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	1	2 Reorganizational/ Regular Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	3	<b>4</b> Fourth of July	5	6
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21	22	23 Senior Portraits @ North	24 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Senior Portraits @ North	25 Senior Portraits @ North	26 Senior Portraits @ North	27
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18	19 High School Football Starts Schedules posted to portal 6th grade 9AM Schedules posted to portal 12th grade 9AM 11th grade 3PM	20 Freshman Academy @ East & North 9-12 AM Schedules posted to portal 10th grade 3PM 6th Grade Orientation @ Samoset 10AM	21 Freshman Academy @ East & North 9-12 AM Schedules posted to portal 9th Grade 3PM	22 Freshman Orientation @ North 9AM Freshman Preview (A-L) @ East 9AM 6th Grade Orientation @ Sagamore 10AM	23	24
25	26 6th Grade Orientation @ Sagamore 7PM All High School Sports Start	27 6th Grade Orientation @ Seneca 8-11:30 AM Schedules posted to portal MS grades 7-8 9AM 6th Grade Orientation @ Samoset 10AM	28 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Freshman Orient Make-up @ North 9AM or 6PM Freshman Preview (M-Z) @ East 9AM 6th Grade Orient Make-up @ Seneca 9AM Elem Teacher Assignments post ed to portal K-2 9AM, 3-5 3PM	-	30	31

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1	2 Labor Day	3 First Day for Teachers	4 First Day for Students HS Late Buses Start	5 MS Late Buses Start School Pictures @ North & East Middle School Fall Sports Start	6 School Pictures @ North & East	7
8	9 Night School Registration	10 Night School Registration	11 Night School Registration	12 6th Grade Open School Night 7PM	13	14
15 Marching Band Competition @ Brentwood	16 AP Exam Registration Begins	17	<ul><li>18 Board of Ed</li><li>Meeting Samoset MS</li><li>7:30 PM</li></ul>	19 7th & 8th Grade Open School Night 7PM	20 Pep Rally Homecoming Dance @ North	21 North Carnival @ 11 AM and Homecoming @ 1PM
		Spirit Wee	k at North HS 9/16-9/20			
22 Marching Band Competition @ Copiague	23 School Picture Make-ups @ North SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	24 Elementary Open Sch	25 Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM ool Nights 9/23-9/26	26 Senior Class Kick-off @ East College Information Night for Parents of All Seniors @ North 7 PM	27	28 Marching Band Competition @ Malverne
29	30 Schools Closed – Rosh Hashanah		AP Exam Registration is 9/16-10/16			

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AP Exam Registration is 9/16-10/16		1 Schools Closed – Rosh Hashanah	2 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	3 Open School Night @ North & East 7PM	4 15 Minute Early Emergency Drill	5 SAT TEST
6 Marching Band Competition @ Huntington	7 Senior Picture Make-ups @ East	8 Senior Picture Make-ups @ East	9 Schools Closed – Yom Kippur	10	11 Secondary Progress Reports posted to portal 3PM	12 Marching Band Competition @ Sachem
13 Marching Band Home Show	14 Schools Closed – Columbus Day	15 Financial Aid Night @ North 7 PM School Picture Make-ups @ East	16 PSAT/NMSQT Sachem Showdown @ East Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM AP Exam Registration Ends	17	18 MS Student Gov't. Activity 7PM	19 East Carnival @ 12 PM and Homecoming @ 2PM Marching Band Competition @ Mineola
20	Spirit Week @ 21 SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	<ul> <li>East 10/15-18</li> <li>22</li> <li>Senior Banquet Sign-ups @ East</li> <li>Sophomore Ring Sale @ East</li> </ul>	23 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Sophomore Ring Sale @ East	24 Sophomore Ring Sale @ North	25 Sophomore Ring Sale @ North	26 ACT Test
27 Marching Band Competition @ Carrier Dome	28 Food Drive Kick-Off @ North	29 MS Safe Halloween Sophomore Ring Sale @ East	30	31 Blood Drive @ North & East		

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Thanksgiving Food Drive @ East 11/1-11/26					1 SCMEA Day of Tuba	2 SAT TEST
3	4 Senior Banquet @ East Middle School Early Winter Sports Start	5 Election Day Superintendent's Conference Day – Staff Only	6 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM NYSCAME Rehearsal #1 3- 7PM	7 East Drama 7PM NAf	8 East Drama 7PM Secondary End of First Marking Period ME Conference 11/7-11/	9 East Drama 2PM 10
10 NAfME Conference 11/7-11/10	11 Veterans Day	12 High School Winter Sports Start	13 Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM	14 Athletic Recruitment Night @ East 7-9 PM NYSCAME Rehearsal #2 3- 9PM	15 NYSCAME Rehearsal #3 9- 1PM NYSCAME Concert 7:30 Secondary Report Cards posted to portal	16
17	18 SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	19 Senior Trip Kick Off @ North	20 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Club Photo Day @ East	21 National Junior Honor Society Induction at MS 7 PM North Drama @ 7 PM	22 North Drama @ 7 PM	23 North Drama @ 2 PM
24	25	26 Food Drive Assembly @ North	27 Elementary First Trimester Ends	28 Thanksgiv	<sup>29</sup> ving Recess	30

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1	2 SEPTA Winter Wonderland @ BoE Annex 6:30 PM	3 8th Grade Concert 7PM	4 HS Concert #1 7PM	5	6 Pancakes for Parkinson's @ East	7 SAT TEST Festival of Trees & Lights 11 AM–6 PM @ North
				NYSS	MA All-State Conference 12/5-2	12/8
8 Festival of Trees & Lights 11- 4 @ North NYSSMA All-State Conference	9 Elem Concerts 7PM Hia @ Samoset, Lyn @ East Merrimac @ Seneca	10 HS Concert #2 7PM	11 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	12 7th Grade Concert 7PM	13 Elementary Report Cards posted to portal 3PM	14 ACT TEST Senior Trip Registration Deadline @ North
15	16 Elem Concerts 7PM Cayuga @ North Tamarac @ East Nokomis @ Seneca	17 6th Grade Concert 7PM Elementary Half Day – Parent/Teacher Conferences	18 Elem Concerts 7PM Wenonah @ Samoset Waverly @ East Chippewa @ Sagamore Grundy @ North	19 HS Concert #3 7PM Elementary Half Day – Parent/Teacher Conferences	20 Secondary Progress Reports posted to portal 3PM	21
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2020-21 Transportation Applications for Out-of-District Transportation Service are due on or before April 1, 2020 and may be filled out online at www.sachem.edu. New Residents must register at Central Registration			1 New Years Day Schools Close	2 d – Holiday Recess	3 3 12/23-1/3	4 LISFA Chamber Festival
5	6	7 Club Pictures @ North Curriculum Night @ North 7PM	8 8th Grade North Feeder Music Visit Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM	9 8th Grade East Feeder Music Visit Curriculum Night @ East 7PM	10 LISFA Secondary Rehearsal #1 4-9PM	11 LISFA Secondary Rehearsal #2 9AM-2PM
12 LISFA Secondary Concert	13 SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	14 Junior Banquet Sign-ups @ East	15 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	16 College Information Night for Parents of All Sophomores and Juniors @ East 7 PM	17 Awake-A-Thon @ East SCMEA Day of Horn	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21 Middle School Late Winter Sports Start Hi	22 gh School Regents and M	23 Samoset Student Gov't. Activity 7PM id Terms Exams 1/21-1/	24 Sagamore & Seneca Student Gov't. Activity 7PM LISFA Intermediate Rehearsal #1 5-8PM Secondary End of Second Marking Period 24	25 LISFA Intermediate Rehearsal #2 9AM-1PM
26 LISFA Intermediate Concert	27 Senior Trip Orientation @ East HS Songwriters' Concert 7PM	28	29 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	30 HS Select Ensembles Concert 7PM	31 Secondary Report Cards posted to portal	

