

Our Schools in Action

Back to School 2019

www.AmherstSchools.org

What's New?

Welcome Back

The first day of school for all Amherst Central School District students will be September 3, 2019. This will be a full day of instruction. Breakfast and lunches will be served.

Register Now!

If you're new to the Amherst Central School District and have not registered your child for school yet, please do so immediately. Please do not wait until the first day of classes. It is difficult for the schools to register new students and find places for them in the confusion of the first day. You can register between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. weekdays at the appropriate school. Elementary students attend either Windermere or Smallwood, depending on where they live. To find out what school your child will attend, visit our website or call one of the elementary schools.

- **Windermere Boulevard Elementary School**
Grades Kindergarten - 5
362-4100
- **Smallwood Drive Elementary School**
Grades Kindergarten - 5
362-2100
- **Amherst Middle School**
Grades 6 - 8
362-7177
- **Amherst Central High School**
Grades 9 - 12
362-8170

Online Events Calendar

The District posts all information, notices and calendar event dates on the district website at www.AmherstSchools.org. If you do not have Internet access and wish to pick up a printed copy of pertinent notices and a listing of calendar events, you may contact Debbie Custodi, District Clerk, at 362-3051.

LocalLive to Stream Athletic Events

This fall, sporting events on the Amherst Central High School Dimp Wagner Alumni field will be streamed so the community can view the action from any internet connection – on laptops, tablets and smart phones.

Amherst Central School District has partnered with LocalLive to stream the excitement of football, field hockey, soccer, and lacrosse events that occur in the high school's athletic complex. Each game will be recorded for the archives and may be available for replay through on-demand. There is an integrated scoreboard view included for viewers.

Permanent high definition cameras that move to follow the action on the field and have 30X zoom capabilities will be installed at the field through LocalLive. Equipment is monitored and maintained by LocalLive. LocalLive has remote game producers that follow the action with gaming controllers. The camera operators are trained and supervised by seasoned professionals.



Not only does this bring the action of our athletic events to the community; it allows our coaches to use video clips as learning opportunities for our athletes as well as allowing our athletes interested in playing at the collegiate level to develop a reel film to submit to college coaches.

LocalLive mobile app is available in the Apple store; the Android version will be released in the fall of 2019. The app allows you to watch all available home games. Plus, you get automatic game highlights and you can easily create personalized and custom highlights by game, sport or season.

To access the Amherst CSD channel of LocalLive, look for the icon on the Athletic homepage of our website, amherstschoos.org.

Amherst is the only school district in WNY to offer LocalLive streaming of athletic events to our fans!

Want to cheer from the sidelines? Check out the sports schedule on the Athletics homepage for all the games and come support our athletes.

New Administrators!

On July 1, we welcomed Jeffrey Wheaton as our Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics and Amy Steger as the Assistant Principal at Windermere Boulevard Elementary School. Learn more about them at the website District News.



Amy Steger



Jeffrey Wheaton

Phase 2 Summer Work



See more photos on page 4 of the Capital Project construction work.

Get Our App!

Amherst Central School District's mobile app is available free in the iTunes and Google Play stores; search Amherst CSD and look for the orange A logo. The app allows parents and the community to stream news and social media feeds and receive "push" notifications from the district. Through the settings on the app, parents can subscribe to their school building of choice and athletics to receive news, social media and calendar information. Quick access to the Parent Portal log in, My School Bucks and Tiger Tip Line are also featured.

Before & After School with Just for Kids

Amherst CSD partners with Just For Kids for before school care at Windermere Boulevard Elementary School and after school care at Windermere Boulevard and Smallwood Drive Elementary Schools. All program information, registration and payment is done through the Just for Kids website at www.justforkidsonline.org/amherst-csd. Pricing is calculated when you register your child(ren) as it is based on what you enroll for, how many children are enrolled, and potential other discounts.

School Bell Times

- **Smallwood Drive Elementary School:**
7:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m.
- **Windermere Boulevard Elementary School:**
8:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.
- **Amherst Middle School:**
9:05 a.m. to 3:45 p.m.
- **Amherst Central High School:**
8:15 a.m. to 3:22 p.m.

Child Abuse Hotline

NYSED requires the following information to be communicated to parents/guardians.

