

# FORT PLAIN

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT CALENDAR

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## Welcome Back

### Staying Connected

Communication is key to any successful relationship, including the one between a school district and its parents and community. Fort Plain Central School District continues to seek out ways to connect with parents, students, and community members. There are a number of ways in which district information is shared and conversations take place.

The Fort Plain Central School District is dedicated to keeping our residents, parents, students, and staff members informed with the most up to date information available. An official district Facebook page was launched during the 2015-16 school year, and the district began using the Remind app. (more information on the right).

The district website is a great place to stay up-to-date on all the news and happenings in the district at [www.fortplain.org](http://www.fortplain.org). A monthly newsletter will continue to be published in the Pennysaver.

If you have any questions, please call our District Office at 993-4000, ext. 1000.

### District Directory

The Fort Plain Central School District has a voice mail telephone system. The central number is 993-4000. The following personnel may be reached as follows:

**Central Administration . . . . . ext. # 1000**

David W. Ziskin, *Superintendent*  
Carl J. Rockefeller, *Business Manager*

**Fort Plain Jr./Sr. High School . . . . . ext. # 2124**

Deborah Larrabee, *Principal*

**Jr./Sr. Guidance Office . . . . . ext. # 2128**

**Jr./Sr. High Attendance . . . . . ext. # 2118**

**Jr./Sr. High School Nurse . . . . . ext. # 2122**

Tara Hayes, *R.N.*

**Harry Hoag School . . . . . ext. # 3072**

Lauren Crisman, *Principal*

**Pupil Services Office, HHS . . . . . ext. # 3060**

**CSE Office . . . . . ext. # 3074**

Katrina Canallatos, *Director of Special Education*

**Harry Hoag School Nurse . . . . . ext. # 3057**

Tina Cumm, *R.N.*

**Bus Garage . . . . . ext. # 4001**



The district's Facebook page provides another avenue to communicate to teachers, parents, students and community stakeholders about upcoming events, news, achievements and time-sensitive issues.

To receive updates from the district via Facebook click the page's "Like" button.



Remind is a free, safe, and simple messaging tool that helps schools share important updates and reminders. All personal information is kept private. It's simple to sign up:

Using your cell phone, just send a text message to 81010 and enter @fpcsd1 in the message box.

### Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am grateful to the Fort Plain community for the warm reception I received during my first year as superintendent of the Fort Plain Central School District. The children, their parents, faculty, staff and members of the community have made me feel welcome and proud to be entrusted with the responsibility of leading the school district in this great community.

In June our Board of Education identified five priority areas that will guide our efforts to ensure student safety and success. These priority areas include:

- ❖ Safety and Student Social and Emotional Developmental Health
- ❖ Curriculum Development and Support
- ❖ Fiscal Resources
- ❖ Family and Community Trust
- ❖ Use of Data to Inform Teacher Practices and Improve Learning

It is our belief that improvement in these areas will create an improved learning environment for our students.

During 2016-17 we will continue our commitment to providing accessible, timely information to parents and encourage you to follow us on Facebook and consider receiving text alerts from our Remind account (text @fpcsd1 to 81010 on your cellphone).

We enjoyed great success in 2015-16 and eagerly anticipate the 2016-17 school year with our attention clearly focused on our students and how we can best support them.

Sincerely,

*Dave Ziskin, Superintendent of Schools*

# A Matter of Safety

## Driving & Parking

In general, there is no parking available for students in the junior/senior high school parking lot.

Seniors are eligible for a lottery held each month for a limited number of student parking spaces.

Students parking on school grounds without permission may have their vehicles towed and will be subject to disciplinary action on the part of the school.

## Closings and Delays

Information on closings and delays will be broadcast on:

WRGB TV Channel 6	WENT (1340 AM)
WTEN TV Channel 10	WRVE (99.5 FM)
WNYT TV Channel 13	WBUG (101.1 FM)
WKTV Channel 2	WFLY (Fly 92.3 FM)
FOX23 News	or go to
TWC News	<a href="http://www.fortplain.org">www.fortplain.org</a>
WGY (810 AM)	on the Internet



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## Code of Conduct

Under requirements of the New York State SAVE Act, the Fort Plain Central School District is providing this summary of its Code of Conduct. This Code of Conduct applies to ALL students, school personnel, parents and other visitors when on school property (including school buses/vehicles) or attending a school-sponsored activity. The Code contains information pertaining to possible actions/consequences to be taken by the classroom teacher or staff member in order to handle the offense. The classroom teacher/staff member may use the consequences as a guideline and he/she is not limited to the suggested action/consequences outlined in the Code of Conduct. Included with the Code of Conduct is the Bill of Student Rights and Responsibilities, which outlines issues such as:

- Prohibited acts
- Student activities
- Rights of privacy
- Search of student lockers
- Alternative Education policies
- Maintenance of public order on school property
- Inappropriate behavior
- Enforcement and penalties

Also included in the Code of Conduct are procedures for disciplinary measures and the appeal process.

