

SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED November 11 (Veterans Day)
& November 25-29 (Thanksgiving Recess)



SCIO CENTRAL SCHOOL

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

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Senior Day at Letchworth State Park . . .

Members of the SCS Class of 2020 are shown at the traditional Senior Day at Letchworth State Park on Friday, September 6.

News from the Superintendent

By Mrs. Jennifer Cappelletti

Rolling Out the Red Carpet

We had a lot of fun kicking off the 2019-2020 school year. At both entrances we rolled out the red carpet to welcome back our honored guests, our Scio Students! At the back entrance we blared some fun music (thank you, Mrs. Berardi), kicked around some beach balls and handed out high fives. Our guests at the front door were greeted by our Scio Tiger (thank you, Melisa Nickerson) and many of them took pictures with our "My 1st Day" sign donated to us by Paint and Hang (thank you, Tiffany Brenna.)



Celebrating Milestones

We are fortunate to have professionals dedicated to serving in our District. Thank you to the following Scio family members on entering milestone years!

- Mrs. Cindy Haas, Physical Education teacher – 35th year
- Mr. Thane Graves, Physical Education teacher – 30th year
- Ms. Sue Preston, Art teacher – 25th year
- Mr. Whittaker, Science teacher – 25th year
- Mrs. Evie Ramsey, teacher assistant – 25th year



Parent-Teacher Conferences

Here are a few things we hope you know.

We care greatly about the well-being of your children.

We are honored that you entrust us daily with your children.

We love getting to know your children more every day but know that you are the experts on your kids.

We want to partner with you in their education for the benefit of your children.

As you receive this newsletter, we are close to finishing up the end of our first quarter and preparing for parent-teacher conferences. I sincerely hope that you come meet with your children's teachers on Monday, November 25th. This will give teachers the opportunity to talk about your child's academic progress but also allows us to learn more about your child. As we listen to you, we can learn more about their interests, passions, attitude toward school and learning, ambitions, concerns and social-emotional needs. The more we know about your children, the better we can build relationships with them and help them to learn and grow.

In partnering with parents, our entire school community is a better place.

#ScioPride

We are proud of our school and our students! We request permission to use your child(ren)'s photograph in publications, on the school website, and/or on social media for the purpose of acknowledging your child(ren)'s accomplishments or promoting Scio Central School. Please notify the office in writing if you do not want your child(ren)'s image used.



Veteran's Appreciation Dinner 2019

Scio Central School's History Club is once again hosting our annual Veteran's Appreciation Dinner here in Scio. The dinner is scheduled to take place on November 7th, 2019 this year. Registration will be held inside the school's front doors beginning at 5:45 p.m. until 6:15 p.m., with dinner to follow at 6:30 p.m. We will be entertained with music from some of our students to start things off right.

The dinner is FREE for any of our guests who served in the military (past or present). We ask for a small donation of \$8 for anyone who accompany the veterans to help us defray the cost of the meal.

Every year we hold this dinner, we like to remind everyone of a couple of important things.

First and foremost, this dinner is for ALL who served in the military or are currently serving, not just those who served during conflict or war. We greatly appreciate everyone who has served his or her country and this dinner is put on every year to show that heartfelt appreciation.

Second, and very importantly, the only way we find out about those who serve and get their contact information (to send them an invitation) is by word of mouth. So if you know of someone who served and you think we may not have their contact information, please contact me (Cathy Farwell) at the school either by email or phone, so we can get an invitation out to them. My contact information is at the bottom of this article. We encourage you to please help us. We want to be able to include everyone who served, and we certainly do not want to miss

anyone, because everyone who served our country is very, very important to us.

Also, if you have received an invitation in the past, but have not received your invitation for the 2019 dinner by the end of October, please contact us as soon as possible. We certainly do not want to miss our return guests.

For more information on the event or to make a reservation, please contact: Ms. Cathy Farwell at (585) 593-5510 (choose the main office option to leave a reservation or message) or email her at cfarwell@sciocsd.org

We look forward to seeing you at this year's dinner.



Meet Our New Grade 1 Teacher

Kathleen Simmons (above) has joined the district as a new first grade teacher. She attended SUNY Cortland, where she earned her undergraduate degree in elementary education. She went on to earn her master's degree in elementary reading from NOVA Southeastern. She has 14 years of teaching experience in grades 2-4.

