# Newscaster

**SEPTEMBER 2023** 





# WELCOME BACK, WARRIORS!

View more photos from the first day of school on page 11.

# OUR MISSION:

We inspire, engage, and empower all students to achieve their full potential.

# SOUR VISION:

We aspire to be a model of innovation and educational excellence that prepares our students for the challenges of life in the 21st century.

# OUR CORE BELIEFS:

- \* Students are our first priority.
- \* Partnerships among students, staff, parents, and the community are integral to student success.
  - \* We value respect for self and others.
- \* All students and staff deserve a safe, positive, and supportive environment.
  - \* We hold high expectations for our students, parents, and ourselves.
- \* We embrace change and strive to be lifelong learners.
  - \* We believe all students can learn and will never give up on any student.



# CV PARENTS/CAREGIVERS - PLEASE ENSURE YOUR INFORMATION IS ACCURATE TO RECEIVE DISTRICT UPDATES & ALERTS.

# Communications for District Updates

At Chenango Valley, we are committed to keeping you informed about important updates. To ensure that you receive these communications promptly, we may use various channels, including emails, phone calls, and opt-in text/email alerts as needed. Staying connected with you is essential to us.

### **Examples of Communication Methods**

- **Email Updates**: We routinely email district families using the contact information from our student management system.
- Phone Calls: Primary contacts of students may receive important information, updates, or reminders via phone calls.
- Opt-In Text/Email Alerts: To receive important text/email alerts, please follow the instructions under 'Opt-In System for Alert Notifications' on the right side of this page.

# **Verification of Contact Information**

If you've experienced any issues receiving updates or alerts, we are here to help. Please contact our Director of Technology, Mrs. Sarah Latimer, by emailing <a href="mailto:SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org">SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org</a> or calling 607-762-6820.

# When contacting Mrs. Latimer, please provide the following information:

- · Your full name (first and last).
- Updated contact information (i.e., phone number and email address).
- The name(s) of your child(ren) (first and last).

You can view district email updates through the CV website: www.cvcsd.stier.org/DistrictUpdatesandAlerts.aspx



# Opt+In System for Alert Notifications

In addition to district updates sent through our student management system, we offer an opt-in alert system for important notifications. These notifications may include district announcements, transportation alerts, and emergency/weather-related updates. Depending on your choice, you can receive these alerts via email and/or text message. To begin receiving these notifications, sign up on the district website at **www.cvcsd.stier.org** (look for 'Register for School Closings/Alert Messages' at the bottom of the page) or through our district's mobile app.

### **How to Subscribe to Alert Notifications**

- · Log in or create a new account.
- Select the notification preferences you would like to receive. To receive districtwide notifications such as emergencies and weather-related school closings, select "Emergency Alerts/Closing and Delay." For transportation updates, select "Transportation."



Scan QR code for more information!

Please check that you're signed up and update your contact details if they've changed. For questions or concerns, contact Mrs. Sarah Latimer at SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org or 607-762-6820.



#### PORT DICKINSON ELEMENTARY

SHANE BARTON - CUSTODIAN
JESSICA CARL - PRINCIPAL
KIRSTEN COLE - SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER
KIMBERLY MCLEAN - CLERICAL
NAOMI SLOCUM - TEACHING ASSISTANT
KAITLYN WALSH - SPEECH LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST

#### **CHENANGO BRIDGE ELEMENTARY**

GINA BEDNAR - SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER SAMUEL MASTRONARDI - ASSISTANT COOK ASHLEY MORLANDO - TEACHING ASSISTANT KAREN RAFFERTY - FOURTH GRADE TEACHER ANA UNDERCOFFER - TEACHING ASSISTANT JENNIFER YURKO - PRINCIPAL

# CV MIDDLE SCHOOL

BARBARA MARTIN - TEACHER AIDE RILEY MCMAHON - TEACHER AIDE CAMERON VEDDER - ENGLISH TEACHER

#### **CV HIGH SCHOOL**

KYLE BRIGGS - TEACHING ASSISTANT JORDAN CAMPBELL - SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER ALEXIS COLLINS - SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER BENJAMIN POST - SOCIAL STUDIES TEACHER CALEE SANFORD - LTS SCIENCE TEACHER SUZANNE STEPHENSON - ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL KATIE TRUXAL - TEACHER AIDE

