Superintendent’s note

Fall greetings to the Campbell-Savona community! September and October were packed with activity at C-S – in our classrooms, in the co-curricular programs we offer and on the athletic courts and fields. As you read through these pages, you will see that there was “No Place Like Homecoming,” our theme during homecoming weekend. And two of our girls’ athletic teams also took home tournament championships this fall. Congratulations to the girls’ JV volleyball team and the girls’ JV soccer team!

This fall we have also sharpened our focus on developing the “whole child.” Our District’s long-range plan identifies the social and emotional growth of students as a major priority. At C-S, we believe it is important to educate our students academically, but also to help them develop the social and emotional skills that will make them both compassionate and contributing citizens of their community. Two of the programs featured in this issue were focused on developing compassion and understanding of others. Student Council hosted Rachel’s Challenge in September. Inspired by Rachel Scott, one of the students who lost her life in the Columbine School shooting in 1999, Rachel’s Challenge encourages students to choose kindness and empathy over intolerance and hatred (see article on page 5). In October, our eighth-grade teachers hosted a panel discussion on race for their students featuring three local African-American leaders. The panel’s message was one of tolerance and acceptance. They encouraged students to look at others in a way which helps unite rather than divide us (see page 2 for article). We hope that these simple yet profound messages of kindness, compassion and tolerance will resonate with our students and help them develop into successful citizens who make a positive difference in our world.

In closing, with the holidays quickly approaching, I send all the best to you and your family for a happy, healthy and safe holiday season!

Kathy Hagenbuch
Superintendent

Shrek the Musical to take stage

Everyone’s favorite ogre is back! Shrek the Musical takes the C-S stage from November 16-18. Make room for ogre-sized family fun as the greatest fairy tale never told comes to life in a whole new way in this breathtaking Broadway musical adaptation of the hit movie Shrek.

“Once upon a time, there was a little ogre named Shrek...” And thus begins the tale of an unlikely hero who finds himself on a life-changing journey alongside a wisecracking donkey and a feisty princess who resists her rescue. Throw in a short-tempered bad guy, a cookie with an attitude and more than a dozen other fairy tale misfits, and you’ve got the kind of mess that calls for a real hero. Luckily,

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Teachers host panel on race

Eighth-grade students are studying civil rights and race relations in a combined interdisciplinary unit. Students are reading *To Kill a Mockingbird* in English class, while also studying the history of civil rights and race relations in Social Studies class.

Recently, eighth grade teachers hosted a panel discussion on race for their students. The panel consisted of local African American leaders, including Mrs. Georgia Verdier, President of the local chapter of the NAACP, Dr. Mark Vaughn, Manager for Technical Talent Pipelining at Corning Incorporated and Ms. Kim McGrady, C-S fourth grade teacher. Panelists talked to the eighth grade students about race relations in the United States through the perspective of an African American. Students also had a chance to ask the panelists questions.

“I was so proud of the kids,” said teacher Lauren Spaulding. “They were incredibly attentive and asked really insightful questions.”

From the Elementary School

The first marking period is coming to a close. Meaningful conversations are happening during parent teacher conferences as we live our belief that the school is a vital part of a community in which all stakeholders are actively involved, aware and engaged. Please know that parent teacher conferences are not a “one and done” event, but build a partnership between family and school to help your child set goals, work hard and show outstanding growth throughout the school year. This partnership is critical for the support of each child. Our dedication to work with each other and put students first in our decision making helps make our students successful.

As we continue to support the academic, social and emotional growth of every student, our faculty continues to learn more about what it means to be a trauma-sensitive school. We’re learning how to better support students mental health needs so that they can be fully engaged in learning and instruction in a positive manner. With that focus in mind, we have been building partnerships with community organizations and we are excited to share that Family Service Society will set up a satellite office in our school one day a week to work with the school to support children and families in need. This is another way that we are utilizing the resources around us to not only support our school, but our entire community.

December is one of the most celebratory months of the school year. Please mark your calendars for our band and chorus concerts, holiday celebrations and our Collaborative Community Celebration with the Savona Tree Lighting from 4:00-7:00 p.m. on December 8. This event has grown so much over the years and truly highlights what a community working together can do to celebrate each other and the holiday season.

Thank you for your continued support of our school and community. I have never been more proud to be a CSCS Panther!

James E. Anderson
Elementary School Principal

Booster Club Craft Fair scheduled

Campbell-Savona’s Booster Club Craft Fair is scheduled for Saturday, November 3 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the High School. The event will feature more than 90 vendors including Tastefully Simple, Usborne Books, Paparazzi, LuLaRoe, Thirty-One and On The Side Designs. There also will be a raffle table full of items donated by show vendors that attendees can bid on. Find that perfect gift for your loved ones and get photos taken with Santa. Hope to see you there!
From the High School

One of our beliefs at Campbell-Savona is that learning is a shared responsibility of all stakeholders. As a school community, we will continue to work with parents throughout the year to help them understand the changing curriculums and the academic expectations that are being implemented in our classrooms.

