



Mohonasen graduates are
GIFTED

*How the Mohonasen Experience Prepares
Students for the Future*



2024 | 2025

Take a Look: The Portrait of a Mohonasen Graduate

We know that all children bring their own gifts, talents and strengths to school and at Mohonasen we take pride in celebrating these as students learn and grow. The team of stakeholders that developed the Portrait of a Mohonasen Graduate used the acronym GIFTED for this work and meant it in a truly 21st century sense: Ensuring that by the time students complete a Mohonasen education, they have the skills and experiences necessary to be successful as they pursue their passions and interests in an ever-changing world. While the work that takes place in Mohonasen classrooms is the foundation for this education, we believe that the Mohonasen experience is much more than that. The lessons that students learn on our playing fields, on the stage, in the art studio, and working with classmates, teachers, friends and staff members all contribute to their education. The Portrait of a Mohonasen Graduate was developed to serve as a guide for our school district as we move forward and consider how to ensure that Mohonasen graduates are ready to take on the future. Through this calendar, we invite you to learn more about this initiative.



Mohonasen graduates are **GIFTED**

- ➔ Growth Oriented & Knowledgeable
- ➔ Intellectually Curious & Creative
- ➔ Financially Literate
- ➔ Team Players & Responsible Citizens
- ➔ Effective Communicators
- ➔ Dynamic Problem Solvers & Critical Thinkers



We are so excited to welcome your student to the 2024-25 school year. This calendar is intended to be a guide for your family of important dates, key district contacts and district policies. Please note that although we try to avoid calendar changes, some adjustments are inevitable. We maintain an updated calendar on our website and proactively communicate changes through ParentSquare and other school-to-home communications. Best wishes to your family for a terrific school year!

September 2024

Mohonasen graduates are...
Growth Oriented & Knowledgeable

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 LABOR DAY OFFICES CLOSED	3 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY	4 PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY Bradt Walk-through Grades 1 and 2 1:30-2 p.m. Pinewood Walk-through 2-2:30 p.m.	5 CLASSES BEGIN GRADES 1-12 Kindergarten Open House/ Parent Orientation	6 FIRST DAY OF KINDERGARTEN	7
	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL			
8	9 Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	10	11	12 Grade 2 Open House	13 MHS Picture Day	14 Mohonasen Marching Band Home Show HS 5 p.m.
15	16 MHS Picture Day	17 MHS Picture Day	18 MHS Picture Day College Info Night for Seniors MHS LGI 6 p.m.	19 Pinewood Open House 3rd 5:30-6:15 p.m. 5th 6:15-7 p.m. 4th 7-7:45 p.m. Special Areas 6-6:45 p.m. Pinewood Picture Day	20 Deadline to register for Oct. ACT Exam	21
22	23 Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	24	25 Draper Open House	26 Grade 1 Open House	27 Bradt Picture Day	28
29	30					

October 2024

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October 2024

Mohonasen graduates are...
Intellectually Curious & Creative

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Draper Picture Day	2 ROSH HASHANAH BEGINS Secondary PTSO Meeting Draper Library 6:30 p.m.	3	4 1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY Elementary Dismissal 11:30 a.m. HS/MS 10:50 a.m. Deadline to register for Nov. SAT Exam 5 week Interim Ends MS/HS	5 SAT Exam
6	7	8 Bradt Morning Program-KDG 9 a.m. (Students Only)	9 Bradt Morning Program-Grade 1 9 a.m. (Students Only)	10 Bradt Morning Program-Grade 2 9 a.m. (Students Only) MHS Open House 6 p.m.	11 YOM KIPPUR BEGINS Early Release Drill (15 minutes early)	12
13	14 COLUMBUS DAY/INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY NO SCHOOL	15	16 SUKKOT BEGINS Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m. Mohon Bowl 6:30 p.m.	17	18 Homecoming 7 p.m. Grade 6 Monster Mash Teen Town 6:30-8 p.m.	19
20	21	22	23 SHEMINI ATZERET BEGINS Bradt Parent Teacher Conference	24	25 K-5 Family Movie Night MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m. Grade 7 & 8 Monster Mash Teen Town 6:30-8 p.m.	26 ACT Exam Draper Make a Difference Day
27 Marching Band NYS Championship JMA Wireless Dome Syracuse	28	29	30 MHS Picture Day Retakes	31 HALLOWEEN K-5 Parent Teacher Conferences	November 2024 S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	