# CV MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

ANDREW LIU - MUSIC TEACHER
JESSICA ISAACS - SOCIAL WORKER
MEGAN MCVAUGH - TEACHING ASSISTANT
ASHLEY SKIFF - SCHOOL COUNSELOR
SHAUN VAN VLECK - WORLD LANGUAGES

#### TRANSPORTATION

DANIEL EHRETS - DRIVER
JASON HIBBARD - SUPERVISOR
NEIL JONES - BUS ATTENDANT
JODI POYNEER - DRIVER
PETER SCHIRALDI - DRIVER
ERIKA VIOLA - BUS ATTENDANT

### DISTRICTWIDE

KERRY BAXTER - PHYSICAL THERAPIST TOM CURRY - DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM DR. LARRY DAKE - SUPERINTENDENT KIMBERLY WALWORTH - NURSE

WISHING YOU ALL A WONDERFUL FUTURE AT CHENANGO VALLEY!

\*Listing as of 9/15/23

# **Message from the Superintendent**

We are thrilled to welcome you to the 2023-24 school year! Our summer witnessed significant capital improvement upgrades, particularly to our CV Middle/High School campus, that included a new fire alarm system, additional security cameras throughout the building, updated LED lighting, and refurbished parking lots, among others. Throughout these updates, our custodial and maintenance teams worked diligently to ensure that our buildings and grounds were clean, safe, and secure, creating a welcoming environment for students and staff.



Dr. Larry Dake Superintendent

Please visit the Family Resources page on the CV website to register for the Parent Portal, sign up to receive school closing alerts, and explore additional ways to stay updated with our district. If your contact information has changed or you are not receiving district updates via email, please contact our Director of Technology, Sarah Latimer, at 607-762-6820 or SLatimer@cvcsd.stier.org to verify your contact information.

Finally, I encourage you to join our Chenango Valley Elementary PTA at cve.memberhub.com. Membership is only \$5 and is a valuable way to support these outstanding programs, even if you're unable to volunteer your time. These programs play a crucial role in our students' development as they transition from elementary to secondary school, and your membership will go a long way toward helping our PTA.

Thank you for entrusting the Chenango Valley Central School District with your children for the 2023-24 school year. It's a great year to be a Warrior!

Sincerely,

Dr. Larry Dake

Superintendent of Schools

# Message from the Board of Education President

Welcome back! I would like to welcome all our families and students for another successful school year. I hope you had a relaxing summer break and were rested and ready for a fall filled with school activities.

Our district was busy this summer with capital project work and renovations, resulting in many upgrades and more planned for the future. I am proud of our efforts to renovate our buildings and grounds, creating a beautiful campus for everyone to enjoy.



President, BOE

With all of this work happening, we were still able to provide incredible summer programming for our kids – Warrior FUNdamentals, Elementary Summer Steam, and Warrior Academy. Many students participated in BOCES summer programs as well. We held a successful job fair in July, and then in August, our two new elementary school principals invited families to meet them at a 'Touch-a-Truck' event. The one thing I personally missed was the CV Summer Community Band performance, but I heard it was wonderful, and I hope it happens again next year.

Dr. Dake, our new superintendent, held three meet-and-greet events this summer. If you did not have an opportunity to attend one of them, I hope you have a chance to meet him this school year. He has hit the ground running since his official start in July, and the board of education is very happy with the direction he is taking with our district.

Please keep in mind that our Chenango Valley Board of Education meetings are always open to the public, and we encourage your attendance and participation. We are honored to serve our community and are always available to you.

Best of luck with this new school year and new beginnings!

Christine Lomonaco President, Chenango Valley Board of Education

# **DISTRICT GOALS (2023-24 SCHOOL YEAR)**

FOCUS ON THE WHOLE CHILD APPROACH TO EDUCATION BY EMPOWERING ALL STUDENTS TO REACH FULL POTENTIAL IN ACADEMICS. ATHLETICS, ARTS, AND **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.** 

PRIORITIZE THE SUPPORT OF THE SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL WELLNESS OF STUDENTS AND STAFF.