Please be aware that all students will be informed of the Code of Conduct as a requirement of the SAVE legislation.

## Pesticide Notification

Our district uses current Integrated Pest Management practices to reduce the use of pesticides in our buildings and on our grounds. It may be necessary, however, to use them periodically during the year. New York State law requires that the school maintain a list of staff and parents who wish to receive written notice 48 hours prior to pesticide application. If you wish to be included in the notice, contact Paul Van Avery, Director of Facilities, at 518-998-4000.

## Section 504 Policy

No person in the Fort Plain Central School District will be unlawfully excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any educational program or activity, on the basis of disability or any other status protected by law. The director of special education, who coordinates Section 504, can be reached at 518-993-4000, ext. #3074 with any questions.

## Student Accidents

The Fort Plain Central School District provides an accident insurance policy for injuries that occur in school or during school activities. This policy covers costs not covered by the parents' own insurance within limits.

Please be sure that any student accident is reported to the building nurse immediately. The school cannot assume responsibility for student accidents beyond the limits of our policy. For specific information, please contact the school nurse.

## Notice of Compliance

The Fort Plain CSD does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, handicap, or age in employment or in providing student access to educational program, courses and activities.

This policy in compliance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975. Any alleged grievances should be reported to the appropriate compliance officer:

► David W. Ziskin, Superintendent  
25 High Street, Fort Plain, NY, 13339.  
518-993-4000.

## Special Education

Fort Plain offers a variety of programs for special education students in grades K-12.

Parents/guardians, students, teachers, and/or physicians may refer a specific case to the Committee on Special Education (CSE); the Committee on Preschool Special Education (CPSE); or the Section 504 Committee.

If you believe your child has a disabling condition that impacts his/her capacity to learn, please contact the Special Education Office at 993-4000, ext. # 3074 to discuss your child's needs.



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## An Invitation to Parents

Be sure to check  
<http://www.fortplain.org>  
for the latest school news, cal-  
endar updates, policies, teacher  
contact information, and more.

*“The  
importance  
of parental  
involvement  
in children’s  
education  
cannot be  
overstated.”*

*-Lisa Blair*

### Visiting School

If you wish to confer with a teacher or administrator, please call for an appointment. This will allow us to prepare so we can devote the proper amount of time to such a conference. All visitors are required to report to the security kiosk upon entering the school buildings.

### Parent-Teacher Association

The Fort Plain Parent-Teacher Association — in its 31st year — continues to encourage involvement between parents, school and community. The PTA helps forge that link through activities such as field trips, classroom libraries, school assemblies, and educational workshops. There needs to be a strong link between school and parents to ensure that our children gain knowledge, skills and values needed to succeed in our world today. Our students will benefit greatly from parents and schools working together. You may also call one of our representatives if you want to get involved.

#### Association Representatives

- Deanna Cook, *President* 993-4000
- Katie McCumber, *Vice President*
- Patricia Sweet, *Secretary*
- Jessica Sanders, *Treasurer*

### Getting Involved

There are many ways in which you can become involved in the educational programs offered to your child. The best and most productive is to take an active interest in your child’s school work each and every night. In addition, your attendance at key events such as open house, parent-teacher conference days, morning program, and extra curricular activities in which your youngster is involved, sends the right message to your child. Finally, there are parent organizations which foster involvement in specific school/community activities. Those organizations and key contact people can be found on the bottom right. Our goal is to provide an environment in which students achieve academically, socially and physically. Certain unacceptable behaviors cannot and will not be tolerated.

It is our stated objective to involve parents throughout the disciplinary process. However, certain types of behavior will result in suspension from school for periods ranging from one day to one year, depending on severity and reoccurrence. These behaviors include direct insubordination, fighting, assault, theft, vandalism, endangerment, use of drugs, alcohol or tobacco or any action which constitutes a serious impediment to the learning process of others.

In all cases involving suspension of five or less days, parents will be invited to a conference with the building principal. Long-term suspension

(more than five days) will involve a formal hearing with the superintendent. Schools are only effective with good discipline. We wish to work with parents in fostering behavior that is conducive to learning for all students.

A full text of the Student Bill of Rights and Responsibilities is available through the building principal.

### How to get help

If you are concerned about your child’s educational progress, grades, conduct, or something that happened in school, first contact your child’s teacher. If that does not resolve your concern, contact the building principal or related supervisor (cafeteria, transportation, pupil services). The next step is to contact the superintendent. If this does not resolve the issue, you may contact the Board of Education either in writing or during the “public comment” portion of a public meeting.