November 2024

Mohonasen graduates are...
Intellectually Curious & Creative

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>December 2024</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7</p> <p>8 9 10 11 12 13 14</p> <p>15 16 17 18 19 20 21</p> <p>22 23 24 25 26 27 28</p> <p>29 30 31</p>					<p>1</p> <p>DIWALI</p>	<p>2</p> <p>SAT Exam</p>
<p>3</p> <p>Daylight Saving Ends</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p> <p>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Academic Letter Awards Ceremony MHS Auditorium 6 p.m.</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Deadline to register for Dec. ACT Exam End of MS/HS Quarter 1 Marking Period Area All State Proctors Pinewood Picture Makeup Day</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Area All State Proctors 2 p.m.</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>VETERANS DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Draper Picture Makeup Day</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Winter Sports Physicals Noon at Draper 2:15 p.m. at MHS</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Mohon Masque Fall Play CAT Black Box 7 p.m.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>Mohon Masque Fall Play CAT Black Box 7 p.m.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Mohon Masque Fall Play CAT Black Box 7 p.m.</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>JV & Varsity Winter Sports Begin Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>K-5 Parent Teacher Conferences (K- 5 students dismiss @ 11:30 a.m.) Deadline to register for Dec. SAT Exam</p>	<p>20</p> <p>Bradt Picture Retakes Secondary PTSO Meeting Draper Library 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Modified Winter Sports Begin</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Draper Student Recognition Breakfast MHS Semi Formal</p>	<p>27</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>28</p> <p>THANKSGIVING DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>29</p> <p>NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>30</p>

December 2024

Mohonasen graduates are...
Financially Literate

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
			FAFSA Night for Seniors	Draper Grade 6-8 Winter Concert MHS Aud. 6 p.m.	K-5 Parent Teacher Conferences K-5 Family Movie Night MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.	SAT Exam
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	Bradt Morning Program-KDG 9 a.m. HS Winter Concert MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.	Bradt Morning Program- Grade 1 9 a.m. Pinewood 3-5 Parent Teacher Conferences (students dismissed @ 11:30 a.m.)	Bradt Morning Program- Grade 2 9 a.m. Pinewood Winter Concert MHS Aud. 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.	Open Mic Night CAT Black Box 7 p.m.	ACT Exam
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
					Bradt Trimester 1 Report Cards Go Home	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	HOLIDAY RECESS	CHRISTMAS EVE	CHRISTMAS HANUKKAH	KWANZAA	Kirvin Cup Basketball Tournament	Kirvin Cup Basketball Tournament
	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	
29	30	31				
	HOLIDAY RECESS	NEW YEAR'S EVE				
	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL				
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January 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Financially Literate

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>February 2025</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p> <p>16 17 18 19 20 21 22</p> <p>23 24 25 26 27 28</p>			<p>1</p> <p>NEW YEAR'S DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Deadline to register for Feb. ACT Exam</p> <p>K-5 Family Movie Night MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>4</p>
5	<p>6</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.</p>	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
					<p>Mohon Masque Jr. Performance MHS Aud. 7 p.m.</p>	<p>Mohon Masque Jr. Performance MHS Aud. 3 p.m.</p>
19	<p>20</p> <p>MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Panel for College Bound Juniors MHS LGI 6 p.m.</p> <p>Secondary PTSO Meeting Draper Library 6:30 p.m.</p>	23	<p>24</p> <p>1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY Elementary Dismissal 11:30 a.m. HS/MS 10:50 a.m.</p> <p>Suburban Council Music Festival @Burnt Hills</p> <p>End of MS/HS Quarter 2 Marking Period</p>	25
			REGENTS EXAMS			
26	27	28	<p>29</p> <p>LUNAR NEW YEAR</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	30	31	
		<p>Grade 8 Information Night MHS 6 p.m.</p>			<p>SCMA Music Festival @ Mohon</p>	