This month brings the end of the first marking period and the opportunity for parents to acquire a solid understanding of how their children are doing. The first marking period ends on November 2 and report cards will be sent home with students on November 8. Parent-teacher conferences will be held primarily on Friday, November 9 between 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Our teachers look forward to meeting with parents at this time of the year to provide feedback and areas for growth. If you would like to sign up for a conference, please contact the High School Guidance Office at 527-9800 ext. 2440.

I also want to remind parents that our student information system, School Tool, offers a Parent Portal as a resource for parents to use to access information about their child’s school records through a secure internet connection. Access to the Parent Portal is available to parents of all students. This is a great resource for parents to use to get involved in their child’s education.

Social emotional growth of our students continues to be at the forefront as we look for multiple ways to build and nurture positive relationships and a growth mindset in our students. The growth mindset encourages students to be willing to try new things, persevere through difficulties, have a belief in self and focus on the positive and the possible. Please use this as a point of reference as you discuss your child's performance and set goals with him/her for the remainder of the school year.

We have a lot of great activities for students planned for the upcoming months. I look forward to seeing all of you at some of these events!

Kelley Meade
Jr./Sr. High School Principal

Students enjoy Corn Day

Elementary students recently celebrated Corn Day as part of the Farm to School initiative, led by Cornell Cooperative Extension and GST BOCES Food Services. Students participated by helping to shuck the corn in the morning. It was prepared and served during lunchtime. Local farmers were available to provide information about agriculture and the importance of food grown right here in our region.

Jr./Sr. High School Principal

Jr./Sr. High School Principal

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Jack VanSkiver enjoyed Corn Day.
Tips for parents from the Health Office

Cold and flu season is upon us. Many parents ask, “When is my child sick enough to stay home from school?” This is not always an easy question to answer. We hope that these tips can help.

A child who is sick will not be able to perform well in school and is likely to spread the illness to other children and staff. We suggest making a plan for childcare ahead of time so you will not be caught without a comforting place for your child to stay if he/she is ill.

Our school policy states that you should not send your child to school if he/she has:

- Fever in the past 24 hours (Your child should be fever-free without the use of medication for 24 hours before returning to school)
- Vomiting in the past 24 hours
- Diarrhea in the past 24 hours
- Chills
- Sore throat
- Strep Throat (must have been taking an antibiotic for at least 24 hours before returning to school)
- Bad cold, with a very runny nose or bad cough, especially if it has kept the child awake at night
- Head lice – until your child has been treated

If your child becomes ill at school and the teacher or school nurse feel the child is too sick to benefit from school or is contagious to other children, you will be called to come and take him/her home.

Homecoming 2018

“There’s No Place Like Homecoming” and 2018 Homecoming is in the books! It was a great week of events that brought back many alumni to play in the alumni/staff volleyball and soccer games. The alumni/staff volleyball match was a close one and the alumni/staff soccer game ended with a 0-0 score. The Homecoming parade floats were awesome and it was great to see so many community members lined up on Main Street to enjoy the hard work put into the floats and to see the enthusiasm of our students. The senior class, girls’ JV soccer team and cross-country team won bragging rights for their floats. The Homecoming Court included: Queen – Katelyn Blencowe, King – Derrick Goll, Princess – Lauren Crooker, Prince – Austin LaBarr, Duchess – Tiana Hayner, Duke – Tyson Spangenburg, Lady – Braxtyn Elliott and Lord – Kaden Bolt.

The Athletic Club, Mrs. Wightman and Mrs. Enderle would like to thank ALL those individuals and businesses that helped make homecoming a success!
Rachel’s Challenge inspires action and kindness at C-S

The Campbell-Savona School District hosted a Rachel’s Challenge presentation on September 19. Students in grades 6-12 heard the inspiring message of Rachel Scott, the first student killed during the Columbine tragedy in 1999. They learned about Rachel’s life and legacy and were challenged to accept her call to action in their own lives: to choose kindness, acceptance and empathy over intolerance and hate.

A select group of students in grades 7-12 participated in Friends of Rachel Training following the morning presentation, during which they worked to brainstorm ideas about how to continue Rachel’s work throughout the school year as Kindness Ambassadors. As a result of their work, there are now kindness days on the morning announcements, students are working to add inspiring messages to the bathroom walls and plans are underway to create a clothing donation room called Rachel’s Closet, where students can “shop” when they are in need of clothing.

The entire community was invited back to the Campbell-Savona HS Auditorium in the evening for a community presentation that furthered the conversations about the challenges of bullying and violence in schools with interested adults. We hope that the message and work of this day will create a chain reaction of kindness in our own school community.