The New York State Office of Children and Family Services website may be accessed here: <http://ocfs.ny.gov/main/>

Do you suspect abuse or maltreatment? Report it now! Call the NYS OCFS statewide toll free telephone number:

1-800-342-3720. If you are deaf or hard of hearing, call TDD/TTY at 1-800-638-5163 or have your Video Relay System provider call 1-800-342-3720. If you believe that a child is in immediate danger, call 911 or your local police department.

Special Education Services/ Child Find Notice

Each school district in New York State is required by law to establish a Committee on Special Education which is comprised of parents and professional school personnel. This committee reviews the needs of each child referred and determines if she/he is educationally disabled. Appropriate services or programs for identified children are then recommended by the Committee to the Board of Education. These programs take the form of part-time services, full-time special classes or home instruction. Special classes, resource rooms, integrated co-teachers and consultant teachers are available at all schools.

When the Committee on Special Education has determined that students with special education needs cannot be provided for in the District schools, appropriate out-of-district instructional programs are arranged at the District's expense.

The school district is also responsible for the placement of preschool children, ages 3 and 4, who have been identified by the Committee on Preschool Special Education as educationally disabled. This committee is made up of District personnel, a parent, a representative of Erie County, a representative of a preschool education agency and possibly regular and special education teachers.

Contact the Special Education Office at 362-3063 or your building principal if you feel your child may require special educational services. A NYS Parent's Guide to Special Education for Children Ages 5-21 is available upon request.

Code of Conduct/Policies

The District's Code of Conduct, along with the School Attendance Policy and Student Privacy Policy, may be found on the District website. Anyone not having computer access may call Debbie Custodi, District Clerk at 362-3051.

Rights of Parents and Students Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

The FERPA regulations, including recent amendments, require a school district to include specific information in its annual notice. This information includes the rights of parents or eligible students: to inspect and review the student's education records; to seek amendment of the student's education records which they believe to be inaccurate, misleading or otherwise in violation of their privacy rights; to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records (except to the extent that the law authorizes disclosure without consent) and to file complaints concerning alleged failures by the District to comply with the FERPA requirements.

The District may disclose appropriately designated "directory information" without written consent, unless you have advised the District to the contrary in accordance with District procedures. The primary purpose of directory information is to allow the District to include this type of information from your child's education records in certain school publications. Examples include:

- A playbill, showing your student's role in a drama production;
- The annual yearbook;
- Honor roll or other recognition lists;
- Graduation programs; and
- Sports activity sheets, such as for wrestling, showing weight and height of team members.

Parents and students over the age of eighteen, have a right to refuse in writing the release of student directory information by November 15 of each school year. After November 15, the District may release such information to any outside group without individual consent. As required by Federal law, student directory information for eleventh and twelfth graders shall be made available upon request to persons or groups which make students aware of occupational and educational options. In addition, two federal laws require the District to provide military recruiters, upon request, with the following information-names, addresses and telephone listings-unless parents have advised the District that they do not want their student's information disclosed without their prior written consent.

To exercise your right to have this information kept private, you should use the form that will be sent to you via the Tiger Times Newsletter or notify the school office in writing before November 15 that you do not wish this information to be released, either generally, to military recruiters or both. Please note that unless you use this "opt out procedure," the school district cannot refuse the military recruiters' requests and you and your student may be contacted by them at home.

Pesticide Application

Parents and staff can request notification of certain pesticide applications by the District. New York State Education Law Section 409-h, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide this written notification to all parents, guardians, faculty and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The Amherst Central School District has implemented an integrated pest management (IPM) program including good housekeeping and sanitation, repair, maintenance, weed control and monitoring. The District uses pesticides only as a last resort when other nontoxic methods of necessary pest control have proven unsuccessful. Even then, the District uses only the least toxic pesticide specific to the pest to be controlled.

The District is now required to maintain a list of parents, faculty and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- A school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following an application.
- Antimicrobial products.
- Nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children.
- Nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper-resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children.
- Silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams or gels in areas inaccessible to children.
- Boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate.
- The application of EPA-designated biopesticides.
- The application of EPA-designated exempt materials under 40CFR142.25.
- The use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat from stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour notification list. If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to Mark Rampado, Director of Facilities, 55 Kings Highway, Amherst, NY 14226 or fax it to 836-2537.