February 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Team Players & Responsible Citizens

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>March 2025</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1</p> <p>2 3 4 5 6 7 8</p> <p>9 10 11 12 13 14 15</p> <p>16 17 18 19 20 21 22</p> <p>23 24 25 26 27 28 29</p> <p>30 31</p>						<p>1</p> <p>SCMA Music Festival MHS Aud. 2 p.m.</p>
2	<p>3</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.</p>	4	5	6	<p>7</p> <p>Incoming Kindergarten Registration Packets Mailed</p> <p>K-5 Family Movie Night MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p>Draper Grade 6 Teen Town 6:30 - 8 p.m.</p>	8
9	10	<p>11</p> <p>Bradt Morning Program KDG 9 a.m.</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Bradt Morning Program Grade 1 9 a.m.</p> <p>Open Mic Night CAT Black Box 7 p.m.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Bradt Morning Program Grade 2 9 a.m.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>VALENTINE'S DAY Draper Grade 7 & 8 Teen Town 6:30 - 8 p.m.</p>	15
16	<p>17</p> <p>PRESIDENTS' DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Deadline to register for Mar. SAT Exam</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>19</p> <p>WINTER RECESS</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>20</p> <p>WINTER RECESS</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	<p>21</p> <p>WINTER RECESS</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>	22
23	24	25	26	27	<p>28</p> <p>RAMADAN BEGINS 1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY Elementary Dismissal 11:30 a.m. HS/MS 10:50 a.m.</p> <p>Deadline to register for April ACT Exam</p>	

March 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Team Players & Responsible Citizens

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>April 2025</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5</p> <p>6 7 8 9 10 11 12</p> <p>13 14 15 16 17 18 19</p> <p>20 21 22 23 24 25 26</p> <p>27 28 29 30</p>						1
2	3	4	<p>ASH WEDNESDAY</p> <p>Elementary K-5 Science Fair MHS Gym 5:30 p.m.</p> <p>Tri-M Music Workshop Day CAT Black Box</p>	6	7	8
<p>DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME BEGINS</p>					5 week Interim Ends MS/HS	SAT Exam
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	Spring Sports Physicals Noon at Draper 2:15 p.m. at MHS		<p>PURIM BEGINS</p> <p>Family Fun Fair K-6 Draper MS 6 - 8 p.m.</p>	<p>HOLI</p> <p>Piano NYSSMA at SCCC</p>	Piano NYSSMA at SCCC
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	<p>ST. PATRICK'S DAY</p> <p>JV & Varsity Spring Sports Begin</p>		<p>STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY</p>		Mohon Masque Spring Musical MHS Aud. 7 p.m.	Mohon Masque Spring Musical MHS Aud. 7 p.m.
			<p>NO SCHOOL</p>			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Mohon Masque Spring Musical MHS Aud. 2 p.m.	Modified Spring Sports Begin Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.		Secondary PTSO Meeting Draper Library 6:30 p.m.			
30	31					
	<p>EID AL-FITR</p>			<p>LAYLAT AL-QADR</p>		

April 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Effective Communicators

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>May 2025</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3</p> <p>4 5 6 7 8 9 10</p> <p>11 12 13 14 15 16 17</p> <p>18 19 20 21 22 23 24</p> <p>25 26 27 28 29 30 31</p>		1 Color Guard Send Off MHS Gym Doors at 5:30 p.m. Show at 6 p.m.	2	3	4 NYSSMA at Ravenna	5 ACT Exam NYSSMA at Ravenna
6	7	8 Bradt Morning Program-KDG 9 a.m.	9 Bradt Morning Program- Grade 1 9 a.m.	10 Bradt Morning Program- Grade 2 9 a.m.	11 Elementary Trimester 2 Report Cards Go Home End of MS/HS Quarter 3 Marking Period Draper Student Recognition Breakfast	12 PASSOVER BEGINS
GR. 3-8 NYS ELA ASSESSMENT TESTING						
13	14 SPRING BREAK	15 Deadline to register for May SAT Exam	16 SPRING BREAK	17 SPRING BREAK	18 GOOD FRIDAY	19
	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	
20 EASTER	21 Bradt Earth Week	22 EARTH DAY Incoming Kindergarten Daytime Registration 9-11 a.m., 12-2 p.m.	23 Incoming Kindergarten Registration 12-2 p.m., 5:30-7 p.m. Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	24 Select Music Concert MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.	25 Draper Grade 6 Teen Town 6:30 - 8 p.m.	26
27	28	29	30 Incoming Kindergarten Parent Orientation Bradt Cafe/Gym 6 p.m.			