Kathleen is married and lives with her husband, Derreck, in Wellsville. They have three children: Alton (8), Vella (6), and Callie (3). Kathleen's hobbies include photography, hiking, drawing, painting, and doing arts and crafts with her children.



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Notice on School Taxes 2019-2020

In-person tax collections will now occur on Wednesday evenings from *4-7 p.m. You still have the option of mailing your payment to the address shown on your bill. Please note the last date to pay your bill is October 30.

**The hours changed from last year.*

School Closing Notification

In the event we need to close school, delay opening or dismiss early, the following radio/TV stations will be notified:

*WLSV - 790 AM
WJQZ - 103.5 FM
WZKZ - 101.9 FM
WBEN - 930 AM
WPIG - 95.7 FM
WKPQ - 105.3 FM
WHDL - 1450 AM
WKBW - Channel 7
WIVB - Channel 4
WGRZ - Channel 2*

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Capital Project Update

A number of renovations have taken place through our latest building project.

IN PHOTOS, you can see our new storage building, field lighting, scoreboard/sound system and baseball/softball infields.

We've also made significant renovations to our District Office, rest rooms, shower rooms, technology computer lab, and the high school art room.

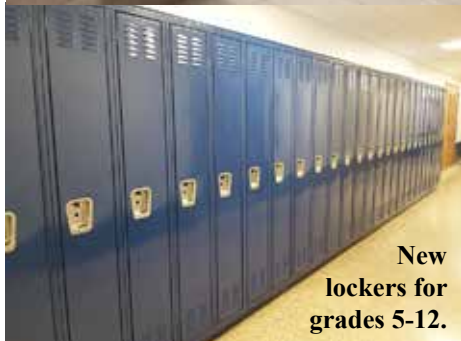
In addition, we've installed a new classroom security door system, fire alarm system, an updated elevator, and new ceilings throughout the building.



New storage building.



Renovations to four new rest rooms.



New lockers for grades 5-12.



New soccer field lighting, scoreboard and sound system.



New softball infield.

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Capital Project -- From Page 4



ABOVE - New gymnasium floor.

AT RIGHT - New boilers and pumps.

BELOW - New music room flooring.



Important Dates From Student Services

November 4 -- A **Jamestown Community College** Admissions Representative will be coming to our campus for **Senior Instant Decision Day**. Seniors will be able to apply to JCC and their application will be reviewed "on the spot," and those gaining admission will also receive their acceptance letter that day. This is a very exciting opportunity for our interested seniors!

November 12 -- An **Alfred State College** Admissions Representative will be coming to SCS for another **Senior Instant Decision Day**. This is another very exciting opportunity for our interested seniors!

November 14 -- Juniors will be taking the **Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)**. While this assessment is traditionally provided for entrance consideration into the military, it is also a great resource to help our students explore their various interests and career opportunities. The ASVAB coordinator will return to campus in January to present the scores to our students and explain how they can use their results to pursue their passions!

December 6 -- Sophomores are invited to attend **JCC's Career Horizons** event. This career exploration day is designed to give students a chance to meet with individuals from various occupations, ask questions, and gain insights into multiple careers!

Trunk Or Treat

Come join us in the SCS north parking lot for the Third Annual **Trunk or Treat** Event on Thursday, October 31.

Please bring your candy, decorated vehicle and smile to the parking lot from 5:30-7:30 p.m., and enjoy seeing all of the trick or treaters. It is a safe and fun activity for all! There is also a contest for the three best-decorated vehicles.


This event is sponsored by the Scio Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America Club.