CULTIVATE A CULTURE OF WARRIOR PRIDE AND POSITIVITY.

**DEVELOP AND FOSTER** POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND WITH COMMUNITY PARTNERS.



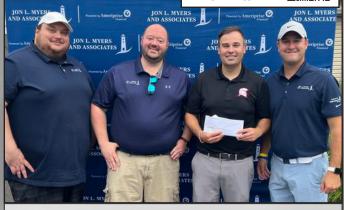
Thanks to community donations, the Warrior School Supplies Drive gathered hundreds of supplies for CV students. These donations reflect the incredible support of our community. Also, thank you to Mrs. DeAngelo for organizing the giveaway event on August 30. Stay tuned for more CV Community School opportunities!



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT, CHENANGO VALLEY COMMUNITY!



Visit the district website for



# WARRIOR FUND RECEIVES GENEROUS DONATION

The Chenango Valley Warrior Fund received a \$3,690 donation from Jon L. Myers and Associates, a practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, LLC, raised through a golf tournament. This contribution, made in honor of their former office manager Christine Mohr, a CV graduate, will greatly support CV students and families.

# PRINCIPAL MEET & GREET/TOUCH-A-TRUCK EVENT

The PD and CD Elementary Schools were excited to hold a Meet & Greet/Touch-a-Truck event to introduce their new principals in August. Those who attended were also able to learn more about community partners!

### THANK YOU, COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND VOLUNTEERS!

BROOME COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE ROOME VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY SQUAD CHENANGO AMBULANCE SERVICES CHENANGO BRIDGE FIRE COMPANY CORNELL COOPERATIVE EXTENSION CV COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CV ELEMENTARY PTA CV FACILITIES DEPARTMENT CV TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMEN NEW YORK STATE POLICE DICKINSON FIRE DEPARTMENT PORT DICKINSON POLICE F CHENANGO HIGHWAY DEPARTMEN



# CV SUMMER COMMUNITY BAND

On August 3, the Chenango Valley Summer Community Band held an incredible concert at Chenango Bridge Elementary School. This group, comprised of students, staff, alums, parents, and community members, practiced weekly over the summer and delivered a performance that felt like they had been playing together for years.



# **RALLY IN THE VALLEY 2023**

We would like to extend our gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the September 14 Rally in the Valley event. Special thanks to Weis Markets for their generous refreshment donation and to the Lourdes Dental Van for joining us. We are truly thankful for our wonderful school community!



# **GO WARRIORS!**

**FALL 2023 SPORTS SCHEDULES:** 

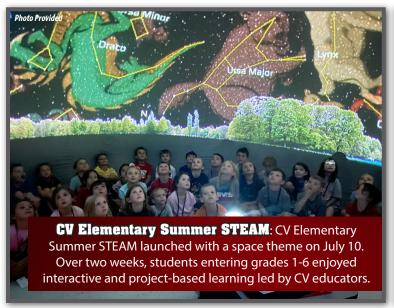
www.cvcsd.stier.org/Athletics.aspx

Stay tuned for future athletic highlights!



# **SUMMER PROGRAMS: FOSTERING LEARNING, GROWTH, AND FUN!**

VISIT WWW.CVCSD.STIER.ORG FOR MORE PHOTOS AND INFORMATION.





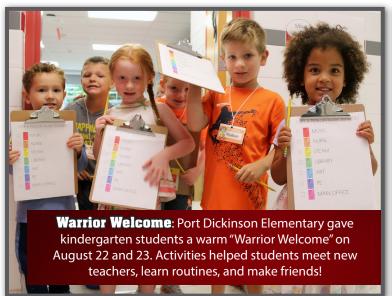
**Warrior FUNdamentals**: Warrior FUNdamentals began on July 24. This exciting summer program featured engaging project-based learning with activities aimed at strengthening essential skills.



**BOCES STEAM**: The Broome-Tioga BOCES Summer STEAM Academy for students entering grades 7-10 featured two fun-filled weeks of hands-on learning, with time split between the BOCES campus and SUNY Broome.



**BOCES Career Exploration Program**: Sixth-grade students enjoyed the BOCES CTE Summer Camp. This program offered experiences in various fields, allowing participants to explore interests and discover future paths.





