



VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

2026-2027 SCHOOL DIRECTORY AND CALENDAR



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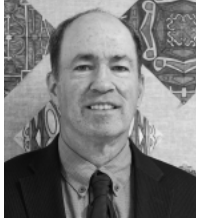
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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING DATES 2026-2027

Board of Education Business Meetings, which will be held in the Memorial Junior High School cafeteria B, unless otherwise noted, include a designated Public Comment period in accordance with Board policy. Meetings customarily start at 8:00 pm. Board of Education Committee Meetings, which will be held in the Board Room at One Kent Road (second floor, rear entrance of Memorial Junior High School), are work sessions of the Board of Education. While these meetings are open to the public, there is no public comment period. Meeting dates are as follows:

Committee Meetings (Work Sessions): October 6, November 3, December 1, February 2, May 4, June 1.

Business Meetings: August 25, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8, January 12, February 9, March 2, April 6, May 11, June 8.

Annual Building Tour & Budget Meeting: Saturday, January 9, 2027.

Reorganization Meeting: July 13, 2027. (Tentative)

BOCES BUDGET VOTE: APRIL 20, 2027
SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE: MAY 18, 2027

2026-2027 SCHOOL CALENDAR AT-A-GLANCE

August 31 & September 1	Supt.'s Conference Days
September 2	First Day of School
September 7	Labor Day
September 21	Yom Kippur
October 12	Columbus Day
November 3	Supt.'s Conference Day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 26-27	Thanksgiving Recess
December 24-January 1	Holiday Recess*
January 18	Martin Luther King Day
February 15-19	Winter Recess**
March 9	Eid al-Fitr
March 26	Spring Recess I***
April 22-30	Spring Recess II****
May 17	Eid al-Adha
May 31	Memorial Day
June 18	Juneteenth (Observed)
June 25	Last Day of School
July 5	Independence Day (Observed)

*Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, New Year
***Good Friday, Easter Sunday

**Presidents' Day, Lunar New Year
****Passover

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KEY:

BOE = Board of Education
DW = Districtwide
MJHS = Memorial Junior High School
CHS = Central High School
NHS = North High School
SHS = South High School
TW = Twilight Alternative School

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DISTRICT SCHOOLS



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Assistant Principals: Robert Milani,
Erik Rengifo & Alejandro Sosa



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(Grades 7-9)
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Valley Stream, NY 11580-3338
(516) 872-7700

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Matthew Pearson & Garrhett Schneider



Lino Bracco

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Dr. Robin Small

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EMERGENCY CLOSING INFORMATION

Should weather or other conditions make it necessary to close the schools or open on a delayed basis, the school website will have an alert posting and the following stations will make early morning announcements:

WALK (1370 AM) • WBAB (102.3 FM) • WCBS (880 AM) • WHLI (1100 AM)
WKJY (98.3 FM) • WINS (1010 AM) • WABC-TV (Channel 7)
WNBC-TV (Channel 4) • WNYW-TV (Channel 5) • Cablevision (News 12)

In the case of a delayed opening, staff members report at 9:30 am, students at 10:00 am.

DISTRICT DATA

The Valley Stream Central High School District is one of only three in New York State that covers grades 7-12 exclusively. The District operates one junior high school, one senior high school, and two combined junior and senior high schools. The four buildings are located on approximately 58 acres of land. Students enter the District's secondary schools after graduating from one of the 10 schools maintained by elementary districts 13, 24, and 30, whose combined outer boundaries are coterminous with the boundary of the high school district. In addition to the major portion of the Village of Valley Stream and most of North Valley Stream, the District includes parts of Elmont, Franklin Square, Lynbrook, and Malverne. Approximately 4,600 students in grades 7-12 are enrolled in the schools and are served by a professional staff of approximately 450 teachers, specialists, administrators, social workers, and registered nurses.

The District is governed by a nine-member Board of Education composed of three appointees from each elementary district board. The board members receive no salary or any other financial compensation, either direct or indirect, for their services. The schedule of monthly Board of Education meetings, all open to the public, may be found on page 2.

VOTING INFORMATION

The budget vote will take place on Tuesday, May 18, 2027, in Districts 13, 24, and 30. The public budget hearings are set for District 24 on May 5 at 7:30 pm, District 13 on May 5 at 8:00 pm, and District 30 on May 10 at 7:30 pm. Anyone is eligible to vote who is a United States citizen, 18 years of age or older, a resident of the school district for at least 30 days, and a registered voter. Registration of voters takes place continuously throughout the school year in the elementary districts up to one week before the budget date.