November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Superintendent's Day No School	2 All-State Concert, 2pm - Hornell HS SAT
3 Weight Room opens to the Public, Mon & Wed, 5-7pm	4	5	6	7 Veteran's Appreciation Dinner, 6:30pm	8 End of 1st Marking Period	9
10 	11 Veterans Day No School	12 Winter Sports Season begins	13 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30pm	14	15	16 All-State Concert, 2pm - Corning HS Lego League at Houghton College
17 	18 Book Fair (tentative)	19 Book Fair (tentative)	20 Book Fair (tentative) Toys for Tots Donation Kick-off	21 Book Fair with evening hours (tentative) Science Fair 6-7:30pm	22 Book Fair (tentative)	23
24 	25 No School Parent/Teacher Conferences 12-7pm	26 No School	27 No School	28 No School Happy Thanksgiving	29 No School	30

December 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <p>1 Basketball Season begins</p>	2	3	4 Winter Sports Pictures	5 PK-4 Winter Concert 6:30pm	6	7 SAT
 <p>8</p>	9	10	11 Board of Education Meeting, 6:30pm	12 Girls Christmas Basketball Tournament	13 End of 15 Week Marking Period	14 Girls Christmas Basketball Tournament ACT
 <p>15</p>	16	17 Senior Citizens Dessert Concert, 1pm	18 5-12 Winter Concert 6:30pm	19 Senior Choir singing at Nursing Home Toys for Tots Delivery	20 Christmas lunch with Santa	21
 <p>22</p>	23 No School	24 No School	25 No School	26 No School	27 No School Dr. Louis T. DiGirolamo Memorial Basketball Tournament	28 Dr. Louis T. DiGirolamo Memorial Basketball Tournament
 <p>29</p>	30 No School	31 No School				



Art Room News

By Ms. Preston, Art Teacher

We have been busy creating works of art. Grades K-6 have been working very hard on their self-portraits (selfies). They've been practicing facial proportions and continuing their skills with a variety of mediums such as oil pastels, crayons, tempera paint and colored pencils.

The art room welcomes your donations. Most supplies listed **BELOW** are recyclables commonly found around the home, while others are supplies you may purchase.

- Decorative cultural items (cloths, sculptures, prints, etc.)
- Empty toilet paper/paper towel rolls
- Styrofoam & paper plates/trays
- Clean nylon stockings (any color for wire sculptures)
- Wallpaper books
- Plastic containers/tubs with lids (dairy products, etc.)
- Coffee cans with lids
- Pringles, Lays Stax, peanut containers with lids
- Black Sharpies (any size tip)
- Pipe cleaners/chenille stems/crayons
- Ziploc storage bags (any size)
- Baby wipes

- Aluminum foil
- Wax paper
- Wood scraps (all sizes), especially interesting shapes
- Beads
- Ribbons
- Old animal books/magazines

Throughout the year, many art projects will be created re-using or re-purposing common everyday objects. We are very creative and can find a use for most things! If you have other unique items (not on the list), but you think they could be used in art, please don't hesitate to contact me. We appreciate any donations throughout the year.

Thank you!



News from the Scio Memorial Library

Winter Hours Started 10/1/19

Sunday & Monday -- Closed

Tuesday & Thursday -- 1-5 p.m.

Wednesday -- 3-7 p.m.

Friday & Saturday -- 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

- Holiday activities open to all ages (visit from Mr. and Mrs. Santa, crafts, games, etc)
- Housing historical materials

Volunteers & Friends Needed

The Scio Memorial Library (SML) is seeking individuals willing to assist with various activities such as crafts, social gatherings, fundraising, organizing etc. Everyone has a special talent. Won't you share yours with us. If interested, please let our Library Director know by stopping in or calling 585-593-4816. We also welcome student volunteers. Your time may be used toward your community service graduation requirement.

Services Offered at SML

- Borrowing books, periodicals and information;
- Movies, books on tape, printing, copying and faxing, computer usage, ear-buds (\$1);
- Tuesday Friends & Neighbors (community conversation, crafts, games, etc);
- Summer months Mid-Week Music (MWM) programs;
- Year-round youth activities (summer reading, book club, crafts, games, Wed. night [for ages 10 and up] programs, etc);

Board of Trustees 2019

The SML Board of Trustees are: Carolyn Miller, Carol Bush, Deb Root, Belinda Thompson and Carole Wells.

You are encourage to: attend our monthly open board meetings; give us input on how we can better serve you; donate your cans or bottles with a deposit return; make donations and memorials, books, game stations, games, puzzles .

Thank you to our taxpayers, community members, volunteers and Scio Lions Club for you time, efforts and donations in the past. Without all of you, we would not be able to serve our area.