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2020-21 Transportation Applications for Out-of-District Transportation Service are due on or before April 1, 2020 and may be filled out online at www.sachem.edu. New Residents must register at Central Registration						1 SCMEA Day of Jazz
2	3 5th Grade Music Visit @ Samoset	4 Mid-Year Grad @ North 11AM Snr Trip Bus & Rm Sign-Up @ North Back Cafe 1:45PM 5th Gr Music Visit @ Seneca Districtwide 5th Gr Spelling Bee @ Grundy	5 5th Grade Music Visit @ Sagamore Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM	6 Mid-Year Graduation @ East 11AM	7 Junior Banquet Sign-ups for North	8 ACT TEST
9	10 SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	11 Blood Drive @ East SCMEA Advanced Jazz Concert 7PM	12 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Winter Dodgeball Fundraiser @ East	13 Elem Music Festival Rehearsal #1 @ East 5-8PM	14 Spelling Bee @ North Sophomore Ring Breakfast @ East	15
16	17 Presidents' Day	18 nools Close	d - Mid V	<sup>20</sup> Vinter Reco	<sup>21</sup> ess	22
23	24	25	26 Elem Music Festival Rehearsal #2 @ East 5-8PM	27 Elem Music Festival Rehearsal Snow Date	28 Blood Drive @ North Secondary Progress Reports posted to portal 3PM	29

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1	<b>2</b> Elem Music Festival Rehearsal #3 @ East 5-8PM	3 Elem Music Festival Concert @ East 7PM	4 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM	5 Elem Music Festival Concert Snow Date Sophomore Ring Breakfast @	6 Elementary Second Trimester Ends	7 SCMEA Division I, II, III Rehearsal #1 Senior Trip Parent
				North		Orientation @ East 11AM
8	9 High School Spring Sports Start Senior Trip Parent Orientation @ East 3PM	10 Math & Science Honor Society Induction @ East 6 PM	11 Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM Sagamore Frost Valley 3/11-13	12 North & East Advanced Ensembles Concert 7PM Senior Trip Parent Orientation @ East 7PM	13 Junior Banquet @ East SCMEA Division I, II, III Rehearsal #2	<ul><li>14 SAT TEST</li><li>SCMEA Division I, II, III</li><li>Rehearsal #3</li><li>Division III Concert @ 7PM</li></ul>
15 SCMEA Division 1 Concert @ 1PM Division II Concert @ 5PM	16 Senior Trip Parent Meeting @ North Auditorium 3PM	17	18 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM 5th G	19 Senior Trip Parent Meeting @ North Auditorium 7PM Frade MS Musical Visits 3/18-3/2	20 Elementary Report Cards posted to portal 3PM 20 MS Music	21 Senior Trip Parent Meeting @ North Auditorium 11AM als 3/20-3/21
22	23 Middle School Spring Sports Start SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	24 Senior Trip Final Payment Due @ North Elementary Half Day – Parent/Teacher Conferences	25 Nys ela	26 HS Musical @ East & North 7 PM Assessment Grades 3-8 3/25-3/2	27 HS Musical @ East & North 7 PM Secondary End of Third Marking Period 27 NYSSMA Jazz Solo Aud	28 HS Musical @ East & North 2 PM ditions 3/27-3/28
29	30 March Madness @ East 3/30-4/3 Spirit Week at North HS 3/30-4				OUT-OF-DISTRICT TRA DUE ON OR BEFORE A FILLED OUT ONLINE NEW RESIDENTS MU	ATION APPLICATIONS FOR INSPORTATION SERVICE ARE APRIL 1, 2020 and may be E AT WWW.SACHEM.EDU. ST REGISTER AT CENTRAL STRATION

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	NYSESLAT Speaking 4/13- 5/15	March Madness @ East 3/30-4/3 Samoset 8th Grade Frost Valley 4/1-3	1 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Last Day for Out-of-District Transportation Applications	2 East & North Business Marketing & Technical Honor Society Induction @ North 7PM	3 March Madness @ North Secondary Report Cards posted to portal	4 ACT TEST
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12	13 NYSS	14 LOTE Math Science History Honor Society In- duction @ North 7PM ESBOCES Administrative Budget Vote and Board Election 8AM MA Piano Festival @ Will	15 Senior Trip Student Orientation @ North Little Theater Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Seneca 8th Grade Frost Valley 04/5 4713-4/16	16 Elem Music Information Night @ North 6-8PM Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM	17	18 SEPTA Fashion Show & Auction @ North
19	20	21 Senior Trip Faculty Orientation @ North Blue Cafeteria MS Select Ensemble Concert 7PM	22	23 NYSSMA Solo/Ensemble Festival @ North	24 NYSSMA Area #5 All St	25 ate Auditions @ Comsewogue
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26	27 SEPTA Meeting @ BoE Annex Rm A 7:00 PM	28 National Honor Society Induction @ North 7PM	29	30 PTA Meet the Candidates @ Samoset 7:30 PM Sr Prom Sign-ups @ East	Out-of-District Tran due on or before Af filled out online /	TION APPLICATIONS FOR SPORTATION SERVICE ARE I'RIL 1, 2020 AND MAY BE I'T WWW.SACHEM.EDU. REGISTER AT CENTRAL
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		NYSESLAT Listening, Reading and Writing 5/4- 5/15	Kindergarten Orientations 5/4-5/8		1 Blood Drive @ North MS Student Gov't. Activity	2 SAT TEST
3 Car Show @ North 9-4	4 Elem Concert 7PM Chippewa @ Sagamore Grundy @ North, Waverly @ East Wenonah @ Samoset	5 HS Concert #1 @ 7PM	6 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM cement Exams May 4	7 Elem Concert 7PM Cayuga @ North Nokomis @ Seneca Tamarac @ East 8 May 11, 14	8	9
10	11 Elem Concert 7PM Hiawatha @ Samoset Lynwood @ East Merrimac @ Seneca	12 8th Grade Concert @ 7PM	13 HS Concert #2 @ 7PM Sachem PTA Council General Meeting @ BoE Annex Room A 7:30 PM	14 7th Grade Concert @ 7PM	15 Secondary Progress Reports posted to portal 3PM	16
17 Car Show Rain Date @ North 9-4	18 Senior Prom Sign Ups @ North HS Concert #3 @ 7PM SEPTA Special Ed Appreciation Dinner @ North 6:30 PM Science P	Advanced Pla 19 National Honor Society Induction @ East 7 PM Budget Vote/Annual District Meeting Samoset MS 9:00 PM erformance Test Grade 4&8 5/18	20 History English Honor Society Induction @ East 7PM Art Honor Society Induction @ East 6PM 6th Grade Concert @ 7PM	-8, May 11-14 21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day	26 HS Select Concert @ 7PM	27 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM Art/Tri-M Honor Society Induction @ North 7PM	28 Junior Banquet @ North Tri-M Music Honor Society Induction @ East 7 PM	29 East & North Broadway Nights	30