Budget vote polling places are: District 13 – James A. Dever School, Howell Rd. School, Wheeler Avenue School, Willow Road School; District 24 – Robert W. Carbonaro School, William L. Buck School, Brooklyn Avenue School, Corona Avenue Firehouse; District 30 – Shaw Avenue School, Clear Stream Avenue School, and Forest Road School.

(Por favor visite www.vschs.org para información electoral en español.)

TAX CODES

Residents are reminded to include their correct school district code numbers when filling out New York State income tax returns (Forms IT-200 and IT-201) so that the Valley Stream schools receive their full share of state aid. The codes are: District 13: 655 • District 24: 656 • District 30: 657

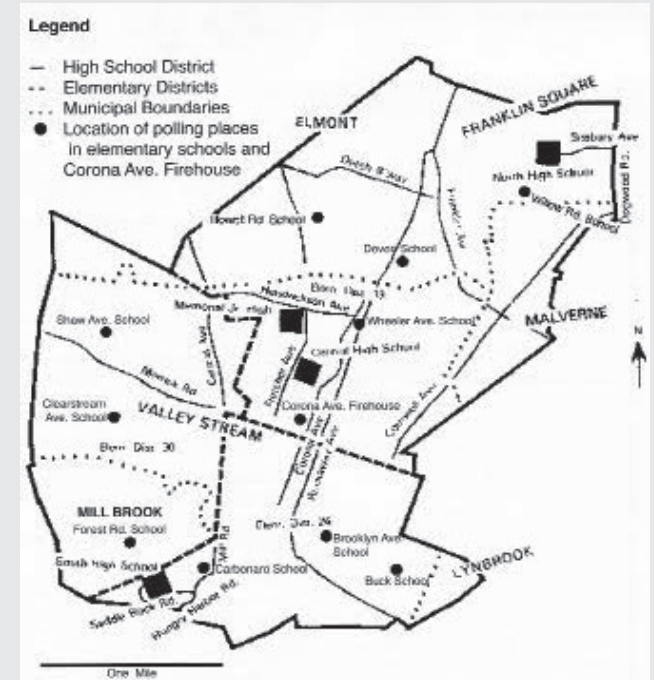
ANNUAL NOTIFICATIONS

Safety Plan Notice: Pursuant to the NYS Education Commissioner's Regulations, the Valley Stream Central High School District's Safety Team has completed its annual review of the Districtwide Comprehensive School Safety Plan, which was first adopted by the Board of Education on June 12, 2001. A copy of the updated plan is available in the District Office Facilities Department.

Asbestos Plan Notice: The Valley Stream Central High School District, in accordance with the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986, states that it maintains a current record of all asbestos-containing materials located within the District's buildings. This information is included in the District's Asbestos Management Plan and is updated in accordance with NYS and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regulations. The building plans are available in each school building and all are available in the Facilities Office.

Pesticide Notification: The Valley Stream Central High School District practices integrated pest management, which uses measures to suppress pests with minimal impact on human health, the environment and non-target organisms. Pesticides will only be used as a last resort and, if needed, the least toxic, pest-specific alternative will be selected. Anyone wishing 48-hour notification of pesticide application should request it with the District's Facilities Office at 516-872-5686.

VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT



RESIDENCY

Only legal residents of the Valley Stream Central High School District are entitled to attend our schools. The school district has a Residency Office which verifies that all individuals requesting school registration establish proof of residency. In addition, all 7th graders are required to register prior to the beginning of the school year. Also, all students entering 10th and 11th grade are required to provide updated residency information.

Any resident who believes that someone attending our schools is not a legal resident is encouraged to call the residency hotline at 516-872-5677 and to communicate such concerns to the Residency Office. Anonymous tips are accepted.

SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Valley Stream Central High School District Community,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you to the 2026-2027 school year in the Valley Stream Central High School District.

I hope that you and your family enjoyed a summer filled with rest, relaxation, and time spent with loved ones. As we begin another school year together, I am excited about the opportunities that lie ahead for our students, staff, and community.

Throughout the summer months, our dedicated faculty, administrators, and support staff worked diligently to prepare for a successful year ahead. Their efforts reflect our continued commitment to providing every student with a safe, engaging, and enriching educational experience.

