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### Celebrating Success at S-E!



Another big year is in the books!





## Superintendent's Message

# The best is yet to come!



We hope you're enjoying the summer following another great school year, which officially closed with our Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony.

Families and friends packed the bleachers June 28 at Colgate University to help us celebrate the amazing accomplishments of our Class of 2024, which graduated together on a picture-perfect summer evening. We were particularly impressed by the inspirational speeches delivered by Valedictorian *Dominic Fowlston* and co-Salutatorians *Haleigh*

*Fisher* and *Adam Paliana*, as well as the 30-plus graduates who earned scholarships totaling \$145,450 this year.

The "Last Marauders" are to be commended for their resilience and perseverance, completing their high school journeys in a year of big changes. Our recent graduates, as well as underclassmen, were instrumental in selecting the new SECSO nickname, Timberwolves, to help us comply with state regulations. They also endured the beginning of a major Capital Project designed to enhance our facilities, becoming the first SEHS class to graduate at Colgate as renovations to our stadium – the traditional graduation site – started in early June.

We thank Colgate University – truly a terrific neighbor – for graciously hosting our final event of the 2023-2024 school year. Special thanks to Colgate's Cody Tipton, Director of Conference Services, Summer Programs and Auxiliary Support; Jamie-Lee Broedel, Assistant Director of Conference Services, Summer Programs and Auxiliary Support; Mark Hine, Director, Classrooms, Media and Events; and the SECSO Facilities Team for helping us bring it all together.

Speaking of our Capital Project, we are in Phase II now, and stadium renovations are in full swing. Phase II will include work on the MS/HS Auditorium in the fall and continue through next summer with enhancements and improvements all over campus. If you want to keep track of the Capital Project, we'll be posting monthly updates provided by the Construction Management Team on our website as soon as they become available. Rest assured that, outside of areas under construction, students, faculty and staff will have normal access to the majority of our facilities during the Capital Project.

There always will be challenges and struggles along the way, of course, but that's where we find value in our efforts to make SECSO the best it can be for everyone. The same can be said for our Every Day Counts campaign, which has helped cut chronic absenteeism at S-E Elementary School from 32 percent to 18 percent. Massive credit goes to our administrators, faculty and staff here, and we'll continue to work together to lower that percentage even more. With the help of SECSO parents and guardians, a realistic goal of lowering our chronic absenteeism rate to 10 to 15 percent district-wide is within reach.

Please be sure to visit our website and social-media pages (Facebook and Twitter) to stay up to date on SECSO news, including the July 29 Board of Education work session regarding our student cell phone policy for the 2024-2025 school year. Faculty and staff will return to campus September 3, and school will start back up for students September 5. In the meantime, have an awesome summer!

—Robert G. Berson,  
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## Boe Meetings 2024-2025

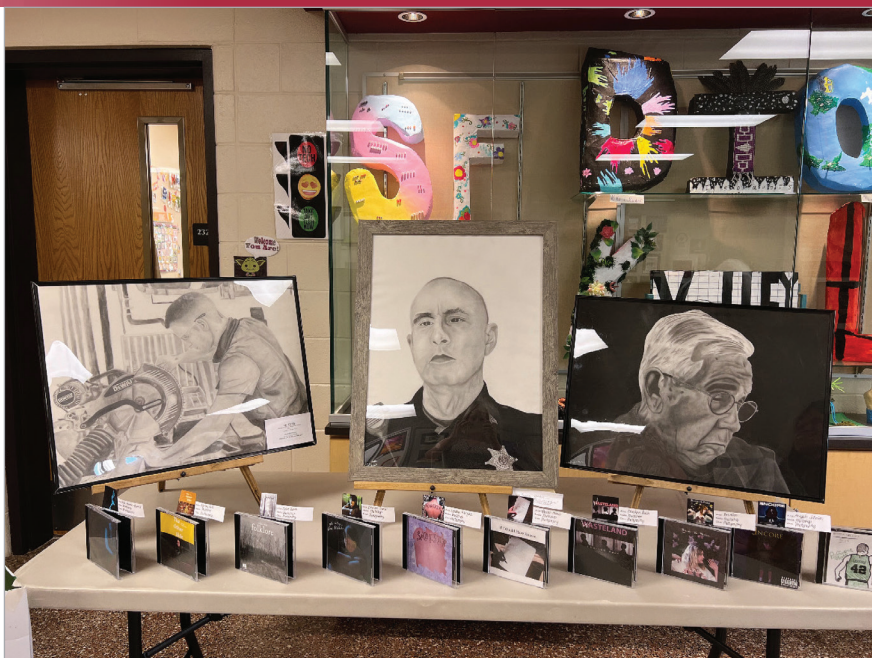
The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District Board of Education has adopted the following calendar for meetings during the 2024-2025 school year. Board meetings typically begin at 6:00 p.m. on the dates listed below and are held in Sherburne-Earlville Middle School's Room 230, unless otherwise noted. Please call the District Office at 607-674-7300 for more information.

### 2024

June 10	Regular Meeting
July 2	Organizational Meeting, 5:00 p.m.
July 11	Special Meeting, 8:00 a.m.
July 29	Work Session, 5:30 p.m.
August 5	Regular Meeting
August 26	Regular Meeting
September 9	Regular Meeting
October 7	Regular Meeting
November 4	Regular Meeting
December 2	Regular Meeting

### 2025

January 13	Regular Meeting
February 24	Regular Meeting
March 24	Regular Meeting
April 15	Special Meeting/Regular Meeting Vote on BOCES Budget, BOCES BOE members
May 6	Regular Meeting and Budget Hearing
May 20	Budget Vote (No Board Meeting), 12:00-8:00 p.m.
May 21	Regular Meeting
June 16	Regular Meeting



## Talent on display

Our SEHS Art Show in June featured more than 200 pieces in several categories – sculpture, photography, mixed media, ceramic pottery, drawing and painting.

"We are so proud of our students and want to showcase their work as much as we can!" SEHS Art Teacher Kayleigh Olive said.

Take another look at some of the amazing artwork created right here at S-E and see more on Facebook.



## Sherburne Arts Festival awards

Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville artists in grades K-12 whose works were showcased at the Sherburne Arts Festival on June 8!

S-E students who earned awards are as follows:

**Painting:** 1, Batya Mizirahi; 2, Evelyn Thomas; 3, Tatum Costantini.

**Sculpture:** 1, Evangeline Cunnius; 2, Rose Rivenburgh; 3, Tatum Costantini.

**Photography:** 1, Bri Allen; 2, Daliela Beeching; 3, Landon Morgan.

**Drawing:** 1, Jaiden Lester; 2, Tucker Valentine; 3, Hannah Reinhardt.

**Best in Show:** 1, Sierra Uhlig; 2, Evelyn Thomas; 3, Tatum Costantini.

**Honorable Mentions:** 1, Addison Rogers; 2, Silas Perrin; 3, Olivia Hunter.





## Welcome to the Wall!

Thanks to everyone who helped us celebrate our newest Wall of Famers on June 11 at the MS/HS Auditorium.

Sherburne-Earlville honored the Wall of Fame's Class of 2024 – Kenneth J. Martin, Gerald E. Parry Sr. and Orrin James Wyman – and recognized Class of 2020 Wall of Famers Roy T. Balma, Martha Conklin and Colonel Richard S. Lindsay III, whose ceremony was postponed because of the COVID-19 health crisis.

The event featured comments from the following family members and friends who accepted Wall of Fame plaques on behalf of the honorees: Paul Martin (Kenneth Martin), Wendy Irwin (Gerald Parry), Shelly Wyman (Orrin Wyman), Diane Carpenter (Roy Balma), Gail Morgan (Martha Conklin), and Mary Lindsay (Richard Lindsay).

Special thanks to Wall of Fame coordinators Marisa Moyer and Becky Tredway; Scott Bugbee and his technology students for creating plaques that will be installed on the SECS Wall of Fame in the high school; Tammi VanWagner for her calligraphy skills in handwriting each honorees name on certificates of recognition; and Julie Burns for her sound and lighting expertise.

Since 2009, our Wall of Fame has honored 54 Sherburne-Earlville graduates and staff who have made significant contributions to humanity, improved the quality of life, or achieved noteworthy recognition in their careers or educations. Future selections will be announced during even-numbered years as Wall of Fame inductions alternate with Athletic Hall of Fame ceremonies (odd-numbered years).

Visit the S-E Wall of Fame page online at <https://www.secsd.org/SherburneWalloffFame.aspx> to read about all of our inductees and to learn how to nominate candidates for future consideration.



## Sweet tea for retirees!

The Sherburne-Earlville Teachers' Association celebrated the retirements of Anne Marie Marks, Frank Busce and Candice Poyer during SETA's annual Retirement Tea on June 7 at the SEES gymnasium. Please join us in wishing this terrific trio the best, as well as fellow SECSD retirees Roy Pierce and Brenda Rogers.



## Thank you, cafeteria staff!

Mrs. Mullen's kindergarten kiddos appreciate our amazing cafeteria friends, who help make every day count at S-E by providing nutritious (and delicious) breakfasts and lunches for our students when school is in session. Like the sign says, "We DONUT know what we would do without you!"



# We Are S-E . . . Timberwolves!

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District Board of Education unanimously approved a motion to adopt "Timberwolves" as the district's new nickname during its regularly scheduled meeting April 16, 2024.

Effective immediately, "Timberwolves" will replace "Marauders" as the district's nickname to comply with the New York State Education Department Commissioner's Regulation Part 123, which prohibits NYS public schools from using nicknames, mascots and/or logos currently or previously associated with Indigenous peoples.

The motion, upon the recommendation of SECSO Superintendent Robert Berson, was presented to our Board of Education following new nickname submissions and voting by Sherburne-Earlville High School and Middle School students in March 2024. Student-voting results were as follows:

S-E High School: Timberwolves 48%, Wolves 41%, Wolf Pack 11%

S-E Middle School: Timberwolves 52%, Wolves 34%, Wolf Pack 14%

SECSO's official wolf-related logos and fonts adopted during a district-wide rebranding effort in the 2021-2022 school year will remain the same, as will SECSO's "Maroon and White" school colors.

In April 2023, NYSED determined SECSO must change its nickname because of its previous association with Indigenous mascots and/or imagery. SECSO was one of approximately 60 NYS school districts directed by NYSED to comply with Regulation Part 123 by June 30, 2025.

SECSO's Board of Education adopted a resolution in July 2023 to commit to changing its nickname and held an open Community Forum in February 2024 to discuss the next steps, which included new nickname submissions and voting by SEMS and SEHS students in March 2024.

Visit our website for more information, including a timeline and helpful links.



## Youth philanthropists recognized

Sherburne-Earlville members of the Chenango Youth Philanthropy Council – *Opal Amann-Burns, Brady Bowker-Jemzura, Haleigh Fisher, Olivia Kane, Braden Lewis, Gaven May, Batya Mizrahi, and Adam Paliana* – learned about the non-profit organizations in our area and the needs of Chenango County residents during the 2023-2024 school year.

