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Participating Districts:

Brighton
Brockport
East Irondequoit
East Rochester
Fairport
Hilton
Penfield
Pittsford
Rochester
Rush-Henrietta
Spencerport
Webster
West Irondequoit
Wheatland-Chili

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Honeoye Falls-Lima Central School District to Join Urban-Suburban Interdistrict Transfer Program

On December 19, 2017, the Honeoye Falls-Lima Board of Education agreed to join the Urban-Suburban Interdistrict Transfer Program provided by Monroe #1 BOCES.

“The Honeoye Falls-Lima School District has always been an inclusive place for students. Our District provides an excellent educational environment driven by a continuous improvement model and with stringent fiscal management,” said Superintendent Gene Mancuso. “The Board of Education recognized that the Urban-Suburban Program would not solve the regional urban problems or the HF-L Diversity issue. It is, however, an incremental step within a larger diversity framework to prepare HF-L students for today’s world. The risk of joining the program and beginning at a measured pace is small.”

The Honeoye Falls-Lima Central School District has complete discretion about which students it takes and how many offers of enrollment it makes. Depending on class size, the District expects to enroll elementary age students in September 2018.

“Thank you to everyone for working through the various facets and details of this program,” said Bruce Capron, Director for Business and Operations for the Honeoye Falls-Lima Central School District. “A key strength of HF-L is the way faculty, staff, students, and community members join together to study and discuss new initiatives and strategies.”



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*Education is the
Foundation for Success.*

Save the Date

Urban-Suburban *Annual Awards Ceremony*

Wednesday, May 30, 2018
6:30pm

Nazareth College Arts Center
Callahan Theater
4245 East Avenue, Rochester, NY



A program of



KICKS for Campers 2018

Kickball Tournament & Scholarship Fundraiser

May 12, 2018 from 5–8:30PM

Mendon HS Stadium Field

Tickets: \$5 Presale –or– \$8 At event

Join us to cheer on over **575 kickball players** in our 2nd annual kickball tournament. Thad Brown of Channel 8 sports will be our celebrity MC, Spikes from the Rochester Red Wings will make an appearance and we will have plenty of pizza, snacks and refreshments for you to enjoy. The Pittsford Interact Club will have carnival games on the sidelines as well.

KICKS 2018 has grown so much that we have partnered with the Town of Pittsford to include their new athletic fields at Thornell Farm Park.

Thanks to the strong partnership that exists between Pittsford Schools, the Urban-Suburban Program and YMCA Camp Cory, KICKS successfully unites students, staff, families and kids from all our communities for a wonderful cause—helping more children enjoy the beauty and benefits of overnight camp at YMCA Camp Cory.

May 7th–11th: Tickets on sale for \$5 at BRMS & CRMS during all lunches

May 10 & 12: Tickets on sale for \$5 at SHS & MHS during all lunches

****If you would like to volunteer as a referee or at our concession stands, please contact Mike Pero,**
Michael_Pero@pittsford.monroe.edu

Members of the Urban-Suburban Science Team, 2018

Department of Energy Western New York Regional in Buffalo, NY



The Brighton Twelve Corners Middle School (TCMS) team competed in a round-robin STEM trivia competition against ten other middle schools from across Western New York. The team went undefeated through all rounds of competition. TCMS eighth grade student, Jacyn Burch, is an Urban-Suburban Interdistrict Transfer Program student and member of the winning team. Team Coach, Kelvin Knight (PMHS '85), is also an Urban-Suburban Program graduate.

This is the third major STEM competition won by Urban-Suburban Science Team STEM students in the last two years. The TCMS team was awarded a trophy, blue ribbons, and an all-expense-paid trip, including flights, lodging, scenic tours, and meals to Washington, D.C.

The team then represented all of Western NY in D.C. at the DOE National Science Bowl on April 26th through April 30th. Co-coach Bakari Smith (IHS '13), also an Urban-Suburban Program graduate, accompanied the winning students to Washington, D.C. along with a member of the TCMS staff. The team had a great time and competed their hardest through six rounds against all the other regional winners, from 131 regions in the US and its territories.

The Urban-Suburban Science Team practices almost every Saturday from 11–3pm on the University of Rochester's River Campus at Rush Rhees Library. The team currently has 12 student members who are city residents, participating district residents, and non-participating districts. The team is also preparing for the last STEM competition, model solar car races, in June. Coach Knight is looking for both high school and middle school students for next year's teams. If your student is interested in participating, contact Coach Knight at kelvin.knight@rocketmail.com

Lastly, a special thanks for dedication, support and STEM advocacy to Brighton Central School District administrators and participating students' parents for making this a year of team growth and success!

To follow the science team, visit STEM team website: <http://www.aesrochester.mysite.com/USAAvideo.html>

Urban-Suburban 4th Annual 3-on-3 Basketball Scholarship Tournament

Congratulations to the Champions of our 4th Annual 3-on-3 Basketball Scholarship Tournament held on Saturday, March 3, 2018 at Mendon Senior High School.