The 2026-2027 school year promises to be one of growth and innovation. We continue to expand opportunities for students through our robust academic programs, enhanced support services, and growing Career and Technical Education (CTE) offerings. This year, students will have access to exciting hands-on learning experiences in programs such as culinary arts, cosmetology and barbering, construction trades, and our new Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) program. These experiences help prepare our students for both college and career pathways while equipping them with valuable real-world skills.

In addition, we remain committed to meeting the needs of all learners by strengthening academic interventions and support services, expanding opportunities for student engagement, and fostering environments where every student feels valued, connected, and empowered to succeed.

The strength of the Valley Stream Central High School District has always been our people—our students, families, faculty, staff, and community partners. Together, we create an environment where students are challenged to achieve their personal best and inspired to pursue their dreams.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership. I look forward to another outstanding year of learning, growth, and celebration throughout our District.

Warm regards,

Dr. Wayne Loper
Superintendent of Schools

EVERY STUDENT. EVERY PATH.

At the Valley Stream Central High School District, we believe that every student deserves the opportunity to discover their passions, develop their talents, and prepare for a successful future. While every student's journey is unique, our commitment remains the same: to provide the support, opportunities, and experiences that allow each learner to thrive. Whether a student's path leads to college, a skilled trade, military service, the workforce, or another exciting opportunity, we are dedicated to helping them build the knowledge, confidence, and character needed for lifelong success.

Our students have access to an exceptional range of opportunities designed to meet their individual interests and goals. Whether they are earning college credits through our partnership with Nassau Community College, challenging themselves in Advanced Placement courses with the support of dedicated AP Labs, preparing for a career through our Career and Technical Education programs, exploring the skilled trades in our new Construction Trades program, earning EMT certification, expressing themselves through the arts, competing in championship athletic programs, or participating in one of our many clubs and leadership opportunities, every student has the chance to chart a path that reflects their aspirations.

Together with our families, dedicated staff, and community partners, we are proud to foster a learning environment where every student is encouraged to explore new possibilities, embrace challenges, and realize their fullest potential. In the Valley Stream Central High School District, there is no single definition of success—only a commitment to ensuring that every student graduates prepared for whatever future they choose.



SEPTEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Superintendent's Conference Day STAFF ONLY	FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL DW JH Fall Sports Begin		SHS Boys Soccer Night Game 7 pm	
		1	2	3	4	5
	SCHOOL CLOSED Labor Day	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm	SHS Girls Soccer Night Game 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom	SHS Football Night Game 7 pm		Rosh Hashanah
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	NHS Boys Soccer Night Game 7 pm DW Parent Forum via Zoom 7 pm CHS SENIOR PICTURES - LIBRARY 3 PM - 9 PM	CHS Back to School Night 7 pm NHS Back to School Night 7 pm	CHS/MJHS PTSA Mtg @ MJHS 7 pm SHS PTSA/Parent Club 7 pm	NHS Girls Soccer Night Game 7 pm DW Senior College Info. Night @ CHS 7 pm NHS SENIOR PICTURES 8 AM - 2 PM	NHS Football Night Game 7 pm SHS Senior Class Portrait Retakes	NHS PTSA Welcome Back Meeting 10 am
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	SCHOOL CLOSED Yom Kippur	CHS Boys Soccer Night Game 7 pm	MJHS Back to School Night 7 pm SHS 7th Grade Mixer & Parent Orientation 7 pm	CHS Girls Soccer Night Game 7 pm	CHS Football Night Game 7 pm	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	SHS Back to School Night 7 pm	MJHS 7th Grade Picture Day SHS Tri-M & Art Honor Society Induction 7 pm TW Back to School Night 6 pm	MJHS 8th Grade Picture Day			
27	28	29	30			
CHS SENIOR PICTURES - LIBRARY 3 PM - 9 PM						

