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## HA recognized at National JCL convention

The Junior Classical League (JCL) of Hampden Academy received several honors at the National JCL convention, which was held July 24-29 at Troy University in Troy, AL.

Five Hampden Academy students attended the convention, including Andrew Terry, Molly Swalec, Audrie French, Noah Burby, and Aidan Babbitt. They were accompanied by the JCL faculty advisor, Ben Johnson, who teaches Latin at HA. Mr. Johnson also serves as state chair of the Maine Junior Classical League.

The HAJCL was recognized during



Hampden Academy Junior Classical League representatives at the National JCL Convention—Front row (l. to r.): Audrie French, Noah Burby, and Aidan Babbitt. Back row: Molly Swalec, faculty advisor Ben Johnson, and Andrew Terry.

one of the convention general assemblies for winning the “Best Print Article” competition. The article, which appeared in the *Maine Sunday Telegram* on May 28, was submitted (Please turn to page 3)

## RSU 22 Board of Directors brings back Community Relations Committee

The RSU 22 Board of Directors recently re-invigorated the Community Relations Committee. It was the feeling of the Board that we were not doing enough to communicate our positions and the reasons for our decisions to the community. The committee is comprised of Amanda Sidell, John Holmes, and Scott Cuddy. Mr. Cuddy is the chair. Nate Savage, district IT coordinator, is the staff assigned to the committee.

From the policy on “Board Committees”, the mission of the Community Relations Committee will be to “identify district communication needs and recommend methods for disseminating information to the public. The committee will formulate a public relations plan that will include the exchange of information and development of good will with its communities.”

To date, the committee has been focus-

ing on communications channels. We established the RSU 22 Facebook page as an updated method of getting information out to people (“Like” us on Facebook!), created a Frequently Asked Questions document to answer those most often addressed items, and suggested multiple changes to the district website which Mr. Savage has quickly put into place. Among these is the placement of the RSU 22 Google calendar in the left navigation panel. The calendar also offers you the option of subscribing, so as events are entered onto the calendar, they will automatically populate on YOUR Google calendar!

In the future, the Community Relations Committee will be conducting surveys to determine what our community wants to know more about. We have already had (Please turn to page 3)

## HATT performs ‘Beauty and the Beast’ at PCA

The Walt Disney production of *Beauty and the Beast* came to life on stage at the Hampden Academy Performing Arts Center for three nights in July, thanks to the cast and crew of the Hampden Area Theatre Troupe (HATT).

“It went very, very well,” said Rob Kissinger, English teacher at Hampden Academy who directed the musical. “More than 250 people attended all three nights.”

Mr. Kissinger said the community response was “fantastic,” with attendance running about 25% better than previous years.

“I think people are beginning to recognize that we have these good, solid summer musical performances,” he said. “I think the kids are making a name for themselves.”

Mr. Kissinger said the cast and crew did an excellent job with *Beauty and the Beast*, which ran for three nights, July 13, 14, and 15.

“The kids really rose to the challenge,” he said. “This was one of the best shows we’ve done.”

The cast was led by Lexi Buzzini and Jack Burrige in the title roles of Belle (Beauty) and the Beast.

Also in the cast were Aiden Babbitt as Gaston, Alex Ross as Lumiere, Hunter Spencer as Cogsworth, Reba Sands as Mrs. Potts, Josie (Please turn to page 12)



Jack Burrige (left) and Lexi Buzzini perform the titles roles in the Hampden Area Theatre Troupe production of “Beauty and the Beast.”

## RSU 22 voters approve 2017-18 budget with increased state subsidy in August 1 referendum

RSU 22 voters have approved the 2017-18 budget at the district Budget Validation Referendum on Tuesday, August 1.

The vote was 397 for the budget and 328 against.

Voters in all four RSU 22 communities supported the budget. The vote tallies were: Hampden, 249-230; Newburgh, 47-24; Winterport, 84-68; and Frankfort, 17-6.

The second referendum was needed because voters rejected the original 2017-18 budget at the first referendum on June 13, 710 to 637.

The original budget was published and approved at the District Budget Meeting before the Legislature had approved its final appropriations for school funding. The original RSU 22 budget included only \$18.1 million in state subsidy; the final RSU 22 subsidy figure was \$18.7 million, an increase of \$566,000.

Because of the lower state subsidy, the original budget included a 4.70% increase in the overall property tax assessment to the towns. By contrast, the higher state subsidy reduced the overall property tax assessment in the revised budget to only 1.57%.

The August 1 referendum included an advisory question asking voters if they thought the funding requested by the original 2017-18 budget was too high, too low, or acceptable. The response: 237 voters said it was too high, 106 said it was too low, and 300 said it was OK.

## ‘In the Heights,’ musical by ‘Hamilton’ creator, coming to HA PAC Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2

*In the Heights*, an award-winning musical by Lin-Manuel Miranda, who later created and starred in the 2016 Broadway mega-hit *Hamilton* has been selected as the Hampden Academy Drama Club’s fall musical for 2017.

The show will be performed on November 30 and December 1 and 2 (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday) at 7 p.m. in the HA Performing Arts Center.

A meeting for interested students will be held on Thursday, August 31, at Hampden Academy. Audition materials will be available at that time

Auditions will be held September 11 and 12.

*In the Heights* will be directed by Jenn Guare, with Heidi Corliss as musical director and Rob Kissinger as technical director (set, sound, lights, etc.).

“We’re excited to do *In the Heights*,” they said. “The play has universal themes of family and community and vibrant music, which makes it an exhilarating show for all ages and backgrounds. It is also a play that will allow our students and community to learn a lot about a culture outside of our own.”

*In the Heights* is a story about Washington Heights, a largely Hispanic neighborhood in upper Manhattan, where a young store owner watches the joys and heartbreaks of his tight-knit community as they

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## Welcome Back Hampden Academy Students!

I am looking forward to getting the 2017-2018 school year under way. The opportunity to get to know all of our students and families is something I have been anxiously awaiting since the end of the school year. There will be a number of familiar faces, having been a member of the community for the past 17 years. Don't hesitate to come say hello or introduce yourselves; the better I know you, the more capable I will be at serving our students, school and community.



Bill Tracy

One of my favorite things about a new school year is the chance to start fresh and re-establish who you are, including work habits, relationships, and drive. What great opportunities exist at Hampden Academy to be taken advantage of. I encourage each and every one of you to come in, focused, to attain a rich education and experience

at HA. No matter what your interests are, there are pathways available and caring, knowledgeable staff that can help you achieve your goals. Advocate for your needs, be aggressive and own your education!

We will be starting up very soon, so here are a few dates that will be important to take note of:

- August 18th, 11:00 - 1:00, Freshman Orientation with our ASB Student Leaders
- August 29th, first day of school for freshmen.
- August 30th, all students in school, grades 9-12.

Enjoy the rest of your summer and see you soon!

—Mr. Tracy

## HAMPDEN ACADEMY

Bill Tracy, Principal  
862-3791



## Fred Lower, former Husson coach, named athletic director at HA

Fred Lower, a history teacher at Bangor High School who coached the Hampden Academy football team last fall, has joined the staff of HA as athletic director and assistant principal.

He replaces Mike Bisson, who left to become assistant executive director of the Maine Principals Association.

Before coming to HA, Mr. Lower taught history at Bangor High School for 10 years and 7th-8th grade social studies at Center Drive School in Orrington for one year.

Previously, he worked for 11 years as a social worker for Community Health and Counseling Services of Bangor.

He started working with children who were in foster care or group homes; for the last seven years, he ran a group home for CHCS.



Fred Lower

## HA athletics committee seeks feedback on whether students are interested in lacrosse as varsity or club sport

Should Hampden Academy be thinking about adding lacrosse to the athletic program, possibly as a club sport this spring?

That's a question that HA Principal Bill Tracy and athletic director Fred Lower expect to be discussing when school starts up this fall.

Mr. Lower said the subject came up in a discussion at a recent athletic committee meeting about replacing the all-weather turf field, which was installed in 2003 and has a normal life span of 10 to 15 years.

"Someone asked what new sport we might want to add lines for, and lacrosse was mentioned," he said. "When the committee minutes went up on the RSU 22 website, we got immediate feedback."

Mr. Lower says there's a core group of RSU 22 students who are involved in the Eastern Maine La-

crosse League—enough so that the league has a team that's comprised primarily of lacrosse players from Hampden.

Also, the Bangor Recreation Department has a lacrosse program with a number of Hampden students involved.

Mr. Lower said the discussion is at the very beginning stages.

"We're at the grassroots right now," he said. "We're looking for feedback from the community, particularly about the number of students who would be interested in lacrosse as a spring sport. We also want to make sure that this is something that's going to be viable for the long term—not just a group of kids who are interested now but won't be around a few years from now."

Mr. Lower says lacrosse has been

a club sport at Bangor High School for the past four years, and next spring it will be a varsity sport for both boys and girls.

"Having lacrosse as a club sport grew the interest," he said. "At first, just a handful of boys were participating. Last spring, there were 40 boys and almost 30 girls."

Mr. Lower says the goal at HA is to provide as many opportunities for RSU 22 students as we can.

"Lacrosse is the sport that's really growing in Maine," he says. "It's exploding in southern Maine, and a lot of schools in central Maine, such as Messalonskee and Lawrence, have been having success at the varsity level. If students at HA want to play lacrosse at the club or varsity level, we'd like to give them that opportunity."

## 'In the Heights,' musical by 'Hamilton' creator, coming to HA PAC Nov. 30, Dec. 1-2

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pass through his bodega. The store owner, Usnavi, was played by Lin-Manuel Miranda in the Broadway production.

The show ran for almost three years on Broadway. It premiered in 2008, with previews starting on Feb. 14, 2008 and an official opening on March 9, 2008. It closed on January 9,

2011, after 29 previews and 1,184 regular performances.

*In the Heights* was nominated for 13 Tony Awards, winning four: Best Musical, Best Original Score, Best Choreography, and Best Orchestrations. It also won a Grammy Award and was nominated for the 2009 Pulitzer Prize for Drama.

The show received positive reviews



from both the New York and national press. Charles Isherwood's review in *The New York Times* said that "when this musical erupts in one of its expressions of collective joy, the energy it gives off could light up the George Washington Bridge for a year or two." The *Variety* review by David Rooney, said, "That depth of feeling, together with the wit of Miranda's lyrics, the playful dexterity of his rhymes, his dynamic score and a bunch of truly winning performances, make the show an uncalculated charmer."