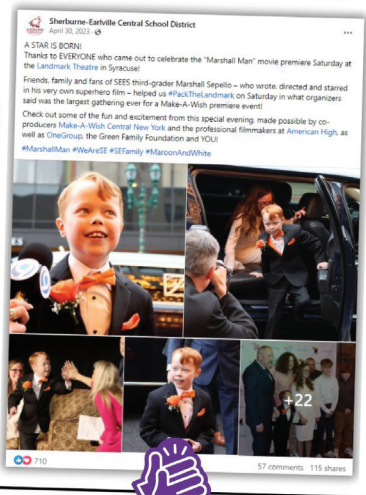
They sat on boards, volunteered their time to their school and community, and raised money for selected non-profit organizations. This spring, they reviewed grant applications from non-profit organizations in the area and chose

to award a total of \$2,136 to the Sherburne Public Library and the Chenango County SPCA.

On June 5, the CYPC held an awards ceremony at Unadilla Valley High School to recognize the service of these youth philanthropists and to present the monetary awards to the chosen organizations.

Congratulations to four of our eight members who graduated this year – *Haleigh, Adam, Batya, and Olivia*. We will be looking for new members to join us in the fall of 2024. Stay tuned!





## Super special awards!

Dean Russin



Congratulations to Public Information Specialist Dean Russin and the Sherburne-Earlville Central School District on winning two national awards and two state awards for our Facebook campaign highlighting SEES student Marshall Sepello's "Marshall Man" movie premiere in April 2023.

The campaign earned the highest awards possible in national contests

run by the National School Public Relations Association (Publications and Digital Media Excellence, June 2024) and #SocialSchool4EDU (Social Media Impact Golden Gribble, May 2024). The two national awards follow two state awards in March from the New York School Public Relations Association, social media (Excellence) and photography (Honor).

Our "Marshall Man" campaign reached nearly 170,000 people on Facebook and set SEESD page records for engagement (10,488), impressions (169K), reach (165K), reactions/likes (1,926), and shares (146). It also helped Marshall raise more than \$22,000 for other Wish Kids and contributed to the premiere setting a Make-A-Wish event attendance record of 1,700-plus.

Russin also earned three NYSPPRA awards – for social media and photography – in 2023.

## Party on, ASP!

Our After School Plus program sure knows how to have a good time! Students hammed it up a bit before enjoying Stewart's ice cream with all the toppings as part of a year-end ASP celebration – you guessed it, after school – June 17 in the SEES cafeteria. We also honored our fifth-graders with ASP-completion certificates as they're headed to middle school in 2024-2025.

ASP is for all SEES students in Grades K-5, and signing up is a snap. Just call the S-E Elementary Office at 607-674-7336 for more information or stop by to fill out an application.





## We have spirit, how about you?

SEHS had one last Pep Rally on June 7 to celebrate our Spring Sports programs, and to just have a great time together! Thanks to sophomore *Isaac Stackhouse* for sharing his pics from this special event in the Upper Gymnasium and visit our Facebook page to see more!



## Carnival is fun for all ages!

Did you have a GREAT time at the Sherburne-Earlville PTO Elementary School Carnival in June? We did, too. :) Thanks to all of the volunteers – including the Colgate University football team – for making this a fun, memorable evening at S-E, where #EveryDayCounts and #YouBelong!





## State honors varsity spring sports!

Congratulations to four of our varsity spring sports teams on earning Scholar-Athlete Team Awards from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association for the 2024 season!

Our baseball, softball, boys track and field, and girls track and field varsity programs all qualified for the award, which requires 75-percent of a varsity team to combine for an academic average of at least 90 during a sports season.

The NYSPHSAA also recognizes individuals as scholar-athletes for maintaining an academic average of 90 or better during a sports season. Girls track and field had 11 individuals honored, followed by boys track and field with 10, softball with nine, and baseball with seven. Four S-E golfers also earned NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete Individual Awards.

Additionally, The Post Standard/syracuse.com has recognized S-E senior softball pitcher *Haleigh Fisher* as a First-Team All-Central New York All-Star. *Haleigh*, who struck out 254 batters this season and led S-E into the Section III Class B Tournament, is one of 21 CNY varsity softball players on the Small School First Team.

Great job, S-E!

## National wrestling champ!

Congratulations to SEHS graduate *Selina Moore* on winning the 2024 women's 145-pound title during her senior year at the April 5-7 National High School Coaches Association Championships in Virginia Beach!

A two-time placewinner in the New York State Public High School Athletic Association's Girls Wrestling Invitational, *Selina* earned a national title and All-America accolades after going 5-0 at NHSCAs.

*Selina* opened with a 14-8 decision over 2023 New Jersey state champion Olivia Georges in the round of 32 and followed with a pin of Virginia's Ciyanna Okocha in 1 minute, 29 seconds. A 4-2 quarterfinal decision over 2024 Florida state champion Katherine Stewart set up her 13-4 major decision over 2024 Tennessee state runner-up Sally Johnson.

*Selina* then beat 2024 North Carolina state champion Faith Bane, 3-1, in the 145-pound national championship match. *Selina* struck first in the final with a two-point takedown in the first period. Each finalist scored one point on escapes for the final margin.

Local fire departments welcomed *Selina* back to Sherburne with a homecoming parade April 8, shortly after the solar eclipse.

S-E teammate *Landon Andrade*, who finished fourth at the Division II state championships this year, went 3-2 in the 285-pound weight class for junior boys. *Landon* trailed *Hunter Means*, 7-4, in his opener but pinned his West Virginia opponent with 30 seconds left to reach the round of 32. He then dropped a 7-1 decision to Missouri's Rylan Kuhn, who went on to place second overall.

In wrestlebacks, *Landon* followed a 5-0 decision over fellow New Yorker Kweku Arthur-Mensah with a 5-3 decision against Connor Reynolds of New Jersey. His run ended with a 14-5 major-decision loss to Delaware's Cael Denigris, who ended up fourth overall.



## S-E winter sports make the grade!

Congratulations to S-E varsity sports programs that earned Scholar-Athlete Team Awards from the New York State Public High School Athletic Association for the 2023-2024 Winter Sports season!

To qualify for this award, 75-percent of a varsity team must combine for an academic average of at least 90 during a sports season. S-E Winter varsity programs that achieved this were girls basketball, swimming, boys indoor track and field, and girls indoor track and field.

The NYSPHSAA also recognizes individuals as scholar-athletes for maintaining an academic average of 90 or better during a sports season. Forty-one S-E varsity players earned individual NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete honors this winter – boys basketball (7), girls basketball (6), bowling (2), cheerleading (2), swimming (7), boys indoor track and field (6), girls indoor track and field (4), volleyball (5), and wrestling (2).

Great job, S-E sports!



Shane DuBois  
Sherburne-Earlville '91



- Two-time Cross Country Section IV Class C Individual Champion
- Two-time NYS Cross Country Individual Runner-Up
- 1990 All-American from Track & Field News
- Member of Two NYS Class C, Three Section IV & Four Sus League Championship Teams
- Ran Cross Country & Track at Notre Dame University

2024 Inductee

## S-E grad elected to Section IV Athletics Hall

Congratulations to 1991 Sherburne-Earlville graduate Shane DuBois on his induction into the Section IV Athletics Hall of Fame on May 11!

A two-time sectional cross-country champion, DuBois had three top 10 finishes in Federation Cross Country Championship Meets, including a second as a senior to help Sherburne-Earlville's 1990 team place fourth. He also had three top-three finishes in state (intersectional) meets and helped S-E's 1989 and 1990 teams to Susquenango League, Section IV Class C-D and state Class C-D championships.

DuBois earned All-American honors from Track & Field News in 1990 and went on to compete in cross country and track and field at the University of Notre Dame.

## Spring sports recognition

Congratulations to all of our Spring senior student-athletes, who were honored with special pre-event ceremonies during the regular season, and to our Varsity Club's Spring Athletes of the Week.

### Spring Sports Seniors

**Baseball:** Devin Donovan, Dominic Fowlston, Tyler White

**Golf:** Balin Olsen, Avery Parsons

**Softball:** Emilee Bennett, Savanna Born, Tatum Costantini, Haleigh Fisher, Chesnee Miller, Batya Mizrahi

**Track and Field:** Aidan Camenga, Lilly Cox, Michael Fetzko, Sean O'Connor, Ryan Solloway, Amon Van Alst

### Spring Athletes of the Week

**May 20:** Evelyn Thomas (track and field), Parker Goedel (golf)

**May 13:** Reagan Krueger (softball), Aiden Howland (track and field)

**May 6:** Balin Olsen (golf), Chadwick Nower (baseball)

**April 22:** Ava Flanagan (track and field), Parker McCracken (track and field)

**April 15:** Haleigh Fisher (softball), Dominic Fowlston (baseball)

## Section III Scholar-Athletes

Congratulations to SEHS graduates Tatum Costantini and Dominic Fowlston, honored during the Section III Scholar-Athlete Awards Dinner on June 10 at Onondaga Community College's SRC Arena.



To be eligible for Section III Athletics' highest academic honor, student-athletes must have maintained a cumulative grade point average of 90 percent or better and have participated in varsity competition. Community service, exemplary citizenship, and other extracurricular activities are also considered.

One male and one female student-athlete is honored from each Section III school district.



## Softball season one to remember!

Congratulations to our varsity softball team and head coach Gary Miller on a terrific spring season!

Highlights included an appearance in the Section 3 Class B quarterfinals, a Center State Conference co-division championship, and Haleigh Fisher's First-Team All-Central New York All-Star selection.

Haleigh struck out 254 batters during her senior season and finished with more than 500 at the varsity level. She also threw three no-hitters in helping S-E to a 13-2 record.





## S-E marches in Boxing Hall parade

Sherburne-Earlville's Marching Band and Color Guard had the honor of performing during the International Boxing Hall of Fame Parade, which featured several schools, attractions and professional boxers June 9 in Canastota.

"I am proud of what our students have accomplished this year, particularly with their performance of the 'Battle Hymn of the Republic,'" S-E Marching Band Director James Behret said. "That was one of former S-E Band Director Jeff Manwaring's favorite marching pieces, which I performed when I was a student at S-E."

The IBHOF's 35th Induction Ceremony followed the parade. Class of 2024 inductees were Ricky Hatton, Michael Moorer, Ivan Calderon and Diego Corrales (Men's Modern category); Jane Couch and Ana Maria Torres (Women's Modern); trainer Kenny Adams, manager Jackie Kallen and publicist Fred Sternburg (Non-Participant); journalist Wallace Matthews and broadcaster Nick Charles (Observer); Luis Angel Firpo (Old Timer); and Theresa Kibby (Women's Trailblazer).

## Superior band experience!

Sherburne-Earlville's Middle School Band had the unique opportunity to participate in the Trills and Thrills Music Festival at North Warren Central School on June 7.

We performed for adjudication in front of two judges with musical-education backgrounds and scored 94 out of 100 from both to earn a "Superior" rating – the highest rating possible!

"I am proud of the hard work and dedication these students have put into this, and I am excited to see them do even better things in the coming years," S-E Band Director James Behret said.

Band members then spent the afternoon at Six Flags Great Escape in Queensbury, where they had a great time with the rides and attractions, and dined at Golden Corral Buffet before venturing back to Sherburne.