### Free Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program

To attend UPK, your child must be four years old by Dec. 1, 2016, toilet trained and able to feed him/herself with minimal assistance. We are still looking for students to enroll in this free program, which is open to all district residents. Please call our office at 518-993-4000, ext. #3059 to register.

# Academic Eligibility

## Non-Athletic Activities

### How a student becomes ineligible

Eligibility is based on the five-week interim report or 10-week report card. On the Wednesday after report cards or interim reports are issued, the building principal will publish a list of students who have failing grades in one or more subjects for the period. The students on this list are not eligible to participate in any culminating extra-curricular activities for 14 consecutive calendar days. Students who continue to be ineligible to participate after 14 consecutive days shall not be eligible to participate in any extracurricular activity until they meet the minimum standards of eligibility. Examples of activities are as follows: the performance of a play, club meetings, club trips, etc. Students are eligible to continue to take part in practices, rehearsals, etc.

### How a student can become eligible

To become eligible to participate again, the student will have to take the initiative – and follow the procedure below. Any time after two weeks, a student may once again become eligible by obtaining passing averages in at least all but one of his or her courses. The average must be for the immediate prior seven-week period. The student must then obtain verification of a passing average by having each of his or her teachers sign the eligibility form. The necessary form may be obtained in the building principal's office. It is up to the building principal to formally remove the student's name from the ineligibility list.

## Athletic Activities

All members of athletic teams are expected to achieve acceptable academic progress. The following policy will govern academic eligibility for athletics:

1. All coaches will submit a list of participating students to the junior/senior high school principal once students are chosen to participate in a sport.
2. To be eligible to participate, a student must not have failing or incomplete grades in one or more subjects.
3. Eligibility will be checked at five-week intervals.
4. If a student is found to have failing or incomplete grades in one or more subjects, he/she must follow the procedure outlined below to remain eligible for participation:
  - A. The student will have seven calendar days from the date the ineligibility list is published to improve deficient grades to passing for that week's work. During this seven-day period, the student will remain ineligible.
  - B. At the end of the seven-day period, a five-week check of weekly progress will begin. The student must have teachers sign "pass/fail" slips reflecting work for that week. The slips must be approved by the building principal (or in the principal's absence the superintendent). If the slip reflects more than one failing or incomplete grade for that week, the student will not be eligible until the next weekly check.

The "pass/fail" slips must be signed by all teachers and approved by the building principal no later than 3 p.m. each Monday. The slips must be completed until the next five-week eligibility check — even if all subjects are being passed for the week.

This procedure will be followed for the remainder of the sports season or longer, at the building principal's discretion.

If a student is ineligible for an athletic squad, he/she will participate in the practice sessions but not in the contests while he/she is ineligible.

## Sportsmanship policy

Section II Athletic Association is committed to promoting the proper ideas of sportsmanship, ethical conduct, and fair play at all Sectional activities. We will oppose instances and activities which run counter to the best values of athletic competition in order to ensure the well being of all individual players. We expect acceptable standards of good citizenship and propriety with proper regard for the rights of others. We are further committed to the belief that schools participating in Sectional activities should be held responsible for the conduct of their players, coaches, faculty members, and spectators. Conduct which is detrimental to the educational value of the athletic activities may be deemed just cause for the school's reprimand, probation, suspension from a particular sport or suspension from Sectional activities. Parents/guardians are reminded that they are to supervise their child during athletic events.





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*“At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child’s success is the positive involvement of parents.”*

*-Jane D. Hull*

## Sports

### Fort Plain-Canajoharie Cross Country Schedule

Sat.	9/3	@ Ekiden Meet @ Niskayuna (Iroquois Middle School)
Sat.	9/10	@ Blackbird Invy @ Swift Rd. Park- Voorheesville
Sat.	9/17	Fort Plain Invitational
Tues.	9/20	@ Ekiden Meet @ Mekeel or Galway
Sat.	9/24	@ E.J. Herrmann Invy @ Proctor Park- Utica
Tues.	9/27	@ Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons w/ Galway
Sat.	10/1	@ Grout Meet @ Central Park- Schenectady
Tues.	10/4	@ Mayfield w/ Mekeel
Sat.	10/8	@ Tartan Invy @ Indian Meadows Park-Glenville
Tues.	10/11	Home vs. Fonda & Schoharie
Sat.	10/15	@ Burnt Hills-Ballston Lake Invy-Saratoga State Park
Tues.	10/18	@ Berne-Knox w/Bishop Maginn & DCS
Sat.	10/22	Fort Plain Modified Invy
Tues.	10/25	WAC Championships @ Fort Plain- 3:00