Amherst Central Schools

Request for Pesticide Notification Application

(Please print)

School Building: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Day Phone: _____

Evening Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

School Property Rules



- Walking dogs on school property is not allowed, even if the dog is on a leash.
- Bikes should not be used in or around the play areas. Skateboards, roller skates, and roller blades should not be used on school property, especially in parking lots, on ramps or near doors.
- Anyone wishing to regularly use the softball diamonds or other playing fields must obtain a building permit. For more information, call Amherst Schools at 362-3000 or visit www.AmherstSchools.org. Community School programs receive preference.
- Cars are allowed in the parking areas only. Unlicensed motorized vehicles are not allowed on school property.

Not allowed:

- Alcoholic beverages
- Loitering
- Stone throwing
- Golfing
- Littering
- Unlicensed motorized vehicles
- Dogs

Asbestos

Written notice will be posted in all school buildings as well as on the District website.

Fire Inspection

Fire inspections were conducted in all school buildings and there were no discrepancies.

Please feel free to contact Mark Rampado, Director of Facilities, at 362-8151, for further information on any of the above.

Health Insurance

Amherst Central School District DOES NOT provide health insurance for students. Families must arrange for health insurance themselves.

CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION PHASE 2 SUMMER UPDATE

Major work slated for Phase 2 of the district's capital construction project has had Amherst Central High School and Middle School campuses bustling with activity since April break, but most noticeably this summer. Buildings will be ready for students on Sept. 3.

At the high school, windows were replaced with a style that matches the beautiful exterior of the building. A reconfiguration to the music wing will create more room for whole group rehearsals and small group/individual practice rooms for our musicians. The choral room floor was lowered for more flexibility to adapt instruction and risers to specific groups of individuals. New cabinetry in the band and orchestra areas allows for larger, secure instrument storage. Installation of professional recording equipment gives teachers the capability of digital feedback to students after they record themselves. The ACHS main entry has a fresh look with new paint. Corridors are painted. New ceiling lights and new lockers were installed.

At the Middle School, classroom windows were replaced with a new energy efficient style. The entire parking lot and tennis court area off Saratoga Road was replaced to install new drainage, additional parking spaces and four new tennis courts.

Our District commends the flexibility of our administrators and support staff at every building, our high school music teachers, and the buildings and grounds crew, who moved to temporary offices at other buildings while work was done. Throughout it all, our staff continues to display adaptability and professionalism.

Check out the Capital Project webpage at www.amherstschools.org/capital.



New paint and lockers on third floor of ACHS.



One of the new ACHS music rooms.



New windows were installed at ACHS.



A closeup of the new windows.



Energy efficient windows were installed at the Middle School.



Drainage, parking and tennis court improvements at Amherst Middle School Saratoga entrance.

2019-2020 Income Eligibility Guidelines for Free and Reduced Price

Reduced Price Eligibility Income Chart

Total Family Size	Year	Month	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	23,107	1,926	963	889	445
2	31,284	2,607	1,304	1,204	602
3	39,461	3,289	1,645	1,518	759
4	47,638	3,970	1,985	1,833	917
5	55,815	4,652	2,326	2,147	1,074
6	63,992	5,333	2,667	2,462	1,231
7	72,169	6,015	3,008	2,776	1,388
8	80,346	6,696	3,348	3,091	1,546
Each Additional Member Add	8,177	682	341	315	158

Information for Families Regarding the 2019-2020 School Meal Programs

Children need healthy meals to learn. Amherst Central School District offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs \$1.25; lunch costs \$2.45 HS, \$2.40 Middle School and Elementary. Your children may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Do I need to fill out an application for each child?

No. Complete the application to apply for free or reduced price meals. Use one Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application for all students in your household. We cannot approve an application that is not complete, so be sure to fill out all required information. Return the completed application to: Amherst Central School District, Food Service Director, 55 Kings Highway Amherst, NY 14226 Phone – 716-362-3025.

Who can get free meals? All children in households receiving benefits from SNAP, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations or TANF, can get free meals regardless of your income. Categorical eligibility for free meal benefits is extended to all children in a household when the application lists an Assistance Program's case number for any household member. Also, your children can get free meals if your household's gross income is within the free limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines. Households with children who are categorically eligible through an Other Source Categorically Eligible designation, as defined by law, may be eligible for free benefits and should contact the SFA for assistance in receiving benefits.

Can foster children get free meals? Yes, foster children that are under the legal responsibility of a foster care agency or court, are eligible for free meals. Any foster child in the household is eligible for free meals regardless of income. Foster children may also be included as a member of the foster family if the foster family chooses to also apply for benefits for other children. Including children in foster care as household members may help other children in the household qualify for benefits. If non-foster children in a foster family are not eligible for free or reduced price meal benefits, an eligible foster child will still receive free benefits.