## HS Band delivers excellence!

Congratulations to our High School Band for earning a rating of "Excellent" in May at the Music In The Parks festival in Hershey, Pennsylvania!

SEHS Band Director James Behret and his students performed for two MITP judges in a ratings-only presentation (non-competitive) at Hershey High School. S-E's rating fell within the 80-89 range (based on a 0-100 scale) for the "Excellent" rating, which is second only to "Superior" (90-100) among MITP awards.

MITP judges are university professors known as specialists in their fields as both educators and performers. Their evaluations provide valuable feedback to high school bands, orchestras and choirs from all over the U.S. and Canada.

The kids had even more fun later as they spent the afternoon at Hershey Park. :)







## NJHS inducts 15 students!

Sherburne-Earlville is proud to recognize its newest National Junior Honor Society members, who were inducted into the Robert C. Benedict Chapter on May 15 at the MS/HS Auditorium.

Our NJHS Class of 2024 featured *Sabrina Born, Adam Busce, Ethan Button, Nasick Chrisbacher, Avery Cullipher, Gavin Ingerto, Brett Lewis, Khloey Morgan, Kamri Peck, Adelyn Ray, Emma Reinhardt, Shaelan Ryan, Jay Tackabury, Krystabelle Trask, and Layla Young.*

The 15 newcomers joined previously inducted members *Eskinado Carvell, Sadie Davis, Gianna Donofrio, Payton Holden, Evelyn Krivit, Isaac Larchar, Tucker Valentine and Emma Webb* on stage for a candle-lighting ceremony highlighting the five NJHS pillars – Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Citizenship and Character.

The ceremony included remarks from NJHS Advisor Jennifer Ford, special guest speaker Bentley Johnson, SEMS Principal Gretchen Hoag, and previously inducted members. Special thanks to auditorium light and sound technician Chris Marquard and to all families and friends who attended.



## Thank you, farmers!

We wanted local farmers to know how much they mean to our community, so our school district and FFA chapter hosted another Farmers Appreciation Breakfast!

Thanks to everyone who attended and organized this important annual event May 10 at the MS/HS Cafeteria. We hope our special guests enjoyed the free breakfast and updates from FFA members as we continue to grow our agriculture programs at SECS.





## Every Book Counts!

Congratulations to SEES third-grader *Nathaniel Bagnall*, who read so many books this past school year that he earned 261.7 Accelerated Reading points!

"That's an amazing amount of AR points," said his teacher, Wendy Edwards. "We are very proud of him!"

*Nathaniel* and his classmates celebrated his accomplishment in June with a short trip to our District Office, where SECS Superintendent Robert Berson presented him with a certificate of achievement.

Way to go, *Nathaniel*! Be sure to keep reading at S-E, where #EveryDayCounts and #YouBelong!

## Students of the Month!

Congratulations to our middle and high school Students of the Month! Visit our Facebook page to see pics of our award-winners.

### June Middle School

**Grade 6:** *Isabella McKeraghan, Harmony McKeraghan, Colin Garrison*

**Grade 7:** *Makayla Camenga, Krystabelle Trask, Nico Austin*

**Grade 8:** *Isaac Larchar, Nolan Sigman, Jack Bohnert*

### May Middle School

**Grade 6:** *Oliver Miller, Bryceton Babcock, Amaiah Rosario*

**Grade 7:** *Makayla Camenga, Layne Parks, Nevaeh Nerenberg*

**Grade 8:** *Marcela Barnes, Casey Oley, Lucas Newman*

### April Middle School

**Grade 6:** *Trevor Harris, Renea Tilbe, Violet Clark*

**Grade 7:** *Kamri Peek, Leah Stumpf, Angel LaParr*

**Grade 8:** *Ava Nower, Rebekah Wratten, Chloe Armlin*

### March Middle School

**Grade 6:** *Tatum Babcock, Sawyer Davis, Michael Dunster*

**Grade 7:** *Mackenzie Harrington, Allie Whaley, Matthew Smith*

**Grade 8:** *Tyler Thompson, Deagan Knochenmus, Abigail Gayfield*

### May High School

Art-*Benjamin C. Lewis Jr.*

Band-*Aydin Gunther*

Community Service-*Chesnee Miller*

English-*Dennis Crawford*

Mathematics-*Olivia Parker*

Occupational Education-*Matthew Baker*

Physical Education-*Nicholas Miller*

Science-*Lydia Larchar*

Social Studies-*Savanna Hook*

World Language-*Reagan Krueger*

### April High School

Art-*Aniyah Johnson*

Chorus-*Cameron Carpenter*

Community Service-*Ryan Solloway*

English-*Owen Brown*

Mathematics-*Emily Lawrence*

Occupational Education-*Maya Tarpinian*

Physical Education-*Haleigh Fisher*

Science-*Dominic McCulley*

Social Studies-*Claire Barth*

World Language-*Samantha Markiewicz*

### March High School

Art-*Batya Mizrahi*

Band-*Gaven May*

Community Service-*Aalyiah Santiago*

English-*Adryan Braman*

Mathematics-*Marley Goedel*

Occupational Education-*Ryker Collins*

Physical Education-*Chadwick Nower*

Science-*Lydia Dulina*

Social Studies-*Cameron Carpenter*

World Language-*Raphael Olsen*

## Voters approve 2024-25 school budget

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District thanks residents for voting to approve our proposed 2024-2025 School Budget and Capital Reserve Fund proposition, and for electing four Board of Education members May 21.

Voting results were as follows:

**School Budget (passed):** 158 YES, 29 NO

**Capital Reserve Fund Proposition (passed):** 159 YES, 28 NO

**Board of Education (listed in ballot order):** Debra Kurtz 150 votes, William Tyrrell Jr. 151, Ethan Johnson 149, Kerry Simmons 141.



# Douglas H. Jensen educational scholarship

Douglas H. Jensen, alumni of Sherburne-Earlville Central School, has generously created a scholarship fund that will allow yearly scholarships to be awarded to two SEHS seniors who excel in math and science. The actual scholarship amount will depend on the overall cost of attendance at recipients' chosen colleges, with a maximum award of up to \$10,000 per year – renewable for up to four years.

SEHS Class of 2024 recipients of the Douglas H. Jensen Educational Scholarship were Valedictorian *Dominic Fowlston*, who will attend The Rochester Institute of Technology as a pre-med student, and *Hannah Todd-Rogers*, who will attend Keene State College in New Hampshire to study architecture.

Jensen was born in Earlville in 1937 in the depths of the Great Depression. His mother was a teacher and his father a civil engineer graduate who worked as a part-time carpenter and lumberjack and later became a managing partner at Conklin-Rogers Lumber Co. in Earlville.

Jensen attended school in Earlville. Although he was far more interested in making money, resurrecting Model Ts, hunting, and sports at the time, he still managed to graduate third in his class of 1954. A bright student, Jensen scored highly on the New York State Regents Exams and received three scholarships to attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. In an era when college was affordable, those scholarships, along with Jensen's work habits and frugality, allowed him to pay his way through college. He was proud to graduate with \$500 in his pocket, which he spent on a 1953 Mercury that he drove to his first assignment as an Army Ordnance Officer at Aberdeen Proving Grounds, Maryland.

Never one to suffer from lack of confidence and being eager for a little adventure, Jensen worked for a week or two to build up some gas money and then left for California with all of his worldly possessions in the back seat of the Mercury. After a scenic tour of the country, he arrived in Los Angeles in February of 1960, and pulled into a motel that advertised kitchens.

At this time, many Los Angeles employers were laying off large numbers of employees, but Jensen was hired by Pacific Pumps and rented a nice, second-story apartment with a view of the city. Jensen was quickly promoted to supervisor and spent three years at Pacific Pumps.

In 1963, President Kennedy announced the Saturn Program and the plan for the United States to go to the

moon. Jensen applied for a job with Rocketdyne, the company that won the contract to build the engines for the Saturn Program, and was hired without hesitation.

Though Jensen had never taken studying very seriously, at age 25, he had matured to the point of recognizing the value of knowledge. He enrolled back into college and, over the next 40 years, worked hard to accumulate more degrees, various licenses and certifications, including a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering, Masters in each Finance, Marketing, and Strategic Planning, a Real Estate Broker's license, a Series 7 Securities license, a California Personal Financial Planner Designation, an insurance license, and a pilot's license.

After his time with Rocketdyne, Jensen was hired by McDonnell Douglas as a project engineer to complete preparation for flight to the moon. He was in charge of all Static and Flight Testing, all reports to NASA, and all contract negotiations. Jensen moved on to a job with Aerospace Corporation as the Space Science Administrator of a newly formed organization. The corporation was formed by Congress after World War II to establish and run the space program for the government while they were learning about space and starting to develop their own cadre. The organization was the first to use the term aerospace, and was made up of 50 world class physicists, whose job it was to use their expertise to dream up ways to advance the technology. His job was to fill in the support staff and find funding for these grandiose ideas. In addition to many that were classified, some of these projects included military surveillance equipment, weather satellites, and GPS.

During his early days at Aerospace, Jensen married Earlville native Patricia Ann Resch, who worked as an educator dedicated to public education. During her career, she was principal of five Los Angeles Schools with enrollments of up to 30,000 students. She worked tirelessly with school and community organizations and participated in numerous state organizations. She died in 1999 of lung cancer.

Jensen retired at age 70 from Aerospace and spent several years running businesses he had purchased in California before moving to New Mexico, where he continues to oversee businesses and properties he owns. "Aut viam inveniam," a quote by the Carthaginian general Hannibal, translates to "I shall find a way or make one," and it defines Jensen's life and career.

—Submitted by Candice Poyer



# Fowlston, Fisher, Paliana top SEHS Class of 2024

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is proud to recognize *Dominic Fowlston* as valedictorian and *Haleigh Fisher* and *Adam Paliana* as co-salutatorians of Sherburne-Earlville High School's Class of 2024, which graduated together June 28 at Colgate University.

## Valedictorian Dominic Fowlston

SEHS Valedictorian *Dominic Fowlston* embodies the virtues of integrity, kindness, and humility, setting a stellar example for his peers. His natural leadership abilities shine through in every facet of his life, whether it's excelling in academics, leading on the football and baseball fields, or extending a helping hand to those in need. *Dominic's* unwavering positivity, resilience, and drive make him an inspiration to all who know him.

In addition to his academic and athletic prowess, *Dominic* is immersing himself in the healthcare realm through the New Visions Allied Health Program. Spending his days at Chenango Memorial Hospital, he is laying the foundation for a promising future in the medical field by gaining invaluable hands-on experience while earning college credits at Morrisville State College.

The son of Melissa Strong and Shawn Fowlston, *Dominic* plans to pursue a college degree in engineering or biomedical engineering. He also plans to attend medical school after college graduation, with the ultimate goal of becoming a surgeon.

## Co-Salutatorian Haleigh Fisher

SEHS Co-Salutatorian *Haleigh Fisher* is an extraordinary young woman who possesses an unparalleled work ethic and an innate ability to lead. Throughout her high school years, she has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to academic excellence, often going above and beyond what is required.

*Haleigh* also excels in athletics, particularly in softball. She has been a key member of various softball teams, showcasing not only her athletic prowess but also her sportsmanship, teamwork, and dedication to the sport. Her contributions have led to numerous victories while creating a positive and supportive atmosphere among her teammates.