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Kindergarten Screening 6/1-6/5	1 Graduation Orientation @ East & North Science Written Test Grade 4&8	2 NYSSMA Majors – North Orchestra, East Band US History and Govt. Regents	3 NYSSMA Majors – North Chorus, East Orchestra	4 NYSSMA Majors – North Band, East Chorus Senior Prom @ North	5 Senior Prom @ East Elementary Third Trimester Ends	6 SAT TEST Hall of Honor Induction @ North
7	8 Songwriters' Concert @ 7PM	9 MS Academic Awards Night 7 PM	10 Senior Awards Night @ North 7PM	11 Senior Awards Night @ East 7PM	12 8th Grade Dinner Dance Last Day for Non Coach Trips	13 ACT TEST
14	15	<ul> <li>Senior Day @ HS</li> <li>Sec. End of 4th Marking Pd</li> <li>Sachem PTA Scholar/Install</li> <li>@ East 7 PM</li> <li>Last Day of Classes for</li> <li>MS &amp; HS</li> </ul>	17 Board of Ed Meeting Samoset MS 7:30 PM June 2020 F	18 Regents Examinations June	19 2 17- June 25	20
21	22 Graduation Rehearsal @ North & East <u>Elem Moving Up</u> Merr 5PM, Chip 7:30PM @ East / Gru 5PM, Hia 7:30PM @ North	23 <u>Elem Moving Up</u> Waverly 5PM @ East Wenonah 5PM @ North Tamarac 7:30 PM @ East June 202	24 Elem Moving Up Cayuga 5PM @ North Nokomis 7:30PM @ North Lyn wood 7:30PM @ East O Regents Examinations	25 Graduation @ North Elementary Half Day – Parent/Teacher Conferences June 17– June 25	26 Graduation @ East Elem Half Day – Parent/ Teacher Conferences Report Cards posted to portal – 1PM Sec, 3PM Elem	27 Graduation Rain Date
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### ACT TESTING INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER	20	Regular Registration deadline for 10/26/19 ACT Test
	September 21-October 4, 2019	Late Registration deadline for 10/26/19 ACT Test
OCTOBER	26	ACT Test for College Bound Seniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
NOVEMBER	8	Regular Registration deadline for 12/14/19 ACT Test
	November 9 - 22, 2019	Late Registration deadline for 12/14/19 ACT Test
DECEMBER	14	ACT Test for College Bound Seniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
JANUARY	10	Regular Registration deadline for 2/8/20 ACT Test
	January 11-17, 2020	Late Registration deadline for 2/8/20 ACT Test
FEBRUARY	8	ACT Test for College Bound Juniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
	28	Regular Registration deadline for 4/4/20 ACT Test
	February 29-March 13, 2020	Late Registration deadline for 4/4/20 ACT Test
APRIL	4	ACT Test for College Bound Juniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
MAY	8	Regular Registration deadline for 6/13/20 ACT Test
	May 9-22, 2020	Late Registration deadline for 6/13/20 ACT Test
JUNE	13	ACT Test for College Bound Juniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM

### SAT TESTING INFORMATION

SEPTEMBER	6	Regular Registration Deadline for 10/5/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	17	Late Registration Mailing/Deadline for 10/5/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	24	Late Registration deadline for SAT/Subject Tests for 10/5/19 for online or phone registration
OCTOBER	3	Regular Registration Deadline for 11/2/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	5	SAT/Subject Tests for College Bound Seniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
	15	Late Registration Mailing Deadline for 11/2/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	22	Late Registration deadline for SAT/Subject Tests for 11/2/19 for online or phone registration
NOVEMBER	8	Regular Registration Deadline for 12/7/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	2	SAT/Subject Tests for College Bound Seniors @ Samoset 7:30 AM
	19	Late Registration Mailing Deadline for 12/7/19 SAT/Subject Tests
	26	Late Registration deadline for SAT/Subject Tests for 12/7/19 for online or phone registration

DECEMBER	7	SAT/Subject tests for College Bound Seniors
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FEBRUARY	14	Regular Registration deadline for 3/14/20 SAT
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	25	Late Registration deadline for 3/14/20 SAT
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MARCH	3	Late Registration deadline for SAT only on
		3/14/20 online or by phone registration
	14	SAT for College Bound Juniors @
		Samoset 7:30 AM
APRIL	3	Regular Registration deadline for 5/2/20
		SAT/Subject Tests
	14	Late Registration deadline for SAT/Subject
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	21	Late Registration for SAT/Subject tests for
		5/2/20 for online or phone registration
MAY	8	Regular Registration deadline for 6/6/20
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	2	SAT/Subject Tests for College Bound Juniors
		@ Samoset 7:30 AM
	19	Late Registration deadline for 6/6/20
		SAT/Subject Tests
	27	Late Registration for SAT/Subject tests for
		6/6/20 for online or phone registration
JUNE	6	SAT/Subject Tests for College Bound Juniors
	-	@ Samoset 7:30 AM

### **DIRECTORY/CALENDAR**

The Sachem Directory is published as a guide for students and residents.

The Board of Education reserves the right to adjust the calendar to compensate for emergency closings and/or requirements with which the district must comply.

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The Sachem Board of Education welcomes the input of residents in the school district and encourages residents to attend Board of Education meetings. Information pertaining to Board meetings may be obtained by contacting the District Clerk, visiting the Sachem web page (www.sachem.edu), or calling (631) 471-1300.

During the school year, The Board of Education meets regularly each month at 7:30 p.m. at Samoset District Office in the Board Room. All meetings are open to the public and accessible to the handicapped. Please check the school calendar for the meeting dates. A period of time is scheduled at each regular meeting to give residents an opportunity to express concerns to the Board. The members of the Board of Education are residents of the district who have been elected by voters and serve without pay. The Board delegates the day-to-day administration of the schools to the Superintendent of Schools who works with building principals and district personnel to carry out the policies and procedures established by the Board of Education

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#### DISTRICT DIRECTORIES

#### SACHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT **Administrative Office 51 School Street** Lake Ronkonkoma, New York 11779

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#### EMERGENCY SCHOOL **CLOSINGS**

The following radio and television stations will broadcast announcements or you may access the internet for school closings, delayed openings, and/or early dismissals.