According to *Wikipedia*, Miranda wrote the original draft of *In the Heights* in 1999, his sophomore year at Wesleyan University. After the show was accepted by the Wesleyan student theater company, Miranda added

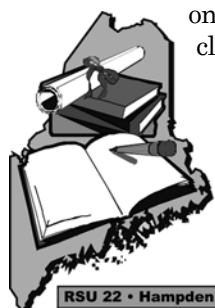
freestyle rap and salsa numbers. After seeing the play when it was performed on campus in 2000, three Wesleyan seniors and one alumnus approached Miranda and asked if the play could be expanded with a view to a Broadway production. In 2002, Miranda wrote five separate drafts.

A new version of *In the Heights* was produced in Connecticut in 2005, and it opened off-Broadway in February 2007, running until mid-July 2007.

In May 2009, PBS aired an episode of *Great Performances* entitled *In the Heights: Chasing Broadway Dreams*, which documented the journey taken by the cast and crew to bring the show to Broadway. The episode is available for viewing on YouTube.

Ms. Guare, Mrs. Corliss, and Mr. Kissinger believe that *In the Heights* will be a fun experience for Hampden Academy and for theatergoers in the RSU 22 communities.

"We're all fans of this musical and this author [Lin-Manuel Miranda]," they said. "The students are going to get excited about it, too."



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# Curriculum Office Update

By Mary Giard, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment, RSU 22



Mary Giard

## Proficiency-Based Education Update

Our K-12 system continues to move forward with Proficiency-Based Education.

During 2017-2018 we will:

- ✓ continue to build and add resources for teacher use with students
- ✓ begin to build the Proficiency Based transcript in our student information system software

- ✓ continue to create pathways for students to meet and demonstrate mastery of standards
  - ✓ build more assessment types and opportunities for students
- Other related PBE work may also occur.

A proficiency-based handbook will be added to the RSU 22 website in the fall of 2017. It will include updates from all grade spans: 9-12, 6-8 and PK-5.

## 2017-18 Title I and Title IIA Applications under the new Every Student Succeeds Act

For years, school districts across America received financial support under the No Child Left Behind system that was developed during the George W. Bush era. The monies were dedicated to various subgroup categories, which, in turn, supported students and teachers in many ways. Every Student Succeeds Act is the new federal program. RSU 22 has traditionally received support for two

categories: Title IA and Title IIA. Title I A, in RSU 22, supports our two Winterport schools. Extra reading and math support is funded through our Title I allocation. The 2017-2018 projects include: additional literacy support for students needing assistance during the school day, after school tutoring for Title I eligible students from Wagner and Smith, a part time math tutor for Wagner school and funding for a

Winterport summer school in 2018.

Title IIA allocations are provided for educator professional development. Our application for this year's funding includes several projects: Educator Effectiveness, Technology PD, Curriculum and Teacher Leadership Development, New Teacher mentor support and professional development.

## RSU 22's State Testing Results for eMPowerME, MEA Science, and the SAT

Our students' test results will be available in the next few weeks. The 2017 reports will

provide individual student information from the spring tests. Assessments were administered at

grades 3-8 and grade 11. General trends will be reviewed and shared with the public.

## HA recognized at JCL National Convention

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by Cara Whitmore, HAJCL's publicity chair. The article provided a lot of background information on JCL and Latin studies in Maine and included a photo of the HAJCL catapult team.

"It was nice to get recognition at a full General Assembly (with all 2,000 people in attendance)," said Mr. Johnson. "We got a trophy, too!"

Other awards presented to HAJCL members were:

- Eliot Small, best promotional video for a state convention. Eliot served last year as the Maine JCL Communications Coordinator and will be the Historian during the coming year. He will be a junior this fall.
- Molly Swalec, 3rd place in the sculpture category for her interpretation of Scylla (a sea monster in Greek mythology that haunted the rocks of a narrow strait) sunbathing. Molly, who will be a junior, also placed in the top 10 in the essay contest.
- Audrie French 7th place in the essay contest.
- Noah Burby, 9th place in the essay contest.

"All in all, our students did a great job at the National JCL convention and grew quite a bit," Mr. Johnson said. "Sometimes it's hard to distinguish yourself from all of the hundreds of people here, but I think they all will bring a lot of enthusiasm back with them to HA when they start the school year!"

Mr. Johnson says the Junior Classical League is Hampden's own form of Latin club.

"We celebrate the ancient civilizations of Greece and Rome while showing off our knowledge, artistic ability, and enthusiasm," he says.

Nationally, the JCL is the second largest youth organization. In Maine, Hampden Academy boasts the biggest JCL with close to 80 students participating every year.

The National Junior Classical League holds its annual convention during the last week of July at a university site. About 2,000 JCLers, teachers, and other chaperones attended this year's convention, which had the theme of *Omnis ars naturae imitatio est*—"All art is but an imitation of nature," by Seneca the Younger, *Epistulae Morales ad Lucilium VII.lxv.3*.

The convention includes a variety of activities for both students and teachers, including 15 different academic tests, graphic art categories, creative art contests (e.g., perform an oratory in Latin or write an essay), athletic games, and



Molly Swalec won 3rd place in the sculpture category for her interpretation of Scylla (a sea monster in Greek mythology) sunbathing.

spirit contests. The convention also attracts Classics professors from area universities who give presentations to students on a wide range of topics. (Mr. Johnson said one of the presentations he attended connecting the TV show *The Walking Dead* to the Roman epic *The Aeneid* by Virgil.)

Mr. Johnson said one of the most important benefits of the convention is the connections that the students make with other students.

"It's great to have our students incorporated into the fuller national structure of the JCL," he says. "They make friends with kids from other states, take on leadership roles within our delegation, and have the chance to bring back to Hampden what they've learned."

## 6 from RSU 22 selected for Team Maine Special Olympics

Six people with ties to Hampden Academy and RSU 22 have been selected to participate with Team Maine in the Special Olympics 2018 USA Games July 1-6 in Seattle, WA.

Four of the six will compete as Special Olympics athletes. The athletes are:

- Madison Mooers, a student at Hampden Academy, who will compete in bowling.
- Zachary Ewing, a graduate of HA, who will compete in swimming.
- Cailynn Goss, a graduate of HA, who will compete in swimming.
- Caitlyn Gunn, a graduate of HA, who will compete in bocce.

Andrea Lee, physical education teacher at Reeds Brook Middle School and head coach of the Hampden-Winterport Special Olympics team, will compete as a unified partner for bocce.

Brian Lee, Mrs. Lee's husband, will serve as head coach for the Team Maine Special Olympics golf team.

## RSU 22 Board brings back Community Relations Committee

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significant contributions to our meetings by members of the community, and we hope that continues. Those meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month, but will be announced beforehand like all committee meetings. Keep your eyes open!

## SCHOOL HOURS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

<b>Hampden Academy</b> 89 Western Ave., Hampden, ME 04444	<b>C. WILLIAM TRACY</b> Principal	Grades 9-12 8:00 a.m.-2:02 p.m.	Main Office Guidance Office Athletic Office	862-3791 862-4111 862-3985
<b>Earl C. McGraw Elementary School</b> 20 Main Road North, Hampden, ME 04444	<b>KRISTIN BRIGGS</b> Principal	Grades PreK-2 K-2—8:50 a.m.-3 p.m. PreK AM—7:30 a.m.-11 a.m. (Tues-Fri) PreK PM—11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. (Tues-Fri)	Main Office	862-3830
<b>Newburgh Early Childhood Center</b> 2220 Western Ave., Newburgh, ME 04444	<b>DAWN MOORE</b> PreK Administrator	PreK 7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (Tues-Fri)	Main Office	234-2781
<b>Reeds Brook Middle School</b> 28A Main Road South, Hampden, ME 04444	<b>DON ROUX</b> Principal	Grades 6-8 7:40 a.m.-2:05 p.m.	Main Office	862-3540
<b>Leroy H. Smith School</b> 319 South Main St., Winterport, ME 04496	<b>DAWN MOORE</b> Principal	PreK-4 K-4—7:50 a.m.-2 p.m. PreK—7:30 a.m.-2 p.m. (Mon-Thurs)	Main Office	223-4282
<b>Samuel L. Wagner Middle School</b> 19 Williams Way, Winterport, ME 04496	<b>RICHARD GLENCROSS</b> Principal	Grades 5-8 7:35 a.m.-2:08 p.m.	Main Office	223-4309
<b>George B. Weatherbee School</b> 22 Main Road North, Hampden, ME 04444	<b>JENNIFER CYR</b> Principal	Grades 3-5 8:50 a.m.-3 p.m.	Main Office	862-3254



Jen Cyr

## Jen Cyr new principal at George B. Weatherbee School

Jen Cyr has joined RSU 22 as principal of Weatherbee School.

Mrs. Cyr comes to Weatherbee from Leonard Middle School in Old Town, where she served as principal for three years and as assistant principal and athletic director for six years.

Previously, she was assistant principal and athletic director at the Lewis Libby School in Milford for one year.

Before moving into administration, Mrs. Cyr spent 10 years as a classroom teacher, including eight years at Reeds Brook Middle School teaching 7th grade

English Language Arts. She taught two years at Center Drive School in Orrington, where she taught 6th grade math and 8th grade English Language Arts.

Mrs. Cyr grew up in Bangor and Hermon and moved to Hampden starting as an 8th grader at Weatherbee School. She graduated from Hampden Academy in 1993. After HA, she attended the University of Maine at Presque Isle on a soccer scholarship, earning her B.S. degree in Education in 1997.

She received her Master's degree in Education Leadership at the University

of Maine in 2003.

Mrs. Cyr lives in Bradley with her husband Matt, who serves as superintendent of schools for Veazie and as principal of the Veazie Community School. They have two daughters, Madelyn, who will be an 8th grader at Leonard Middle School, and Meredith, who will be a 3rd grader at Old Town Elementary School.

Mrs. Cyr describes herself as an avid reader and sports enthusiast. This summer, she and her family have enjoyed camping at South Branch Lake in Sebois Plantation.

## George B. Weatherbee School Update

By Jennifer Cyr, Principal  
George B. Weatherbee School

Students can expect to see some new faces in our learning community. I'm thrilled to join the Weatherbee team and will be joined by several new teachers, including Samantha Anderson, grade 5; Philip Bergin, grade 5; and Jill Starrett, grade 3. In addition, we'll have a new administrative assistant, a technology integrationist, and a literacy specialist joining the Weatherbee faculty. All new staff will be featured in the fall issue of *Link-22*.