### 2016 Fort Plain Varsity Girls Soccer Schedule

Wed.	8/31	Berne-Knox-Westerlo	Home	4:30
Wed.	9/7	Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons	Home	4:30
Fri.	9/9	Mekeel	Away	4:30
Mon.	9/12	Schoharie	Home	4:30
Wed.	9/14	OESJ	Away	4:30
Sat.	9/17	West Canada Valley	Away	10:00
Mon.	9/19	Galway	Home	4:30
Wed.	9/21	Northville	Away	4:30
Fri.	9/23	Duanesburg	Away	4:30
Mon.	9/26	Middleburgh	Away	4:30
Wed.	9/28	Canajoharie	Home	7:00
Fri.	9/30	Mayfield	Home	7:00
Mon.	10/3	Fonda-Fultonville	Away	4:15
Sat.	10/8	West Canada Valley	Home	10:00
Wed.	10/12	OESJ	Home	4:15
Fri.	10/14	Canajoharie	Away	4:30

### Modified Girls/Boys Soccer Schedule

Thurs.	9/15	Canajoharie	Away	4:30
Sat.	9/17	Mayfield	Away	10:00
Tues.	9/20	Galway	Home	4:30
Thurs.	9/22	OESJ	Home	4:30
Sat.	9/24	Fonda-Fultonville	Home	10:00
Tues.	9/27	Northville	Away	4:30
Sat.	10/1	Galway	Away	10:00
Tues.	10/4	OESJ	Away	4:15
Thurs.	10/6	Fonda-Fultonville	Away	4:15
Tues.	10/11	Northville	Home	4:15
Sat.	10/15	Mayfield (from 9/29)- girls only	Home	10:00
Mon.	10/17	Canajoharie-girls only	Home	4:15

### Varsity/JV Volleyball Schedule

Sat.	8/27	Tip-Off Tourney @ BP (varsity only)	Away	8:30
Thurs.	9/8	Mekeel- Varsity only	Home	6:00
Mon.	9/12	Middleburgh	Away	4:30
Thurs.	9/15	OESJ	Home	4:30
Tues.	9/20	Berne-Knox	Home	4:30
Fri.	9/24	WAC JV Tourney	Away	TBA
Tues.	9/27	Notre Dame-Bishop Gibbons	Away	4:30
Fri.	9/30	Fonda-Fultonville	Away	4:30
Sat.	10/1	Voorheesville Tourney- Var.	Away	TBA
Mon.	10/3	Galway	Away	4:30
Thurs.	10/6	Schoharie	Home	4:30
Wed.	10/12	Duanesburg	Away	4:30
Fri.	10/14	Canajoharie	Away	4:30
Wed.	10/19	OESJ	Away	4:30
Thurs.	10/20	Canajoharie	Home	4:30
Sat.	10/22	WAC Var. Tourney	Home	TBA Hull



### Modified Volleyball Schedule

Mon.	9/19	Fonda-Fultonville	Away	4:30
Thurs.	9/22	OESJ	Home	4:30
Mon.	9/26	Galway	Away	4:30
Thurs.	9/29	Mayfield	Home	4:30
Tues.	10/4	Canajoharie	Away	4:30
Fri.	10/7	Fonda-Fultonville	Home	4:30
Tues.	10/11	Galway	Home	4:30
Mon.	10/17	OESJ	Away	4:30
Fri.	10/21	Mayfield	Away	4:30

### Fort Plain Boys Basketball Schedule

Sat.	12/3	Wells@FMCC (V. Only)	Away	2:00
Tues.	12/6	Schoharie (NL)	Away	5:30
Fri.	12/9	OESJ	Home	5:30
Fri.	12/16	Fonda	Home	5:30
Tues.	12/20	Middleburgh	Away	5:30
Fri.	12/23	Wells w/8th Grade	Home	5:30
Wed.	12/29	W. Canada Valley Tourney	Away	TBA
Thurs.	12/30	W. Canada Valley Tourney	Away	TBA
Tues.	1/3	Notre-Dame-Bishop Gibbons	Away	5:30
Fri.	1/6	Canajoharie	Home	5:30
Tues.	1/10	Galway	Away	5:30
Fri.	1/13	Northville	Home	5:50
Tues.	1/17	OESJ	Away	5:50
Fri.	1/20	Mayfield	Home	5:30
Fri.	1/27	Berne-Knox	Away	5:30
Tues.	1/31	Duanesburg	Away	5:30
Fri.	2/3	Mekeel	Home	5:30
Tues.	2/7	Schoharie	Home	5:30
Fri.	2/10	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Sat.	2/11	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Tues.	2/14	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Tues./Wed.	2/21-2/22	Sectionals		