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS 2026-2027

CORE SUBJECTS	REGENTS DIPLOMA (See Note A Below)	REGENTS DIPLOMA WITH ADVANCED DESIGNATION (See Note B Below)
English	4 Credits + 1 Regents	4 Credits + 1 Regents
Social Studies	4 Credits + 1 Regents	4 Credits + 1 Regents
Math	3 Credits + 1 Math Regents	3 Credits + 3 Regents
Science	3 Credits + 1 Regents	3 Credits + L.E. Regents & Physical Setting
Fine & Performing Arts	1 Credit	1 Credit
Physical Education	2 Credits (4 Years)	2 Credits (4 years)
Health	0.5 Credit	0.5 Credit
Core Credit Subtotal	17.5	17.5
World Language	1 Credit	3 Credits (World Language) or
CTE (Career & Technical Education) or the Arts Electives	3.5 (minimum)	1 Credit World Language + 5 in CTE or the Arts 1.5 (minimum)
Total Required	22 (minimum)	22 (minimum)

Consult District Website at www.vschsd.org for Complete Requirements

Note A: 4 + 1 Pathways to Graduation: New York State requires students to take five Regents exams: the English Regents exam, one math Regents, one Regents in social studies, one science Regents and one additional Regents in CTE, STEM, World Language, Humanities or Art Pathways. The Regents exams require a passing score of 65 or better.

Note B: Students who earn a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation have the opportunity to use the 4+1 Pathways to Graduation option as well. These students would have to earn a 65 or better on seven Regents exams and have the option of selecting to take an additional exam in either a CTE, STEM, World Language, Humanities or Art Pathway. This will total the eight exams needed to obtain a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation. A student may earn a Regents Diploma with Honors or a Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation with Honors by achieving an average of 90% in all Regents exams required for the diploma and taking one additional Regents exam in CTE, World Language, STEM, Humanities or Arts Pathways. Students who complete all coursework 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 exams in mathematics and/or three commencement-level Regents exams 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.

To appeal a Regents exam score, students must have earned a 65 or better on four exams previously or have experienced a major life event.

Please note: Students with an IEP or 504 Plan may have modified graduation requirements. Please request this information at your annual meeting. Further information about diploma/credential requirements may be found in the current course offering information available at www.vschsd.org.

Students may meet the learning standards in technology either through a course in technology education or through an integrated course combining technology with mathematics and/or science. A commencement-level course in technology education may be used as the third unit of credit in science or mathematics, but not both. Fine and performing arts may include dance, music, theater and visual arts. All students must have 1 credit of World Language, with the exception of some learning-classified students.

Consult the District website's (www.vschsd.org) guidance section for a complete listing of graduation requirements as changes are mandated.

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OCTOBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				MJHS 9th Grade Picture Day		MJHS & CHS Combined Coffee Talk 9 am DW Cook Off @ NHS
				1	2	3
	SHS Parent Club Mtg 7 pm SHS Class Ring Purchase 6:30 pm DW VS Council of PTAs Mtg @ MJHS Library 7 pm	Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm	NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm SHS Underclassman Photos	Asynchronous Day for CHS, NHS & SHS DW PSAT/SAT Exams	MJHS Pep Rally 1:15 pm NHS Fall Pep Rally 1:30 pm NHS Homecoming Dance 7 pm	CHS Homecoming Game 2 pm NHS Homecoming Festival 11:30 am NHS Homecoming Game 2 pm
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	SCHOOL CLOSED Columbus Day	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm	SHS JH Homecoming Dance 6:30 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom DW Parent Forum via Zoom 7 pm	DW Financial Aid Info Night @ SHS 7 pm	SHS Homecoming Dance 7 pm	SHS Senior Walk 12 pm SHS Homecoming Game 2 pm
11	12	13	14	NHS SENIOR PICTURES 8 AM - 2 PM		17
	DW District Marching Band Festival 7 pm @ Firemen's Field (raindate 10/26)	DW FAFSA Completion Night @ CHS 7 pm	DW FAFSA Completion Night @ NHS 7 pm	DW FAFSA Completion Night @ SHS 7 pm		
18	19	NHS UNDERCLASSMAN PICTURE DAY			23	24
					NHS Halloween on Herman Ave 4:30 pm	Halloween
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

THE SCHOOL PROGRAM

CURRICULUM

The seventh through eighth grade program is designed to broaden students' educational, career and technical experiences, refine skills developed in elementary school, and explore new areas of study that will help students select courses that match their interests in grades 9-12.

All seventh through twelfth grade courses are described in the course offerings book, available on the Valley Stream CHSD website (www.vschs.org). Each course enables students to master the NYS learning standards.

The ninth through twelfth grade program encompasses a broad spectrum of regular, as well as dual college-level enrollment courses and Advanced Placement courses intended to ensure the development of individual potential and provide preparation for college, employment or further training.