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This summer our team has been diligently preparing to welcome our students so that we're ready on Day One! Our facility has received some upgrades to improve both the facade and safety. Window sills have been replaced, and interior and exterior lighting has been converted to LED to improve our energy efficiency. Special thanks to our custodial staff, led by our interim head custodian, Phil Veilleux, for their outstanding work.

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Our schedule and teaming model will remain similar to what it was last year.

One notable difference students can expect is that we will be mak-

ing the transition from Everyday Mathematics to our new math curriculum, enVision 2.0.

enVision 2.0 is a Common-Core aligned curriculum that balances building concepts and practicing algorithms. We found this curriculum to be superior in presenting math in context with real-world problems that deepen their mathematical thinking. It's designed to promote collaborative problem solving and is presented in a logical series that can be easily integrated with other subjects. It also promotes computational fluency and provides quality formative and summative assessments.

This robust program will allow us to continue to "teach to the edges." It also provides seamless common vocabulary and practices that enhance our systematic approach to mathematics K-12 to meet all students' needs.

Parents can learn more about grade level curriculum at our upcoming Curriculum Night on Thursday, September 14, from 6 to 7 p.m.

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As a learning community, we at Weatherbee place a major emphasis on attendance.

Our mission is "All Weatherbee School Staff are committed to join-



GEORGE B. WEATHERBEE SCHOOL  
Jennifer Cyr, Principal  
862-3254

ing students, parents and community in providing a safe, positive, and challenging learning environment which enables all students to reach their individual potential and become lifelong learners who are productive members of society."

Having strong attendance, especially in the early grades, pays big academic dividends in the long run. We know that some absences are unavoidable. We also know that children get sick and need to stay home occasionally. That said, the important thing is to get your children to school as often as possible.

Sporadic absences, not just those on consecutive days of school, matter. Before you know it – just one or two absences a month can add up to nearly 10 percent of the school year. If too many absences occur, it is still a problem whether they are excused or unexcused because they repre-

sent too much lost learning time in the classroom. Research shows that students can suffer academically if they miss 10 percent of the school year or about 18 days. That can be just one day every two weeks, and that can happen before you know it. This year, we'll use the 10% benchmark to flag attendance concerns.

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Positive communication is important to us. As always, regular updates can be found at several locations:

- On our Facebook page @ Weatherbee.
- The weekly *Weatherbee Bzzzz* newsletters.
- Teacher blogs found on the website ([weatherbee.rsu22.us](http://weatherbee.rsu22.us)).

All of these sites exist to provide you with up-to-date information about the wonderful things happening at Weatherbee.

## Don Roux, middle school principal in Hartland for 13 years, named principal at Reeds Brook

Don Roux, principal at Somerset Valley Middle School in Hartland for the past 13 years, is the new principal at Reeds Brook Middle School.

SVMS is part of RSU 19 and sends students to Nokomis Regional High in Newport.



Don Roux

Previously, Mr. Roux was dean of students at Searsport District High School for 1½ years and a math teacher at Mt. View High School in Thorndike for 8½ years.

He received his B.S. degree in education from the University of Maine at Farmington in 1994 and his Master's degree in Educational Leadership from the University of Maine in 2004.

Mr. Roux grew up in Moscow, ME, and graduated from Upper Kennebec Valley Memorial Junior-Senior H.S. in Bingham.

For the past 23 years, Mr. Roux has lived in Thorndike with his wife Lisa Roux, who is currently principal at Troy School and Walker School in RSU 3.

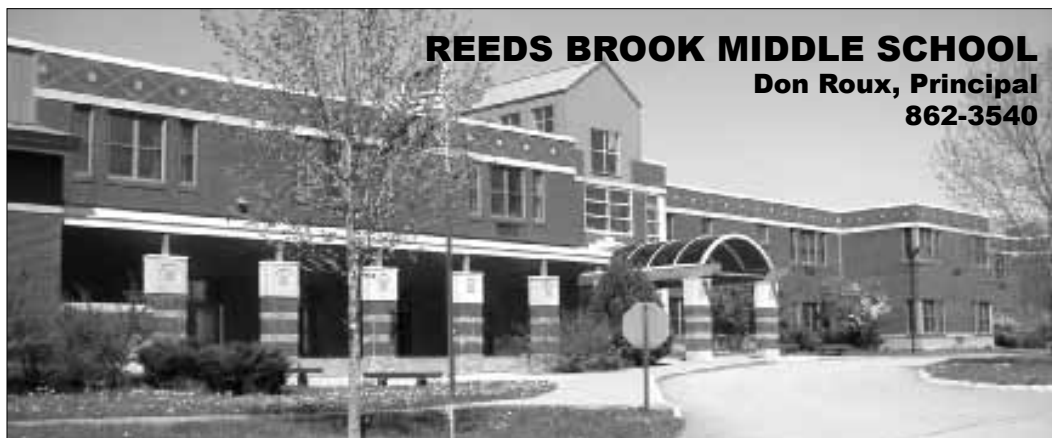
They have three children, Devon, 20, a junior at Thomas College; Jordan, 17, a senior at Mt. View High School; and Madison, 12, a middle school student.

Mr. Roux says he "absolutely enjoys kayaking," and he's taken up hiking with his older son Devon. They recently hiked Camden Hills State Park, and they're planning trips to Borestone mountain near Monson and Mt. Abram in Greenwood.

"I used to hike all the time," he says. "Hopefully, before the weather gets too cold, I'll take Devon up to Mt. Katahdin. I've never climbed Katahdin before—that will be a new one for me."

Mr. Roux says he enjoys being with his family at their camp at Long Pond in Aurora.

"There's almost no cell reception there, and you can get lost in its beauty," he says.



REEDS BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL  
Don Roux, Principal  
862-3540



### REEDS BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Reeds Brook Middle School, a supportive learning community,  
challenges all students to achieve individual success.

Dear Reeds Brook Students, Parents and Community members,

My Name is Don Roux and I am your new Reeds Brook principal. It is with great pride and excitement that I write this letter of introduction. I am honored to have the opportunity to lead a school which is known for its dedication to excellence, but more importantly, to children! Over the past 23 years I have been dedicated to the field of education and have worked with a variety of middle school and high school students. My last administrative experience was in RSU 19 where I served as one of their grade five through eight principals for the past 13 years. I am eager to bring my skills as an educational leader to Reeds Brook and work with you as a partner in education as I learn your children's personalities, learning styles and interests.

I will work hard to continue the legacy of success established by Reeds Brook by building strong relationships with students, teachers, parents, and community partners. We will focus on the use of data to drive instruction and provide consistent implementation of a rigorous curriculum.

As your principal, it is important to me that everyone who enters Reeds Brook feels welcome and is excited to be here! This attitude enables us to meet the challenges of academic excellence in a positive and nurturing environment. My door is always open and I welcome your input.

Please feel free to call or email me. I look forward to working with you as a team to help all students meet their goals and aspirations.

Sincerely,

Don L. Roux

# RSU 22 ADULT EDUCATION FALL 2017 PROGRAMS

A wide variety of educational, professional development and personal enrichment courses will again be made available for people to take through our program during the fall academic season. To contact us you can call our office at **862-6422** or email our program director at: [mtardie@rsu22.us](mailto:mtardie@rsu22.us)

## High School Completion, HiSET, and Basic Literacy Instruction

For adults looking to earn a high school diploma, a HiSET Certification or to improve basic literacy and ESL skills, we offer year-round opportunities for advancement. If you are interested in earning your Adult Education High School Diploma, you should get a copy of your high school transcript and schedule a meeting with one of our staff. You may be closer to earning a diploma than you think. In January 2014, the

HiSET replaced the GED and became Maine's State High School Equivalency Diploma. Since then, our program has helped many of our residents earn this life-changing credential. Again, just contact our office at any time if you have questions about or interest in the HiSET.

We now have a variety of online and in-person classes available to help adult learners earn their high school diploma.

Most fall courses will start in late-September. Anticipated fall in-person academic courses include:

- Developmental English
- Individualized Math Lab – Daytime
- Stories from American History
- Individualized Math Lab – Evening
- HiSET Preparation & Testing
- Accuplacer Preparation & Testing
- Adult Basic Literacy & Tutoring
- ESL Conversation Groups

## Distance Learning Courses

We continue to offer, through a partnership with Education to Go, nearly 500 interactive personal enrichment online courses to residents of RSU 22 and neighboring communities. All classes are instructor-led, fit into convenient six-week formats and are affordably priced. Some of the more popular course titles include:

- A to Z Grant Writing
- Blogging/Podcasting for Beginners
- Business and Marketing Writing
- Computer Skills for the Workplace
- Buying & Selling on eBay
- QuickBooks 2017
- Helping Elderly Parents

- Introduction to Interior Design
- Beginner's Guide to Getting Published
- Adobe / Acrobat Photoshop
- Introduction to Oracle
- Test Prep: GRE, LAST, SAT, Praxis
- Writing for Children

- Become a Veterinary Assistant
- Introduction to JavaScript
- Microsoft Word, Excel, Outlook, PowerPoint
- Grammar Refresher
- PC Troubleshooting

To view a complete catalog of distance learning courses, visit our page: [www.ed2go.com/rsu22](http://www.ed2go.com/rsu22)

## CNA Training

Certified Nursing Assistants help patients or clients with healthcare needs, working under the supervision of an approved nurse. Demand for CNA's in the healthcare industry is projected to grow faster than the average for all occupations! Our next CNA class is scheduled to start in mid-October.

Classes are projected to run Monday and Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings to be more accommodating to students and folks who are working.

The cost for this next class will be only \$750. We offer students convenient payment plans and possible course reimbursement options.

Contact us at **862-6422** for an application or to find out more information about this popular training program. We expect that the deadline for applications to be received will be October 2.