Tips for parents, continued

her home from school. It also is essential that our district have a current phone number where you can be contacted during the day and an emergency number in the event you cannot be reached. Please be sure that arrangements can be made to transport your child home from school and that childcare is available in case of illness. If your daytime or emergency phone number changes during the year, please notify the main office in your student’s building immediately.

Please call the school’s Health Office if you have any questions or concerns. Our school nurses are as follows:

Elementary School _____ Ashlee Drumm, RN _____ 527-9800 ext. 3167
C-S Jr./Sr. High School _ Lisa Fleet, LPN ________ 527-9800 ext. 1411
GST BOCES program _ Katrina Blencowe, LPN _ 527-9800 ext. 3168

Join Ski Club

 Cooler weather is upon us and that means the C-S Elementary and Jr./Sr. High Ski and Snowboarding Club will be hitting the slopes at Swain Ski Resort. Students learn new skills during their weekly lessons and ski with friends and family members while enjoying a lifelong activity. Interested in joining? Students in grades 3-12 are eligible and can contact Nancy Kernan (High School) at nkernan@ccsd.org or Tom Freeland (Elementary) at tfreeland@gstboces.org. Registration packets are available at the High School in room 1088 and in the main office at the Elementary School. Information also can be found on our Facebook page CS Ski & Snowboarding Club. Deadline for payment is December 7.

Check us out on Facebook!

You can like Campbell-Savona Central School District for another way to keep updated on school events and information.
Shrek, continued

there’s one on hand, and his name is Shrek.

Based on the Oscar-winning DreamWorks Animation film, Shrek The Musical is a Tony Award-winning fairy tale adventure. The show brings all the beloved characters you know from the film to life on stage and proves there’s more to the story than meets the ears. Irreverently fun for the whole family, Shrek proves that beauty is truly in the eye of the ogre.

Performances of Shrek are: Friday, November 16 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday, November 17 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, November 18 at 2:00 p.m. in the Stephen B. Morley Auditorium at Campbell-Savona High School. Tickets will be available November 1 by calling the box office at 527-9850. Tickets are $8.00 each.

The cast includes Kendra Ellison, Aidan Hellrigel, Jacob Stitley, Corinne Morris, Victoria Mapes, Sean McKenna, Diana Nelson, Kayla Bezio, Autumn Peck, Rebecca Caudill, Ciera Machuga, Karrigan Ellison, Emma Kephart, Noah Puffer, Sam Prescott, Anastasia Reed, Morgynn Hayes, Tanner Fleet, Bailea Spangenberg, Devon Orr, Kali Oman, Grace Brutzman, Lauren Crooker, Ethan Davidson, Lillyana Hayes, Isabella Reed, Sam Kephart, Sierra Andrews, Beverly Brutzman, Jenna Machuga and Jaylyn Machuga.

Gear up for financial aid

Now is the time for seniors to apply for college financial aid for the upcoming school year. Federal financial aid is available for students attending four-year, two-year, public, private, career or trade schools. The aid is intended to cover school expenses such as tuition, room and board, books and other supplies, and transportation. Most students receive the aid because of financial need.

Students can receive financial aid in the form of grants, loans or work-study. Grants are financial awards that do not have to be repaid.

How to apply for financial aid

If you’re a senior planning to attend college next fall, now is the time to file your Free Application for Federal Student Aid, or FAFSA. Information from the FAFSA is used to determine your eligibility for federal student aid programs including grants, loans and work-study. You can get the FAFSA by visiting www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Make sure you check financial aid deadlines. The FAFSA will list deadlines for federal and state aid. Also check the requirements at the colleges you’re interested in applying to. Some require additional financial aid forms.

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JV soccer wins tournament

The C-S girls’ JV soccer team won the Lisa Hawken Memorial Soccer Tournament in an exciting tournament championship game against Canisteo-Greenwood. In the tournament final, the Lady Panthers prevailed after two overtimes and penalty kicks. “The entire team left everything they had on the field to win the tournament,” said Coach Stamp. “They truly are a ‘Pamily’ (Panther family) that loves the game and plays every minute for each other.” Congratulations to Coach Stamp, Coach Cacace and the entire team!
Sarah Burgess, a 1996 graduate of Campbell-Savona, has returned to the District as the new Head Bus Driver.

She began her working career as a night manager at Wegmans. While working there she joined her local fire department. She then went to school for six months and became certified as a First Responder and graduated from basic firefighting school. When she turned 21 she was hired by the Campbell-Savona Central School District as a school bus driver and obtained her CDL class B license. During this time, she furthered her education in Emergency Services and began pursuing an associates degree in fire science technology through Corning Community College.