MAX FM (1	l03.1 FM)
WALK (1	370 AM, 97.5 FM)
WBAB (1	02.3 FM)
WBLI (1	.06.1 FM)
WHLI (1	100 AM)
WKJY (9	98.3 FM)
WWSK (9	94.3 FM)
WSHR (9	91.9 FM)
Channel 1	2 News
FIOS1 New	/S

School closings will also be announced on the District website and via an automated telephone notification system.

As many of you are aware, the decision to keep school open or to close school is a difficult one and must be made based on information from many sources, including Sachem's transportation and maintenance departments, the town highway departments and BOCES.

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### **SCHOOL HOURS**

### **ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS – Grades K-5 – School Hours**

Cayuga	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Chippewa	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Grundy	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Hiawatha	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Lynwood	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Merrimac	8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Nokomis	8:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Tamarac	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Waverly	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.
Wenonah	8:45 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

#### **SECONDARY SCHOOLS – Grades 6-8**

Sagamore Middle School	8:10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Samoset Middle School	8:10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Seneca Middle School	8:10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

#### **SECONDARY SCHOOLS – Grades 9-12**

Sachem High School East	7:20 a.m. to 1:40 p.m.
Sachem High School North	7:20 a.m. to 1:40 p.m.

#### **Student Registration**

Registration will take place on a walk-in basis at the Central Registration Office. Any child residing within the school district boundaries, with his/her parent(s), who becomes five years of age on or before December 1<sup>st</sup>, is eligible to apply for admission to kindergarten for September of the same year. In applying for admission to the Sachem Central School District, a parent or legal guardian must produce an original birth certificate, proof of immunizations, as well as required proof of residency within the Sachem boundaries. Please visit our website, <u>www.sachem.edu</u>, Departments, Central Registration for all pertinent information including registration packets and registration requirements. If this is not possible, please call the office at (631) 471-7861.

If your child is not compliant with State immunization laws, they will not be permitted to attend school.

#### **School Procedures**

All visitors to the school must use the main entrance and sign in with the main office. All side doors are kept locked and should never be used. Children are instructed never to open these doors to anyone. (Loiterers or trespassers are subject to arrest – Sec. 240.35 B. Division 5 N.Y. State Penal Law.)

All children being picked up during school hours must be picked up and signed out in the main office. Sick children may be picked up and signed out at the nurse's office or the main office. Do not enter, exit or park your car in the bus area while buses are picking up or discharging students. Do not park in fire zones. On public roads, as well as in school driveways and parking lots, it is against the law to pass a school bus with its red lights flashing which signals students are being picked up or getting off the bus.

When any group uses the school building for a meeting or event, a member of that group should remain at the entrance to open the door for members and make sure that the door is properly closed. No child should be left at a school for any function until parents are certain that there is an administrator or chaperone present.

#### **Sachem Board of Education Attendance Policy**

The Board of Education recognizes that regular school attendance is a major component of academic success. Through implementation of this policy, the Board expects to reduce the current level of unexcused (illegal) absences, tardiness and early departures (referred to in this policy as unexcused (ATED's); encourage full attendance by all students; maintain an adequate attendance record keeping system; identify patterns of student attendance; and develop effective intervention strategies to improve school attendance.

#### • Excused and Unexcused Absences

Excused ATED's are defined as absences, tardiness and early departures from class or school when they are due to personal illness, death in the family religious observance/obligations, quarantine, required court appearances, medical appointments, approved college visits, approved cooperative work programs, military obligations, family emergencies, or such other reasons as may be approved by the superintendent or his designee.

Absences, tardiness and early dismissals are unexcused (illegal) ATED's when they do not meet the above criteria.

All absences must be accounted for. It is the parents'/guardians' responsibility to notify the appropriate school office on the day of occurrence of the absence and to provide a written excuse upon the student's return to school.

#### • Disciplinary Consequences

Unexcused ATEDs will result in disciplinary action consistent with the district's code of conduct. Those penalties may include, for example, detention or suspension. Students may also be denied the privilege of participating in or attending extracurricular events.

#### • Attendance/Grade Policy and Denial of Credit

The Board of Education recognizes an important relationship between class attendance and student performance. Students are expected to attend all scheduled classes. Consistent with the importance of classroom participation, unexcused ATEDs may adversely affect a student's class participation grade for the marking period.

For high school-level courses, more than nine (9) absences (five (5) for alternate day courses) in a semester will result in the denial of credit. However, students with properly excused absences may make up the work in a timely manner and those absences will not count toward the minimum attendance standard.

An unexcused tardy to class of 15 minutes or more shall be considered for the purpose of this policy an unexcused absence.

#### **Health Services**

A school nurse is assigned to each building and to AM/PM child care.

#### • Physicals

In addition to the required physical exam necessary for Pre K, kindergarten children and new entrants to the district, students in grades 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 are required to have a physical exam done by a private physician or by the school physician. Private exams should be turned in by October 1<sup>st</sup> of the school year. If we do not receive a physical by your private physician, one will be completed by the school physician.

Physicals must be completed by a NYS licensed physician. An examination may be accepted if it is dated not more than twelve months prior to the commencement of the school year in which the examination is required. As an example, if your school year began on September 1, 2019, then any physical conducted on September 1, 2019 or later is valid for the entire 2019-2020 school year.

Participation in the districts interscholastic sports program required completion of an annual sport physical. Physical forms are available on the Sachem website under Health Services.

#### • Screenings

Sachem School District children will be screened for the items on the next page.

If follow-up screening is deemed necessary, parents will be notified so that the proper arrangements can be made with a primary care physician or other appropriate specialists for diagnosis and possible treatment.

#### • Immunizations

All students must be immunized by NYS regulations. Incomplete immunizations will result in your child's exclusion from school.

For information on immunization requirements, please see: <a href="http://www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf">http://www.health.ny.gov/publications/2370.pdf</a>

For information on physician ordered exemptions, please see:

#### • BMI

NYS requires the Sachem Central School District to submit BMI (Body Mass Index) scores for all students in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9 and 11 for every other school year. This information will be submitted to the state using **only** numbers. No names will be submitted. Parents have the option of opting their child's scores out of this report to the state by contacting their school nurse.

#### Medical Problems and Medication Administration

The school nurse should be kept informed of any health problems or concerns regarding a child's health. This should include vision and hearing difficulties. Any child who required medication during the school day must have a physician's written approval and parental consent on file in the nurse's office. Children may not carry prescription or non-prescription without a doctor's order.

Forms may be found on the Sachem Website under Health Services.