## Personal Enrichment Courses

Once again this fall, we are offering a wide assortment of personal enrichment courses and workshops. Some of the scheduled courses include:

- Digital Photography
- Bee Keeping
- Tai Chi for Arthritis and Better Balance
- Basic First Aid
- Zumba in Newburgh
- Kitchen & Bathroom Designing
- Introduction to Drawing
- Baking Scones
- Fitness Center Training
- Pickleball

- Tap Dancing
- iPhone/iPad Basics
- Hunter's Safety
- Intro to Metal Jewelry
- Torch Fired Enameling
- Intro to Interior Design
- Interpreting Your Dreams
- Intro to Acting Workshop
- The Joy of Watercolor Painting
- Family Pizza Making Night

- Ballroom Dance
- Quilting
- Home Composting
- Basic CPR Certification
- Introduction to Latin
- Gentle Yoga
- Beginner and Advanced Sewing
- Intro to Watercolor Painting
- Christmas Kissing Balls

- Substitute Teacher Training
- Fall Walking Club
- Intro to Stained Glass
- Maine Driving Dynamics
- Rug Hooking
- Bike Tune Up Workshop
- Evergreen Floral Centerpieces
- Introduction to Volleyball
- One-Night Paint & Sip Classes
- Introduction to Ukulele
- Introduction to Archery

To view our complete Fall 2017 course schedule go to: [www.riversideadulthoodpartnership.com](http://www.riversideadulthoodpartnership.com)

## New Online Health Occupations Courses!

In 10 to 20 weeks, you can become nationally certified in these portable, high demand healthcare jobs through our partnership with the Academy of Medical Professions:

The courses include:

- Dental Assisting
- Medical Transcription
- Medical Coding & Billing
- Medical Office Specialist
- Pharmacy Technician
- Hospital Coding & Billing

For more information about any of these courses, including payment plan options and specific certifications awarded per course, please contact us at **862-6422**.

## Free Online Courses and Training

Through a partnership with Atomic Learning, we are again able to offer our residents free access to over 250 online courses and over 10,000 tutorials and individual trainings. To receive a password and login information to these courses email us at: [riversideadulthood@rsu26.org](mailto:riversideadulthood@rsu26.org) or call us: **862-6422**. Some of the newer courses are listed below.

- Tech for Students with Dyslexia
- SketchUp for 3D Printing
- Kid Px Deluxe
- Career Skills Trainings
- Google Sheets
- Minecraft in the Classroom
- Moodle Instructor Training
- Boardmaker Plus!
- Google Calendar

- Microsoft Office Applications
- HTMLS & CSS3 Basics
- Cyberbullying
- Flash CS5
- Internet Safety
- Dreamweaver CS5
- Classroom Mgt. Strategies
- Podcasting Workshop
- WordPress

- Creating Digital Portfolios
- Being Successful in College
- Office for iPad
- Anime Studio Training
- SharePoint Basics
- Photoshop
- Moodle for Students
- Using Gmail
- Supporting Gifted Students
- Geometer's Sketchpad

- Flickr Training
- Adobe Lightroom
- iBooks Author Training
- Using iTunes
- Real-World Geometry
- Being Savvy Online
- Textease CT

## College Transitions

Our College Transitions Program is designed to help students successfully prepare for college.

We help adult learners who are earning their high school diploma or their HiSET certificate successfully transition to college.

We also help students who already have a diploma prepare for their college experience.

Contact us if you would like to discuss with us some of the following College Transitions services that we offer:

- Career Exploration & Planning
- Academic Advising Services
- College Readiness Courses
- Academic Courses: Algebra / Biology / Writing for College
- Accuplacer Prep & Testing
- College Application Assistance



Kelly O'Brien at the ASCA National Conference in Denver

## Kelly O'Brien attends ASCA national conference

In early July, Kelly O'Brien, School Counselor at Weatherbee School, was able to attend the American School Counseling Association's (ASCA) National Conference in Denver, Colorado. The conference hosted over 3,000 school counselors from all 50 states and around the world to discuss and collaborate on the unique place of school counselors in the 21st century.

Highlights of the conference included three keynote speakers, including:

- Mark Kelly, an American astronaut, spoke on "The Endeavour to Succeed," including what leadership looks like as a fighter pilot, a Mission Leader with NASA, and most recently while helping his wife, Gabby Giffords, recover from a gunshot wound.
- Carol Dweck, author of *Mindset: The Psychology of Success*, spoke about her research in mindset and brain plasticity, including her most recent work in understanding false vs. true growth mindset.
- Calvin Mackie, an award winning mentor, author, and motivational speaker, discussed unique ways to motivate and create drive in young people.

Kelly was also able to attend numerous breakout sessions on a variety of topics, including:

- Evidence-based data driven school counseling.
- Ensuring safety for LGBT students.
- Closing opportunity gaps.
- The journey to a growth mindset.
- Supporting early career exploration.
- Lessons from distinctive school counseling programs.
- Restorative practices in action.
- Inclusive school climates for transgender and gender nonconforming youth.

Kelly is excited to use her experiences at the conference at Weatherbee School and to share her new skills and knowledge with her colleagues at RSU 22.

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[www.riversideadulthoodpartnership.com](http://www.riversideadulthoodpartnership.com)



## Welcome to Leroy H. Smith School: new 6-day rotation, new call-in system

By Dawn Moore, Principal  
Leroy H. Smith School

It has been a busy summer at Smith School. Summer school, playground upgrades, lighting upgrades, free Lunch, Book Swap, and the list goes on! Our school looks beautiful thanks to the hard work of everyone involved! We are looking forward to a fantastic year. We would like to welcome two new classroom teachers, Ms. Stearns, 2nd grade and Mrs. Walls, 4th grade. We are very excited to have them joining our team.

Smith School has a few procedural changes this year. We will be going to a 6-day rotation schedule. Our days will be labeled A-F. This will allow us to have our encore subjects (specials) such as PE, Art, Music, Library and

Guidance, at the same time every day for that grade level. If we have a snow day, in-service day, or holiday, we simply go to the next letter day when we return to school. In this way, students who formally would have missed a class due to a Monday holiday, for example, do not go without that special. The letter will be posted near the office, on the entrance door and on our website daily. We are excited to give this a try.

Smith School will have a new call in system for bus/after school changes this year. You are asked to use the Smith School Office email: [smithoffice@rsu22.us](mailto:smithoffice@rsu22.us) to communicate bus and/or after school plan changes. If your child is headed to an after school destination other than



**LEROY H. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
Dawn Moore, Principal, 223-4282

their usual routine, the office needs a written note (preferable), email or text. Email [smithoffice@rsu22.us](mailto:smithoffice@rsu22.us) or text your information using the [smithoffice@rsu22.us](mailto:smithoffice@rsu22.us). Email changes after 1:00 p.m. will not be accepted to change your child's after school plan. This will be a new system for

all of us! We are striving to keep all children safe and get them where they need to go. More information can be found on our website at: [smith.rsu22.us](http://smith.rsu22.us).

We are looking forward to a terrific year.

—Dawn Moore, Principal



One of the two new "Buddy Benches" at Smith School.



The Super Dome Climber.



The Bumblebee Spring Rider.

### Smith School playground gets new equipment

Smith School playground has some new, exciting equipment on it! Thanks to the community for participating in school fundraisers and PIE events throughout the year, PIE was able to purchase new playground equipment for our students.

Students will be able to enjoy a Super Dome Climber and Bumblebee Spring Rider.

We also have two new Buddy Benches on our playground; one provided by PIE, the other a donation from retired Assistant Superintendent

Emil Genest. A special thank you to Mr. Genest for his generous donation of one of the Buddy Benches.

The Buddy Bench is a simple idea to eliminate loneliness and foster friendship on the playground. It is a designated seating area where

students feeling lonely or upset can seek camaraderie. It spreads the message of inclusion and kindness!

We are looking forward to an active year at Smith School! Come visit our playground if you have a chance!

## Three Winterport teams enjoy Destination ImagiNation Global Finals in Knoxville

The Global Finals in Knoxville, Tennessee, is the culminating event of every Destination ImagiNation season. DI teams that advance past Regional and Affiliate (state/country) Tournaments are invited to participate in Global Finals.

This year three teams from RSU 22, all from Winterport, each won their respective challenges and earned the right to compete in Knoxville.

The three teams were:

- Operation Orange— Elizabeth Burgess, Rene Drake, Gracie Farrar, Carly and Johanna Philbrook, and Genesis Ugaz —7th graders from Wagner Middle School,

- The Donut Dudes—Abby Adamo, Hanna McVeigh, Rachel Palmer, and Emma Roy—6th graders also from Wagner.

- The Ice Wizards—Drake Grove, Chris Thomas, Talan Lizotte, and Gabe Carter —5th graders from Smith School.

This was the fourth time attending for Opera-



The Ice Wizards.



Operation Orange.



The Donut Dudes.

tion Orange. The group enjoyed watching other teams perform their skits and seeing how different levels interpret and solve the challenges. Wagner students took part in various workshops. They had a blast exploring the University of Tennessee, living in the dorms this time around, rid-

ing the trolley, and seeing local sites when they were not attending on-campus activities.

The Donut Dudes enjoyed going to the Global Finals in Tennessee for the second time. Highlights of their trip included running the obstacle course in the Gallery Dash, designing and building a vehicle for an egg as the driver, building towers at the STEAM showcase, and pin trading. This was the Donut Dudes first time competing in the middle school category and they learned a great deal. The team even successfully appealed one of their scores and were awarded full points as a result of their arguments.

The Ice Wizards competed at Globals for the first time ever. The kids were amazed by all of the incredible teams in Tennessee. They participated in many of the exhibits at the expo and around campus but also found the time to support the other RSU 22 teams as well. They showed the true spirit of Team Maine and represented their state with pride.

The teams from Winterport would like to thank everyone who supported their fundraising campaigns.



Learning about water movement.

### Hampden Academy Child Development Class Nursery School

The Hampden Academy Child Development classes will be conducting their annual nursery school, starting in October.

Applications are now available for 3-5 year olds, Pre-K.

For more information, please email Terry Deane at [tdeane@rsu22.us](mailto:tdeane@rsu22.us), or call the high school, 862-3791.



# RSU 22 gardens having a great season, producing lots of cucumbers

By Brittany Layman  
RSU 22 Health and Wellness  
Coordinator

So far the RSU 22 gardens have had a great season! The green beans are thriving and the cucumber plants are producing a lot of fruit. We mean a lot of cucumbers!!  
\* \* \*

This spring brought a lot of fun additions to the gardens and orchard. Students requested the addition of fruits to the growing space and we were able to oblige.

After a fantastic shopping trip to FEDCO, we planted peach and plum trees at both Smith Elementary and at the RSU 22 Orchard near the central office. The 2nd grade students at McGraw were happy to hear that they would be able to eat stone fruits when they are in 8th grade!

We also planted blueberry, raspberry, and blackberry bushes along with many, many ever bearing strawberry plants. The ruby red fruits have been a delicious treat on warmer summer days.  
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A great group of volunteers, including a master gardener in training, have been busy bees planting, weeding, and watering all summer. Thanks to their efforts, our gardens are gorgeous—especially our new sensory garden near the RBMS garden shed. This garden is specially



The new sensory garden near the Reeds Brook garden shed.

designed so students can use all of their senses to enjoy the garden—touch, smell, taste, and observe!