### Fort Plain Girls Basketball Schedule

Fri.	12/2	Sectional Challenge	Home	4:30/6:30/8:30
Sat.	12/3	Sectional Challenge	Home	2/4/6/7/45
Tues.	12/6	Schoharie (NL)	Home	5:30
Fri.	12/9	OESJ	Away	5:30
Wed.	12/14	Canajoharie	Home	5:30
Fri.	12/16	Fonda	Away	5:30
Tues.	12/20	Middleburgh	Home	5:30
Wed.	1/4	Notre-Dame-Bishop Gibbons	Away	5:30
Fri.	1/6	Canajoharie	Away	5:30
Tues.	1/10	Galway	Home	5:30
Fri.	1/13	Northville	Away	5:30
Tues.	1/17	OESJ	Home	5:50
Fri.	1/20	Mayfield	Away	5:30
Fri.	1/27	Berne-Knox	Home	5:30
Tues.	1/31	Duanesburg	Away	5:30
Fri.	2/3	Mekeel	Away	5:30
Tues.	2/7	Schoharie	Away	5:30
Fri.	2/10	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Sat.	2/11	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Tues.	2/14	Crossovers@FMCC	Away	TBA
Tues./Wed.	2/21-2/22	Sectionals		

## Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship can be defined as:

- ❖ Playing fair,
- ❖ Following the rules of the game,
- ❖ Respecting the judgement of referees and officials,
- ❖ Treating opponents with respect.



# Student Records

Parents and 18-year-old students have the right to opt out of the disclosure of directory information by contacting their school principal.

Parents should also inform the principal if they do not wish their child's likeness to be included on the district website, Facebook page, or in occasional photos or videos taken by district staff for school-related purposes.

Parents not wishing information about their child to be used in either district publications, release to the media or on the district website should write a letter to the principal of their child's school. The signed and dated letter should state that directory information about (name of student) should not be released under FERPA. You do not have to give a reason. This letter must be sent annually by Sept. 30.

**Confidentiality of pupil records must be maintained. The following necessary procedures have been adopted to guarantee protection of privacy.**

## SECTION 1

Pursuant to the "Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974," it shall be the policy of this school district with respect to parents of a student under 18 years of age and with respect to students 18 years of age or older (an "eligible student") to permit such persons to inspect and review any and all official records, files and data directly related to that student.

## SECTION 2

Parents of a student under 18 years of age or an eligible student shall have an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the content of that student's school records, to insure that the records are not inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of students, and to provide an opportunity for the correction or deletion of any such inaccurate, misleading or otherwise inappropriate data contained therein.

## SECTION 3

In order to implement the rights provided for in Sections 1 and 2 hereof, the following procedures are adopted:

1. A parent of a student under 18 years of age or an eligible student shall make a request for access to that student's school records, in writing, to the Superintendent of Schools. Upon receipt of such request, arrangements shall be made to provide access to such records within 30 days of the request.
2. A parent of a student under 18 years of age or an eligible student who wishes to challenge the contents of that student's school records shall submit a request, in writing, identifying the record or records which they believe to be inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of the privacy or other rights of the student, together with a statement with the reasons for his or her challenge to the record to the Superintendent.
3. Upon receipt of a written challenge, the Superintendent shall provide a written response indicating either that:
  - He/she finds the challenged record inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation and it will be corrected or deleted, or that

- He/she finds no basis for correcting or deleting the record in question, but that the parent or eligible student will be given an opportunity for a hearing.

Such written response by the Superintendent shall be provided to the parent or eligible student within 14 days after receipt of the written challenge. Said response shall also outline the procedures to be followed with respect to a hearing, if desired by the parent or eligible student.

4. Within 14 days of receipt of the response from the Superintendent, a parent or eligible student may request, in writing, that a hearing be held to review the Superintendent's determination.

## SECTION 4

Student records, and any material contained herein which is personally identifiable, are confidential and may not be released or made available to persons other than the parents or students without the written consent of parents of students 18 years of age or younger. Such records and material may be made available without the written consent of parents or eligible students in the following cases:

1. To other school officials, including teachers within the district, who have legitimate educational interests.
2. To officials of another school in which the student intends to enroll, if the parents or student are notified of the transfer of records, are given a copy if they desire one, and have an opportunity for a hearing to challenge the content of the records.
3. To authorized representatives of certain designated federal and state agencies, including state educational authorities, for the purpose of the audit and in connection with the enforcement of federal legal requirements.
4. In connection with a student's application for or receipt of financial aid.
5. Pursuant to court order of subpoena, after notification to the parent or eligible student.