# 17TH ANNUAL CHENANGO VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



# Alumni Recognition

**RECEPTION & AUCTION** 

# FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023 | 6:00 PM

**HOLIDAY INN BINGHAMTON** 

# Honoring

# **ALUMNI:**

Robert Charles Kennicutt, Jr. - Class of 1969
Astronomer

Heather Boland White - Class of 1970

Retired Teacher and Coach; Real Estate Broker

Bruce Gregory - Class of 1972

Retired Educator; Musician

### **DISTINGUISHED COMMUNITY MEMBERS:**

Dr. David P. Gill

Retired Chenango Valley CSD Superintendent; Active Community Volunteer

Judy Mitrowitz - Class of 1970

Retired Educator; Board Member; Active Community Volunteer

# Menu

Entrées: Chicken Cordon Bleu, Petite Filet, and Greek Salmon

Sides: Tossed Mixed Green Salad, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetable Medley, Freshly Baked Rolls, Coffee, and Tea

**Dessert**: Cookies and Brownies

# \$65 per ticket

<u>This is the CV Alumni Association's main fundraising event!</u> Proceeds benefit the Chenango Valley Alumni Association's mission and will support the CV Warrior Fund as well as senior scholarship opportunities.

\*The CVAA is a tax-exempt organization as described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; EIN #: 81-2433122.

Call CV Alumni Association Secretary/Treasurer Gary Hall at (607) 759-8393 to make arrangements to purchase tickets and/or to make a donation.

\*\*\*Ask Gary about Venmo as a payment option!\*\*\*

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Contact Lisa Petrylak at (607) 762-6810 to purchase tickets at the CV District Office. (Please, no credit cards.)

For additional information, you can also visit: www.cvcsd.stier.org/alumnihome.aspx



The "Chenango Valley High School Alumni Association" Facebook page

Deadline to purchase tickets: October 20, 2023

Questions? Please contact CVAlumniAssoc@gmail.com for more information.

# **Capital Project Update**

During the summer, our facilities were busy due to extensive construction activity. The majority of the planned construction work was completed, with a few items continuing into September without disrupting school operations.

The bulk of the work this summer was at our CV Middle/High School campus, where we've made significant site improvements, including:

- Reconstruction of parking areas
- Replacement of the outdoor marquee and installation of a retaining wall
- New tennis courts with an adjacent play area
- Installation of additional sidewalks for safety
- Installation of new athletic field lights at the multipurpose field
- · Roof recoating and masonry restoration

Within the CV Middle/High School building, major areas of renovation include:

- Music suite and STEAM room renovations
- CV High School main office renovations
- Fitness facility expansion

In addition, at the middle/high school, we've made vital updates, including installing new stair treads in the stairwells, new mechanical equipment in classrooms, and completing a new fire alarm system.

At Chenango Bridge Elementary, we've refinished the gym floor, installed a new water main, and replaced some mechanical equipment. At Port Dickinson Elementary, faculty toilet rooms were renovated, and work has begun on improving the rear stormwater pond. At the Bus Garage, there has been work on a new bus lift being installed, which involved raising a section of the building's roof.

Additional improvements are planned for the summer of 2024. Thank you for your continued support as we enhance our facilities to benefit our students, staff, and school community.







# Student Photography/Media Opt-Out

There are times when our district may be featured in various media. News reporters, photographers and/or film crews, or appropriate district employees may wish to photograph and/or film students involved in school programs or activities. Our schools are also visited by community organizations or partners providing services to students. These organizations or partners may wish to use photographs and/or your child's name in their publications and informational materials.

If you <u>DO NOT</u> want your child to be photographed or filmed by members of the media, organizations, or agencies at school or district events for use in publications, websites, or video, please contact the CV Communications Office at 607-762-6804 to receive a media opt-out form. We will make every effort to honor your request; however, please be aware that there may be circumstances when your child may be photographed or filmed beyond our control. We suggest discussing your wishes with your child so that they know your preference for non-inclusion in photos/videos.

In addition, if you do not wish to have examples of your child's original work (i.e., art class paintings) published via our district website, please contact the CV Communications Office at the number listed above.