Expanded opportunities for career training are available through the career prep courses provided in-District and by other electives. Students can also attend BOCES (Nassau County Board of Cooperative Educational Services) schools on a half-day basis while continuing their studies in our local schools or participate in our In-District CTE half-day programs at Central High School.

A variety of college-level courses are offered in math, social studies, science, English, World Language and CTE, where students can earn both high school and college credits.

REPORT CARDS

The school year is divided into four marking periods. Computerized report cards are available on the VSCHSD Parent and Student Portals after the close of each marking period. We strongly encourage parents to log on to the Parent Portal regularly, but especially at the midpoint of each marking period to check on their child's academic progress. The Parent Portal can be accessed from your computer or online device by going to the District website and clicking the link for Parent/Student Portal under "Resources." Each succeeding report card includes the report of the previous period(s). Parents may be contacted by mail, email or phone when a student is doing unsatisfactory work.

DIPLOMAS

(SEE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS ON PAGE 8).

Students need to earn at least 22 units of credit or the equivalent to earn either a NYS Regents Diploma or a NYS Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation. These requirements include four units each of English and social studies; three units each of mathematics and science; two units of physical education; one unit of art and/or music; one half-unit of health education; units in a second language; plus additional units in electives.

To earn a Regents Diploma, students must meet the passing criteria on five required Regents exams, the English Regents exam, one math Regents, one Regents in social studies, one science Regents, and one additional Regents in CTE, STEM, World Language, Humanities or Art Pathways. To earn the Regents diploma with Advanced Designation, students must meet the passing criteria on five required Regents exams plus two additional math assessments and one additional science assessment. These exams are one English Regents, three math Regents, one social studies Regents, two science Regents and one additional Regents in CTE, STEM, World Language, Humanities or Art Pathways.

Regents through appeal: four required Regents with a score of 65 or better. Other rules apply: see course offering booklet available on the District's website. Please contact your school counselor for student-specific details. Regents through Special Appeal: Please contact your school counselor for student-specific details. Special education students may take advantage of the compensatory option that provides an additional option for a student with a disability who entered grade 9 in 2005 and thereafter if the student:

- Scores between 45-54 on one or more of the five required Regents exams, other than the English Language Arts (ELA) or mathematics exam, but scores 65 or higher on one or more of the required Regents exams, in which case the lower score(s) can be compensated by the higher score(s); and
- Obtains a passing grade that meets or exceeds the required passing grade by the school for the course in the subject area of the Regents examination in which he or she received a score of 45-54; and
- Has a satisfactory attendance rate, in accordance with the District's or school's attendance policy, for the school year during which the student took the examination in which he or she received a score of 45-54, exclusive of excused absences; and
- No student shall receive credit if his or her final average in the course is less than 65.

SCHOOL REGULATIONS

Visit the District website at www.vschs.org for valuable information on registration, the Code of Conduct, the Student/Parent Information Booklet, Board of Education policies, the Parent Portal, athletics, PTSA, co-curricular activities and much more.

- Bicycles: To protect bicycles adequately, they should be parked and locked in the racks or other specified area provided. The parking fields are off-limits for bicycles.
- Motor Vehicles: The student use of motor vehicles on school property is a privilege, not a right. Students must park in the areas designated for student use. Improper use of a vehicle or illegal parking will result in a loss of parking privileges. Disciplinary action also may result.
- Dress: A student's appearance directly affects the reputation of a school in the community. Appropriate attire should be worn at school.
- Safety Drills: Speed, absolute silence and strict compliance are essential during a safety drill. Instructions for fire drills are posted in each classroom and will be reviewed by the teacher.
- Sales or Distribution: The distribution or sale on school property of any magazine, publication, ticket or article of merchandise must be conducted within the framework of a regular school activity, under faculty sponsorship and with the approval of the building principal.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Our schools offer a far-reaching range of co-curricular and extra-curricular activities that help students widen their scope of interest and enrich their world beyond the classroom. These activities include interscholastic and intramural athletics, student and class councils, school newspapers and literary publications, bands, choruses and orchestras, and a diversified club program coordinated by a director of student activities in each building. Eligibility requirements exist for participation in activities.