#### • Emergency Notification

Parents and guardians must keep the school office advised of any change of home and business emergency telephone numbers, including unlisted numbers, so that they may be contacted in the event a student is injured or becomes ill in school. Parents must make contingency arrangements with a neighbor in order to provide a place where the child may go in the event of an early dismissal or emergency.

#### • AIDS/Health Curriculum

As mandated by the state, Sachem has a K-12 AIDS curriculum. A family living component is also included as part of the middle school and high school health curriculum. Parents may exercise the option of having their child excused from the AIDS prevention lessons within the curriculum (which occur in grades 5, 6 and 7, and in the senior high health course)

Any child excused from the prevention lessons will be excused from the health curriculum family living component as well. Parents wishing to exercise this option must make a written request annually to the Office of the Superintendent, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. The letter must request permission for the child to be excused from the AIDS prevention lessons and should include a statement that instruction on AIDS prevention will be given at home.

A copy of the curriculum is available at each school building in the district as well as at the Administrative Offices. Please call to schedule an appointment if you wish to review the curriculum.

#### **Breakfast/Lunch Program**

All district schools have student cafeterias. Breakfast and lunch are provided for all students at a nominal cost. Milk, other beverages and assorted snacks are available for students who bring lunches prepared at home. The Food Service Director is responsible for the planning and preparation of the district's breakfast/lunch program.

Sachem participates in the National School Breakfast and Lunch Program which includes provisions for free or reduced-price meals for eligible students. An approved application form for the current year must be on file at your child's school for this purpose. Forms and eligibility information for the program are available in each school and at

the Food Service Office (631) 471-1353 after August 1<sup>st</sup> and throughout the school year. Forms are also available on the Sachem Food Service website to be printed.

Prior to the start of each new month, the district issues the school lunch menu, detailing each day's breakfast and lunch meal offerings in the school cafeterias. The menu can be accessed at <u>www.sachem.edu</u> and then going to the Food Service tab under Departments. All students utilize an account for purchases. Prepayment to your child's account is accepted in all schools and available through PaySchoolsCentral. PaySchoolsCentral is available through the Sachem Website or at www.payscholscentral.com. Information and forms for the school breakfast and lunch program and PaySchoolsCentral is available on the Food Service Department tab from the Sachem.edu website.

#### **Bus Safety Rules for Students**

#### (Please review these with your children)

- Be careful when you walk to and from the bus stop. Look both ways for cars before crossing the street,
- Be at your bus stop on time. Stay away from the road.
- Wait for the bus in an orderly manner.
- Use the handrail when getting on or off the bus. Don't push or shove.
- Take your seat quickly.
- Be a good passenger. Follow the bus driver's instructions.
- Sit quietly. Don't shout or throw things while on the bus.
- Keep the aisle clear of books, lunch boxes, etc.
- When approaching or leaving your bus, if you must cross the street, always cross at least ten feet in front of the bus where the driver can see you and you can see the driver.
- If you drop something getting on or off the bus, tell the driver before you pick it up.

#### **Instructional Program**

All Sachem schools provide a complete program of instruction as mandated and recommended by the New York State Education Department as well as additional programs which originate at the local level. Over 90 percent of Sachem students continue on to higher education at two- and four-year colleges and other vocational institutions. Sachem students receive instruction in reading, writing, spelling, mathematics, English, social studies, science, health, safety, foreign language, home economics, technology, business, art, physical education and music. All schools offer remedial programs in reading and mathematics as well as special opportunities for the gifted student.

Given the variety and number of courses offered in the Sachem comprehensive high school program, the district's guidance office publishes a guidance handbook which provides course and academic information for students and their parents. Any questions about courses, electives, sequences, transfer credit, or graduation requirements should be addressed to Anthony Mauro, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Administration, Sachem Administrative Offices, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779.

#### • Graduation Requirements

To earn a Regents diploma, students must complete 22 units of school credit and pass Regents examinations in the following areas: English, Algebra, Global History, U.S. History and Science. Students who earn a Regents diploma and achieve an average of 90 percent on the required Regents examinations will be eligible for a Regents diploma with honors.

In addition to the five required Regents examinations, students earning a Regents diploma with advanced designation are required to pass Geometry and Algebra II/Trigonometry, an additional science (one Regents must include Living Environment), and a foreign language requirement LOTE checkpoint A & B (assessment). Students acquiring five units of credit in art, music, business, technology or occupational Ed may be exempt from the foreign language exam.

Students who earn a Regents diploma with advanced designation and achieve an average of 90 percent on the designated Regents examinations will be eligible for an advanced Regents diploma with honors.

Students who first entered grade nine in September 2009 or thereafter and who complete all course work and testing requirements for the Regents diploma with Advanced Designation in mathematics and/or science and who pass, with a score of 85 or better, three commencement-level Regents examinations in mathematics and/or three commencement-level Regents examinations in science, will earn a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, with an annotation on the diploma that denotes mastery in mathematics and/or science, as applicable.

The link below will provide you with the most updated information as of June 2016.

http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/gradreq/Documents/CurrentDiplomaRequirements.pdf

#### • Course Weighting and Class Ranking

Course Weighting Policy for Students Graduating:

- Advanced Placement courses are weighted 1.1%
- Honors courses are weighted 1.05%
- College level academic courses are weighted 1.05%
- Regents and general courses are unweighted

The weighted rank constitutes Sachem's official class rank. This weighting appears only in the total weighted average and rank shown on the bottom of the transcript and not in the grades listed for each individual course. The weighted average includes only courses taken in the five academic areas: English, social studies, math, science and Languages Other than English. The unweighted average is derived from all grades listed on the transcript with the exception of pass/fail courses.

#### • Standardized Testing

The New York State Board of Regents has established higher learning standards for all students. Assessments have been developed in four core areas to allow students to demonstrate their level of proficiency on these standards. All students in Grades 3-8 will be assessed in English Language Arts (ELA) and mathematics. Grades 4 and 8 students will also be assessed in science. Additional testing is required for children in grade 3 as a measurement of cognitive ability.

#### **Telephone Notification System**

In a further effort to bridge communication with parents/guardians and ensure the safety of our students when an emergency closing is implemented, the district utilizes a telephone notification system that will automatically dial designated phone numbers and play a recorded message. In order for this system to function properly, it is essential that parents provide daytime phone numbers on their emergency notification cards at the start of the year and notify their child's school immediately should the number change during the school year. The system is only as good as the information that is provided to us. Make sure your emergency numbers are current.

#### **Special Education**

The Sachem Central School District offers a wide continuum of programs and services to meet the varied needs of students with disabilities. Based on the unique needs of a child with a disability, programs and services are available within the district, by contract with neighboring school districts, provided by BOCES or private educational agencies and by State supported schools. Parents of children with special needs or who suspect that their child has a disability

may obtain additional information from the Office of Student Services, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma 11779 (631) 471-1890.

