

Chenango Valley Central School District

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Dear Families,

I wanted to update you on some items of importance as follows:

- 1) Due to this month's snowstorm and resulting 'States of Emergency' on both March 14 and 15, 2017, we have utilized a total of seven (7) snow days, which is one more than we were allotted for use during the 2016-17 school year. Therefore, please be advised that Friday, May 26, 2017 will now be a mandatory day of instruction for all students.
- 2) On this year's school calendar, Tuesday, May 16, 2017 was scheduled as a half-day of instruction for all students with professional development planned for our staff members in the afternoon. However, please note that Tuesday, May 16, 2017 will now be a full day of instruction for all students.
- 3) For all students in Grades K-8, both Thursday, June 22, 2017 and Friday, June 23, 2017 will be half-days of instruction. Friday, June 23, 2017 will be the last day of school for all students in Grades K-8.
- 4) For all students in Grades 9-12, Monday, June 12, 2017 will be the last day of instruction. Regents examinations are scheduled on June 13-23, 2017.
- 5) As I've shared with you previously, this year all NYS schools were mandated to test for lead in their water sources. I am pleased to report that all mandatory water sources in our school district have tested within the acceptable range, as per NYS Education Department guidelines. Although our middle/high school science lab water sources tested positive for elevated lead levels, water should not be drawn for consumption at these locations and are labeled as such.
- 6) We are looking forward to the final phase of our capital improvement project with construction scheduled to start on April 17, 2017 at Chenango Bridge Elementary School. Improvements taking place during the Spring Recess include kitchen renovations and asbestos abatement in building crawl spaces. Once school is back in session, construction will continue in the kitchen and begin in the school's multi-purpose room on a second shift schedule, so normal school operations will not be disturbed. This summer a new security office and secure vestibule will be constructed at CB Elementary, a new camera system will be installed, and improvements will be made to the HVAC system. In addition, the school's P.A. and fire alarm systems will be replaced. Capital project improvements will also continue this summer at Port Dickinson Elementary School. Updates will be made to the building's kitchen and multi-purpose room, and a new security office and secure vestibule will be constructed. We anticipate completion of the capital improvement project by fall 2017.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's building principal or me.

Wishing you a wonderful spring!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David P. Gill". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and title.

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