Special thanks to the students who participated in Girls on the Run at Weatherbee, as they made all of the identification markers for the new garden. We are so pleased they offered to help out the garden program.

Our honeybees have been hard at work pollinating the gardens and making sweet honey. We will be harvesting in the fall so be on the lookout for honey to purchase.  
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This fall will bring some exciting changes and additions to the garden

program.

We are looking forward to working with our new nutrition director, Kathy Kittridge, and with our partners at the Maine Resource Recovery Association to expand our composting and recycling programs.

If you would like to learn more, please check out our facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/RSU22garden/> or contact Brittany Layman, Health and Wellness Coordinator, at [blayman@rsu22.us](mailto:blayman@rsu22.us).



The Smith School garden.

We will also be having a community supper on September 8th to celebrate the garden, the harvest, and our community! More information will be shared in the next couple of weeks.



**EARL C. MCGRAW SCHOOL**  
Kristin Briggs, Principal, 862-3830

## Principal's Message: Welcome Back, McGraw!

Hello, everyone!  
I hope that you have had a wonderful summer! I enjoyed camping, reading, and time with my family, but it will be great to see everyone again!

We have had a few changes over the summer. At the beginning of the summer, we welcomed our new first grade teacher, Ms. Audra Leland. Ms. Leland will be replacing Mrs. Beth Johnson. More recently, Mrs. Leah Welch took a position in Bangor. She will be deeply missed by everyone. Mrs. Lorenzo will move back to kindergarten in her place. We are in the process of hiring someone to fill the first grade position that this move created. Please watch for updates both on our website, as well as our Facebook page.

Ms. Devine welcomed her baby girl at the end of July. She will be enjoying her time with her baby until mid-November. While she is out we are so fortunate to have two highly skilled teachers helping to fill the vacancy. Mrs. Pat Lyons will be in Ms. Devine's classroom until the end of October, and Mrs. Joyce Sturdee will fill the position

until Ms. Devine's return. Mrs. Lyons and Mrs. Sturdee have been integral parts of McGraw for many years and we are excited to have both of them with us again.

We will continue with our rotating schedule for specials. At our open house on August 24th, we will have information outlining how the schedule works for our new friends. We are tremendously excited to be re-introducing art to our specials schedule for our kindergarten and first grade friends. It has been many years since this has been a part of McGraw and I know that it will be a welcome addition to round out our curriculum. We will continue to use both McGraw space and also share Weatherbee's space for music, art, and physical education.

Our amazing custodial crew has worked tremendously hard this summer and it shows! I can't wait for you to see how the floors shine and everything looks so fresh and clean! Make sure when you see Mr. Mike, Mr. Phil, or Mr. Jason when we get back, to say "Thank you" for all of their hard work!

Don't forget to visit us at the McGraw Open House on Thurs-

## Winners of the McGraw Paw award, for students consistently following our five core values of safety, honesty, responsibility, respect, and caring



Kindergarten.



First grade.



Second grade.

day, August 24th from 5 to 6 p.m.! We also welcome our kindergarten friends to arrive at 4:30 for a presentation from Cyr Bus by Melanie Michaud. We will meet in the McGraw gymnasium for an overview and question and answer session, followed by a brief bus ride for the children.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to me at [kbriggs@rsu22.us](mailto:kbriggs@rsu22.us). I'm happy to help! Thank you for your tremendous support and allowing me to work with your children every day! It is an honor!

—Kristin Briggs



## Principal's Message: Welcome to 2017-18

Dear Wagner Students and Families,

I hope you are having a wonderful summer. The Wagner Staff and I look forward to welcoming students back to school and a special welcome goes out to students who will be attending Wag-

ner for the very first time. This year we have several new staff members who will be joining us at Wagner. They include: Ms. Mitchell (5th Grade), Mr. Smith (Physical Education/Health), Mrs. Callahan (6th Grade) and Mrs. Rowe (Spanish). Our record of educational excellence and our tradition of respect and pride in ones self will continue to guide us in the coming school year.

I would like to take this opportunity and extend an invitation to students to participate in a team sport. In order to try out and participate in team sports at Wagner, an RSU 22 interscholastic sports physical must be completed annually. Forms can be found on our school website ([wagner.rsu22.us](http://wagner.rsu22.us)). Fifth graders are welcome to participate in cross-country, chess, basketball, and track and field, as well as other extra curricular activities such as the school play, library helpers, or art club.

### WAGNER MIDDLE SCHOOL Richard Glencross, Principal, 223-4309



Our parent group, Wagner Pride Pack, is selling Wagner Merchandise (t-shirts, hats, bags, etc.) again this year. An order form can be found on the Pride Pack Page of our school website.

Below are some important dates to help you organize your back to school calendar:

- August 28: 5th Grade Open House, 6 to 7 p.m.
- August 29: First Day of School
- September 4: Labor Day Holiday (no school)
- September 12: 6th-8th Grade Open House

We are fortunate to live in Maine in the summer. Please enjoy what time is left. In the mean time, if you have questions or concerns about the upcoming school year, do not hesitate to contact me.

—Richard Glencross, Principal

## School Opening Information

All Grade Pre-K - 9 district students (Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport, Frankfort) will begin school on Tuesday, August 29, 2017. Grades 10-12 students will begin classes on Wednesday, August 30, 2017.

Visit our website at [www.rsu22.us](http://www.rsu22.us) for additional information.

## School Nutrition 2017-2018

Our school cafeterias continue to meet federal nutrition standards for school meals, ensuring that meals are healthy and well-balanced and provide students all the nutrition they need to succeed at school. Encourage your student to give school breakfast and lunch a try!

School meals offer students milk, fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, with limits on saturated fat and portion size. The following are some of our nutrition guidelines:

- Age-appropriate calorie limits
- Healthy servings of vegetables and fruits (students must take at least one serving of fruit or vegetable with their lunch meal)
- A wide variety of vegetables, including dark green and red/orange vegetables
- Fat-free or 1% milk (flavored milk must be fat-free)
- Grains which will be at least 51% whole grain will be included in all meals. This includes bread, pastas, rice, snack foods, and breakfast items
- Less sodium
- Legumes (dried peas or beans) at least once weekly
- Students will be offered 1 cup of fruit or vegetable with breakfast.

We're always working to offer RSU 22 students healthy and tasty food choices. We incorporate locally grown and produced foods into our menus whenever possible. We are excited to be serving vegetables grown in our own school garden and greenhouse located at the Reeds Brook Middle School! School meals are a great value and a huge convenience for busy families. We look forward to welcoming your children to our cafeterias this fall!

**Lunch prices:** Elementary Schools - \$2.40  
Middle Schools- \$2.60  
Hampden Academy -\$ 2.80  
Reduced price .40  
Adult - \$4.00  
Breakfast - \$ 1.50

**Breakfast is FREE for Free AND Reduced students**  
Cold lunch or snack milk - .55  
(there is no free milk program)

### Elementary Schools Menu:

**Tuesday, August 29:** Oven Baked Chicken Nuggets, Rice Pilaf, Whole Grain Bread Stick, Veggies, Fresh Fruit  
**Wednesday, August 30:** Breakfast for Lunch: Pancakes and Sausage, 100% Juice Box, Breakfast Potato, Fresh Fruit  
**Thursday, August 31:** Spaghetti with Meat Sauce, Whole Grain Yeast Roll, Salad, Fruit  
**Friday, September 1:** Pizza, Raw Veggie Sticks with Dip, Teddy Grahams, Applesauce

Menus for the month will go home with children after school starts and will always be posted on each school's website. On the first day of school, August 29, Grade 9 at Hampden Academy will be treated to an Orientation Lunch sponsored by the Student Council. It will be Pizza, Salad Bar, Chips, Fresh Fruit, and an Ice Cream Sandwich.

A La Carte menus and price lists for Middle Schools and High School are posted in the cafeterias, home rooms, and online. Copies are available to all students at the schools. All A La Carte items for sale must meet USDA "Smart Snack" nutritional regulations which include calories, fat, and sugar content.

Children who received free or reduced priced meals last school year will continue to do so this year until new applications are processed. Please return your completed Application for Free or Reduced Priced Meals within the first week of school. They are available online at the schools' websites. Children who receive Free or Reduced priced meals can get a FREE breakfast at all schools.

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE:** Our school district has the NutriKids electronic Point of Service system. Your children will begin the year with the balance they had in their accounts at the end of last school year. Money can be put in accounts electronically at [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com) (with a small service fee) or brought to school. All children K-12 have a 4 or 5 digit ID number that you need to deposit money on-line. You may put as much money in accounts as you like and you can find out electronically or through your child's school what the balance is at any time. This is a DEBIT system. Children need to have money in their accounts in order to purchase meals. With any questions about our School Nutrition Program, please call Kathy Kittridge at 862-3543, or e-mail [kkittridge@rsu22.us](mailto:kkittridge@rsu22.us).

## Wagner Pride Pack planning 2017-18 activities

As Wagner Middle School prepares for the new school year, so is the school's parent group, the Wagner Pride Pack.

The group held a planning meeting on August 2 to lay out its scheduled activities for 2017-18.

Pride Pack leader Jen Dudley says the parent group will have a table at Wagner's two upcoming open houses—the 5th grade open house on August 28 (the day before the first day of school) and the 6th-8th grade open house on September 12.

At both events, the Pride Pack will be seeking new members and volunteers and offering Pride Pack merchandise for sale.

Pride Pack activities for the fall include:

- The annual Readathon in October.
- The big Halloween Fall Thriller on October 20—always a big hit with the students.
- The Christmas festival, which will be held on December 9 this year.

For 2018, Mrs. Dudley says the Pride Pack is planning a new event for February.

"We're still deciding what it's going to be," she said. "It will be something more family-oriented."

Towards the end of the school year, in May, the Pride Pack will sponsor its end-of-the-year teacher appreciation week—a long-standing tradition in which the parent volunteers do something different for the teachers each day during the week.

The Fall Thriller is a costume Halloween party for all age groups at Wagner.

The 5th graders come a little earlier, when more activities are geared toward the younger students.

All of the older grades (grades 6, 7, and 8) come a little later, but there's an overlap of about an hour when students in all four grades are in the building.

During that hour, the Fall Thriller features a costume contest and a ping pong tournament, and concessions are on sale.

"There's also a dance in the gym and a lot of activities going on all over the school," says Mrs. Dudley.

After the Fall Thriller, the Pride Pack will be gearing up for the Christmas festival, although planning will have started earlier in the fall.