May 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Effective Communicators

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
<p>June 2025</p> <p>S M T W T F S</p> <p>1 2 3 4 5 6 7</p> <p>8 9 10 11 12 13 14</p> <p>15 16 17 18 19 20 21</p> <p>22 23 24 25 26 27 28</p> <p>29 30</p>					1	2	3
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		GRADES 3-8 MATH ASSESSMENT TESTING					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
	<p>Budget Hearing & Meet the Candidates Night MHS LGI 6 p.m.</p> <p>Board of Education meeting following</p>	<p>Draper 6-8 Spring Concert MHS Auditorium 6 p.m.</p>		<p>Media Arts Awards Rotterdam Square Theater 6 p.m.</p>	<p>NYSSMA @ Queensbury</p> <p>Open Mic Night CAT Black Box 7 p.m.</p>	<p>NYSSMA @ Queensbury</p>	
		GRADE 5 & 8 NYS SCIENCE TESTING					
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
	<p>Deadline to register for June SAT Exam</p>	<p>ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET VOTE MHS GYM 7 A.M. - 9 P.M.</p> <p>Board of Education Meeting (After polls close)</p> <p>MHS Music Awards & Tri-M Induction Ceremony MHS Aud. 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>Secondary PTSO Meeting Draper Library 6:30 p.m.</p>		<p>5 week Interim Ends MS/HS</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>		
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
	<p>MEMORIAL DAY</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p>		<p>Academic Awards HS Auditorium 6 p.m.</p>	<p>Pinewood Spring Concert MHS Auditorium 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>1/2 DAY STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY Elementary Dismissal 11:30 a.m. HS/MS 10:50 a.m.</p> <p>Junior/Senior Prom</p>		

June 2025

Mohonasen graduates are...
Dynamic Problem Solvers & Critical Thinkers

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 SHAVUOT BEGINS	2 Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	3	4 Grade 5 Track & Field Day	5 Senior Athletic Awards MHS Auditorium 6 p.m.	6 EID AL-ADHA BEGINS Grade 2 visit to Pinewood Open Mic Night CAT Black Box 7 p.m.	7 SAT Exam
8	9 Incoming Grade 6 Orientation Draper 6 p.m.	10 MHS NO CLASSES	11 Grade 3 Field Day	12 Grade 4 Field Day	13 MHS LAST DAY OF CLASSES MHS Senior Send Off	14 ACT Exam
REGENTS EXAMS						
15	16 Grade 2 Field Day Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6:30 p.m.	17 Grade 5 Carnival Day	18 KDG Celebrations	19 JUNETEENTH	20 KDG Celebrations DRAPER LAST FULL DAY OF SCHOOL	21
HS LOCAL EXAM DAY		REGENTS EXAMS			NO SCHOOL	
22	23 Grade 1 Field Day LAST FULL DAY FOR K-5 STUDENTS DRAPER HALF DAY 10:50 A.M.	24 HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS DRAPER 10:50 A.M. ELEMENTARY 11:30 A.M. Grade 5 Moving Up Ceremony MHS	25 HALF DAY FOR STUDENTS DRAPER 10:50 A.M. ELEMENTARY 11:30 A.M. Elementary Tri. 3 Report Cards Go Home Grade 8 Moving Up Ceremony End of MS/HS Quarter 4 Marking Period	26 LAST DAY FOR TEACHERS MHS GRADUATION	27	28
REGENTS EXAMS						
29	30					