What We Have Been Working On -- applying for various grant funding; completing the Library walkway to the benches and gazebo; policy review; budget; children's programs; reviewing building needs and repairs to the inside/outside of the building. Come read a book, have a picnic, play outside games (croquet) or watch the traffic passing by. Relax and enjoy the scenery. There is a second phase to landscape the park area. This past year, we procured a new sound system for the Memorial Day Parade event and the MWM (Mid-Week Music) outdoor programs just to mention a couple -- using a large donation from community donors.





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I need to stay home from school if...

I have a fever	I am vomiting	I have diarrhea	I have a rash	I have an eye infection	I have been to the Doctor/hospital	I have the flu
Temp of 100.0 or higher.	Within past 24 hours.	Within past 24 hours.	Body rash with itching and or fever.	Redness, itching, and/or puss draining from the eye.	Hospital stay, emergency room visit.	Achy body, pain, tiredness, headache, cough, sore throat, runny nose (may have fever, diarrhea, and vomiting).

I am ready to go back to school when I am...

Fever free for 24 hours, without assistance from Motrin or Tylenol.	Free from vomiting for 24 hours and can eat 2 solid meals.	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours.	Free from itching or fever. I have been evaluated by my doctor if needed.	Evaluated by my doctor and have a note to return to school.	Released by Doctor to return to school with return to school/gym note.	Fever free for 24 hours, (without assistance from Motrin and Tylenol) and symptom free.
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- If your child has strep throat or another bacterial infection (pink eye, skin infection, etc.), he/ she should stay home until the antibiotic has been given for at least 24 hours and your health care provider has given your child permission to return to school. We encourage you seek medical attention when your child is sick and to follow your health care provider's recommendations about returning to school and other activities.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the school health office at (585) 593-0886. We want to keep a safe and healthy environment for all of our students. Please keep your kids home if they have any of the problems above. Thank you.

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Scan here to learn more, register your and select our school!

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Reminder

As always, we would like to remind everyone that we understand emergencies arise, but if you forget to send a bus note with your child, please call 585-593-5510 NO LATER than 1:30 p.m.



2019 Scio Chapter of Future Business Leaders of America FBLA Club

Spirit of Christmas Toys for Tots Program

We need help so that each child in the Scio-Allentown area has a brighter Christmas. The Spirit of Christmas has always been that of giving to others.

Now is the time for parents to sign up. Children must reside in the Scio Central School District and be ages 1 to 18. **We need the children(s) name, gender, age, sizes and a wish list. We also need the parent(s), address and current cell phone number. Drop this information off at the Main Office or mail it to the school, attn. Scio FBLA.**

Feeling moved by the Christmas Spirit to help? If you wish to donate, **send a check** made out to **Scio FBLA** to 3968 Washington St., Scio, NY 14880 and you will receive a thank you card and a tax-deductible receipt from an FBLA member. We will use your donation to buy a toy (or toys) for a child on our list. ***You can also donate by dropping toys off at the drop boxes located by the school's Main Office, The Store, the Town N Country Market, the Dollar General, the Allentown Methodist Church and the Scio Methodist Church.*** You can also **adopt a "family"** by contacting Mr. Childs by email at dchilds@sciocsd.org or by phone 585-593-5510 ext. 2160.

FBLA members organize the collection and package the bags of gifts for each child. Veteran FBLA members dress as elves, swear an oath of confidentiality and then deliver toys with help from the Scio Central School Transportation Department. Delivery is set for Thursday, December 19, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until roughly noon.

All donations stay in the Scio and Allentown Area. **Let's help every child smile Christmas morning** and have something to talk about when school returns. We appreciate your help — as always.

Merry Christmas,

Scio FBLA and Advisor Childs



School will be CLOSED December 23 - January 5 for Christmas Recess.



Athletic News

Scio Named Scholar-Athlete School of Distinction

For the second year in a row, Scio has been awarded the Scholar-Athlete School of Distinction from the NYSPHSAA (see photo AT RIGHT). To be awarded this honor, all Varsity sports were Scholar-Athlete teams, meaning these athletes averaged a 90 or above in academics during their sports season. Congratulations to all of our Scholar-Athletes who earned this award.