The Pride Pack is already looking for people and businesses who want to sponsor trees or sign up for the craft fair.

"If you're interested in sponsoring a tree or participating in the craft fair, please send us a message on our Facebook page," she says.

Mrs. Dudley says Pride Pack is looking for new members and supporters.

"We're trying to get people to like us on Facebook," she says.

Pride Pack will also be encouraging parents to look for a Pride Pack packet coming home from school, which should accompany the packet the school sends home with students. It will include information about Pride Pack programs, as well as a request for parents to fill out and return a form with email information.

Mrs. Dudley explains that Pride Pack uses the Sign-Up Genius website to inform members about all of the groups events.

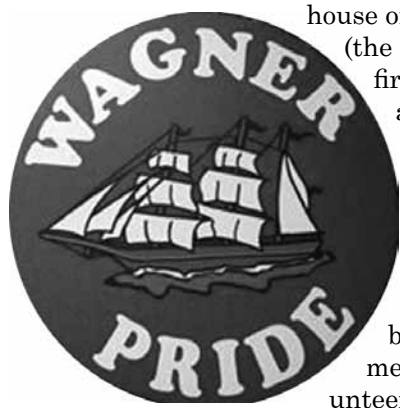
"Whenever we schedule an activity, we create an event on Sign-Up Genius," she says. "That's how we ask for volunteers and donations for all our events. The more email addresses we have, the better we can reach people."

## Volunteers are welcome!

Parent organizations and volunteers are a very important component of the educational school system. From stuffing envelopes to assisting with field trip supervision to organizing the major PTO/PTF fundraisers, volunteers are making a difference in your local schools and communities. If you are interested in becoming one of these volunteers, please contact your local school for more information.

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS OF HEAD START AND PRE-K STUDENTS IN HAMPDEN - NEWBURGH - WINTERPORT - FRANKFORT

Head Start and Pre-K students will not be let off the bus without an adult present waiting at the bus stop. There will be no exceptions.









# RSU 22 - 2017-2018

## Hampden

### 6-12 students, AM & PM buses

Hampden 6-12 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

#### Run #22

Starts at 6:40 from the corner of Meadow Road and Route 69 headed towards Kennebec Road, including end of Piper Woods Road to the Hampden/Winterport town line on Route 69, end of Rae Way, end of Woods Road, left on Kennebec Road to Newburgh town line, including end of Merchant Road from Box 1420 Kennebec Road to Box 202, turn right on Emerald Drive, right on Wessnette Drive, right on Monroe Road to town line, end of Norway Drive, end of Liberty Lane, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

#### Run #23 AM ONLY

Starts at 6:45 at the corner of Route 1A and Coldbrook Road to Hermon town line, including Old Coldbrook Road, left on Coldbrook Road from Route 1A to Route 202, including a left on Laskey Lane, then to Main Trail, right on Emerson Drive, left on Ruth Avenue, end of Jay Lane, end of Cool Brook Lane, left on Lindsey Way, right on Papermill Road, left on Emerson Mill Road, end of Ledgewood Drive, right on Manning Mill Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

#### Run #23 PM ONLY

Starts at Route 1A to Daisey Lane, including ends of Elm Street East and West, end of Dudley Street, left on Daisey Lane, ends of Horseshoe Lane, George Street, William Street, left on Charles Street, left on Sunset Avenue, ends of Linden, Stoney Brook and West Brook, right on Route 1A, right on Coldbrook Road from Route 1A to Route 202, including a left on Laskey Lane, then to Main Trail, right on Emerson Drive, left on Ruth Avenue, end of Jay Lane, end of Cool Brook Lane, left on Lindsey Way, right on Papermill Road, left on Emerson Mill Road, end of Ledgewood Drive, right on Manning Mill Road.

#### Run #26

Starts at 6:50 Back Winterport Road from Baker Road, Kennebec Road box 204 to 1, Main Road South 1A box 1 to Winterport town line, right on Gee Highland Ridge, right on Foster Avenue, Rawley Drive, Clark Circle, end of Perkins Road, end of Kincaid Road, right on Hopkins Road, right on Pleasant Street, left on Cross Street, left on Summer Street, end of Ferry Street, end of Swan Avenue, end of Orient Avenue, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

#### Run #28 AM ONLY

Starts at 6:45 at 1 Main Road North to Bangor town line, end of Elm Street East and West, end of Dudley Street, Old County Road, end of Mountain View, end of Ball Park Road, end of Patterson Road, end of Wheeldon Heights, left on Perry, left on Coolidge Avenue, end of the following roads Northern Avenue, Hamel Avenue, Triangle Road, Kelly Lane, Gaftway Street, School House Road, Marina Road, Hillside Drive, (Summit Dr.) right on Francis Drive, left on Sophie Lane, end of Riverview, (Marion Drive), end of Carver Road, right on Daisey Lane, end of the following roads: Horseshoe Lane, George Street, William Street, left on Charles Street, left on Sunset Avenue, ends of Linden, Stoney Brook, and West Brook, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

#### Run #28 PM ONLY

Starts dropping off after Daisey Lane on Route 1A, ends of Sunrise Lane, Chickadee Lane, Riverview, (Marion Drive) left on Francis Drive, left on Sophie Lane, left on Route 1A, left on Old County Road, ends of Mountain View, Ball Park Road, Patterson Road, Wheeldon Heights, left on Perry Road, left on Coolidge Avenue, ends of Northern Avenue, Hamel Avenue, Triangle Road, Kelly Lane, Gaftway Street, School House Road, Marina Road, Hillside Drive, (Summit Dr.) right on Francis Drive, end of Carver Road.

#### Run #31

Starts at 6:40 Patterson Road, Meadow Road, Gray Stone Creek Road, Ichabod Lane, Rt. 69 from Meadow Road to the intersection blinking light in Newburgh, Rt. 9 Western Avenue left on Butternut Lane/Acorn Lane to Sawyer Road, right on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

#### Run #34

Starts at 6:40 right on Miller Road, left on Fowler Road, right on Shaw Hill Road, right on Bog Road, right on Pond Road, right on North County to town line, left on Stetson Drive, right on Route 9 to Sawyer Road, Route 9 from Box 1088 to 372 including left on Deer Hill Lane, end of Goodell Farm Road, right on Aarons Way, left on Dunton Circle, right on Silver Drift Lane, right on Johnny's Way, right on Bowen Drive, drop students at RBMS & HA.

#### Run #36

Starts at 6:45 Mayo Road, Rt. 9 Western Avenue, up to and including Hughes Blvd., Town Farm Road, end of Country Meadows, Griffin Avenue, end of Jewel Drive, Sidney Blvd., end of Wilbur Drive, Evergreen Drive, Surrey Lane, Constitution Avenue, end of Independence Avenue (Liberty Avenue), end of Dewey Street, straight on Cottage Street, left on Canoe Club Road, end of Rowell Road, drop students at RBMS, drop students at HA.

### K-5 students, AM & PM buses

Hampden K-5 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon.

#### Run #22

Starts at 7:50 from Piperwoods Road on Route 69 to Hampden/Winterport town line, including right on Rae Way, end of Hampden Woods Road, left on Kennebec Road, to Hampden/Newburgh town line including end of Merchant Road, Kennebec Road to Meadow Road including right on Emerald Drive and right on Wessnette Drive.

#### Run #23

Starts at 7:50 at the corner of Route 1A and Coldbrook Road to Hermon town line, including Old Coldbrook Road, left on Coldbrook Road from Route 1A to Route 202, including a left on Laskey Lane, then to Main Trail, right on Emerson Drive, left on Ruth Avenue, right on Jay Lane, end of Cool Brook Lane, left on Lindsey Way, right on Papermill Road, left on Emerson Mill Road, end of Ledgewood Drive, right on Manning Mill Road.

#### Run #24

Start at 7:50 at 445 Main Road North to Bangor town line, including Mountain View Road, including Hunting Lane, end of Kelly Lane, end of Gaftway Street, end of Marina Road, end of Hillside Drive (Summit Avenue), left on School House Lane, Old County Road, end of Ballfield Road, left on Triangle Road, right on Hamel Avenue, right on Perry Road, left on Coolidge Avenue, left on Patterson Street, left on Wheeldon Heights, Northern Avenue Ext., to the end of Old County Road.

#### Run #25

Starts at 7:50 on Patterson Road, left on Meadow Road, Gray Stone Creek Road, left on Ichabod Lane, right on Meadow Road, end of Gray Stone Creek Road, right on Route 69 from Meadow Road to the intersection blinking light in Newburgh, including end of Babcock Lane, left on Butternut Lane, left on Acorn Drive, right on Route 9 Western Avenue Box 2021 to Box 1102, right on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road.

#### Run #26

Starts at 7:55 at 1 Main Road South to Winterport town line, including end of Orient Avenue, end of Swan Avenue, right on Pleasant Street, right on Cross Street, left on Summer Street, end of Ferry Road, left on Hopkins Road, right on Gee Way, right on Foster Avenue, right on Rawley Drive, right on Clark Circle, end of Perkins Drive, end of Kincaid Road (Hatch Lane).

#### Run #29

Starts at 7:50 corner of Main Road, left on Route 9 Box 1 to Hughes Blvd., including end of Dewey Street, left on Constitution Avenue, left on Independence Avenue, left on Liberty Avenue, right on Evergreen, right on Surry Lane, right on Sidney Blvd., end of Wilber Drive, right on Griffin Avenue, end of Jewel Drive, left on Hughes Blvd., right on Town Farm Road, end of Country Meadow Drive.

#### Run #31

Starts at 7:55 Route 9 from Hughes Blvd. to Sawyer Road Box 372 to Box 1088, including left on Bowen Drive, left on Johnny's Way, right on Dunton Circle, right on Silver Drift Lane, left on Aarons Way, end of Goodell Farm Road, right on Deer Hill Lane, left on Sawyer Road, left on Canaan Road.

#### Run #34

Starts at 7:40 Deer Hill Lane, right on Shaw Hill Road, right on Miller Road, left on Fowler Road, right on Shaw Hill Road, right on Bog Road, right on Pond Road, right on North County to town line, left on Stetson Drive, right on Mayo Road, drop students at McGraw & Weatherbee.

#### Run #35

Starts at 7:50 at 1 Kennebec Road to Monroe Road, including left on Monroe Road, left on Norway Drive, right on Back Winterport Road to Hampden town line, right on Baker Road, including end of Partridge Road and Libbey Lane.