Can homeless, runaway, and migrant children get free meals? Yes, children who meet the definition of homeless, runaway, or migrant qualify for free meals. If you haven't been told your children will get free meals, please call or e-mail Michael Belle-Isle to see if they qualify.

Who can get reduced price meals? Your children may be approved as reduced price eligible if your household income is within the reduced-price limits on the Federal Eligibility Income Chart, shown on this letter. Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Should I fill out an application if I received a letter this school year saying my children are approved for free meals? Please read the letter you got carefully and follow the instructions. Call the school at 716-362-3025 if you have questions.

My child's application was approved last year. Do I need to fill out another one? Yes. Your child's application is only good for that school year and for up to the first 30 operating days of this school year. You

must send in a new application unless the school told you that your child is eligible for the new school year.

I get WIC. Can my child(ren) get free meals? Children in households participating in WIC may be eligible for free or reduced price meals. Please fill out a free/reduced price meal application.

Will the information I give be checked? Yes, and we may also ask you to send written proof.

If I don't qualify now, may I apply later? Yes, you may apply at any time during the school year. For example, children with a parent or guardian who becomes unemployed may become eligible for free and reduced price meals if the household income drops below the income limit.

What if I disagree with the school's decision about my application? You should talk to school officials. You also may ask for a hearing by calling or writing to: Laura Bosinski, 55 Kings Highway, Amherst, NY 14226, 716-362-3000.

May I apply if someone in my household is not a U.S. citizen? Yes. You or your child(ren) do not have to be U.S. citizens to qualify for free or reduced price meals.

Who should I include as members of my household? You must include all people living in your household, related or not (such as grandparents, other relatives, or friends) who share income and expenses. You must include yourself and all children living with you. If you live with other people who are economically independent (for example, people who you do not support, who do not share income with you or your children, and who pay a pro-rated share of expenses), do not include them.

What if my income is not always the same? List the amount that you normally receive. For example, if you normally make \$1,000 each month, but you missed some work last month and only made \$900, put down that you made \$1,000 per month. If you normally get overtime, include it, but do not include it if you only work overtime sometimes. If you have lost a job or had your hours or wages reduced, use your current income.

We are in the military. Do we include our housing allowance as income? If you get an off-base housing allowance, it must be included as income. However, if your housing is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative, do not include your housing allowance as income.

My spouse is deployed to a combat zone. Is her combat pay counted as income? No, if the combat pay is received in addition to her basic pay because of her deployment and it wasn't received before she was deployed, combat pay is not counted as income. Contact your school for more information.

My family needs more help. Are there other programs we might apply for? To find out how to apply for SNAP or other assistance benefits, contact your local assistance office or call 1-800-342-3009.

Lunch Prices to Increase

In keeping with the regulations of the Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010, we must conduct a Paid Lunch Equity Test on our lunch prices. Lunch prices for the 2019-2020 school will increase 10 cents to \$2.40 for Elementary and Middle School and \$2.45 for High School. Breakfast price will remain at \$1.25 for all buildings. The last rate increase for lunch prices was in 2017-18.

New!

Beginning July 1, 2019, students in New York State that are approved for reduced price meals will receive breakfast and lunch meals at no charge.

Meal Charge Policy

The District provides student access to nutritious no- or low-cost meals each school day. This policy ensures that a pupil whose parent/guardian has unpaid school meal fees is not shamed or treated differently than a pupil whose parent/guardian does not have unpaid meal fees.

This policy establishes procedures to address unpaid meal charges in a way that does not stigmatize, distress or embarrass students. The District provides this policy as a courtesy to those students in the event that they forget or lose their money. Charging of items outside of the reimbursable meals (a la carte items, adult meals, etc.) is expressly prohibited.

We will not refuse any student a meal at our cash register if they do not have the funds to pay for the meal so as not to embarrass the student. However, the meal they do receive will be the financial responsibility of that student's parent upon receipt. The charged meals offered to students will be reimbursable meals available to all students, unless the student's parent or guardian has specifically provided written permission to the school to withhold a meal. A la carte items or other similar items must be paid/prepaid.

Students/Parents/Guardians may pay for meals in advance via myschoolbucks.com or with a check payable to Amherst School Lunch Fund. Further details are available on our webpage at amherstschools.org under the Community tab, Annual Notifications. Funds should be maintained in accounts to minimize the possibility that a child may be without meal money on any given day. Any remaining funds for a particular student may/will be carried over to the next school year.