The district is seeking parents/guardians of students with disabilities who wish to be appointed as Parent Members to the Committee on Special Education or the Committee on Preschool Special Education. You can be considered even if your child has been declassified or graduated within a period not to exceed five years. Any interested parent/guardian will be trained and appointed by the Board of Education. For further information, please call (631) 471-1890.

#### **Transportation Requests**

District parents of children who will be attending private and/or parochial schools in the 2020/2021 school year are reminded that they should make a written request for transportation by completing a transportation/request form no later than April 1, 2021. First time attending must apply at Central Registration Office, Sachem Central School District, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 (631) 471-7861 or email serdman@sachem.edu.

#### **Substance Abuse**

In accordance with the Board of Education Substance Abuse policy, students enrolled in the Sachem School District who possess, are under the influence, use, dispense or sell drugs or alcohol on school district property or while otherwise under the jurisdiction of the school district will, upon satisfactory evidence, be subject to suspension as a result of a principal/parent conference. Students will also be referred to district office and may be subject to a Superintendent's Hearing as well to determine if additional suspension will be imposed. All matters related to student possession or sale of illegal drugs will be reported to the police.

#### Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

Please refer to the link accessible from the Sachem Home Page under "Notices".

#### • Privacy Rights of Parents and Students Directory Information

Unless objections to any specific items listed below are submitted in writing by parents or legal guardians, or by those students themselves who are over the age of 18 years, the school district herewith gives notice of intention to provide, release, or publish in school or student newspapers, magazines, yearbooks or other publications, daily or weekly newspapers, athletic programs, musical or theatrical programs, and news releases any or all of the following information pertaining to students as may be appropriate under the circumstances: name of students, participation in recognized school activities, extracurricular activities and sports programs, academic honors, achievements, awards, scholarships, photographs and similar information.

Due to the worldwide accessibility of the Sachem website, we require specific authorization by a parent/guardian prior to the posting of any photographs on the Sachem web page. At the beginning of each school year, a copy of the computer network Acceptable Use Policy and Web Page Picture Authorization will be posted online and may be sent home at the parents' request. This must be returned to the student's teacher indicating whether the student's parent/guardian has granted permission for the district to post the student's photograph on the Sachem website.

Under 20USC Section 1232g, Family Education Rights and Privacy Act, parents who do not desire release of any of the above information must make a specific request in writing to the Superintendent of Schools by the end of September. Failure to make such a request shall be deemed consent to release, provide or publish the directory information during the 2017-2018 school year.

#### • Complaint Procedure Section 504/Americans with Disabilities Act

The Sachem Central School District does not discriminate on the basis of disability with regard to admission, access to services, treatment, or employment in its programs or other activities. If any person believes that the Sachem Central School District or any of the district's staff has violated the principles and/or regulations of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, which includes alleged discrimination by district staff based on the conduct of students or other third parties, he/she may bring forward a complaint in accordance with the following procedure. This procedure does not preclude informal solutions or restrict the right of the complainant to file formal complaints with state and federal agencies or seek private counsel for complaints alleging discrimination at any time.

If discrimination is determined to have occurred, the district will take prompt steps to correct any effects of the discrimination and prevent further occurrence.

#### • Complaint Procedure

#### Step 1

The complaint must be filed in writing by the complainant. A form to assist with this process will be provided by the school district on request. To be considered, the written complaint must fully set out the circumstances giving rise to the alleged complaint and must be filed with the District 504 Coordinator.

#### Step 2

The District 504 Coordinator will conduct an investigation of the allegation(s). The parent, student, employee or third party will be given full and fair opportunity to present evidence, including witnesses, relevant to the issues raised under the complaint. The investigation will be completed and recommendations made to the Superintendent or his/her designee within thirty (30) days of receipt of written complaint. If a District 504 Coordinator is the subject of the written complaint, an impartial investigator shall be appointed to conduct the investigation.

#### Step 3

The Superintendent or his/her designee will review all issues raised and evidence presented and provide the complainant with a written decision within ten (10) working days of receipt of the investigator's recommendation. If the complaint is not satisfactorily resolved following Step 3, further appeal may be made to the U.S. Dept. of Education, Office for Civil Rights, 32 Old Slip, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, New York 10005.

District 504/ADA Contact:

Ms. Susan Tuttle and Ms. Beth Caruana Sachem Central School District 51 School Street Lake Ronkonkoma, New York 11779 (631)471-1890

#### Title I: Parents' Right to Know

The Sachem School District receives federal funds under Title I to help support our remedial reading program. All of the remedial reading services at Sachem are provided by fully certified New York State reading specialists; not by paraprofessionals or teachers for whom certification is waived.

Parents of students receiving remedial reading in Title I schools are entitled to request information regarding the baccalaureate degree major of the teacher and any graduate certification or degree held by the teacher and the field of discipline.

Our Title I schools for the 2019-2020 school year are North, Sagamore, Samoset, Seneca, Cayuga, Chippewa, Grundy, Hiawatha, Lynwood, Nokomis, and Waverly. This request for information must be submitted in writing to the building principal.

#### No Child Left Behind Act

Among the statute's provisions is a requirement that secondary schools provide certain student information to military recruiters. Specifically, 9528 of the No Child Left Behind Act, requires that school districts disclose, upon request, the names, addresses and telephone listings of high school students to military recruiters and institutions of higher learning. There is a provision of the law that allows parents and students to request that such information not be released without their prior written consent.

Parents or students wishing to exercise the option to withhold such information without prior written parental consent must sign and return a form which will be distributed by each secondary building.

#### **Sex Offender Email Notification**

In order to provide parents/guardians and residents with information concerning convicted sex offenders who are living or working in the Sachem School District, Parents for Megan's Law, an organization funded by the county, state and federal governments has a Sex Offender Email Alert Program. Subscribers to the e-mail alert are notified of a new registrant's presence and directed to the Parents for Megan's Law website, where they may access a full copy of the notification that is provided by law enforcement agencies in Suffolk and Nassau Counties. To register for this e-mail program you may contact the Parents for Megan's Law helpline at (631)-689-2672 or go to their website: www.parentsformeganslaw.org and click on the "Sex offender Email Alert Program" link.

Residents without internet access may utilize computer facilities at the Sachem Public Library to check for updates. In addition, notices will continue to be available to be picked up in person at neighborhood elementary schools, any of the secondary schools or district office.

#### **Gun-Free Schools/Weapons**

The Board of Education has established a strict weapons policy. Any student who brings a weapon into school or onto school property may be expelled from school for not less than one calendar year.

#### **Non-Discrimination Policy**

The Sachem Central School District hereby advises students, parents, employees, and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities without regard to sex, race, color, national origin, handicap or age. Any complaints or concerns should be brought to the attention of the building principal and/or the District Compliance Officer, Anthony Mauro, Administrative Offices, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 (631) 471-1350.

Please visit the district's Non-Discrimination page for policy and regulation information.

#### **Working Papers**

Children under the age of 18 who seek employment require working papers. Applications and working papers are issued at each school building. The completed application must be signed by a parent or guardian and an applicant must have a physical examination before the papers can be issued.