STUDENT INSURANCE COVERAGE

The VSCHSD maintains District-paid student accident insurance which covers all students participating in school-sponsored, school-supervised activities. Scheduled benefits paid under the District policy, however, are only in excess of those paid through the family's own insurance. Further information on claims, benefits and exclusions may be obtained from the health office in each building.

NOVEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Daylight Saving Ends 1	DW JH Winter Sports I Begin 2	Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm School Closed Superintendent's Conference Day 3	CHS 10/11th & Faculty Pictures 8 am-2:30 pm NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom 4	NHS Senior Pictures 12-8 pm DW College Fair @ CHS 7 pm 5	End of 1st Marking Period 6	MJHS Coffee Talk 9 am DW SAT Exam @ CHS & SHS 7
Diwali 8	DW 6th Grade Parent Zoom 7 pm Welcome to VSCHSD 2nd Marking Period Begins 9	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm SHS Underclass Picture Retakes 10	SCHOOL CLOSED Veterans Day 11	 12	 13	SHS Family Service Day 9 am 14
 15	DW Parent Forum via Zoom 7 pm DW Varsity/JV Winter Sports Begin 16	CHS Parent Conferences A-K 7 pm SHS Parent Conference A-K 7 pm NHS Parent Conferences L-Z 7 pm Report Cards Posted 3 pm 17	MJHS Picture Retakes DW NCAA Night @ MJHS 7 pm 18	MJHS Parent Conferences L-Z 7 pm SHS PTSA Mtg 7 pm TW Parent Teacher Conferences 6 pm 19	NHS Fall Production 7 pm SHS Fall Musical 7 pm 20	NHS Fall Production 1 pm & 7 pm SHS Fall Musical 7 pm 21
 22	NHS Tri-M Honor Society Induction 7 pm 23	NHS Picture Retakes 24	 25	SCHOOL CLOSED Thanksgiving 26	SCHOOL CLOSED Thanksgiving Recess 27	 28
 29	CHS Tri-M Induction 6 pm 30	 	 	 	 	

PUPIL SERVICES

Pupil Personnel Services combine the efforts of the school guidance counselors, special education staff, speech therapist, social worker, psychologist, nurse and other specialists to develop each student's highest potential. Working together with teachers, administrators and parents, this department helps students plan wisely for their educational and vocational futures.

ATTENDANCE/COURSE CREDIT

A note and telephone call from a parent or guardian is required when a student is absent or late. Attendance is each student's responsibility as a member of the school community and is required to receive credit for a course. Students who have more than 28 absences in a full-year course or 14 in a half-year course are in jeopardy of being denied credit.

During each marking period, classroom participation will be graded and will be a factor in the final grade. Only students with excused absences will be given the opportunity to make up a test and/or turn in a late assignment for inclusion in their grade.

The parent or guardian will be notified when a student misses classwork due to absences or when such absences may result in a failing classroom participation grade. A parent conference will be scheduled if a student has 14 absences for a full-year course or seven for a half-year course.

Students who are absent from school will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activity taking place that day.

SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

One of the most important relationships students can develop is with their school counselor. The primary role of the counselor is to help the student with academic, social and emotional growth. Over the course of three to four years, the school counselor works with the student on transitions, understanding and meeting graduation requirements, establishing postsecondary school plans including college and career aspirations, and helping the student meet personal challenges. Individual school

counseling events take place every year, and your child will have ample opportunity to meet with his or her counselor often.

Parents are encouraged to work closely with their child's counselor through regularly scheduled meetings, night events or individual appointments. Besides speaking on the phone or in person, parents are encouraged to communicate with the counselor by email and to access their child's records by registering for the Parent Portal of the student management system, Infinite Campus. Two powerful and user-friendly guidance tools are provided for parent and child use. These tools—Naviance and Guidance Direct—are easily accessed from home or anywhere there is an internet connection, once you have your user ID and have established your password. Please contact your child's counselor if you do not have the appropriate access codes.

School counseling informational evenings are held over the course of the school year for every grade level. Among them are seventh-grade orientation, Four Years and Beyond, senior college/financial aid night, early college and careers informational night, junior college night, NCAA night, college fair and trade fair.

SAT online preparation is available to all students through Castle Learning (www.castlelearning.com). Please see your counselor for your password if necessary.