Any student who received free or reduced price meals last year will automatically receive them for the first month of school.

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS

To apply for free and reduced price meals complete only one application for your household using the instructions below. Sign the application and return the application to Amherst Central School District, Food Service Director, 55 Kings Highway Amherst, NY 14226.

If you have a foster child in your household, you may include them on your application. A separate application is no longer needed. Call the school if you need help: 716-362-3025. Ensure that all information is provided. Failure to do so may result in denial of benefits for your child or unnecessary delay in approving your application.

PART 1: ALL HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE STUDENT INFORMATION. DO NOT FILL OUT MORE THAN ONE APPLICATION FOR YOUR HOUSEHOLD.

1. Print the names of the children, including foster children, for whom you are applying on one application.
2. List their grade and school.
3. Check the box to indicate a foster child living in your household, or if you believe any child meets the description for homeless, migrant, runaway (a school staff will confirm this eligibility).

PART 2: HOUSEHOLDS GETTING SNAP, TANF OR FDPIR SHOULD COMPLETE PART 2 AND SIGN PART 4.

List a current SNAP, TANF or FDPIR (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations) case number of anyone living in your household.

1. The case number is provided on your benefit letter.
2. An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4. SKIP PART 3. Do not list names of household members or income if you list a SNAP case number, TANF or FDPIR number.

PART 3: ALL OTHER HOUSEHOLDS MUST COMPLETE THESE PARTS AND ALL OF PART 4.

1. Write the names of everyone in your household, whether or not they get income. Include yourself, the children you are applying for, all other children, your spouse, grandparents, and other related and unrelated people in your household. Use another piece of paper if you need more space.
2. Write the amount of current income each household member receives, before taxes or anything else is taken out, and indicate where it came from, such as earnings, welfare, pensions and other income. If the current income was more or less than usual, write that person's usual income. Specify how often this income amount is received: weekly, every other week (bi-weekly), 2 x per month, monthly. If no income, check the box. The value of any child care provided or arranged, or any amount received as payment for such child care or reimbursement for costs incurred for such care under the Child Care and Development Block Grant, TANF and At Risk Child Care Programs should not be considered as income for this program.
3. Enter the total number of household members in the box provided. This number should include all adults and children in the household and should reflect the members listed in PART 1 and PART 3.
4. The application must include the last four digits only of the social security number of the adult who signs PART 4 if Part 3 is completed. If the adult does not have a social security number, check the box. If you listed a SNAP, TANF or FDPIR number, a social security number is not needed.
5. An adult household member must sign the application in PART 4.

OTHER BENEFITS: Your child may be eligible for benefits such as Medicaid or Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). To determine if your child is eligible, program officials need information from your free and reduced price meal application. Your written consent is required before any information may be released. Please refer to the attached parent Disclosure Letter and Consent Statement for information about other benefits.

USE OF INFORMATION STATEMENT

Use of Information Statement: The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Act requires the information on this application. You do not have to give the information, but if you do not submit all needed information, we cannot approve your child for free or reduced price meals. You must include the last four digits of the social security number of the primary wage earner or other adult household member who signs the application. The social security number is not required when you apply on behalf of a foster child or you list a Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Program or Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) case number or other FDPIR identifier for your child or when you indicate that the adult household member signing the application does not have a social security number. We will use your information to determine if your child is eligible for free or reduced price meals, and for administration and enforcement of the lunch and breakfast programs.

We may share your eligibility information with education, health, and nutrition programs to help them evaluate, fund, or determine benefits for their programs, auditors for program reviews, and law enforcement officials to help them look into violations of program rules.

DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINTS

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotope, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by:

- (1) mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture
Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW – Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

2019-2020 APPLICATION FOR FREE AND REDUCED PRICE SCHOOL MEALS/MILK

To apply for free and reduced price meals for your children, read the instructions on page 6, complete only one form for your household, sign your name and return it to the address listed below. Call (716-362-3025), if you need help. Additional names may be listed on a separate paper.

Return Completed Applications to: Amherst Central School District, Food Service Director, 55 Kings Highway, Amherst, NY 14226

1. List all children in your household who attend school:

Student Name	School	Grade/Teacher	Foster Child	Homeless Migrant, Runaway
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

2. SNAP/TANF/FDPIR Benefits:

If anyone in your household receives either SNAP, TANF or FDPIR benefits, list their name and CASE # here. Skip to Part 4, and sign the application.