# Important Message Regarding Nut Allergies

Some students in CV schools have severe allergies to nuts, peanuts, and peanut products. The allergy can be life-threatening, and strict avoidance is the only way to prevent an allergic reaction.



In an effort to provide a safe learning environment for these students, we ask that you do not send in any foods that contain nuts, peanuts, or peanut butter for your child to snack on during the school day. Peanut/nut products may be in your child's lunch, but students must eat them in the cafeteria and not in the classroom, hallway, school bus, sporting events, or field trips. Your cooperation is appreciated.

# **District Policies**

A comprehensive list of Chenango Valley Central School District policies, along with routine policy updates, is available on the district website: <a href="https://www.cvcsd.stier.org/PolicyManual.aspx">www.cvcsd.stier.org/PolicyManual.aspx</a>

In addition, a complete policy manual is available for review in the main office at each school building. You can also contact the respective office to request a copy of any policy.



**SCAN HERE!** 



www.cvcsd.stier.org/PolicyManual.aspx

# Title I, Parents' Right to Know Notification Letter

To Port Dickinson, Chenango Bridge, and Chenango Valley Middle School Parents/Guardians,

In accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), parents of students attending Title I schools – Port Dickinson, Chenango Bridge and Chenango Valley Middle School - may request information regarding the professional qualifications of your child's teachers and paraprofessional staff.

Please call the District Office at 607-762-6810 should you want information regarding:

- A. whether the teacher has met State qualification and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas in which the teacher provides instruction;
- B. whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which State qualification or licensing criteria have been waived;
- C. the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of the certification or degree; and
- D. whether the child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.

# **Public Notice Regarding Asbestos**

The Chenango Valley Central School District has completed the inspection of all schools and buildings to determine the condition of asbestos that is present, and whether any action is required to avoid potential health hazards for students, employees, and visitors. A management plan has been developed in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), to ensure the continued provision and maintenance of a safe environment for students, employees, and visitors. The management plan includes training of maintenance staff to prevent disturbance of asbestos, periodic re-inspection, and surveillance.

Please note that the comprehensive, triennial inspection occurs once every three years. A surveillance inspection of the asbestos containing building materials occurs every six months, typically during the months of December and July. Monitoring of these building materials occurs on a continuing basis. A copy of the management plan is available at the district office. If you would like further information regarding this matter, please contact the Chenango Valley Facilities and Operations Department at 607-762-6860.

# Chenango Valley Central School District Request for Pesticide Application Notification

New York State Education Law Section 409-H and State Education Department Commissioner's Regulation 155.24, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

Chenango Valley Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior notification of certain pesticide applications.

If you would like to receive such notification or would like further information regarding this matter, please contact the Chenango Valley Facilities and Operations Department at 607-762-6860.

# **Title IX Coordinators**

Michelle Feyerabend, Assistant Superintendent of Schools MFeyerabend@cvcsd.stier.org | 607-762-6811

Johanna Hickey, Director of Pupil Services

JHickey@cvcsd.stier.org | 607-762-6918

Medicaid Compliance Officer

Tara Williams Whittaker, Director of Special Education

TWhittaker@cvcsd.stier.org | 607-762-6830

**Business address for each:** 

221 Chenango Bridge Rd. Binghamton, NY 13901 Reviewed: 09/17/14, 12/21/16, 07/02/19, 07/07/20, 07/05/22, 07/05/23 Revised: 04/26/04, 03/15/06, 02/13/08, 09/19/12, 11/20/13, 07/11/18, 07/06/21 (incorporating and replacing Section III, Policy No. 7)