#### Run #36

Starts at 7:50 at 1 Main Road North to Box 440, right on Elm Street East, including left on Daisey Lane, left on Horseshoe Lane, left on Charles Street to Edgewood Dr., left on Stoneybrook Road, left on Linden Street, right on Williams Street, right on George Street, left on Sunset Avenue, right on Westbrook Terrace, end of Carver Road, right on Riverview Road, left on Marion Dr., left on Francis Dr., left on Sophie Lane, Main Road North, including end of Dudley Street (Short Wharf Road), end of Elm Street West, left on Canoe Club Road, left on VFW Road, end of Rowell Dr., left on Cottage Street.

## Frankfort

*FRANKFORT K-12. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.*

### K-12 students, AM buses

#### Run #20

Starts at 6:45 on Swanville Road, end of Parker Lane, left on Town Hill Rd 6:53, end of Atwood Drive, right on Marsh Stream Road 7:00, end of Rob Lane, straight on Hamm Road 7:05, end of Moore Lane. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #40

Starts at 6:40 on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road, left on North Searsport Road 6:50, right on White Orchard Road, end of Staples Road, end of Candy Lane, left on Loggin Road (upper part) 6:57 turn and finish Loggin Road (lower part) 7:03. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #41

Starts at 6:45 end of Averill Road, straight on Route 1A Bangor Road, right on Mount Waldo Road, left on Old Belfast Road 6:48 (upper part), turn and finish Old Belfast Road (lower part) 6:53, right on West Hill Road 6:58, right on Old Stage Road 7:03, right on Tyler Lane 7:10, right on Treat point Road 7:15. Drop students at Wagner 7:23 then Smith School and then continue to HA and drop HA students.

### K-8 Smith and Wagner students, PM buses

#### Run #20

Starts on Treat Point Road, left on Old Stage Road, right on Tyler Lane, right on West Hill Road, drop at end of Hamm Road end of Loggin Road. Right on Swanville Road, end of Parker Lane, left on Town Hill Road, end of Atwood Drive, right on Marsh Stream Road, end of Rob Lane, straight on Hamm Road, end of Moore Lane.

#### Run #40

Starts at the end of Averill Street, straight on Route 1A, right on Mount Waldo Road, left on Old Belfast Road (upper part), turn and finish Old Belfast Road (lower part), left on Loggin Road, turn at end, right on North Searsport Road, end of Candy Lane, end of Staples Road, left on White Orchard, right on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road.

### 9-12 Hampden Academy students, PM bus

#### Run #41

Starts left Treat Point Road, right on Old Stage Road, right on Tyler Lane, right on Old Belfast Road, left on Mount Waldo Road, left on Loggin Road, right on Hamm road, turn at Danforth Lane on right, straight on Marsh Stream Road, end of Rob Lane, left on Town Hill Road, straight on Black Hill Road, end of Lake Road, left on North Searsport Road, end of White Orchard Road.

### PARENTS OF K-4 STUDENTS:

Please make sure the bus driver sees you when we drop your child off.

If you wish to have your child dropped off without someone physically present at your child's bus stop, you must sign a permission form indicating this. This form is included in your child's packet of forms, which will be sent home from their school during their first week.

This form is only for students in Grades K - 4 - Not for Head Start or Pre-K

## Transportation Services

RSU #22 contracts with John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. for transportation services. The transportation of students to and from school is a joint effort between the school district and John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. You may contact John T. Cyr & Sons Inc. at 862-3984 to discuss bussing issues if the need should arise. However, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the Superintendent of Schools at 862-3255 with any comments or concerns.

### REMINDER: IT'S THE LAW

*Maine state law prohibits any vehicle (emergency or other) to pass a school bus with its red lights flashing on any road, in any parking lot, or in the schoolyard.*



# School Bus Schedules

## Winterport

### K-8 students, AM & PM buses 9-12 (HA) students, AM buses

Note: Winterport K-8 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

#### Run #24

Starts at 6:40 K-12 at Baker Road and Route 1A, left on Moyses Road, left on Back Winterport Road, right on Twining Road, left on Twining Lane, right on Coles Corner Road, left on Cove Road, right on Vero's Way, end of Cedarwood Drive, end of Comikev Lane, left on Old Cove Road, right on Cove Road, left on Coles Corner Road, left on Staples Road, left on Coles Corner Road, end of Artic Lane, end of Irish Lane, right on Rob Clark Road. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #25

Starts at 6:40 K-12 at the end of North Road Dixmont town line, end of Perkins Road, left on Clark Road, including end of Brown Lane, end of Windy Hill Road, then right on Rancourt Road, right on Boston Road, end of Meadow Lane, end of Chickadee Lane, left on Airport Road, left on Oak Street, right on Elm Street. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #27

Starts at 6:40 K-12 on Goshen Road, end closest to Stream Road, all of Goshen Road, including end of Joshua Lane, right on Haley Road, right on Monroe Road, all of Monroe Road (including Blueberry Hill and Sunken Bridge Road) to a left on Marine Street, right on Merchant Street, right on Holmes Street, including end of Mechanic Street and Parsonage Street. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### #29

Starts at 6:45 **K-8 ONLY**, Route 1A North Winterport line to School Street, including end of Landing Lane, left on Old County Road, left on Riverview Heights, end of Perry Drive, end of Garden Drive, end of Birch Drive, left on Upper Oak Point (K-12), right on Hackett Road, end of Lower Oak Point, end of Penobscot Lane, end of Seabreeze Lane, right on B. Johnson Lane, including end of Taylor Lane, end of Roxy Lane, end of Sky View Lane, end of Memorial Drive, end of Merrill Street, end of School Street, right on Wig Street, left on Park Drive. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #32

Starts at 6:45 K-12 corner of Kendall Road and Stream Road, straight on Stream Road, right on Goshen Road, right on Kendall Road, left on Stream Road, including end of Fisher Road, right on Tibbets Bridge Road, right on Stream Road, including end of Pineview Drive (Mylon Lane and Spruce Drive), end of Hasey Lane, end of Elderberry Lane, end of Apple Hill Road, town line Winterport, South Alley Road to Mountain View Drive to Fox Run Road. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #35

Starts at 6:40 K-12 on Meadow Road (Coles Corner Road end), end of Proctor Lane, right on Lebanon Road to Winterport town line, left on Town Farm Road, right on Lebanon Road including end of Harmony Lane, end of Beaver Road, end of Bass Lane, straight on Lebanon Road, end of Cushing Street left on Route 1A, to a right on Washington Street, including Dean Street and Silver Lane, end of Willow Street, end of Lincoln Street, end of Water Street, left on Route 1A to Mt. View Drive, including end of Ferry Street, end of Kaler Street, end of Sampson Street, end of Church Street, end of Steamboat Avenue. Drop Smith students, drop Wagner students, continue to HA and drop HA students.

### ATTENTION PARENTS - RSU #22 Bus and Route changes:

Winterport	Hampden	Frankfort
Bus 24 K-8	Bus 31 K-5	Bus 20
Bus 27 K-8	Bus 34 K-5	Bus 40
Bus 29 K-8		
Bus 35 K-8		

### Reminders to students:

If you must cross the road getting off the bus, stand 10 big steps in front of the bus on the side of the road, watch for the driver's signal (THUMBS UP), look both ways and listen for oncoming traffic.

**ALL ITEMS** (i.e. pens/pencils, toys, games, papers, skateboards, athletic equipment, musical instruments) **MUST** be in a fully enclosed bag.

### Attention parents of Winterport students, Grades 9-12 on Route 1A BUS RUNS 7:25 AM:

After bus unloads at Wagner and Smith, Hampden Academy students who live on Route 1A North, including all the side roads except for Upper Oak Point, will take the following buses designated for their area.

#### Bus #20

P/U Route 1A Main Road box 497 to box #331 including Holmes Street, Mechanic Street, Marine Street. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

#### Bus #27

P/U Route 1A Main Road from Seabreeze Lane, B. Johnson Lane, Taylor Lane, Roxy Lane, Penobscot Lane. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

#### Bus #29

P/U Route 1A Main Road from Memorial Drive to Skyview Lane. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

#### Bus #35

P/U on Route 1A Main Road from box 1378 to the Winterport Town Line box #1660 including the following roads – Garden Drive, Cedarwood Drive, Perry Drive, Riverview Heights, Old County Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

#### Bus #40

P/U Route 1A from Smith School to box #909 on the Main Road including ends of all the following roads – Whig Street, Steamboat, Church Street, Sampson Street, Kaler Street, Ferry Street, Cushing Street, Commercial Street, Lebanon Road, Dean Street, Washington Street, School Street, Merrill Street. Pick up locations will be on Main Street.

#### Bus #41

P/U on Route 1A Main Road from Lower Oak Point to Birch Drive – Hackett Road. Pick up locations will be on Main Road.

## PM buses

#### Run #25HA

Leaves Hampden Academy 2:11 Route 1A North after B. Johnson Lane to Route 1A South Winterport town line, including end of Penobscot Lane, end of Seabreeze Lane, end of Sky View Lane, end of Memorial Drive, end of Cushing Street, end of Elm Street, end of Lebanon Street, end of Wig Street, end of Merrill Street, end of School Street, end of Washington Street, end of Dean Street, end of Commercial Street, end of Ferry Street, end of Kaler Street, end of Sampson Street, end of Church Street, end of Steamboat Street, end of Marine Street, end of Holmes Street, including Silver Lane, Water Street, Lincoln Street, Mechanic Street, Parsonage Street, right on Mt. View, right on Fox Run, right on Stream Road, end of Elderberry Street, end of Hasey Lane, end of Pineview Drive, (Mylon Lane/Spruce Drive), end of Fisher Road, end of Tibbets Bridge, right on Kendall, Goshen Road, Haley Road, Monroe Road, (Winterport side of Route 69), Clark Road, end of Joshua Lane, end of Windy Hill, end of Brown Lane, end of Rabbit Hill, end of North Road, end of Perkins Road.

#### Run #37

Leaves Hampden Academy 2:11, Route 1A North from Winterport town line to and including B. Johnson Lane, including end of Landing Road, Old County Road, Riverview Heights, end of Perry Road, end of Garden Drive, end of Birch Drive, left on Upper Oak Point, end of Hackett Road, end of Lower Oak Point, Baker Road from Route 1A, including end of Moyes Road, Back Winterport Road from Hampden town line to the end of Coles Corner Road, including Twining Cove Road, end of Comikev Lane, end of Cedarwood Lane, end of Vero's Way, end of Staples Road, end of Schoolhouse Lane, end of Rob Clark Road, Route 69 from Route 1A Winterport to Hampden town line, including Airport Road, Boston Road, Meadow Road, Town Farm Road, including end of Alderwood Drive, end of Beaver Road, end of Harmony Lane, end of Bass Lane, end of Rancourt Road, end of Meadow Lane, end of Chickadee Lane, end of Proctor Lane, Monroe Road from the Winterport/Hampden town line, right on Route 69 to the Winterport/Hampden town line.-

## Newburgh

Newburgh K-12 students have the same bus number in the morning as they do in the afternoon. Please have students outside ready waiting for the bus 5 minutes before the bus arrives.