## SECTION 5

Whenever a student record or any material contained therein is to be made available to third persons, other than those covered by the exceptions indicated in Section 4 hereof, the parent of a student under 18 years of age or an eligible student must file a written

consent to such action and any third party to whom such records have been made available must sign a written statement that he/she will not further release such records without the consent of the parent or eligible student.

## SECTION 6

All persons requesting access to such records except for those persons provided for in Section 4 shall be required to sign a written form which indicates a legitimate educational or other interest that such person has in inspecting the records. Such form shall be kept with the student's file.

## SECTION 7

Whenever the district is requested to forward a student's school record to a neighboring public school district within the BOCES, the following procedures shall be followed:

1. A student's school record, including health records, shall be forwarded to the neighboring public school district from which such a request is made upon the receipt of a request by the appropriate administrator of the requesting district.
2. The prior written consent of the student's parents or eligible student shall not be necessary. However, upon the forwarding of the student's records, the parent(s) of the student or eligible student shall be notified in writing that the records have been transferred.

Such notice shall be by certified letter, return receipt requested and such letter shall be forwarded to the parents or eligible student not later than the close of business of the day upon which the student's records are forwarded to the neighboring district.





## Body Mass Index survey

As part of a required health examination, a student is weighed and his/her height is measured. These numbers are used to figure out the student's body mass index or 'BMI'. The BMI helps the doctor or nurse know if the student's weight is in a healthy range or is too high or too low. Recent changes to the New York State Education Law require that BMI and weight status group be included as part of the student's school health examination. A sample of school districts will be selected to take part in a survey by the New York State Department of Health (NYDOH). If our school is selected to be part of the survey, we will be reporting to NYDOH about our students' weight status groups. Only summary information is sent. No names or information about individual students are sent. However, you may choose to have your child's information excluded from this survey report.

If you do not wish to have your child's weight status group information included as part of the Health Department's survey this year, please contact your child's school nurse.

Tina Cumm, RN Harry Hoag Elementary,  
993-4000, ext. #3057

Tara Hayes, RN Junior/Senior High,  
993-4000, ext. #2122

## School Immunization Requirements for 2016-17

Below is a summary of the changes to School Immunization Requirements for the 2016-17 School Year based on NYSDOH amended regulations. Visit [www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf](http://www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf) for more information

### *Prekindergarten:*

- 4 doses Diphtheria and Tetanus toxoid and Pertussis (DPT)
  - 3 doses Polio Vaccine
    - 1 doses MMR
    - 3 doses Hepatitis B
  - 1 dose Varicella (Chickenpox)
- 1 to 4 doses Haemophilus Influenzae Type B Conjugate
  - 1 to 4 doses Pneumococcal Conjugate

### *Kindergarten, Grades 1 and 2:*

- 4 or 5 doses DPT, if 4th dose was received at 4 years or older
- 3 doses DPT, if 7 years or older and the series was started at 1 year or older
  - 4 or 3 doses Polio Vaccine, if the 3rd was received at 4 years or older
    - 2 doses MMR
  - 3 or 2 doses of adult Hepatitis B
  - 2 dose Varicella (Chickenpox)

### *Grades 3, 4 and 5:*

- 4 or 5 doses DPT, if 4th dose was received at 4 years or older
  - 3 doses Polio
  - 2 doses MMR
- 3 or 2 doses of adult Hepatitis B
- 1 dose Varicella (Chickenpox)

### *Grades 6, 7 and 8:*

- 3 doses DPT
- 1 dose DPT Booster
- 4 or 3 doses Polio Vaccine, if the 3rd was received at 4 years or older
  - 2 doses MMR
- 3 or 2 doses of adult Hepatitis B
- 2 doses Varicella (Chickenpox)
- 1 dose Meningococcal by Grade 7

### *Grades 9, 10, 11 and 12:*

- 3 doses DPT
- 1 dose DPT Booster
- 3 doses Polio Vaccine
- 2 doses MMR
- 3 or 2 doses of adult Hepatitis B
- 1 or 2 doses Varicella (Chickenpox) if the dose was received at 16 or older
- 1 dose Meningococcal by Grade 7

## Medication Policy

In order for the school nurse to administer medication, including non-prescription medication such as Tylenol, Advil and cough drops, please note the following:

1. All medication is to be brought in to the nurse in the original container from the pharmacy.
2. Written parental permission to administer medication must be on file.

3. A physician's order to administer the medication must be on file in the nurse's office. This should include: name of medication, dosage amount and frequency to be given

All students must also have a pass before going to the nurse's office. If not, the student will be sent back to class. If a student is ill during school hours, he/she must report to the nurse's office. The nurse will then notify the student's parents. Students should not contact parents to pick them up before seeing the nurse.