**VALEDICTORIAN**  
  
**Dominic Fowlston**

**CO-SALUTATORIANS**  
  
**Haleigh Fisher**  
  
**Adam Paliana**

**SEHS CLASS OF 2024**  
Graduation Ceremony  
6 p.m. June 28 at Colgate University

  
**Hannah Todd-Rogers**  
**Olivia Kane**  
**Bryann Symonds**  
**Amelia Ashton**

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**Tatum Costantini**  
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**Ethan Shaw**  
**Savanna Born**

*Haleigh* always has known she would like to pursue a career in the Health field and has independently taken the necessary steps to explore her options. *Haleigh* participates in the New Visions Allied Health Program, spending half of her day at Chenango Memorial Hospital to acquire valuable hands-on experience in all areas of the health field and earn college credits through Morrisville State College.

The daughter of Paul and Sarah Fisher, *Haleigh* plans to study Biology or Medical Technology and play Division II softball at Caldwell University in New Jersey.

## Co-Salutatorian Adam Paliana

SEHS Co-Salutatorian *Adam Paliana* has exemplified remarkable dedication and achievement throughout his high school journey. With a commitment to academic excellence,

*continued*



Adam has consistently challenged himself with rigorous coursework, culminating in the pursuit of an Associate's Degree through SUNY Morrisville. His determination knows no bounds as he has embraced college-level courses within our high school curriculum and further enriched his education with online and summer classes.

Beyond his academic pursuits, *Adam* is a pillar of leadership and service within our community. Having devoted more than 300 hours to volunteer work, he embodies the spirit of giving back and selflessness.

*Adam* participates in the New Visions Law and Government Program, spending half of his day getting valuable hands-on experience in all areas of the law and government field while earning college credits through Morrisville State College.

The son of Brian and Julie Paliana, *Adam* plans to major in Psychology and Sociology, with a minor in Neuroscience, at Syracuse University. He also plans to attend law school after college.

#### Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Awards

*Fowlston, Fisher and Paliana* led the Top 10 seniors in our Class of 2024, who were formally recognized for their academic excellence as Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award scholarship winners during the SEHS 2024 Graduation Ceremony. This year's Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award scholarship winners are as follows:

- 1, *Dominic Fowlston*, Valedictorian: Plans to pursue a college degree in engineering or biomedical engineering. Also plans to attend medical school after college graduation, with the ultimate goal of becoming a surgeon.
- 2, *Haleigh Fisher*, Co-Salutatorian: Plans to study Biology or Medical Technology and play Division II softball at Caldwell University in New Jersey.
- 3, *Adam Paliana*, Co-Salutatorian: Plans to major in Psychology and Sociology, with a minor in Neuroscience, at Syracuse University. Also plans to attend law school after college.
- 4, *Hannah Todd-Rogers*: Plans to study Architecture, with a minor in Graphic Design, at Keene State College in New Hampshire.
- 5, *Olivia Kane*: Plans to major in Biology at Colgate University in Hamilton.
- 6, *Bryann Symonds*: Plans to study Early Childhood Education at Keuka College.
- 7, *Amelia Ashton*: Plans to study Fashion Merchandising at Marist College in Poughkeepsie.
- 8, *Tatum Costantini*: Plans to major in Animation and minor in Illustration at the School of Visual Arts in New York City.
- 9, *Ethan Shaw*: Enrolled at SUNY Farmingdale to study Aviation and plans to attain his pilot's license.
- 10, *Savanna Born*: Plans to major in Applied Sciences at SUNY Morrisville and to attend medical school afterward.

## Good luck, Aydin!



Please join us in congratulating SEHS senior *Aydin James Gunther*, who graduated a little earlier than the rest of our Class of 2024 because of military obligations.

SEHS held a private graduation ceremony for *Aydin* on June 14 at the MS/HS Auditorium as his basic training with the U.S. Marine Corps was set to start June 17.

*Aydin* received his diploma and was recognized by Staff Sergeant Bruce, a recruiter for the U.S. Marines, in front of a small group of family, friends and S-E staff members.

Thanks to everyone who joined us for this special event. We wish *Aydin* all the best as he embarks upon his military career!

The rest of our Class of 2024 graduated together June 28 at Colgate University. See more pics in this newsletter and on our Facebook page!



## Looking good!

Congrats to Scholar Recognition recipients *Dominic Fowlston*, our SEHS Class of 2024 valedictorian, and mentor Kenneth Buehner! The two posed with DCMO BOCES Superintendent Michael Rullo for this pic during the May 13 Scholar Recognition ceremony at SUNY Oneonta.



## SEHS Class of 2024 scholarships

Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville High School's Class of 2024 scholarship recipients, recognized during our 2024 Graduation Ceremony on June 28 at Colgate University. Scholarships awarded totaled \$145,450.

**Lisa Armlin:** Webb Memorial Scholarship

**Amelia Ashton:** Eugene L. and Betty L. McGregor Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Savanna Born:** American Red Cross Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Aidan Camenga:** J. Leonard Douglas Scholarship

**Logan Cornelius:** C. Russell Webb Scholarship, Jamie Tredway Memorial Award, Orrin James Wyman Memorial Agricultural Award

**Tatum Costantini:** Martha and Howard Adams Memorial Scholarship, Dorothy Young Downing Memorial, Albert Zucchi Award, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Lilly Cox:** CSEA Scholarship Award, Superintendent's Award

**Daina Donovan:** Anna M. Swiphass Nursing Scholarship, Webb Memorial Scholarship

**Michael Fetzko:** Earlville Conservation Club Scholarship, Hamilton Garden Club Award

**Haleigh Fisher:** NYS Scholarship for Academic Excellence, CSEA Scholarship Award, Taylor Family Award, Matt Masuhr Memorial Award, Elinor Troicke Memorial Scholarship, Independent Order of Odd Fellows Tuscarora Lodge #669 Scholarship, Chenango County Counselors Association Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Dominic Fowlston:** Nancy Lee Rose Award, Douglas Jensen Award, NYS Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Taylor Family Award, Harry Briglin Memorial Scholarship, Thomas J. Newman Memorial Scholarship, Dr. Homer White Prize, Sons of the American Legion-Norm Palmiter Memorial Award, Roberts Memorial Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Wyatt Harvey:** Miles Leonard Nichols Memorial Scholarship

**Olivia Kane:** Eugene L. and Betty L. McGregor Scholarship, SEHS Alumni Academic Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Benjamin Lewis Jr.:** Howard and Lucy Sisson Scholarship, Ruth Baxter Hewitt Award

**Jalyn McCarthy:** Tillie P. Swiphass Scholarship

**Darren Miles:** Rosewell Conger Scholarship, Roberts Memorial Scholarship



**Chesnee Miller:** Dr. Nathan E. Neisinger Scholarship, Webb Memorial Scholarship

**Batya Mizrahi:** Sherburne-Earlville Student Council Scholarship

**Sean O'Connor:** Lucy Funke Scholarship, RENY Scholarship, Herbert and Maria Brown Scholarship, Kim Ryan Memorial Scholarship, Alfred and Jean Krebs Scholarship, SEHS Alumni Academic Scholarship, SETA Scholarship

**Adam Paliana:** NYS Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Chenango County Counselors Association Scholarship, School Administrators' Association of NYS Scholarship, Alfred and Jean Krebs Scholarship, Sons of the American Legion-Squadron 876 Memorial Award, Sherburne Rotary Club "Service Above Self" Award, Webb Memorial Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Kyle Palmer:** John J. Sinclair Scholarship, Mary Ann O'Connor Spirit Award, Philip and Robin Leinbach Memorial

**Avery Parsons:** Travis Buddenhagen Memorial Scholarship, SEHS Alumni Trade Scholarship

**Kerri Rollins:** Leroy Wilson Scholarship

**Ethan Shaw:** Kathleen L. Webb Memorial Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Matthew Skinner:** Jerome T. Olds Memorial Prize, Sherburne Fire Department Auxiliary Scholarship

**Brayden Smith:** Carl F. Goudy Memorial Scholarship, OCAT Educational Fund Scholarship, David and Carole Kross Engineering Scholarship, Roberts Memorial Scholarship-Most Improved GPA

**Ryan Solloway:** Webb Memorial Scholarship

**Bryann Symonds:** Mary Howes Scholarship, Sherburne-Earlville Student Council Scholarship, Lewis L. Webb Memorial Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Hannah Todd-Rogers:** Douglas Jensen Award, Donald Franklin Memorial Scholarship, SETA Scholarship, Ferdinand and Emilie Maltzan Award

**Amon Van Alst:** Joseph Swiphass Award, Kutik Scholarship Award, SEHS Alumni Academic Scholarship

**Tyler White:** Jamie Tredway Memorial Award





## Hats off to our Class of 2024!

Thanks to all of the families and friends who attended our Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony on June 28 at Colgate University!  
We celebrated the accomplishments of the following graduates and wish all of them the very best in the next chapter of their lives:

*Dominic Andru Fowlston,  
Valedictorian  
Haleigh Mae Pauline Fisher,  
Co-Salutatorian  
Adam J. Paliana,  
Co-Salutatorian  
William Dallas Adsit  
Landon Albertina  
Hailey Jane Alter  
Abigail Mary Anderson  
Lisa Armlin  
Amelia Ann Ashton  
Raidyn Ace Barnes  
Emilee Bennett  
Noah Bigford  
Savanna L. Born  
Landon Michael Briggs  
Darren James Brown  
Aidan Michael Camenga  
Ryker Michael Collins  
Wyatt Conklin  
Logan Paul Cornelius*

*Tatum Cameron Margaret  
Costantini  
Lilly Grace Cox  
Daina Donovan  
Devin Lawrence Donovan  
Jacob Leigh Dunham  
Kaylie Marie Edwards  
Carter Joseph Eldred  
Michael Yukon Fetzko  
Noah Fowlston  
Kayla Lee Frary  
Bryleigh Grant  
Logan Ryan Graves  
Alexandra Renee  
Grzymkowski  
Aydin J. Gunther  
Nelson Hadlock  
Mason Harvey  
Wyatt Matthew Harvey  
Bradley Scott Hazard  
Kandy Irene Hicks  
Angelle Jennifer Irwin-Cole*

*Olivia Aidan Kane  
Aaron Casey Key Jr.  
Jennalyn Grace Kwasnik  
Emma Lynn Law  
Carly Jean-Marie Layman  
Benjamin Charles Lewis Jr.  
Mason Robert Lindholm  
Damian Livermore  
Jalyn Brooke McCarthy  
Reagan Mikalunas  
Darren Michael Miles  
Chesnee Nicole Miller  
Batya Rivka Mizrahi  
Selina Marie Moore  
Janelle Elizabeth Nower  
Sean Michael O'Connor  
Balin Carl Olsen  
Kyle Palmer  
Avery Parsons  
Fabein Ardell Pierce  
Keenan John Pinney  
Hailey Ramey*

*Kerri Rollins  
Ava Nykole Rowe  
Aayliah Santiago  
Nelson Serrano  
Abygail Paige Shaver  
Ethan Richard Shaw  
Matthew Douglas Wesley  
Skinner  
Falcon Slater  
Brayden Michael Smith  
Riley Mikal Smith  
Ryan Solloway  
Eli Raymond Stackhouse  
Andrew-Wayne Sigmund  
Swank  
Bryann Judith Symonds  
Tristan Tarpinian  
Landon Douglas Thayer  
Seth Thompson  
Hannah Olivia Todd-Rogers  
Amon John Van Alst  
Tyler White*

You can see hundreds of photos and the video of our live stream from the SEHS Class of 2024 Graduation Ceremony on our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SherburneEarlvilleCSD>.