# **Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy**

- The Chenango Valley Central School District (district) recognizes the harmful and insidious nature of harassment and discrimination on the basis of a protected characteristic, which includes, but is not limited to race, skin color, national origin, religion, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity and/or veteran status, and the toll that harassment can have on employees, staff, students, vendors, and visitors to the district's buildings, grounds, and facilities.
- The district is fully committed to maintaining an educational environment that is free from all forms of harassment and discrimination that are prohibited by law.
- In keeping with this commitment, the district prohibits any harassment or discrimination that occurs at school, school-related functions, on school grounds, or on school transportation, whether perpetrated by or against the district's students, employees, staff, vendors, or visitors to the district's buildings, grounds, or facilities.
- This policy applies to the actions of the district's staff or employees, students and third parties (such as vendors, visitors, coaches, advisors, volunteers and parents) while the student is at school, a school function, on school grounds or on school transportation.
- Any student, employee, agent or official of the district who has witnessed behavior at school or at a school-related function that he/she, in good faith, believes is harassment or discrimination should immediately report it to a teacher, guidance counselor, school nurse, school psychologist, supervisor, an assistant principal, a principal, the Assistant Superintendent (who is the Title IX Coordinator), or Superintendent. Any employee of the district who has witnessed or received a report of such behavior shall immediately report said behavior to the Title IX Coordinator.
- The district will promptly investigate all reports of discrimination and harassment and, pursuant to the results of the investigation, will take appropriate disciplinary and/or corrective action that is in accordance with applicable laws, rules, regulations, and/or collective bargaining agreements.
- The district prohibits any retaliation against persons who have made good faith reports of harassment or discrimination and/or who have participated in any investigation of harassment complaints.

#### Harassment on the Basis of a Protected Characteristic

It is the district's policy to provide an educational environment that is free from all forms of harassment and discrimination that are prohibited by law. Harassment on the basis of any protected characteristic is strictly prohibited by law and this policy.

Under this policy, harassment is verbal or physical conduct that denigrates or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual because of his/her actual or perceived sex, race, color, national origin, creed, religion, marital status, age or disability, military status, sexual orientation, gender (identity, expression), predisposing genetic characteristic, ethnic group, religious practice, or weight, as mandated by the Dignity for All Students Act, or any other characteristic protected by law or that of his/her relatives, friends, or associates, and that: (i) has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive educational and/or working environment; (ii) has the purpose or effect of unreasonably interfering with an individual's educational experience and/or work performance; or (iii) otherwise adversely affects an individual's educational and/or employment opportunities.

#### Harassing conduct includes, but is not limited to:

- epithets, slurs, name calling, negative stereotyping, or offensive slang;
- threatening, intimidating, or hostile acts;
- jokes and/or displays or circulation of any written or graphic material (such as signs, pictures or cartoons) that denigrates or intimidates an individual, or shows hostility or aversion toward an individual or group (including via electronic communication, outlined in our Computer Usage Policy);
- pushing, shoving, threats, or other intentional acts perpetrated in whole or in part because of the victim's protected status;
- mimicking or mocking another's speech, accent, disability or behavior.

#### Scope of Policy

This policy covers conduct at school, at school-sponsored events/functions/conferences on or off school grounds or on school transportation.

#### **Timely Reporting; Complaint Procedure**

An important objective of this policy is to prevent harassing conduct that unreasonably interferes with a student's or employee's educational/work environment or is intimidating, hostile or offensive. It is therefore essential and required that students and employees immediately report conduct which they believe is in violation of this policy. Such timely reporting is necessary so that a complaint can be investigated while information is most available, so that a problem can be remedied before a harassing situation develops, and so that the district can avoid the spread of harmful rumors.

Any student who believes that he/she has been subjected to conduct that is in violation of this policy should immediately report the facts of the incident and the name of the individuals involved to a teacher, guidance counselor, school nurse, school psychologist, assistant principal, principal, Assistant Superintendent or Superintendent.

Any employee, agent, or official of the district who believes that he or she has been subjected to conduct in violation of this policy should report the facts of the incident and the name of the individuals involved to his/her immediate supervisor or, in the alternative, to the Assistant Superintendent. If, for any reason, an employee, agent, or official of the district would prefer not to make the report to these individuals, the employee should report the conduct to the Superintendent.

Any employee who observes or receives a report of harassment or discrimination of another student, employee, agent, official, vendor, or visitor of the district's buildings or grounds must immediately report the harassment to one of the persons listed above.

#### **Investigation of Complaints**

The district's policy is to investigate all reported incidents thoroughly, promptly, and in a discrete manner, and will do so in accordance with the investigative procedures set forth in Section III, Policy No. 12 of the District Policy Manual. The district recognizes that every investigation requires a determination based on all of the facts in the matter, and that all parties to the investigation should have an equal opportunity to present evidence and witnesses for the investigator's consideration. The district also recognizes the serious impact that a false accusation can have and trust that all students, employees, agents and officials will act responsibly when making complaints. The final determination of any incident will be reported to the Superintendent, and the parties to the investigation will be notified regarding whether or not corrective action was taken.