#### **Facilities Usage**

Extensive use by residents of school facilities is provided through the security department. During non-school hours, the program also facilitates the use of school gyms, meeting rooms, the indoor swimming pool, and playing fields by community service groups which sponsor activities for varied ages and interests. If you have any questions with regard to facilities usage, place call (631) 471-5333.

#### **Child Care Program**

The Child Care Program is available for students in kindergarten through grade 5, both before and after school. For information, please contact your elementary school or the Child Care Office at (631) 471-8942. For registration forms, please visit <u>www.sachem.edu/departments/child care</u>.

#### **Pesticide & Asbestos Notification**

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year. The Sachem Central School District is also required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide application. If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please contact the Facilities Office, 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 or call (631)-471-1370 and have your name added to the list for the school building you wish to be notified about. The Sachem Central School District has an Integrated Pest Management Program to reduce pesticide use while providing long-term solutions for pest management. Any pesticides are applied by a certified pesticide applicator using least hazardous methods.

It is the intention of Sachem 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. Parents, teachers and employees are welcome to review a copy of the asbestos management plan in the school district administrative office or administrative office of the school during regular business hours. All inquiries regarding the asbestos plan and asbestos-related issues should be directed to 631-471-1370.

#### Access to School Records

In compliance with the New York State Freedom of Information Law, official records of the school district may be reviewed by residents of the school district. Requests to review these records should be made to the District Clerk on a form which has been developed for this purpose. Copies of school district records will be made for residents at a cost of 25 cents a page. Exceptions to this policy are matters of a personal nature regarding school district employees and confidential information regarding particular pupils. Furthermore, the school district is not required to develop information in a format which is not generally maintained.

#### **Prohibition Against Hazing**

The definition of hazing includes any intentional act against a student or group of students by one or more other students that endangers the mental or physical health or safety of such student(s) for the purpose of being initiated into a group, affiliating with a group, holding office, or maintaining membership in a group whose members include other students. Hazing also includes any activity that causes a student to feel shame or humiliation, threatens the dignity of a student, causes mental stress, embarrasses a student, or causes a student to leave the organization rather than submit to acts which affect a student's self-esteem. A student who has knowledge of any hazing activity must report such activity to school personnel immediately or they may face disciplinary action for conspiring or engaging in hazing.

Participation in hazing or initiations will result in disciplinary action which may include loss of membership in athletics, extracurricular activities, suspension or expulsion.

#### **Co-curricular Code of Conduct**

Participation on or in any athletic team, music group, club or co-curricular activity is a privilege which should elicit great pride in both the student and his/her family. It is also an acceptance of responsibility which requires an extra commitment from students who represent their school and community. At the beginning of each school year, a copy of the co-curricular code of conduct will be distributed to all students attending grades 6-12. Students and their parents/guardians must review the policy, then sign and return this policy acknowledgement form to the administration office. The entire policy may also be accessed via the district's web site at <u>www.sachem.edu/board/policy/index.html</u>. (Policy #5305)

#### **No Smoking Policy**

In accordance with the "No Smoking" portion of the Substance Abuse Policy, there shall be no smoking nor any use of tobacco products including electronic cigarettes in school buildings or on school grounds. This ban includes the use of tobacco or smoking in any private vehicle on school district property, all buses and school district vehicles, regardless of location, any classroom, auditorium, restroom, or any rooms within a building, loading docks, and field areas under the jurisdiction of the Sachem Central School District.

#### **Voter Registration**

On any school day, district residents may register to vote at the district's schools or at the Administrative Offices located at 51 School Street, Lake Ronkonkoma, New York 11779.

Residents can register up to five business weekdays prior to the vote. Any resident already registered with the Suffolk County Board of Elections or who has been registered for any Sachem School District vote in the past four years is not required to register again. If you have any questions about registration or voter eligibility, call the District Clerk at (631) 471-1331.

#### Absentee Ballots

A Sachem resident who is qualified to vote but unable to participate in any school district vote may wish to utilize an absentee ballot. To arrange for an absentee ballot, an individual should complete the written application form and submit it to the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote.

#### Voting

Sachem residents vote at the elementary school serving their neighborhood. To encourage resident participation in school district votes, Sachem has 10 election districts to correspond with the 10 elementary school attendance areas. If you are unsure of the school at which you are to vote, ask your neighbors where the children in your area attend elementary school or contact the District Clerk at (631) 471-1331. Voting is held from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. on the day of the vote.

#### **Dignity for All Students Act (Dignity Act)**

The intent of the Dignity Act is to provide all public elementary and secondary school students with a safe and supportive environment free from discrimination, harassment, bullying, taunting or intimidation, as well as to foster civility in public schools. The Dignity Act explicitly provides that no student must be subjected to discrimination

and/or harassment by employees and/or students on school property or at a school function based on his or her actual or perceived race, color, weight, national origin, ethnic group, religion, religious practice, disability, sexual orientation, gender (including gender identify), or sex. See Board of Education Policy 0115.

#### **Code of Conduct**

The Board of Education ("Board") is committed to providing a safe and orderly school environment where students may receive and district personnel may deliver quality educational services without disruption or interference. Responsible behavior by student, teachers, other district personnel, parents and other visitors is essential to achieving this goal.

The district has a long standing set of expectations for conduct on school property and at school functions. These expectations are based on the principles of civility, mutual respect, citizenship, character, tolerance, honesty and integrity.

The Board recognizes the need to clearly define these expectations for acceptable conduct on school property, to identify the possible consequences of unacceptable conduct, and to ensure that discipline, when necessary, is administered promptly and fairly. To this end, the board adopts with code of conduct ("code").

#### • Student Rights and Responsibilities

The district is committed to safeguarding the rights given to all students under state and federal law. In addition, to promote a safe, healthy, orderly and civil school environment, ass district students have the right to:

- Take part in all district activities on an equal basis regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, religion, gender or sexual orientation or disability.
- Present their version of the relevant events to school personnel authorized to impose a disciplinary penalty in connection with the imposition of the penalty.
- Access school rules and, when necessary, receive an explanation of those rules from school personnel.

#### • Student Responsibilities

All district students have the responsibility to:

- Contribute to maintaining a safe and orderly school environment that is conducive to learning and to show respect to other persons and to property.
- Be familiar with and abide by all district policies, rules and regulations dealing with student conduct.
- Attend school every day unless they are legally excused and be in class, on time, and prepared to learn.
- Work to the best of their ability in all academic and extracurricular pursuits and strive toward their highest level of achievement possible.
- React to direction given by teachers, administrators and other school personnel in a respectful, positive manner.
- Work to develop strategies to positively express emotion
- Ask questions when they do not understand.
- Seek help in solving problems that might lead to discipline.
- Dress appropriately for school and school functions.
- Accept responsibility for their actions.
- Conduct themselves as representatives of the district when participating in or attending school-sponsored extracurricular events and to hold themselves to the highest standards of conduct, demeanor, and sportsmanship.
- Student Dress Code

All students are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Students and their parents have the primate responsibility for acceptable student dress and appearance. All district personnel shall dress appropriately and help students develop an understanding of appropriate appearance in the school setting.