## Physicals

All new students are required to have a physical upon entering the district also in pre-k, K, and grades 2, 4, 7, and 10. The school physician will do physicals in grades 2, 4, 7, and 10 or you may choose to go to your own health care provider. All students participating in interscholastic athletics must receive a sports physical and that must be done by the school physician.



# Attendance: Key to Success

## Our school considers excellent attendance a top priority

**The building principal will review students absent from class for 10 class periods with communication to the parents. Further review will take place after 20 class absences and 30 class absences.**

**The Attendance Review Committee will review students whose attendance indicates truancy or illegal absences. This may result in denial of course credit and removal from classes where there have been a high number of illegal absences.**



## Test scores linked to student attendance

One of the most important predictors of student success is coming to school on a daily basis.

Research supports the unquestionable link between attendance and student performance. Students who attend school between 85 and 100 percent of the time pass state tests in reading and math at much higher rates than students who attend school less than 85 percent of the time.

Children learn best when they are engaged with ideas, interacting intellectually with others, and provided with support and direction.

That's hard to do in a make-up class or when the student is at home alone.

Students with good attendance practices generally leave high school with skills and habits necessary to be successful in the working world and in life.

## Parents can make a difference

If your child is "skipping school" or cutting classes, try to find out why.

There may be many reasons why your child doesn't want to go to class: It could be personal, such as a failed relationship with another student or a fear of being bullied. Or it might be academic, such as a conflict with a teacher or a fear of failing a test.

Whatever it is, parents are encouraged to ask the building principal or school counselor for help. Parents should know that teachers and administrators share their desire to make sure students are attending school.

In some cases, parents themselves allow children to take an illegal absence, perhaps for a family vacation or to care for a sibling.

Or parents may allow their children to "take a day off," believing that an absence here or there won't hurt.

But even students with good attendance records and a history of success in school will run the risk of missing a critical assignment that can make a significant difference in his/her grades.

And once a student starts to fall behind, it becomes easier to miss more classes.

Legal absences from school are limited to: personal illness, illness or death in the family, extreme weather conditions, medical appointments, religious observances, quarantine, court appearances and approved school-sponsored trips and activities.



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## Transportation and Safety



## Student safety is our first priority — Please review these rules with your children

- ▶ The school bus is an extension of the classroom. Behave accordingly.
- ▶ Be on time for your scheduled pickup.
- ▶ Behave properly at the bus stop.
- ▶ Stay back 15 feet from the road while waiting.
- ▶ Students who cross the road must do so at least 15 feet in front of the bus AFTER receiving the hand signal from the driver.
- ▶ The bus driver may assign students to specific seats.
- ▶ Remain seated at all times.
- ▶ Items allowed on the bus must fit comfortably on the student's lap.
- ▶ Keep the aisle clear of book bags, musical instruments, lunch boxes, etc.
- ▶ No glass containers are allowed on the bus.
- ▶ No animals, alive or dead, are allowed on the bus.
- ▶ Speak quietly.
- ▶ Do NOT use profane language.
- ▶ Students should NOT be destructive.
- ▶ Keep head, hands, and feet inside the bus.
- ▶ State law requires that students get on, get off, and cross only when the bus is at a complete stop with the red light flashing.
- ▶ Cooperate with the bus driver.

### School drop-offs

- Parents driving their children to school are asked to avoid using bus loops prior to and after the school day.
- Junior/senior high school students should be dropped off either on West Street or in the parking lot adjacent to the gymnasium.
- Students may be dropped off only in the front parking lot of the Harry Hoag School. To insure proper supervision and safety, do not drop your child off at the side or in back of the school.

*Your cooperation is appreciated and should make these areas safer for all concerned.*

### Some clothing can create bus safety hazards

#### **Epecially dangerous are:**

- ▶ Long dangling jackets or sweatshirt strings,
- ▶ Long backpack straps, and
- ▶ Long scarves or other loose clothing.

Such clothing can get caught in the bus handrail, door or other equipment as the child gets on or off the bus.

### State Law

It is illegal to pass a stopped school bus when its red lights are flashing.

This also applies to buses in the loading zone at each of the school buildings.

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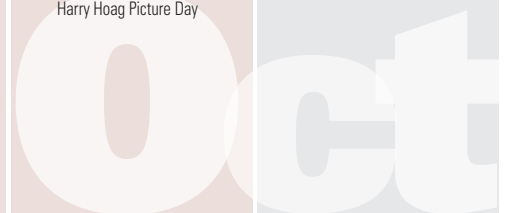
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- Michael Farris

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-Abigail Van Buren



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- Lauren Tripp Barlist

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- William J. Bennett

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- Whitney Houston

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- William Temple

## Anti-harassment in the School District

Harassment is a violation of the law and stands in direct opposition to Fort Plain Central School District's policies and procedures. The Board of Education affirms its commitment to nondiscrimination and realizes its responsibility to provide an environment that is free of harassment and intimidation. Therefore, the board policies prohibit and condemn all forms of harassment on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, political affiliation, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity, marital or veteran status, or disability by employees, school volunteers, students, and non-employees such as contractors, and vendors, as well as any third parties who are participating in, observing, or otherwise engaging in activities subject to the supervision and control of the district.