July 2025

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July 2025

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					Independence Day	
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	Elementary Summer Stars Program K-5 begin 8-11 a.m. ESY Summer Program starts		Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6 p.m.			
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			Last day of Elementary K-5 Summer Stars Program			

August 2025

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			Board of Education Meeting MHS LGI 6 p.m.	Draper tours for incoming Grade 6 1 - 3 p.m.	ESY Summer Program end	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
			Draper tours for incoming Grade 6 1 - 3 p.m. Draper orientation for new to district students 1 - 2 p.m.			
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31						



DIRECTORY & NOTIFICATIONS

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CONTINGENT SCHOOL RECESS DAYS

May 21 and 22, 2025, are set aside as Contingent School Recess Days, depending upon the number of emergency "snow" days used during the 2024 - 2025 school year.

- If zero snow days are used: May 21 will become a ½ Staff Dev. Day (no school for students) and May 22 becomes a school recess day.
- If one snow day is used: May 22 will become a ½ Staff Dev. Day (no school for students)
- If two snow days are used: School will be in session on May 21 and 22.
- If three or more snow days are used: TBD

APPR Score Request

New York State Education Law requires each classroom teacher and school principal to receive an annual professional performance review (APPR) that results in a composite effectiveness score and rating. All parents/guardians have the right to obtain the APPR quality ratings and composite effectiveness scores for their child's current teacher(s) and principal(s) once they are available. To initiate this request, please contact Laurel Logan-King, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, at 518-356-8205.

Asbestos Management Plan

As required by the EPA since 1989, the Mohonasen Central School District has kept Asbestos Management Plans for the District. The Asbestos Management Plans are on file in each principal's office and collectively at the Facilities & Operations Office. These records are available for review during normal business hours. As required, periodic on site reviews are conducted every six months. The most recent three-year re-inspection has been performed as required by July 2024. There is currently an asbestos abatement project occurring over the 2024 summer involving asbestos containing materials found in Draper classrooms. The rooms are not being utilized or occupied until the abatement has concluded. For more information, contact Mike Sherman at 518-356-8228.

Attendance Policy

As standards are raised, students really can't afford to miss school. Even the best students will quickly fall behind when attendance drops

or there is chronic tardiness. Our attendance policy focuses on getting all students to school punctually and attending their classes with consistency. The policy also includes a number of actions to be taken by the school in response to students who are chronically tardy or illegally absent. Please remember that students who are consistently illegally absent from school do risk losing credit for classes. The school needs your support in ensuring that students arrive to school on time and attend all of their classes. If you have any questions about the attendance status of your child/children, please do not hesitate to call the office or check online using the parent access feature, SchoolTool.

BMI

New York state requires schools to track each student's body mass index (BMI) and weight status category as part of school health examinations. Every year, the New York State Department of Health surveys some schools for the number of students in each weight status category. If Mohonasen Central School District is surveyed by the state, the district will share summary group data only and will not share summary group calculations. In order to opt out of the sharing of this data, parents must contact their building principal.

Child Abuse Hotline

If you suspect a child is being abused or maltreated (neglected), report it by calling 1-800-342-3720, a toll-free 24-hour hotline operated by the New York State Office of Children and Family Services. If you believe a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department. Information about reporting child abuse and maltreatment (neglect) is available online at <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/cps/>.

Code of Conduct (plain language)

In compliance with the state's Safe Schools Against Violence (SAVE) legislation and the Dignity for All Students Act, the Mohonasen Board of Education has adopted a Code of Conduct (i.e., rules and regulations) for all people on school property. This district-wide Code of Conduct was developed in consultation with teachers, parents, students, administrators and other school/community representatives and is updated annually. It is available online at mohonasen.org/notifications-policies/.

Mohonasen's Code of Conduct sets high standards for student conduct and academic integrity. The Code of Conduct outlines clear consequences for students who break the rules. It specifically addresses consequences for infrac-

tions such as bullying, intimidation, harassment, swearing, plagiarism and cheating. The Code of Conduct also outlines the student Dress Code and Electronics Policy, as well as what is expected of students involved in extracurricular activities. The Code of Conduct will serve as a standard for consistency and fairness that protects students' rights while promoting responsibility. We are committed to holding high academic standards of integrity. Parents play an important role in the maintenance of good discipline in Mohonasen schools. Parents are encouraged to review the Code of Conduct and discuss it with their children on a regular basis. Parents should encourage students to be "school ready" every day. This includes ensuring students arrive on time, dress appropriately, bring all needed materials and present an attitude of respect.