# Congratulations, graduates!

Congratulations to our Class of 2024, who graduated together on a perfectly pleasant evening June 28 at Colgate University! Visit our Facebook page to see hundreds of 2024 Graduation Ceremony photos and the video of our live-stream recording.







# *Class of 2024*







## SPOB75 awards!

What a day for a Diamond Anniversary!

Thanks to everyone who made the 75th Sherburne Pageant of Bands an event to remember! Thousands of spectators lined Main Street for the June 1 parade, which featured marching bands, color guards and drumlines from 31 school districts.

As the host school, Sherburne-Earlville started the parade with non-competitive performances by our Elementary School, High School and Alumni Bands. Class competition (D, C, B, A and AA) followed before Downbeat Percussion closed the parade with a high-energy drumline presentation near the judging area at the intersection of Main and State streets.

The parade route ended at S-E's stadium, where school drumlines, Downbeat Percussion and U.S. Army soldiers

in the 10th Mountain Division Band warmed up the crowd. SECSO Superintendent Robert Berson then introduced former district superintendent Gayle Hellert as the Sherburne Fire Department's Person of the Day before serving as emcee of the Awards Ceremony.

Special thanks to the Sherburne Fire Department, The Sherburne News (programs), the SECSO Administration Team, S-E Band Directors James Behret and Amy Hoxie, Parade emcee Jonathan Sherry, and all of our judges, volunteers, families, students and community members for making the #SPOB75 possible.

Award-winners from all three days of the 75th Sherburne Pageant of Bands are below. Visit our Facebook page to see hundreds of photos!

## 75TH SHERBURNE PAGEANT OF BANDS AWARDS

Award-winners from the 75th Sherburne Pageant of Bands on June 1, 2024.

### Major Awards

**Albert Whitney Award (Overall):** Medina

**Frank Miller Award (Outstanding Band Director):** Medina

**Ernie Marano Award (Best Overall Color Guard):** Medina

**Norman Palmiter Jr. Percussion Award (Best Overall Drumline):** Pulaski

**Junior High Award (Overall Achievement):** Mexico

### Best In Class

**Class AA:** Medina

**Class A:** Bloomfield

**Class B:** West Canada Valley

**Class C:** Marion

**Class D:** Gilbertsville-Mount Upton

**Middle School:** Mexico

### Concert Band

**Class AA:** 1, Norwich 93.5; 2, Medina 90; 3, Fonda-Fultonville 89.

**Class A:** 1, Bloomfield 84.

**Class B:** 1, West Canada Valley 97; 2, Bainbridge-Guilford 93.5; 3, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 91.

**Class C:** 1, Marion 93; 2, Worcester 88; 3, Oxford 86.5.

**Class D:** 1, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 94.5; 2, South Kortright 90; 3, Laurens 87.5.

**Middle School:** 1, Waterloo 97.5; 2, Mexico 95.5; 3, West Canada Valley 91.

### Jazz Ensemble

**Class AA:** 1, Norwich 94; 2, Medina 92; 3, Fonda-Fultonville 89.

**Class A:** 1, Bloomfield 95.5.

**Class B:** 1, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 93.5; 2, West Canada Valley 92; 3, Bainbridge-Guilford 86.5.

**Class C:** 1, Worcester 88; 2, Marion 83; 3, Cherry Valley-Springfield 75.

**Class D:** 1, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 90; 2, Laurens 81; 3, Schenectady 69.5.

**Middle School:** T1, Fonda-Fultonville 84; T1, Medina 84.

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### Small Ensemble

**Class AA:** 1, Medina 95.5; 2, Norwich 93.5; 3, Fonda-Fultonville 90.

**Class A:** 1, Bloomfield 92.

**Class B:** 1, West Canada Valley 90; 2, Bainbridge-Guilford 88; 3, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 84.

**Class C:** 1, Marion 89.5; 2, Worcester 80; 3, Oxford 78.

**Class D:** 1, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 80; 2, Laurens 74; 3, Schenevus 70.

**Middle School:** 1, Mexico 86.5; 2, Medina 83.5; 3, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 75.

### Cadence (Drumline)

**Class AA:** 1, Medina 86; 2, Waterloo 78.5; 3, Vernon-Verona-Sherrill 76.5.

**Class A:** 1, Pulaski 90; 2, Bloomfield 85.25; 3, Sidney 80.

**Class B:** 1, Bainbridge-Guilford 80; 2, West Canada Valley 74.5; 3, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 72.75.

**Class C:** 1, Worcester 87.5; 2, Naples 77; 3, Marion 74.

**Class D:** 1, Schenevus 84.25; 2, South Kortright 71.5; 3, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 71.

**Middle School:** 1, Mexico 70.5.

### Parade

**Class AA:** 1, Medina 88.5; 2, Norwich 76; 3, Waterloo 68.75.

**Class A:** 1, Bloomfield 84; 2, Holley-Kendall 80; 3, Pulaski 78.75.

**Class B:** 1, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 80.25; 2, West Canada Valley 76.25; 3, Bainbridge-Guilford 71.25.

**Class C:** 1, Naples 91.5; 2, Marion 81.25; 3, Worcester 73.5.

**Class D:** 1, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 77.5; 2, South Kortright 75; 3, Laurens 71.

**Middle School:** 1, Mexico 60.5.

### Color Guard

**Class AA:** 1, Medina 95; 2, Norwich 78; 3, Fonda-Fultonville 71.

**Class A:** 1, Pulaski 93; 2, Moravia 90; 3, Holley-Kendall 87.

**Class B:** 1, West Canada Valley 89; 2, Oppenheim-Ephratah-St. Johnsville 83; 3, Bainbridge-Guilford 78.

**Class C:** 1, Naples 90; 2, Worcester 85; 3, Marion 79.

**Class D:** 1, Laurens 87; 2, Gilbertsville-Mount Upton 71; 3, Morris 69.

**Middle School:** 1, Mexico 42.

*#WeAreSE #SEFamily #MaroonAndWhite #SPOB75*







## SPOB75 Person of the Day!

Congratulations to former SECSO Superintendent Gayle Hellert, the Sherburne Fire Department's Person of the Day for the 75th Sherburne Pageant of Bands!

Hellert spent 34 years with SECSO, starting as a special education teacher in 1980 and finishing as superintendent in 2014. In between, she served as director of special education, elementary school principal and assistant superintendent.

She initiated several programs during her tenure, including the Universal Pre-Kindergarten program and the LINKS strategic planning process, which are both still going strong at SECSO.

Hellert has been part of a variety of community and educational committees as well, and she remains actively involved in the Sherburne Rotary Club as a grant-writer in support of the Rogers Center and local fire departments, the S-E Backpack Program, and the Wern Skate Park.

The Sherburne Fire Department, SECSO and thousands of spectators honored Hellert for her life-long contributions to the school district and community during Saturday's parade down Main Street and the ensuing awards ceremony at the stadium.







## Officer Friendly!

Thanks to New York State University Police Officer Tyler Morgan for spending time with our second-graders June 5 at SEES! Officer Morgan shared his career experiences with students of second-grade teachers Libby LaCrocce, Stephanie Marrone and Alison Kenyon. We appreciate your visit to S-E, where #EveryDayCounts and #YouBelong!



## Eighth-graders start Bluebird Trail

Sherburne-Earlville eighth-graders in Bentley Johnson's Middle School Technology class recently worked to install a Bluebird Trail around the perimeter of campus.

Working in pairs, students followed blueprints provided by the New York State Bluebird Society to cut and assemble their houses. The trail, which includes a loop around the school pond, is a work in progress and will cover 3.4 miles.

Once complete, our middle and high school science classes will monitor the trail to collect data on the Eastern bluebird – the official bird of New York State.

We can't wait to see the results at S-E, where #EveryDayCounts and #YouBelong!



## Dog day afternoon

Our first-graders welcomed some special visitors June 13 as New York State Troopers Smith, Nelson and Burkey stopped by the elementary school for a K-9 demonstration.

K-9 Cunniff stole the show, of course, and our kids learned a lot in the process. Thanks to Investigator Jeremy Hicks for organizing the demonstration with his sister, SEES first-grade teacher Jessica Donnelly, who also snapped and shared several photos. You can see them all on Facebook!



## Special day at S-E!

Members of Sherburne American Legion Family Post 876, including Senior Master Sergeant Holly Crouch, raised the American Flag during our Memorial Day Service on May 23 at Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School! They also helped collect "Socks for Soldiers" in the ES lobby for active military members serving overseas.



# SEES perfect attendance!

Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School recognized students in grades K-5 who attended every school day – from the start to the end – with Perfect Attendance awards on a monthly basis. The following students received awards during the months of March-June 2024.

## March Perfect Attendance

**Kindergarten:** John Beers, Isabella Brazee, Kilian Buell, Charles Butzgy, Corbin Conklin, Adalynn Graham, Levi Green, Lillyanah Green, Emily Greenwood, Dallas Hughes, Lily Johnson, Andrew Kmetz, Layla Lafreniere, Jameson Lee, Jett Livingston, Hunter Palmer, Trevor Parsons, Jackson Pattee, Ariona Perham, Mason Pierce, Sofia Rodriguez, Mya Russell, Octavia Simons, Maelie Smith, Greysen Unger, Bentley Yacono.

**Grade 1:** Zailyn Barnes, Kash Barone, Jordan Chesebro, Thomas Dakosty, Anna Daley, Willow Debrody, Lucas Eichler, Preston Furner, Mason Gager, Levi Griffin, Braxton Harmon, Travis Hess, Troy Hess, Nicholas Hitt, Avery Johnson, Jaxson Keller, Aubrey Lachevet, Sawyer Losee, Kinslee Luneau, Marlee Luneau, Brinley Parker, Jade Russett, Caleb Smith, Lyncoln St. Hilaire, Sawyer Walling, Sawyer, Paisley Williams, Hazel Young.

**Grade 2:** Leonardo Bigelow, Lucas Bohndorf, Ethan Brower, Zoey Conkling, Trinity DeLee, Carter Fancher, Lukas Graham, Alexandria Hance, Margaret Hicks, Mea Hubbard, Lane Jones, Sophia Jones, Troy Kowalski, Laila LaChevet, Jackson Lampe, Faye Miller, Brantley Morgan, Ellie Palmer, Eli Pierce, Gabriel Rosario, Andreas Schneider, Leia Shreve, Chase Valentine, Jameson Wallach, Nova Warren, Marine Willis.

