you sent a note refusing your child during the ELA test, that does NOT automatically carry over to math (or science for 8th graders). You must send an email specific to the test to Mr. Walker at Joshua walker@pittsford.monroe.edu. Thank you.

## Regents exam dates

- ❖ Algebra I Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> @ 8:00am
- Earth Science Friday, June 17th @ 12:00pm
- Geometry Tuesday, June 21st @ 8:00am

Please note that Regents exam are not optional this year. In 2021, NYS made the exams optional which is not the case this year.

# Cell phone concerns

We have noticed a rise in cell phone issues, particularly with students trying to use them during the day or in the hallways and bathrooms. Our cell phone policy has not changed. Students are able to use devices in class under the direction of a teacher for an educational purpose. Other than that, 8th graders may use them in study halls as a privilege. We have reminded the students of the rules and expectations, and that violations of the rules will result in school consequences including confiscation of the phone to return to a parent. We are asking for families to reiterate these rules and remind students of proper phone use and conduct. Thank you.



# Fun Nights return for the end of the year

Fun Night Grade 5go6

May 6<sup>th</sup>, 6:30p-8:30p

Fun Night Grade 6

May 20th, 7:00p-9:00p

Grade 8 Bash

June 3rd, 6:00p-9:00p



# End of year calendar

Below is the end of the year schedule. Next month, we will add in the finalized transportation details, but we wanted to get this information out to families sooner as many have begun summer planning.

#### **JUNE 2022**

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
13	14	15	16	17
Full class day	Full class day	Full class day	1/2 day AM  Algebra Regents exam, 8am  Math 8 final exam  Math 7 & Math 7H final exam  6th grade Math Benchmark Exams	1/2 day AM (except Earth Sci students due to PM Regents exam)  8th grade ELA Perf Series  7th grade World Lang Exams  6th grade activity  Earth Science Regents exam, 12pm
20	21	22	23	24
No school (Juneteenth)	"/2 day AM  Geometry Regents exam, 8am  World Lang Checkpoint A exam (8th grade)  6th and 7th grade ELA Perf Series	<ul><li>½ day AM</li><li>End of year activities</li><li>Last day for students</li></ul>		

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