#### Sanctions for Violations of this Policy

The district expects all employees and students to be aware of this policy and to abide by it at all times. If an investigation confirms that harassment has taken place, the district will take appropriate corrective and/or disciplinary action in accordance with the applicable laws, rules, regulations and collective bargaining agreements. Such corrective and/or disciplinary action may include counseling, reprimand, suspension, and/or termination of the offending party's employment (if the violator is a staff member or employee of the district) or suspension from school (if the violator is a student).

#### **Bad Faith Complaints**

Although the district encourages the reporting of harassment, students and the district's staff and employees must recognize that complaints made in bad faith (such as when the complainant knows that the complaint is false) can have a serious impact on other students and/or employees of the district, who may experience adverse employment action and also suffer a compromise in their reputation. In addition, bad faith complaints of harassment disrupt the school and waste resources by triggering lengthy and potentially time-consuming investigations.

It is therefore misconduct, under this policy, for a student or staff member to make complaints of harassment in bad faith and doing so may result in corrective or disciplinary action taken against the complainant. For the purposes of this policy, complaints are made in bad faith when the complainant: (a) makes the complaint solely to harm, injure, degrade, defame or embarrass another person; (b) knows that the complaint is false; and/or (c) acts with reckless disregard to the truth when making the complaint.

#### Confidentiality

When investigating harassment complaints, the district will maintain confidentiality to the extent that the district considers practicable, appropriate and necessary in order to meet the purposes of investigating and responding to harassment complaints and in order to achieve the other objectives of this policy.

### Retaliation is Strictly Prohibited

The district strictly prohibits any district supervisor, employee, agent, official or student from retaliating against anyone who makes a good faith report of harassment or participates in an investigation under this policy. Any district supervisor, employee, agent, official or student who violates this provision of the policy will be subject to appropriate discipline, in accordance with applicable laws, rules, regulations and collective bargaining agreements. Such discipline may include counseling, reprimand, suspension, and/or termination of employment (if the violator is a staff member or employee of the district) or suspension from school (if the violator is a student).

#### Title IX Coordinator

The Assistant Superintendent is designated as the Title IX Coordinator of this policy. Teachers, principals, assistant principals and any other employee or staff member who receives a complaint under this policy or who observes a violation of this policy must report such complaint or observation immediately to the Assistant Superintendent. The investigation of all violations of this policy and of all complaints filed under this policy shall be the responsibility of the Assistant Superintendent.

#### Publication

The district shall promulgate this policy as follows:

- A copy of this policy shall be provided to each employee, agent or official on the first payday of each September. With respect to an employee, agent or official who is hired during the school year, this policy shall be provided to the employee, agent or official after the Board of Education has appointed the employee, agent or official.
- $\bullet$  This policy shall be included in the Student Handbook and in the School Calendar.
- This policy shall be provided annually to the president of each bargaining unit.
- This policy shall be published annually in the district's newsletter.
- This policy shall be published on the district's website.
- The name, email address, business address and telephone number of the district's Title IX Coordinator shall be published in the Student Handbook, in the district's newsletter and on the district's website.

# Policy Review

The district shall, on an annual basis, provide for a review of this policy with all of its employees, agents, and officials.

# Chenango Valley Central School District Contact Guide (2023-24 School Year)

Questions About	1st Contact	2nd Contact	3rd Contact	4th Contact	5th Contact
Academics	Teacher	School Counselor	Building Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Director of Athletics, Physical Education & Health, Assistant Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Behavior	Teacher	Building Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
BOE Policies	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	Board of Education		
Budget	Business Executive	Superintendent			
Building Use	Director of Athletics, Physical Education & Health, Assistant Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent		
Cafeteria	Food Services Manager	Business Executive	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Building Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Co-Curricular	Teacher	Building Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Curriculum & Instruction Materials	Teacher	Building Principal	Director of Curriculum	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent
Facilities	Director of Facilities	Business Executive	Superintendent		
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