**Grade 3:** Olivia Babcock, Nathaniel Bagnall, Scarlett Burk, Nora Dakosty, Skylar Dicks, Easton Donnelly, Brianna Gilgan, Hadlee Grover, Michael Hitt, Cameron Johnson, Elise Johnson, Caroline Lampe, Sawyer Lepcio, Sadie Lindholm, Lexiana Mereness, Parker Parsons, Paxton Parsons, Skylarr Peek, Addison Quinn, Maryellis Ramos, Allie Seymour, Natalie Simons, Nicholas Smith, London Thompson-Wehrenberg, Madelynn Wells, Alleesyn Wheeler, Landon Williams, Dean Young.

**Grade 4:** Jaxyn Barnes, Parker Berkeley, Oliver Brigham, Payten Cunningham, Talon Curtis, Stanley Dakosty III, Bentlee Durant, Declan Fowler, Ryli Gage, Kyla Hackett, Emily Harrington, Mindy Harris, Trevor Hess, Henry Hicks, Lilly Holmes, Olivia Hunter, Cadence Jablonski, Eleanora Jones, Aubree Knickerbocker, Avery Marango, Blake Mason, Calica Moffitt, Dominic Moore, Garrett Nelson, Landon Oley, Lucas Palmiter, Camden Pudney, Malachi Russett, Hailey Slater, Karlee Smith, Skyler Strong, Carter Tackabury.

**Grade 5:** Jack Armlin, Jocelyn Bohndorf, Eli Brown, Sophia Brown, Josephine Chesebro, Bryce Daring, Emily Dulina, Justin Dunagan, Emily Fancher, Ann Flores, Jordyn Franklin,

Micheal Fuller, Brayden Green, Madiline Griffiths, Journey Hatton, Ryker Jillson, Rian Jones, Isabella Lamandia, Josslyn Lein, Carrie Maine, Axel Miller, Elizabeth Morgan, Silas Perrin, Karrlynn Potter, Poppy Torres, Logan Viera, Natalia Whaley.

## April Perfect Attendance

**Kindergarten:** Wylder Boyson, Kilian Buell, Charles Butzgy, Carson Camenga, Corbin Conklin, Shadrach Davis, Sienna DuVall, Journi Fairbanks, Lillyanah Green, Emily Greenwood, Ryder Hatton, Dallas Hughes, Charlotte Iazard, Troy Janitz, Layla Lafreniere, Jett Livingston, Kennedy Marango, Addisyn McDermott, Hunter Palmer, Jessie Pierce, Nellie Wehrenberg, Bentley Yacono, Beau Yerton,

**Grade 1:** Laken Barner, Zailyn Barnes, Charlotte Crandall, Aidan Crumb, Thomas Dakosty, Willow Debrody, Emma Eaves, Lucas Eichler, JayLynn Franklin, Palynn French, Preston Furner, Mason Gager, Jesse Griffin, Killian Hamilton, Braxton Harmon, Travis Hess, Troy Hess, Jaxson Keller, Aubrey Lachevet, Layla Lopez, Kinslee Luneau, Marlee Luneau, Hazel Miller, Letty-Ray Moffitt, Finnley Mooney, Elliana Natoli, Brinley Parker, Bentley Potter, Jade Russett, Malcolm Sporing, Lyncoln St. Hilaire, Thomas Sullivan III, Avery Swift, Paislee Unger, Jackson Whatman, Paisley Williams.

**Grade 2:** Ella Babcock, Colton Brazee, Ethan Brower, Henry Butzgy, Evelyn Campbell, Zoey Conkling, Colton Danyluk, Trinity DeLee, Carter Fancher, Alexandria Hance, Margaret Hicks, Jasmyne Hoag, Laila LaChevet, Braycen LaMunion, Liam Michaletz, Faye Miller, Lorenzo Mirabito, Brantley Morgan, Ellie Palmer, Gabriel Rosario, Brynlee Schuman, Natalie Seitz, Leia Shreve, Hannah Swinney, Chase Valentine, Ava Whitney, Marine Willis.

**Grade 3:** EmmaJane Beers, Savanna Briggs, Lilliana Brown, Scarlett Burk, Annabel Carr, Lukas Crumb, Nora Dakosty, Maci Davis, Shepherd Davis, Aksel Eaves, Ellie Fowlston, Bentley Gage, Hadlee Grover, Arran Hamilton, Elise Johnson, Chance Kennedy, Ada-Mae Lafreniere, Sadie Lindholm, Justice McKeraghan, Aliza Miller, Grayson Mohr, Aryia Mulligan, Parker Parsons, Paxton Parsons, Skylarr Peek, Logan Ray, Allie Seymour, Shield Shurock, Avah Smith, London Thompson-Wehrenberg, Nathan Van Wagner, Bentley Washburn, Madelynn Wells, Lily Whaley, Alexis Whatman, Christian Wheeland, Alleesyn Wheeler, Moira Wright.

**Grade 4:** Tucker Bailey, Jaxyn Barnes, Parker Berkeley, Jacob Brainard, Alastriana Brennan, Dylan Camenga, Gavin Crandall, Payten Cunningham, Talon Curtis, Stanley Dakosty III, Jason Donofrio, Declan Fowler, Mindy Harris, Trevor Hess, Henry Hicks, Kira Hoke, Lilly Holmes, Caleb Joy, Callen LaMunion, Evelyn Lane, Avery Marango, Blake Mason, Calica Moffitt, Blake Mohr, Dominic Moore, Mark Morgan, Lucas Palmiter, Braylin Pattee, Ryan Percival, Camden Pudney,

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Sophia Reinhardt, Vanessa Robbins-Campbell, Chloe Rowe, Malachi Russett, Elijah Schuman, Marshall Sepello, Hailey Slater, Jayden Snow, Sylar Stith, Aria Whatman, Ralph Wilcox Jr.

**Grade 5:** Dawson Aeschbacher, Bentley Allen, Kinzley Babcock, Eli Brown, Sophia Brown, Josephine Chesebro, Logan Collins, Bryce Daring, Emily Dulina, Emily Fancher, Ann Flores, Micheal Fuller, Madiline Griffiths, Dustin Hill, Eden Hubbard, Lakota Johnson, Kurt Kross, Isabella Lamandia, Carrie Maine, Axel Miller, Kylie Morgan, Eli Needham, Landon Page, Callie Parsons, Hannah Reinhardt, Philip Russett, Kayden Spicer, Claire Thomas, Marley Tyrrell, Jade Wales, Natalia Whaley, Sharon Zhang.

### May Perfect Attendance

**Kindergarten:** Aleena Beebe, John Beers, Ja'Vonni Brown, Adrian Bugyi, Charles Butzgy, Carson Camenga, Simon Campbell, Thea Chrisbacher, Haddie Donnelly, Lillyanah Green, Emily Greenwood, Dallas Hughes, Andrew Kmetz, Ledger LaBar, Jett Livingston, Harper MacAulay, Kennedy Marango, Addisyn McDermott, Hunter Palmer, Mason Pierce, Sofia Rodriguez, Naomi Weaver, Jayden Wheeler, Bentley Yacono, BeauYerton.

**Grade 1:** Laken Barner, Zailyn Barnes, Jordan Chesebro, Oakley Cullipher, Thomas Dakosty, Ethan Donofrio, Harper Doustout, JayLynn Franklin, Palyann French, Jesse Griffin, Levi Griffin, Kathryn Hall, Keara Harvey, Troy Hess, Avery Johnson, Jaxson Keller, Aubrey Lachevet, Sawyer Losee, Kinslee Luneau, Marlee Luneau, Hazel Miller, Malcolm Sporing, Lyncoln St.Hilaire, Avery Swift, Paislee Unger, Kayden Vitiello, Lauren Wallach, Paisley Williams.

**Grade 2:** Ella Babcock, Leonardo Bigelow, Lucas Bohndorf, Hudson Bryant, Allie Button, Henry Butzgy, Evelyn Campbell, Madisyn Crim, Colton Danyluk, Trinity DeLee, Althea Devlin, Mea Hubbard, Lane Jones, Sophia Jones, Laila LaChevet, Graceyn MacAulay, Charlotte Miner, Lorenzo Mirabito, Haley Newman, Eli Pierce, Brynlee Schuman, Natalie Seitz, Leia Shreve, Hannah Swinney, Chase Valentine, Grace Wheeler, Keegan Zimmerman.

**Grade 3:** Olivia Babcock, Nathaniel Bagnall, EmmaJane Beers, Savanna Briggs, Kennedy Cummings, Nora Dakosty, Jeremy Davis, Easton Donnelly, Bentley Gage, Brianna Gilgan, Hadlee Grover, Arran Hamilton, Hunter Merchant, Lexiana Mereness, James Morgan, Paxton Parsons, Skylarr Peek, Annie Relyea, Addison Rogers, Nicholas Smith, Carter Sweet, London Thompson-Wehrenberg, Leah Thornton, Bentley Washburn, Lily Whaley, Christian Wheeland, Landon Williams.

**Grade 4:** Jaxyn Barnes, Jacob Brainard, Dylan Camenga, Gavin Crandall, Dakosty III, Ryli Gage, Trevor Hess, Kira Hoke, Cadence Jablonski, Eleanora Jones, Aubree Knickerbocker, Thomas Lawton, Avery Marango, Mark Morgan, Lucas Palmiter,

Ryan Percival, Sophia Reinhardt, Vanessa Robbins-Campbell, Chloe Rowe, Malachi Russett, Elijah Schuman, Karlee Smith, Ralph Wilcox Jr.

**Grade 5:** Bentley Allen, Olivia Ashcraft, Carter Bates, Daniel Beers, Jocelyn Bohndorf, Asa Carvell, Davis Chrisbacher, Logan Collins, Bryce Daring, Abilyn Ebert, Emmaleigh Excell, Ann Flores, Paul Greenwood, Journey Hatton, Eden Hubbard, Rian Jones, Isabella Lamandia, Allan Lewis, Chloe Losee, Clayton MacAulay, Braylon Matthews, Axel Miller, Elizabeth Morgan, Eli Needham, Callie Parsons, Silas Perrin, Hannah Reinhardt, Kayden Relyea, Philip Russett, Poppy Torres, Marley Tyrrell, Logan Viera, Jade Wales, Allison Wallach, Sharon Zhang.

### June Perfect Attendance

**Kindergarten:** Madison Hart, Harper MacAulay, Bentley Yacono, Laken Barner, Zailyn Barnes, Juniper Carvell, Bentley Frary, Mason Gager, Grady Goldman, Jesse Griffin, Wynter-Rose Holden, Jaxson Keller, Layla Lopez, Kinslee Luneau, Hazel Miller, Letty-Ray Moffitt, Finnley Mooney, Elliana Natoli, Paxton Perez, Israel Randall, Caleb Smith, Malcolm Sporing, Lyncoln St.Hilaire, Thomas Sullivan III, Paislee Unger, Kayden Vitiello, Cooper Whaley.

**Grade 1:** Paisley Williams, Hazel Young.

**Grade 2:** Owen Alishauskas, Leonardo Bigelow, Allie Button, Henry Butzgy, Evelyn Campbell, Gauge Collins, Madisyn Crim, Colton Danyluk, Trinity DeLee, Alexa Dougherty, Sawyer French, Lukas Graham, Mea Hubbard, Sophia Jones, Troy Kowalski, Liam Michaletz, Faye Miller, Charlotte Miner, Brantley Morgan, Violet Natoli, Eli Pierce, Gabriel Rosario, Brynlee Schuman, Natalie Seitz, Dax Thurlow, Grace Wheeler.