She also continued her education in the medical field, and after attending the required classes, she became a NYS certified EMT. She left C-S for a position with Rural/Metro Ambulance Services of Rochester, NY. She lived and worked in the city, and gained training and knowledge she would carry through her career. “While I enjoyed the high call volume, fast paced and wide variety of emergencies, the city wasn’t exactly where I wanted to live. I missed the country setting,” said Burgess. “So I requested a transfer to the Corning based ambulance service and it was granted.”

She had many opportunities while working at the Corning base. She received training on the radio, got certified as a dispatcher and worked as a firefighter/EMT for the Big Flats fire department.

After 13 years of service, another career opportunity presented itself and she was hired by Steuben County as a 911 Dispatcher. For the last 10 years she took all sorts of emergency and non-emergency calls and gave pre-arrival instructions to ambulance, fire and police.

“After years of being in ‘emergency mode’ I’m excited for this opportunity and to be back with the Campbell-Savona Central School District,” said Burgess. “There is a great deal of responsibility that comes with this job and I’m looking forward to the challenge. My goal is to continue the safe transport of all students. After all, we are hauling America’s most precious cargo!”

If you have any questions or concerns, regarding transportation, contact Burgess at (607) 527-4447, ext. 1516.

**Financial aid terms**

Following are some key financial aid terms:

**Aid package** – A combination of aid (possibly including a scholarship, grant, loan and work) determined by a college financial aid office.

**Expected Family Contribution** – An amount you and your family are expected to contribute toward your education. It is used in determining eligibility for federal student aid.

**Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** – The application required for students to be considered for federal student financial aid. Obtain a FAFSA form or electronic filing information from a high school or college for the appropriate year (usually available in November). The FAFSA is processed free of charge and used by most state agencies and colleges.

**Grants** – Awards, usually based on financial need, that do not require repayment. Grants are available through the federal government, state agencies and educational institutions.

**Scholarships** – Awards to students based on merit or merit plus need that do not have to be repaid.

**Student Aid Report (SAR)** – The information you will receive approximately two to four weeks after your FAFSA has been processed. It will report the information from your application, and if there are no questions or problems with your application, it will report your Expected Family Contribution (EFC).
Upcoming dates

November

Wednesdays in November there will be free open swim for students sponsored by PTO from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

1. Winter Sports Athletic Handbook Meeting/Team Meetings, LGI, 5:30 p.m.
2. Marking Period Ends
   Registration Deadline for SAT Exam
   Senior Wreaths/Poinsettias Sale, ends 11/16
   Elementary PTO Roller Skating, Savona Gym, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
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   Junior High Area-All State, Hornell
3. Booster Club Craft Fair, High School Gym, 10 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
   SAT Exam
5. JV/Varsity Winter Sports Begin
6. Fall Sports Awards, Auditorium, 6:00 p.m.
   Booster Club Meeting, Lower Cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
8. Report Cards Sent Home
9. 1/2 Day - Parent/Teacher Conferences
12. Veteran’s Day Observed – NO SCHOOL
13. Modified Winter Sports Begin
14. Elementary Picture Make-Up Day
   Jr./Sr. High School PTSO Meeting, Lower Cafeteria, 5:00 p.m.
16. Harvest Dinner for Christmas Mitten Project, Upper Cafeteria, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
   *Shrek the Musical*, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
   Yearbook Gift Card Sales Begin, End 11/30
16-17
   Senior High Area All-State, Elmira High School
   *Shrek the Musical*, Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
   *Shrek the Musical*, Auditorium, 2:00 p.m.
19. Board of Education Meeting, Multipurpose Room, 6:00 p.m.
20. 1/2 Day – Parent-Teacher Conferences
21-23
   Thanksgiving Recess
30. Running Club Coffee Sales Begin, End 12/14

December

Wednesdays in December there will be free open swim for students sponsored by PTO from 6:30-8:00 p.m.

1. SAT Exam
4. Senior High Band and Choral Winter Concert, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
   Booster Club Meeting, Lower Cafeteria, 6:30-7:30 p.m.
7. Midterm Ends
   Honor Pass Applications Due
   Athletic Club Meeting, LGI, 3:10 p.m.
   Elementary PTO Roller Skating, Savona Gym, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
8. ACT Exam
11. Jr./Sr. High School PTSO Meeting, Lower Cafeteria, 5:00 p.m.
   Jr./Sr. High School PTSO Family Fun Night Cookie Decorating, Lower Cafeteria, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
   Junior High Band and Choral Winter Concert, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
12. 1/2 Day – Parent-Teacher Conference Day
13. 5th and 6th Grade Band/Chorus Concert, Auditorium, 7:00 p.m.
14. Progress Reports Sent Home
21. College Apparel Day
   Elementary Holiday Program, Grades PreK-3, Savona Gym, 8:30 a.m.
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   January 4 Holiday Recess