Name: _____ CASE# _____

3. Report all income for ALL Household Members (Skip this step if you answered 'yes' to step 2)

All Household Members (including yourself and all children that have income).

List all Household members not listed in Step 1 (including yourself) even if they do not receive income. For each Household Member listed, if they do receive income, report total income for each source in whole dollars only. If they do not receive income from any other source, write '0'. If you enter '0' or leave any fields blank, you are certifying (promising) that there is no income to report.

Name of Household Member	Earnings from Work Before Deductions <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Child Support, Alimony <i>Amount/How Often</i>	Pensions, Retirement Payments <i>Amount / How Often</i>	Other Income, Social Security <i>Amount / How Often</i>	No Income
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>
	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	\$ _____ / _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

Total Household Members (Children and Adults) Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX-XX- _____

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I do not have a SS#

4. **Signature:** An adult household member must sign this application and provide the last four digits of their Social Security Number (SS#), or mark the "I do not have a SS# box" before it can be approved.

I certify (promise) that all of the information on this application is true and that all income is reported. I understand that the information is being given so the school will get federal funds; the school officials may verify the information and if I purposely give false information, I may be prosecuted under applicable State and federal laws, and my children may lose meal benefits.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Email Address: _____

Home Phone: _____ Work Phone: _____ Home Address: _____

5. Ethnicity and Race are optional; responding to this section does not affect your children's eligibility for free or reduced price meals.

Ethnicity: Hispanic or Latino Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian Black or African American Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Island White

DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - FOR SCHOOL USE ONLY

Annual Income Conversion (Only convert when multiple income frequencies are reported on application)

Weekly X 52; Every Two Weeks (bi-weekly) X 26; Twice Per Month X 24; Monthly X 12

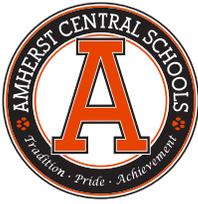
SNAP/TANF/Foster

Income Household: Total Household Income/How Often: _____ / _____ Household Size: _____

Free Meals _____ Reduced Price Meals _____

Denied/Paid _____

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The District recognizes its responsibility to provide all District students and employees an environment that is free from sexual misconduct, harassment and intimidation.

Michael Belle-Isle, Assistant Superintendent for Student and Staff Services, and Laura Bosinski, Business Administrator, serve the District as Compliance Officers for Allegations of Discrimination and/or Harassment (students and employees), Title VI, VII, IX, Section 504, American Disabilities Act, New York State Executive Law, Military Law and Age Discrimination in Employment Act.

All questions regarding these policies should be directed to Michael Belle-Isle or Laura Bosinski at 55 Kings Highway, Amherst, NY 14226.

When inclement weather or any other emergency situation forces the closing of District schools, the information will be communicated by radio, television broadcast and our parent broadcast system. Please do not telephone the schools or the District Office.

The decision to close schools in weather-related situations will normally be made by 6:15 a.m. The safety of our students and staff is the basis for any decision, and the key factors that must be considered include road conditions and weather reports.

When the schools are closed due to weather conditions, all other activities including before and after school programming, sports practice, student activities and Community Education classes will be cancelled. If schools are closed for other reasons, activities and practices that are not affected by the specific emergency may be permitted with prior approval of the building administrator.

In-School Closing Procedures *(for when school is in progress)*

If inclement weather should occur after students are already in school, students will not be dismissed during the height of any weather-related storm. In most cases dismissal would then take place at the regular dismissal time, weather permitting. However, on very rare occasions it may be necessary to close a school during the day due to loss of power, loss of water or other emergency situations. If this occurs, procedures are in place to transport the students to another building, if necessary. Students and staff would then remain at the alternate site until the regular dismissal time. A pre-established program of instruction would be implemented at the alternate site. Parents are reminded to provide the school office with up-to-date emergency telephone numbers.

Board Meetings

The Amherst Central School District Board of Education meets on the first and third Tuesday of each month unless otherwise noted on the website. Occasionally, the meeting dates are changed to accommodate school holidays. Please check the school website at www.AmherstSchools.org. The meetings are held in the District Office Conference Room, 55 Kings Highway, at 7 p.m.

For more information, call the District Clerk, Debbie Custodi, at 362-3051.

News to Know

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Emergency Go Home Drill

October 4, 2019

Students Dismissed 15 Minutes Early