It is essential that parents contact the school with any information that can help avoid problems during the school day.

Classroom Rules: Students are expected to follow four basic rules:

1. Students will arrive to class on time.
2. Students will bring all necessary materials to class.
3. Students will complete all assignments on time to the best of their ability.
4. Students will behave in a manner that is not disruptive.

DASA

New York State's Dignity for All Students Act (The Dignity Act) took effect on July 1, 2012. Just as with the district's Code of Conduct, this law seeks to provide the state's public elementary and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, intimidation, taunting, harassment, and bullying (including cyberbullying) on school property, a school bus and/or at a school function. The Dignity Act includes, but is not limited to, acts of discrimination and harassment based on a student's race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender, or sex. School officials understand the impact bullying and harassment can have on a school environment. More than a physical threat, bullying creates a climate of fear and makes learning difficult for all students. This law requires each school to appoint a Dignity Act Coordinator who is trained to address issues in areas protected by the law and is accessible to the school community. The Dignity Act Coordinators at Mohonasen are the principals of each school.

Grade Promotion and Placement Policy

Grade promotion and the placement of students within the District's instructional system shall be at the discretion of the school administration and shall be subject to review at any time. In making such decisions, the administrator or building principal will be guided by: performance in class past records, including various measures of student growth; recommendations from parents, persons in parental relation to District students, and teachers; and any other appropriate sources of information. With regard to student placement decisions, parents or persons in parental relation to District students may submit written requests for teacher attributes that would best serve their child's learning needs; however, requests for specific teachers will not be honored.

Integrated Pest Management (Pesticides)

The Mohonasen School District has practiced Integrated Pest Management (IPM) for several years. IPM is the process for managing, preventing and suppressing pests with minimal impact on human health and the environment. Pesticides are only used as a last resort. The District uses certified applicators for pest control, and they are required to follow IPM procedures. IPM is successful when teachers, students, maintenance and the applicators work together. We have been fortunate so far that pesticides have not been needed. However, it is possible that they may be needed in the future. The district currently also has periodic treatment of the sports fields for weed and pest control. In this case the district also uses certified applicators. New York State Education Law Section 409-H and State Education Department Commissioner's Regulation 155.24, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year. Mohonasen CSD is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior notification of certain pesticide applications. If you would like to receive a notification, please download the Pesticide Notification Form on our website at www.mohonasen.org/notifications-policies.

Military Recruiters - Access to HS Student Information

In accordance with federal legislation, schools are required to release student names, addresses and phone numbers to military recruiters and/or institutions of higher education unless the student's parent(s) have notified their child's school principal, in writing, that they do not want this information released. Notification must be received on or before October 1 in any given school year.

NYS Report Cards

New York State Education Law requires school districts to make report card and accountability report information available on district websites. View it at data.nysed.gov by searching for Mohonasen School District and clicking "School Report Card"

Nondiscrimination Policy

The Mohonasen Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of race (defined as, but not limited to, ancestry, color, ethnic group identification, and ethnic background, as well as traits historically associated with race including hair texture and protective hairstyles), color, national origin, creed, disability, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, military status or any other protected status in its educational programs, employment or any other activities, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups. Further, it is unlawful for an employer to retaliate against any individual because that person filed a complaint, opposed any unlawful practice or testified or assisted in an investigation or proceeding. Any inquiries and complaints regarding nondiscrimination in the district may be referred to the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction.

Participation in Graduation

New York State Education Law requires the Mohonasen Central School District to inform students and parents/guardians of the district's policy that all eligible students are allowed to participate in a high school graduation ceremony and associated graduation activities with their graduating class (i.e., the 12th grade class with which such student entered into ninth grade). This includes students who have been awarded a Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential or Career Development and Occupational Studies Commencement Credential.

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