Middle School Champions: “Team EAST”



Jalyn Moorehead (Pittsford Sutherland), Tiana Gunner (East Rochester Jr./Sr. High), and Christian Jones (East Rochester Jr./Sr. High)

High School Champions: “Fairport Red Raiders”



Ms. Felicia Smith with Andre Starks, Ryan Lucey, Drew Johnson and Max Molisani (Fairport High School)

2018 3 Point and Foul Shooting Champion: Jalyn Moorehead



Rochester Razorshark, Traevon Jackson; Jalyn Moorehead; Finley; and Wayne McCullough of the Rochester Razorsharks

Thank you to everyone who contributed!

The Urban-Suburban Program would like to thank everyone who contributed to the scholarship tournament, making it a success. It was truly a collaborative effort amongst all of our partners especially the students, families, participating districts, volunteers, friends and community sponsors. Special thanks to Pittsford Central School District for their in-kind donation of facilities, equipment, and manpower for the fourth consecutive year. Superintendent Michael Pero, Athletic Director Scott Barker, Assistant Director Allan DeCarlo and onsite team of Mike and Manuel, we greatly appreciate your generosity and support.

Alumni Spotlight



Calvin Eaton Brockport High School 2003

Calvin Eaton, also known as the Gluten Free Chef, is an educator, chef, and content creator.

He entered the Urban-Suburban Program in the 6th grade. Upon graduation from Brockport High School, he furthered his studies at the Rochester Institute of Technology and Middle Tennessee State University. He received his bachelor's degree in hospitality and service management (2007) and master's degrees in health systems administration (2009) and early child special education (2012), respectively.

In 2012, after years of living with the effects of fibromyalgia, chronic fatigue and celiac disease, Calvin launched the website the Gluten Free Chef Blog. These conditions are exacerbated by the presence of wheat, gluten, and dairy products in foods. His goal has always been to make gluten free living accessible to everyone. His blog has grown into an online health and wellness community with articles, recipes, and content themed around chronic pain, wellness, and plant-based living. You can visit his blog at www.theglutenfreechefblog.com

In 2016, Mr. Eaton founded 540WMain Learning Academy. He continues to raise awareness for the arts and culture, wellness, and education by leading the work of 540WMain Learning Academy, a grassroots non-profit community school that he founded in 2016. (www.540westmain.org)

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When asked how he felt his Urban-Suburban experience has impacted him/his experiences, Mr. Eaton says:

My parents were really the catalyst for me leaving RCSD and enrolling in the Urban-Suburban Program. When considering how the Urban-Suburban Program has impacted my experiences through today, looking back I can say that receiving an education in a predominately white environment while living in the city allowed me to have a dual narrative and personal experience that has allowed me to feel comfortable interacting with all audiences in my current work. I am comfortable with public speaking and presenting myself in a way that defies American social norms and narratives that historically and systemically see black men portrayed as lesser than.

The Urban-Suburban experience helped me learn personal independence at an early age, gave me the educational foundation needed to complete college with honors, as well as the skills needed to be able to apply to college.

I strongly feel that because of my strong network and parental support I would have been able to thrive in any middle and high school environment; however being able to attend school in Brockport through the Urban-Suburban Program gave me the privilege to be able to attend a high-ranking school district and truly focus on getting a quality education and not be bombarded with the daily challenges that impede the success of students attending the Rochester City School District, which continues to have many systemic challenges.

Student Corner

Tyshawn Roundtree

Tyshawn is in the 10th grade at Eastringe High School in the East Irondequoit Central School District. He was nominated by his chemistry teacher to participate in Project SEED.

Project Seed is a summer research program of the American Chemical Society. The program is geared towards high school students entering their junior or senior year. It provides students with an opportunity to conduct hands-on scientific research under the direction of a mentor.

Tyshawn was selected as a 2018 Project Seed student fellow for the summer of 2018. As a student fellow, Tyshawn will be assigned a mentor to aid in his research, receive professional guidance with his career and personal development, and a \$2,500 stipend.



Congratulations on your accomplishment Tyshawn! Keep up the great work.

District Updates

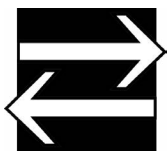
Brighton

Congratulations to Dr. Allison Rioux on her appointment as the Principal at French Road Elementary School!

Dr. Rioux was named the Interim Principal in August of this school year and applied to continue in this role when the full search commenced in January. Candidates were interviewed by a committee of teachers, staff members, administrators, parents, and the Board of Education. Dr. Rioux's outstanding work in her time at French Road Elementary School, her exceptional qualifications, her additional professional experiences, and her very special personal qualities all contributed to her being chosen to continue in this role.



Prior to this position, Dr. Rioux had served as the Assistant Director of Humanities. Following a very successful teaching career in the Rochester City School District, Dr. Rioux joined the Brighton team as a literacy coach at French Road. She has excelled in all aspects of her work both at FRES and last year as a director who provided engaging, practical and meaningful professional development and curricular leadership. Dr. Rioux also serves as an adjunct professor in the graduate education program at St. John Fisher College and is active in a wide variety of professional organizations and activities.



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