Walking and Fitness Room Program

The school will be open for walkers and those who wish to use the Fitness Room starting Monday, November 4. The building will be open for these activities on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5-7 p.m. We ask that you enter the building at the concession stand door. Please carry in your workout shoes and change into them once you enter the building.



Tab Collection

The Yearbook Club will continue to collect "pop" tabs for the 2019-2020 school year. Proceeds will once again be donated to the Ronald McDonald House in Rochester.



SCHOOL/SPORTS PHYSICALS with Dr. Kassas for the 2019-2020 school year are as follows:
10/30/19 -- 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
4/29/20 -- 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.



Scholar-Athlete School of Distinction

SCS SCHOLAR-ATHLETES Alex Field (left) and Ashlynn Scotchmer (right) are shown with the NYSPHSAA Scholar-Athlete School of Distinction Award.

Sports Schedules

All sports schedules can be viewed at the following web site: www.sectionvny.org. Click on Scio on the right and you will be able to view our schedules. Log in to set up an account to get reminders of games and any game changes.



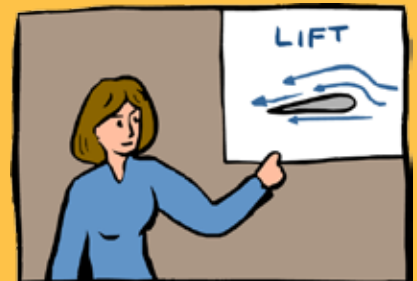
The students and staff of SCS would like to thank Scio Genesis Bible Church for their generous donations of school supplies and backpacks. These donations will continue to help our students throughout the school year and their continued support is truly appreciated by all of us here at SCS.

Are You Interested in Being a Substitute?

SUBSTITUTES are needed in all areas:

- Substitute Teachers (Certified and Non-Certified)
- Substitute Nurses
- Substitute Clerical Workers
- Substitute Food Service Helpers
- Substitute Cleaners/Custodians
- Substitute Bus Drivers/Attendants

Applications are available in the Main Office and on our website, www.scio.wnyric.org



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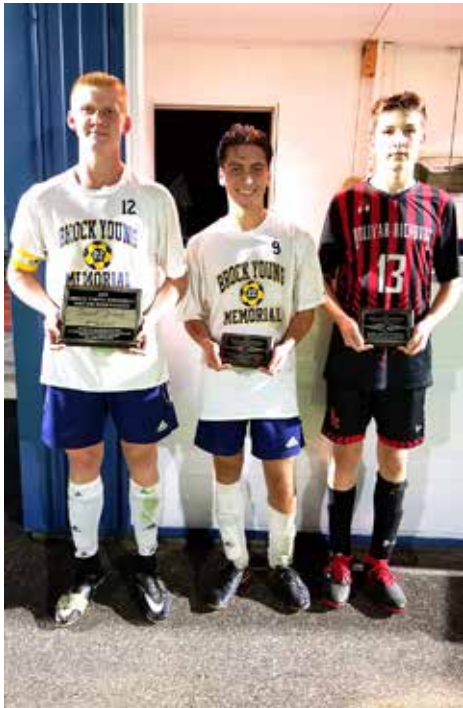
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Brock Young Memorial Soccer Tournament

Congratulations to the Boys Varsity Soccer team for winning this year's Brock Young Memorial Soccer Tournament. The team defeated Friendship in the first round 7-1 to advance to the championship game. Elia Travaini scored late in the championship game to give the Tigers a 1-0 win. Award winners for the Tournament (**AT RIGHT**) were: (left to right) *Brock Young Award* – Cameron Loucks from Scio, *Offensive Player Award* – Elia Travaini from Scio, and *Defensive Player Award* – Wyatt Karnuth from Bolivar-Richburg.

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Amy MacMichael Memorial Soccer Tournament

The Scio Lady Tigers tied Whitesville in the Consolation game of this year's Amy MacMichael Memorial Soccer Tournament. Tournament Award Winners (**SHOWN AT LEFT**) were: (left to right) *Offensive Player Award* – Victoria Stuck from Bolivar-Richburg Central School; *Amy MacMichael Award* – Renee Schoonover from Scio Central School; *Defensive Player Award* – Sara Cole from Cuba-Rushford Central School.