**Grade 3:** Olivia Babcock, Nathaniel Bagnall, Aubree Barker, Lilliana Brown, Nora Dakosty, Maci Davis, Shepherd Davis, Easton Donnelly, Bentley Gage, Gabriella Goldman, Michael Hart, Chance Kennedy, Liam LaCroce, Adalelynn Landers, Ryan Lee, Sadie Lindholm, Hunter Merchant, Lexiana Mereness, James Morgan, Aryia Mulligan, Parker Parsons, Paxton Parsons, Annie Relyea, Ivan Scott, Nicholas Smith, Wade Sporing, Carter Sweet, Kaydee Tilbe, Madelynn Wells, Lily Whaley, Alleesyn Wheeler, Landon Williams, Dean Young.

**Grade 4:** Jaxyn Barnes, Oliver Brigham, Dylan Camenga, Gavin Crandall, Payten Cunningham, Stanley Dakosty III, Travis Foster, Ryli Gage, Alexandra Gayfield, Kyla Hackett, Mindy Harris, Henry Hatton, Avery Hicks, Lilly Holmes, Eleanora Jones, Aubree Knickerbocker, Evelyn Lane, Thomas Lawton, Calica Moffitt, Dominic Moore, Landon Oley, Lucas Palmiter, Braylin Pattee, Aletta Pierce, Camden Pudney, Malachi Russett, Elijah Schuman, Marshall Sepello, Hailey Slater, Skyler Strong, Carter Tackabury, Ralph Wilcox Jr, Elliana Wilson.

**Grade 5:** Bryce Daring, Owen Jones, Kurt Kross.





## A good day in court

Congratulations to our Mock Trial team for its second-place finish in this year's Chenango County competition!

S-E reached the final round against Norwich, which won to advance to state competition in May. Gilbertsville-Mount Upton placed third, Greene took fourth, and Oxford rounded out the five-team competition, which revolved around a hypothetical criminal arson case.

Students formulated prosecution and defense presentations as attorneys and witnesses. Local attorneys and judges then presided over five rounds of mock trials.



## Simply perfect!

Please join us in congratulating Sherburne-Earlville Elementary School students *Axel Miller* and *Paxton Parsons*, who know that #EveryDayCounts at S-E, where #YouBelong!

Fifth-grader *Axel* and third-grader *Paxton* received special recognition June 13 as the only SEES students with perfect attendance for the entire 2023-2024 school year! Each received beautiful medals donated by The Trophy Guy in Norwich to commemorate their year-long attendance streaks.

Wear those medals proudly . . . you earned them!

## Field Days fun!

Thanks to Sherburne-Earlville PTO for sponsoring our Elementary School Field Days on May 30, and to all of the faculty, staff members and volunteers who helped out. Check out some of the fun from this annual event for our terrific students and see more pics on Facebook.







## Senior Trip!

Thanks to Tiffani Thorpe for sharing these memorable moments from our Senior Trip to Six Flags Darien Lake on June 7!



## Two attend Women's Leadership Conference

Sherburne-Earlville freshmen *Amanda Markiewicz* and *McKennah Jones* were among students from DCMO BOCES component school districts invited to attend the Chenango Women's Leadership Conference in March at the Canasawacta Country Club in Norwich.

Described by organizers as "an empowering day dedicated to celebrating and inspiring women leaders," this full-day leadership program presented by Commerce Chenango welcomed 198 participants. Schools nominated students for the conference based on leadership qualities.

Keynote speakers were Cheryl Robinson, President and CEO of New York Central Mutual Insurance Company, and Jen Gregory, Executive Director of Southern Tier 8 Regional Board. Sandra Eberhard, President and CEO of the Women's Business Enterprise Council Metro NY and Greater DMV, and DCMO BOCES Public and School Liaison and Enrichment Coordinator Martha Ryan also presented.

Students from Afton, Delhi, Franklin, Oxford and Unadilla Valley also participated. Student attendance was made possible through a grant from the Community Foundation of South Central New York.







## S-E students take center stage!

Sherburne-Earlville students strutted their stuff on stage this year during several productions at the Middle/High School Auditorium. "Seussical The Musical," Music In Our Schools and our Spring Concerts were just a few that brought us all together to celebrate our talents. See more pics from the stage in this newsletter and on our Facebook page.



## Award-winning performances!

Congratulations to our Drama Club for earning two Theatre Association of New York State Awards for its May productions of "Almost, Maine" at the MS/HS Auditorium!

TANYS recognized the entire cast with a Meritorious Achievement Award for ensemble performance, and

Lisette Shiffer and Colleen Law-Tefft received Meritorious Achievement accolades for direction.

Meritorious Achievement means some advanced theatrical skill was noted by TANYS.

Way to go, S-E Drama Club! You rock!





## Robotics team reaches Worlds!

Congratulations to our Burninators Robotics team on competing in the Vex Robotics World Championships this past May in Dallas.

SEHS graduates *Brayden Smith, Ryan Solloway* and *Amon Van Alst* capped their senior Robotics season by captaining the 16th-seeded team in their division. They chose to partner with Team 99484 from Tokyo for a battle with the top-seeded team in a 175-145 loss that went right down to the wire.

The Burninators also finished in the top 100 out of 820 teams in the Skills Challenge. Way to go, Burninators, and thanks to our sponsors who made it possible to travel to Worlds.

## Odyssey teams compete at state finals

Congratulations to our Odyssey of the Mind teams on their performances at the New York State Finals on April 13 at the NYS Fairgrounds in Syracuse.

Jessica Lewis' elementary school team – fifth-graders *Isaac Allen, Davis Chrisbacher, Dexter Johnson, Allan Lewis, Kylie Morgan, Margaret O'Connor* and *Jordyn Webb* – placed seventh overall and third in style in Division 1B of "Rocking World Detour" (Problem 5).

Heidi Johnson's middle school team – seventh-graders *Nasick Chrisbacher, Sam Krueger, Brett Lewis* and *Khloey Morgan*, along with sixth-graders *Clayton Lawton* and *Kinsey Nelson* – finished ninth overall and second in spontaneous problem solving in Division II of "Drive-In Movie" (Problem 1).

Jennifer Ashton's high school team – seniors *Amelia Ashton, Tatum Costantini* and *Carter Eldred*; junior *Mia Currie*; and sophomores *Bethany Garrison* and *Clark Vischi* – took ninth overall and fifth in style in Division III of "Rocking World Detour" (Problem 5).

"We competed with the best in the state and did really well," S-E Odyssey of the Mind coordinator Jonathan Sherry said. "Our teams put their brilliant minds and creative problem-solving skills on display, and we went toe-to-toe with everyone. It's fair to say that our critical-thinking skills are among the best in the state. I'm really proud of the incredible work the coaches and students put into their season, and we can't wait for next year!"

Way to go, S-E!







## Junior Prom pics

Photos from Sherburne-Earlville's 2024 Junior Prom in May are available by clicking this link: <https://aliciarossphotography.pixieset.com/guestlogin/sherburneprom2024/>

Just enter the password SEprom24 to view the entire gallery from Alicia Ross Photography! You can see dozens of pics from the Prom Promenade on our Facebook page, too!



## Time for you to fly!

You have to learn to walk before you can run. And now, they're ready to fly! Congratulations to Sherburne-Earlville High School's Class of 2024, who walked the halls of our elementary school before running rampant at the MS/HS on their last official day of school June 17. See more Senior Walk/Run pics and videos on our Facebook page.







## All grown up!

Thanks to everyone who packed the MS/HS Auditorium on June 7 to watch our adorable Kindergarten kiddos in their 2024 show, "I'm Growing Up!" See more pics of this fun production, directed by Kylie Davis and Jeff Lyons, on Facebook.



## Did you dig it?

Thanks to everyone who packed the MS/HS Auditorium on May 16 to watch our chorus students in Grades 4 and 5 perform "Dig It." Check out some pics from the big night and see more on our Facebook page.



## Showtime for Grade 3!

We hope you enjoyed watching our Grade 3 show – "Show Me The Money" – as much as our super-talented kids did performing it in May! See more pics from our in-school rehearsal on Facebook!





# Save the Dates!

## JULY

- 29 Board of Education Work Session (Cell Phone Policy), MS Room 230, 5:30 p.m.

## AUGUST

- 5 Board of Education Meeting, MS Room 230, 6:00 p.m.
- 19 JV/Varsity Football Begins
- 24 SAT
- 26 New Staff Orientation
- 26 Varsity/JV/Modified Sports Begin
- 26 Board of Education Meeting, MS Room 230, 6:00 p.m.
- 27 Freshman Orientation, Cafeteria, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

## SEPTEMBER

- 2 **No School-Labor Day (Offices Closed)**
- 3 **No School-Staff Development Day**
- 3 UPK Visitation, 1:00-5:00 p.m.
- 3 Kindergarten Visitation, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- 3 ES Back to School Meet & Greet, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
- 3 Grade 6 Orientation, 5:30 p.m.
- 4 **No School-Staff Development Day**
- 4 MS/HS Back to School Bash, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
- 5 First Day of School for Students
- 5-6 Varsity Boys/Girls Soccer Tournaments, 4:30 p.m.
- 7 Varsity Boys/Girls Soccer Tournaments, 11:00 a.m.
- 9 Board of Education Meeting, MS Room 230, 6:00 p.m.
- 14 ACT
- 25 Financial Aid Meeting, MS/HS Cafeteria, 6:00 p.m.
- 30 UPK-12 School Picture Day

## OCTOBER

- 1 UPK-12 School Picture Day
- 5 SAT
- 7 Board of Education Meeting, MS Room 230, 6:00 p.m.
- 9 ASVAB, 8:00 a.m.
- 10 Regional Early Dismissal (15 min.)
- 14 **No School-Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day (Offices Closed)**
- 16 PSAT, 8:00 a.m.
- 26 ACT
- 28 Modified Volleyball/Wrestling Begin

## NOVEMBER

- 1 **No School-Staff Development Day**
- 2 SAT
- 4 Board of Education Meeting, MS Room 230, 6:00 p.m.
- 5 JV/Varsity Fall Sports Awards, 6:00 p.m.
- 6 UPK-12 School Picture Retake Day
- 18 JV/Varsity Winter Sports Begin
- 25 **Half-Day for UPK-8 Students-Parent/Teacher Conferences**
- 26 **Half-Day for UPK-8 Students-Parent/Teacher Conferences**
- 27-29 **No School-Thanksgiving Recess (Offices Closed)**

## Annual Notice – AHERA

In 1986, Congress passed the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA). This required schools to be inspected to identify any asbestos-containing building materials. All Sherburne-Earlville School buildings were inspected and suspected materials were sampled to be tested and rated according to condition and potential hazard.

Every three years, the Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is required to be re-inspected to determine if any known or suspected asbestos-containing building materials (ACBM) has changed and to make recommendations on managing or removing the ACBM.