A student's dress, grooming and appearance shall:

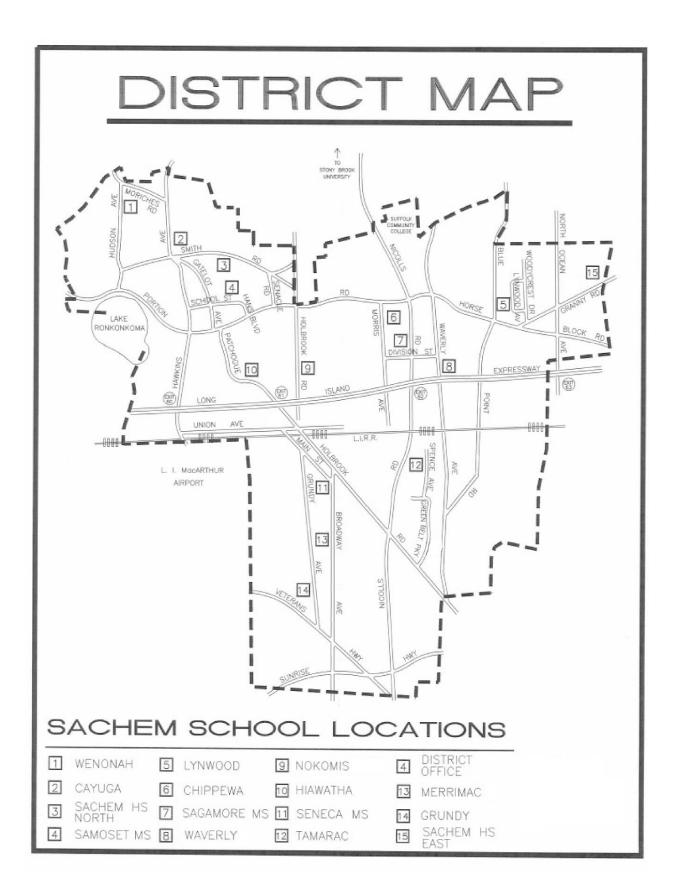
- 1. Be safe, appropriate and not disrupt or interfere with the educational process
- 2. Recognize that extremely brief garments and see-through garments are not appropriate
- 3. Ensure that underwear is completely covered with outer clothing
- 4. Include safe footwear at all times
- 5. Not include the wearing of hats in the classroom except for a medical or religious purpose
- 6. Not include items that are vulgar, obscene, libelous or denigrate others on account of race, color, religion, creed, national origin, gender, sexual orientation or disability
- 7. Not promote and/or endorse the use of alcohol, tobacco or illegal drugs and/or encourage other illegal or violent activities

#### • Prohibited Student Conduct

The Board of Education expects all students to conduct themselves in an appropriate and civil manner, with proper regard for the rights and welfare of other students, district personnel and other members of the school community, and for the care of school facilities and equipment.

Students may be subject to disciplinary action, up to and including suspension from school, when they:

- Engage in conduct that is disorderly
- Engage in conduct that is insubordinate or disruptive
- Engage in conduct that is violent
- Engage in any conduct that endangers the safety, morals, health or welfare of others
- Engage in misconduct while on a school bus
- Engage in any form of academic misconduct
- Engage in bullying/cyber-bullying behavior



### **School Directory**

#### **Cayuga Elementary School (2)**

865 Hawkins Ave., Lake Grove 11755-3217
Principal: Matthew Wells (Grades K-5)
Email: mwells@sachem.edu
Office
Fax467-24

#### Chippewa Elementary School (6)

31 Morris Ave., Holtsville 11742-1434 Principal: Patricia Aubrey (Grades K-5) Email: paubrey@sachem.edu

Office696-86	540	С
Fax696-86	545	F

#### Grundy Avenue Elementary School (14)

950 Grundy Ave., Holbrook 11741-2612 Principal: Laura Amato (Grades K-5) Email: lamato@sachem.edu Office 471-1820

Office	1 1020
Fax46	57-3867

#### Hiawatha Elementary School (10)

97 Patchogue-Holbrook Rd., Lake Ronkonkoma 11779-579	9
Principal: Andy Larson (Grades K-5)	
Email: alarson@sachem.edu	
Office471-1	830
Fax	861

#### Lynwood Elementary School (5)

	50 Lynwood Ave., Farmingville 11738-1977	
	Principal: Danielle DeLorenzo (Grades K-5)	
	Email: ddelorenzo2@sachem.edu	
Office		6

Office	696-8650
Fax	736-9478

#### **Merrimac Elementary School (13)**

	1090 Broadway Ave., Holbrook 11741-5402	
	Principal: Veronica DeCicco (Grades K-5)	
	Email: vdecicco@sachem.edu	
00	Office244-5670	0
86	Fax563-3369	Fa

#### Nokomis Elementary School (9)

151 Holbrook Rd., Holbrook 11741-1342 Principal: Denise Kleinman(Grades K-5) Email: dkleinman@sachem.edu

Отсе	4/1-1840
Fax	467-3894

#### **Tamarac Elementary School (12)**

50 Spence Ave., Holtsville 11742-1999 Principal: Michael Saidens (Grades K-5) Email: msaidens@sachem.edu

Office	.244-5680
Fax	.244-5685

#### Waverly Avenue Elementary School (8)

1111 Waverly Ave., Holtsville 11742-1014 Principal: Kevin Tougher (Grades K-5) Email: ktougher@sachem.edu 

#### Wenonah Elementary School (1)

251 Hudson Ave., Lake Grove 11755-2514 Principal: Tom Desmond (Grades K-5) Email: tdesmond@sachem.edu

#### Sagamore Middle School (7)

57 Division St., Holtsville 11742-1099 Principal: Frank Panasci (Grades 6-8) Email: fpanasci@sachem.edu )ffice......696-8600

Fax	696-8620

#### Samoset Middle School (4)

51 School St., Lake Ronkonkoma 11779-2299 Principal: James Horan (Grades 6-8) Email: jhoran@sachem.edu

471-1840	Office	
467-3894	Fax	471-8997

#### Seneca Middle School (11)

850 Main St., Holbrook 11741-1691 Principal: Gemma Salvia (Grades 6-8) Email: gsalvia@sachem.edu Fax.....471-1849

#### Sachem High School East (15)

177 Granny Rd., Farmingville 11738	
Principal: Louis Antonetti (Grades 9-12)	
Email: lantonetti@sachem.edu	
Office7	16-8200
-ax7	16-8208

#### Sachem High School North (3)

212 Smith Rd, Lake Ronkonkoma 11779-2299 Principal: Patricia Trombetta(Grades 9-12) Email: ptrombetta@sachem.edu