### 6-12 students, AM & PM buses

#### Run #21

Starts at 6:40 on Chapman Road (Western Avenue end), end of Flynn Road, right on Kennebec Road to Christmas Tree Farm, end of Dahlia Farm Road, end of Grant Road, right on Littlefield Road to Box 310, right on Severance Road, right on Kennebec Road to town line, end of Babcock Road. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #30

Starts at 6:40 on Lindsay Road (Route 9 Western Avenue end), end of Bates Road, left on North Road to box 1223, end of Kenniston Road, straight on North County Road, left on Route 69 to intersection of the blinking light on Route 69 and Route 9. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

#### Run #33

Starts at 6:40 on Mudget Road (Kennebec Road end), end of Frank West Road, end of Croxford Road, left on Route 9, end of Thurlow Road, right on Miles Road, end of Red School House Road, right on Route 9 to Dixmont town line, end of Kennard Road, all of Route 9 to Hampden line. Drop students at RBMS continue to HA and drop HA students.

### K-5 students, AM & PM buses

#### Run #21

Starts at 7:40 on Chapman Road (Western Avenue end), end of Flynn Road, right on Kennebec Road to Christmas Tree Farm, end of Dahlia Farm Road, right on Littlefield Road to Box 310, right on Severance Road, right on Kennebec Road to town line, end of Babcock Road. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

#### Run #30

Starts at 7:40 on Lindsay Road (Route 9 Western Avenue end), end of Bates Road, left on North Road to Box 1223, end of Kenniston Road, straight on North County Road, left on Route 69 to intersection of the blinking light on Route 69 and Route 9. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

#### Run #33

Starts at 7:40 on Mudget Road (Kennebec Road end), end of Frank West Road, end of Croxford Road, left on Route 9, end of Thurlow Road, right on Miles Road, end of Red School House Road, right on Route 9, to Dixmont town line, end of Kennard Road, making a stop at Newburgh School and all of Route 9 to Hampden line. Drop students at Weatherbee continue to McGraw and drop McGraw students.

## Bus Rules

These FIVE rules are posted in every bus:

1. Follow all drivers' instructions.
2. At railroad crossings, thank you for being silent.
3. Stay seated until your stop.
4. Use inside classroom voices and keep your hands to yourself.
5. Tell driver if you are being bullied.

### A FRIENDLY REMINDER

No through traffic will be allowed on the road behind Weatherbee School to McGraw School during the school day. BUSES ONLY

No through traffic allowed on the road in front of Reeds Brook Middle School from 7 a.m. to 8 a.m. and 1:45 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Parents can use the back parking lot (gym entrance) to drop and pick up their students.

### Attention parents of Newburgh students:

Newburgh students who live on Route 69 from Route 9 to the top of the hill to the Hampden town line will take the following buses: Bus 31 HA and RBMS and Bus 25 Weatherbee and McGraw school.



## Mini-Grant applications now being accepted

The RSU #22 Education Foundation is accepting applications for fall 2017 grants of up to \$250 for school and classroom projects that innovate, inspire, and encourage collaboration. The grants are made available through the Foundation's Mini Grants for Teachers Program.

Applicants must be an RSU #22 staff member and projects must be based out of an RSU #22 school. Applications may be submitted at any time, but in order to be considered for the fall awards the deadline

is October 20, 2017.

Grant guidelines and application forms are available on the Foundation's website at [www.rsu22educationfoundation.org](http://www.rsu22educationfoundation.org) or can be requested from [rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com) or by calling us at 852-2138. If you would like to volunteer on the Mini-Grants committee that will review the applications and assign the awards this fall, please contact the Foundation as well. We are always welcoming community members to participate in this process.



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Community Partners for Inspired Education

## The Helen S. Vose Initiative - the newest Custodian Account

From time to time, the RSU #22 Education Foundation reports on some of their "Custodian Accounts" established for various school organizations. These accounts—held with the Education Foundation—allow school clubs, orga-

nizations and initiatives to fundraise by offering donors the Foundation's nonprofit 501(c)(3) status.

Your school club may opt to solicit and accept tax deductible donations from members of the public or businesses by establishing a Custodian Account with the Education Foundation. Donations are then made to the Education Foundation care of "your club" and held in an account for you until you need them.

Presently, 5 different organizations or initiatives make use of this concept; the newest being the "Helen S. Vose Initiative", specifically for students at McGraw in Hampden and Smith School in Winterport. This initiative seeks to raise funds from private individuals seeking to support these 2 schools and their students specifically. In coordination with building principals Kristin Briggs (McGraw) and Dawn Moore (Smith), collected funds are disbursed for projects not otherwise funded by the school budget. More details on this initiative will be provided in an upcoming Link-22.

If your club or organization would like to partner with the Education Foundation to help raise funds for your organization please contact the Foundation at [rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com).

## Looking to give back? Foundation Board seeks volunteers.

The RSU#22 Education Foundation is actively seeking new board members and committee volunteers to join a growing non-profit organization that supports the students and teachers in our school district. Exciting new projects await this volunteer group of Board members, serving the towns of Frankfort, Hampden, Newburgh and Winterport. The Education Foundation funds initiatives with grants that help foster innovative educational projects. If you have a desire to connect with others who share an interest in quality education for children please consider joining the team.

Interested citizens or those wishing to volunteer on a committee should email Peter Witt at [retewitt@gmail.com](mailto:retewitt@gmail.com). The Board also presently has 1-year, 2-year and 3-year volunteer board memberships available.

To learn more about the RSU22 Education Foundation, visit [www.rsu22educationfoundation.org](http://www.rsu22educationfoundation.org).



**JUST FOR FUN**—Send us an e-mail to [rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:rsu22educationfoundation@gmail.com) if you know the year of this Hampden Academy graduating class. Hint: this is a "between the wars" picture. Extra points if you recognize anyone in the photo.

## Hampden Area Theater Troupe performs 'Beauty and the Beast' at PCA

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Lawrence as Babbette, Sydney Phillips as Madame De La Grande Bouche, Mikayla Patel as Chip, Nick Parker as Maurice, Andrew

Barrett as Lafou, Harmony Stetson, Sarah Gass, and Mikayla Holmes as Silly Girls, Denali Eyles, Elizabeth Graham, Mikayla Holmes, and Harmony Stetson as Narrators,

tumers were Lisa Reitmayer, Harmony Stetson, Elizabeth Graham, Denali Eyles, and Mikayla Holmes.

Set and costume work was performed by Lisa Reitmayer, Denali Eyles, Harmony Stetson, Elizabeth Graham, Chloe Lawrence, Josephine Lawrence, Avery Maietta, and Lydia Tilley. Tobie Phillips was the master seamstress.

Robert Brown and Ryan Scott were the backstage crew.

Mikayla Burrige did the choreography, and Rebeckah Perry was the musical director. Andrey Tulley did the lights, and Lydia Tilley was the sound and tech person.

Mr. Kissinger said HATT is planning to expand its activities and start doing a few things during the school year—possibly some type

of reader's theater in the fall and something else in the spring.

"We're looking at bringing in a couple of events throughout the year," he said. "One possibility is some type of reader's theater in the fall, and something else in the spring."

"It would be nice to do something outside of the summer months, and to give back to the school and the community. This would also provide opportunities for kids who are interested in theater but who aren't in high school, and it would also give us a chance to reach a wider audience."

HATT is a community group dedicated to producing high quality, family friendly musical productions within RSU 22. For more information, check out the group's Facebook page.

## 2017-18 Calendar at a glance

August 14	Fall Sports Begin, Hampden Academy
August 24, 28	Teacher Management Day
August 25	Inservice
August 29	First Day of School PreK-9
August 30	All Students Attend PreK-12
September 4	Holiday - No School
October 6	Inservice - No School
October 9	Holiday - No School
November 3	End First Quarter
November 9	Early Dismissal for Parent-Teacher Conferences
November 10	Holiday - No School
November 22-24	Holiday Break - No School
December 8	Early Dismissal
December 25-31	Holiday Break - No School
January 1	Holiday - No School
January 15	Holiday - No School
January 25	End Second Quarter
January 26	Inservice - No School
February 16	Early Dismissal
February 19-23	Winter Vacation - No School
March 2	Inservice - No School
April 6	End Third Quarter
April 13	Early Dismissal
April 16-20	Spring Vacation - No School
May 25	Early Dismissal
May 28	Holiday - No School
June 10	Hampden Academy Graduation
June 12*	Last Day of School for Students

\* 3 storm days are included and may alter closing date

Chloe Lawrence as Monsieur D'Arque and Book Seller, and Emi Verhar, Phoebe Wagner, Anji Gulliver, Isavbella Pressey, Sophie Crocker, and Dylan Lawrence as Villagers.

The pit orchestra included Zoe Ellingwood, Zach Scott, and Julia Hammond.

Student cos-

## PreK available in Hampden, Newburgh, Winterport

RSU 22 continues to offer well rounded, curriculum-based PreK for all children turning 4 years old on or before October 15, 2017. We are proud to work as a public PreK, as well as in partnership with Waldo Cap, Child Development Services, and Highland Pre-School.

We offer a variety of settings in Hampden, Newburgh and Winterport to best meet the needs of students and families. Currently, the Winterport and Newburgh locations have openings still available for the 2017-18 school year.

The PreK program at the Leroy H. Smith School is a full-day program, four days a week, M-Th, 7:30-2:00. Openings are still available for Winterport and Frankfort residents! Please contact Waldo CAP @ 338-3827 for an application.

The PreK program at the Newburgh Center is a full-day program, Tuesday- Friday, 7:30-2:00. Hampden offers morning and afternoon sessions, 7:30-11 or 11:30-3:00. Please



PreK students use their imagination with big blocks.

contact Dawn Moore at 223-4282 or [dmoore@rsu22.us](mailto:dmoore@rsu22.us) for registration.

We are pleased to be able to offer PreK to our communities. Please contact Dawn Moore with any questions.