The law further requires an asbestos-management plan be developed to monitor any known or suspected ACBM. The plan has several ongoing requirements: This notification letter announcing the availability of the management plans for anyone to review upon request, training of the support staff about asbestos and how to deal with it, notifying short-term workers such as sub-contractors of the locations of any known or suspected ACBM, and posting of warning signs adjacent to locations of known or suspected ACBM. The designated asbestos coordinator conducts a six-month inspection of areas of the buildings where known or suspected ACBM are located to assure they remain in good condition.

It is the intention of the Sherburne-Earlville Central School District to comply with all federal and state regulations controlling asbestos and to take whatever steps are necessary to ensure students and employees a healthy and safe environment in which to learn and work.

You are welcome to review a copy of the asbestos-management plan upon request. Please contact Ben Lewis, Coordinator of Transportation and Maintenance, at 607-674-7377 for more information or visit [https://www.p12.nysed.gov/facplan/articles/la1\\_annual\\_ahera\\_notifications.html](https://www.p12.nysed.gov/facplan/articles/la1_annual_ahera_notifications.html) online.



## Annual Notice – Child Find

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District recognizes its responsibility to provide a free and appropriate public education to eligible students with disabilities within its geographical boundaries. The District has a "child find" process that is designed to locate, identify and evaluate children with disabilities residing within its geographical boundaries, preschool through grade 12, or through age 21 if they have not received a high school diploma.

If you know a child who lives within SECS'D's boundaries and attends school in the District who may be in the need of special education and/or related services, please contact the District's Director of Special Education for further information regarding the referral and evaluation process. If the student is a school-age student who attends a private school (non-public) that is not located within SECS'D's geographical boundaries, the student may need to be referred to the school district in which the non-public school is located to receive services during the regular school year. Please contact that school district for information regarding time deadlines for requests for services.

The District's Child Find process extends to students with physical or mental impairments that substantially limit a major life activity. Such students may be eligible for services or accommodations pursuant to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Section 504 is a Federal civil rights statute that prohibits discrimination against persons with disabilities and programs receiving Federal financial assistance. Please contact your child's building principal for more information regarding Section 504 eligibility and services.

For more information, visit:

<https://sites.ed.gov/idea/idea-files/rts-qa-child-find-part-b-08-24-2021/> online.

### SUMMER HOURS SAME DAY APPOINTMENTS AVAILABLE

### School-Based Health Centers

Your child can be seen at **ANY** SBHC location.  
Call **844-ALL-SBHC (255-7242)** to schedule  
an appointment at an open location near you.

#### MONDAYS

Cooperstown HS	July 1 – Aug 19	8 am – 4 pm
Edmeston	July 1 – Aug 19	8 am – 4 pm

#### TUESDAYS

Richfield Springs	July 2 – Aug 20	8 am – 4 pm
Sherburne-Earlville Elem	July 2 – Aug 20	8 am – 4 pm
Sidney	July 2 – Aug 20	8 am – 4 pm
South Kortright	July 2 – July 30	8 am – 4 pm

#### WEDNESDAYS

Delhi MS/HS	July 3 – Aug 21	8 am – 4 pm
Gilbertsville-Mount Upton	July 3 – Aug 21	8 am – 4 pm
Laurens	July 3 – July 31	8 am – 4 pm
Morris	July 3 – July 31	8 am – 4 pm
Worcester	July 3 – July 31	8 am – 4 pm

#### THURSDAYS

Edmeston	June 27 – Aug 22 (Closed July 4)	8 am – 4 pm
Middleburgh HS	June 27 – July 25 (Closed July 4)	8 am – 4 pm
Sidney	June 27 – Aug 22 (Closed July 4)	8 am – 4 pm
Stamford	July 11 – July 25	8 am – 4 pm

#### FRIDAYS

Milford	June 28 – Aug 23	8 am – 4 pm
Schenevus	July 5 – Aug 2	8 am – 4 pm
Sherburne-Earlville Elem	June 28 – Aug 23	8 am – 4 pm

All SBHC locations are open Aug 19 and Aug 26. Due to construction the Unadilla Valley School-Based Health Center will be closed. Students from Unadilla Valley may be seen at any other School-Based Health Center.



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## Annual Notice—DASA

The Dignity for All Students Act prohibits harassment and/or discrimination of students by employees or other students on school property or at school functions based upon a student's actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender or sex.

Effective 7/1/2013, DASA also prohibits cyberbullying (harassment or bullying by any form of electronic communication), including incidents that occur off-campus that may create a disruption in the school environment.

1. All matters of harassment will be taken very seriously.
2. Reports of harassment will be dealt with in a timely manner.
3. Students will be provided with character education and instruction in the safe and responsible use of the internet and electronic devices.
4. Interventions will be available for students who are bullied or harassed, as well as those who engage in these acts.

For additional information or to report incidences of harassment, which includes bullying, complete the bullying reporting form online at <https://www.secsd.org/Bullying.aspx> and contact one of our building-level DASA coordinators.

**Elementary School:** William Mullin or Kristie Ingerto (607-674-7336), or Chelsea Calhoun or Elizabeth Madugno (607-674-7336)

**Middle School:** Jennifer Ford, Stacey Snogles, or Kelly Hunter (607-674-7382)

**High School:** Laura Morris or Amanda Burns (607-674-7315)

**District:** Lacey Eaves (607-674-7367)

For more information, visit <https://www.p12.nysed.gov/dignityact/> online.

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## Annual Notice—Use of Student Images

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District features photographs, videos and/or the work of our students in district and community publications on a regular basis. Names sometimes accompany these images, especially for those students who earn special recognition (awards, certificates, honors, etc.) from the district and/or outside entities.

These images may appear in printed SECSO publications (such as brochures, calendars, newsletters, pamphlets, yearbooks, etc.); on the SECSO website (<https://www.secsd.org/>); on the SECSO social media pages (Facebook and Twitter/X); etc.

If you object to your child's image, name or work appearing in these formats, you must submit that objection in writing to the District Superintendent.

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## Annual Notice—Website Accessibility Statement

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is committed to ensuring the accessibility of our digital content to people with disabilities. We are actively taking steps to ensure our online content conforms to ADA Compliance standards.

This policy applies to all new, updated and existing digital content that appears on our website at <https://www.secsd.org/> and related social-media pages (Facebook and Twitter). Links may be provided to outside resources that are not ADA compliant. We cannot control the accessibility of the content within these outside links.

Concerns/complaints should be submitted in writing and mailed to Sherburne-Earlville Central School District, 15 School Street, Sherburne, NY 13460. Please include the following information:

- Date of Concern/Complaint
- Your Name
- Your Address
- Your Email Address
- Your Phone Number
- Internet Address/Location of Accessibility Problem
- Description of Problem Encountered
- Solution Desired
- Your Signature

Accessibility issues also may be reported to the Superintendent via email at [bersonr@seonline.org](mailto:bersonr@seonline.org).

We may contact you for further information. The investigation process is typically completed within 15 working days from the date the concern/complaint is received.



## Annual Notice – FERPA

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) (20 U.S.C. § 1232g; 34 CFR Part 99) is a Federal law that protects the privacy of student education records. The law applies to all schools that receive funds under an applicable program of the U.S. Department of Education.

FERPA gives parents/guardians certain rights with respect to their children's education records. These rights transfer to the student when they reach the age of 18 or attend a school beyond the high school level. Students to whom the rights have transferred are "eligible students."

Parents/guardians or eligible students have the right to inspect and review the student's education records maintained by the school. Schools are not required to provide copies of records unless, for reasons such as great distance, it is impossible for parents/guardians or eligible students to review the records. Schools may charge a fee for copies.

Parents/guardians or eligible students have the right to request that a school correct records they believe to be inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record, the parent/guardian or eligible student then has the right to a formal hearing. After the hearing, if the school still decides not to amend the record, the parent/guardian or eligible student has the right to place a statement with the record setting forth their view about the contested information.

Generally, schools must have written permission from the parent/guardian or eligible student to release any information from a stu-

dent's education record. However, FERPA allows schools to disclose those records, without consent, to the following parties or under the following conditions (34 CFR § 99.31):

- School officials with legitimate educational interest;
- Other schools to which a student is transferring;
- Specified officials for audit or evaluation purposes;
- Appropriate parties in connection with financial aid to a student;
- Organizations conducting certain studies for or on behalf of the school;
- Accrediting organizations;
- To comply with a judicial order or lawfully issued subpoena;
- Appropriate officials in cases of health and safety emergencies; and
- State and local authorities, within a juvenile justice system, pursuant to specific State law.

Schools may disclose, without consent, "directory" information such as a student's name, address, telephone number, date and place of birth, honors and awards, and dates of attendance. However, schools must tell parents/guardians and eligible students about directory information and allow them a reasonable amount of time to request that the school not disclose directory information about them. Schools must notify parents and eligible students annually of their rights under FERPA. The actual means of notification (special letter, inclusion in a PTA bulletin, student handbook, or newspaper article) is left to the discretion of each school.<sup>02</sup>

## FERPA Rights

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents/guardians and students who are 18 years of age or older ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights are:

- The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days after the day the Sherburne-Earlville Central School District receives a request for access. Parents/guardians or eligible students who wish to inspect their child's or their education records should submit to the Superintendent of Schools, School Principal or Guidance Counselor a written request that identifies the records they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent/guardian or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
- The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent/guardian or eligible student believes are inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights under FERPA. Parents/guardians or eligible students who wish to ask SECSO to amend their child's or their education record should write the Superintendent of Schools, School Principal or Guidance Counselor, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it should be changed. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent/guardian or eligible student, the school will notify the parent/guardian or eligible student of the decision and of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent/guardian or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
- The right to provide written consent before the school discloses personally identifiable information (PII) from the student's

education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official typically includes a person employed by the school or school district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel) or a person serving on the school board. A school official also may include a volunteer, contractor, or consultant who, while not employed by the school, performs an institutional service or function for which the school would otherwise use its own employees and who is under the direct control of the school with respect to the use and maintenance of PII from education records, such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist; a parent/guardian or student volunteering to serve on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee; or a parent/guardian, student, or other volunteer assisting another school official in performing their tasks. A school official typically has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record to fulfill their professional responsibility.

- The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by SECSO to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are: Student Privacy Policy Office, U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202.

**Source:** U.S. Department of Education

**More information:**

<https://www2.ed.gov/policy/gen/guid/fpco/ferpa/index.html>



**Sherburne Earlville Central School**  
15 School Street  
Sherburne, New York 13460

The Sherburne-Earlville Central School District is made up of original schools from Lebanon, Poolville, Earlville, Smyrna, North Norwich and Sherburne. Grades UPK-5 are located in the elementary facility adjacent to the Middle School-High School (6-12) in Sherburne.



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#### **District Mission**

Inspire and empower each learner to reach their full potential.

#### **District Vision**

An innovative, high performing rural school district delivering educational excellence.

#### **District Core Beliefs**

- Students are our number one priority.
- Everyone can learn and grow.
- We welcome and respect diversity.
- Everyone is treated with compassion, kindness and dignity.
- An engaging education includes rigorous academics, as well as relevant life skills.
- Creativity and innovation are key in a rapidly changing world.
- We promote integrity, trust, accountability, and hard work.
- Community, collaboration and partnerships are vital to our success.



## **Sherburne-Earlville Central School District**

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