Board of Education policies also prohibit harassment based on an individual's opposition to discrimination or participation in a related investigation or complaint proceeding under the anti-discrimination statutes. This policy of nondiscrimination and anti-harassment will be enforced on school district premises and in school buildings and at all school-sponsored events, programs, and activities, including those that take place at locations off school premises. Copies of these policies and procedures are available by contacting the Fort Plain Central School District office, or by visiting the website at [www.fortplain.org](http://www.fortplain.org)

## Notice of Parents and Guardians

In accordance with the Sex Offender Registration Act (Megan's Law), the Fort Plain Central School District Board of Education supports the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services (DSJS) in its efforts to protect children from the presence of individuals with a history of sex

offenses against children. Any information the district receives from law enforcement agencies will be available from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Department, the Fort Plain Police Department or at the district office upon written request in accordance with the Freedom of Information Law, which can be found on the district website. Also, please note from time to time, as in the past, we use the Montgomery County K9 Unit drug dog to check student lockers at the Jr./Sr. High School. Lockers are school property, and by checking them, we are taking precautions to keep our school district drug free.



## Parents' Right to Know

At the beginning of the school year, many notices are sent home for parents to read, sign, and send back to school. We are required to supply our families with notification of school policies and procedures under the No Child Left Behind Act (NCLBA). Listed below is information for your reference and use.

1. Access to student records — Parents and students over 18 years of age have rights to inspect their child's records or to request the amendment of school records believed to be inaccurate or misleading.

2. Attendance — A plain language summary of the district's attendance policy is sent to parents at the beginning of the school year.

3. Code of Conduct — All Fort Plain students receive a complete code of conduct. If parents or students have questions, contact the building principal.

4. Disclosure to the military — As part of the NCLBA, the district must release the names of students 17 years of age, their addresses, and telephone numbers to military recruiters without prior written consent. Parents and students have the right to request that the district not release this information.

5. Homeless students — Parents of homeless students and unaccompanied youths — youths not in the physical custody of a parent or guardian — must be informed of

their rights and provided contact information for the local liaison for homeless children and youth.

6. Limited English-proficient students — Within 30 days of the start of the school year, schools must notify parents if their child is participating or eligible for a language instruction program for limited English-proficient students.

7. Parental involvement policy — Parents in Title I schools are to receive the district/school's policies.

8. Pesticide application notice — See Page 3 for more information.

9. Staff qualifications — Parents in Title I schools may request and receive information regarding the professional qualifications of their child's classroom teacher and any teaching assistants. Since Harry Hoag Elementary is a Title I school, this information is available upon request.

10. Student privacy — Under the NCLBA legislation, we have a privacy policy and parents may forbid their child's participation in any survey that reveals information on certain types of personal behavior or political beliefs. Parents must also be notified of the given opportunity to exclude their child from any activities in which personal information will be gathered from students and used for marketing purposes.

Anyone with questions or concerns about these policies should contact their child's building principal.

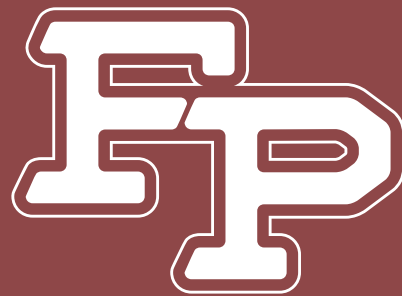


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**Telephone Directory**

Please dial (518) 993-4000 to call the school district. The following personnel may be reached at these extensions:

- Central Administration ..... ext. # 1000
- Fort Plain Jr./Sr. High School ..... ext. # 2124
- Guidance Office ..... ext. # 2128
- H.S. Attendance ..... ext. # 2118
- High School Nurse ..... ext. # 2122
- Harry Hoag School ..... ext. # 3059
- Pupil Services Office ..... ext. # 3060
- Harry Hoag School Nurse ..... ext. # 3057
- Bus Garage ..... ext. # 4001

**Mission** STATEMENT

The Fort Plain Central School District will provide each student with the opportunity to develop intellectually, socially, emotionally and physically in a safe, orderly and positive environment. Our goal is to enable each student to successfully compete in a rapidly changing global community.

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