HEALTH SERVICES

State law requires a health examination for students entering the first, third, seventh and 10th grades, and for those entering a public school for the first time, regardless of grade. A health form is mailed to the student's home during the summer for use by the family physician (form available on District website). The completed and signed form should be returned to the school health office no later than 15 days after the start of the school year. If this record

is not submitted, an examination will be made by the school doctor.

New York State mandates that all children must show evidence of immunization against diphtheria, mumps, measles, poliomyelitis, rubella (German measles) and hepatitis B in order to attend school.

Vision and hearing tests are administered to seventh and 10th graders, all new entrants and students with a previous hearing problem. Seventh through ninth grade students are also screened annually for scoliosis or lateral spinal curvature.

The state mandates physical education for all students. The District provides an adaptive program for those certified by a physician as unable to participate in the full range of physical education activities.

WORKING PAPERS

State law requires that students under the age of 18 who seek employment must have working papers. These are available in the school the student attends or, in the case of private and parochial school students and others, at the designated public junior or senior high school for the area of the district in which the person resides. To meet all regulations, the applicant must:

- Obtain an application from the school nurse and arrange for an examination by the school doctor or the applicant's own physician (newspaper carriers are exempt from this requirement);
- Submit proof of age (birth, baptismal certificate or school record);
- Have the application signed by the parent.

When the forms have been completed, they should be returned to the school health office.

DECEMBER 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm 1	DW Academic Programming Night Zoom 7 pm 2	CHS Parent Conferences L-Z 7 pm MJHS Parent Conferences A-K 7 pm NHS Parent Conferences A-K 7 pm SHS Parent Conference L-Z 7 pm 3	CHS/MJHS PTSA Bingo Night 6:30 pm @ CHS SHS Staff Appreciation Breakfast 7 am Hanukkah Begins 4	MJHS Coffee Talk 9 am DW SAT Exam @ CHS & NHS 5
6	NHS Sr. High Winter Concert #1 7 pm DW VS Council of PTAs Mtg MJHS Library 7 pm 7	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm 8	MJHS Winter Concert #1 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom 9	MJHS Serves for CeCe Volleyball Tournament @ 3:15 pm NHS Sr. High Winter Concert #2 7 pm 10	CHS Winter Concert 7 pm 11	DW Paul Grammatico Wrestling Tournament @ SHS 9 am 12
13	MJHS Winter Concert #2 7 pm DW Parent Forum via Zoom 7 pm 14	SHS JH Concert #1 7 pm 15	MJHS Winter Concert #3 7 pm 16	SHS JH Concert #2 7 pm 17	18	DW Ralph Jansson Wrestling Tournament @ NHS 9 am 19
20	SHS Sr. High Winter Concert 7 pm 21	22	23	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess Christmas Eve 24	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess Christmas Day 25	Kwanzaa Begins 26
27	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess 28	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess 29	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess 30	SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess New Year's Eve 31		

PUPIL SERVICES

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The District operates special education programs in compliance with the Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act. Students eligible for these services are reviewed and classified by the Committee on Special Education (CSE) and/or the 504 Team. Students who are suspected of having a disability are evaluated by a multidisciplinary team, and anyone who is classified as a student with a disability receives appropriate services based on his or her individual needs. All recommendations and/or placements are recommended to and approved by the Board of Education.

Students are placed in the programs according to their Individual Education Plan (IEP). The District offers a variety of special education programs within the District which include, but are not limited to, resource room, special class and co-teaching.

Students with disabilities whose IEP recommends an out-of-District placement are placed in Board of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) programs or other appropriate out-of-District programs.

PSYCHOLOGICAL AND SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

A staff of psychologists and social workers provides psychological and social work services for students in the District. Psychologists and social workers are assigned to each building.

Diagnostic and consultation services are available to students with emotional, learning or behavioral problems, as well as to children with special needs. Students are referred to these services primarily through school counselors, teachers and school administrators, although a parent also may request assistance. In addition, psychologists and social workers may provide group counseling for special education students according to their Individual Educational Plan (IEP).

OTHER SERVICES

To meet other needs, the District social workers offer education, intervention and prevention programs in connection with drug and alcohol abuse. In addition, home instruction is provided to pupils who are unable to attend school for an extended period of time because of illness or accident.

COLLEGE BOARD TESTING

Students' scores on the College Board Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT) play an important role in many college admissions decisions and scholarship opportunities. To support students in the college planning process, the District provides all seniors with the opportunity to take the SAT free of charge on October 8, 2026, and all juniors will have the opportunity to take the SAT at no cost on March 16, 2027.

The Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) is an important assessment that helps students gauge their readiness for the SAT and serves as the qualifying examination for the National Merit Scholarship Program. To further support college and career readiness, the District will also fund the PSAT for all juniors on October 8, 2026, and for all sophomores on March 16, 2027.

In addition, after-school SAT preparation classes are offered through a partnership with The Princeton Review, and an in-school elective course is available to help students prepare for the SAT.

The schedule for the 2026-27 testing is in the chart on the right. Students need not be enrolled in the school in which they take these examinations.

DATE	TEST	LOCATION
October 8, 2026	SAT	In School @ Central, North & South
November 7, 2026	SAT	Central & South
December 5, 2026	SAT	Central & North
March 16, 2027	SAT	In School @ Central, North & South
May 1, 2027	SAT	Central, North & South
June 5, 2027	SAT	Central

JANUARY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					SCHOOL CLOSED Holiday Recess New Year's Day 1	2
3	4	5	SHS Parent Club Mtg 7 pm 6	7	8	BOE Annual Building Tour & Budget Meeting DW Harold Earl Wrestling Tournament @ CHS 9 am 9
10	DW Parent Forum Virtual 7 pm 11	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm 12	NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom 13	CHS/MJHS PTSA Mtg @ MJHS 7 pm 14	DW Div. 4 All-County Concert @ Tilles Center 7:30 pm 15	DW Div. 5 Vocal Concert @ Tilles Center 2:30 pm DW Div. 5 Instrumental All-County Concert @ Tilles Center 7:30 pm 16
17	SCHOOL CLOSED Martin Luther King Jr. Day 18	DW JH Winter Sports II Begin 19	20	DW Four Years and Beyond @ MJHS 7 pm 21	22	23
24	25	Asynchronous Day for All Schools NHS Junior High Concert 7 pm DW ELA REGENTS 11TH GR 26	DW Interdistrict Kickline Showcase @ NHS 6:30 pm 27	NHS JH Snow Ball Dance 6:15 pm 28	RATING DAY NO CLASSES End of 2nd Marking Period 29	DW Novice Wrestling Tournament @ MJHS 9 am 30
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POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

School Board Policies Are Available on the District Website: www.vschsd.org

CHILD FIND PROCEDURES

The Board of Education must locate and identify all disabled children from birth to 21 years of age who reside in the District. If you suspect that your child has a visual, hearing, movement, social or learning problem, and is not known to the District's Committee on Special Education, please contact the Valley Stream Central High School District Office of Special Education at One Kent Road, Valley Stream, NY 11580.

A new entrant will be asked, through registration procedures, if he or she has been receiving special education services in a previous district. If so, he or she will be referred to the District Committee on Special Education.

The purpose of the Committee is to determine whether he or she has a disability that impairs or affects his or her learning, to ascertain the person's particular needs and to recommend the appropriate educational program to meet those needs.

Parents of children presented to the Committee for consideration will always be notified in advance of the scheduled meeting and are invited to be present and address the Committee concerning the child's evaluation procedures, social history, proposed classification and available special education services and programs.

Children who are classified as disabled and attend a school within the District are eligible to participate in all programs and activities.

EVERY STUDENT SUCCEEDS ACT

According to the Every Student Succeeds Act of 2015 parents are entitled to request the following information on the qualifications of their children's classroom teachers and paraprofessionals: whether the teacher has met state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject areas being taught; whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which the state qualifications or licensing criteria have been waived; the baccalaureate degree major and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher; and the qualifications of any paraprofessionals providing services to their children.

Parents requesting this information should write to the Superintendent of Schools, Valley Stream Central High School District, One Kent Road, Valley Stream, NY 11580-3398.

FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

The Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over the age of 18 certain rights:

1. To inspect and review the student's education records;
2. To request that records be amended to ensure that they are not inaccurate, misleading, or otherwise in violation of the student's privacy rights;
3. To consent to disclosure of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent; and
4. To file a complaint with the United States Department of Education alleging failure of the District to comply with FERPA

and its regulations; and/or file a complaint regarding a possible data breach by a third-party contractor with the District and/or the New York State Education Department's Chief Privacy Officer for failure to comply with state law.

DIRECTORY INFORMATION POLICY

The Valley Stream CHSD has the option under FERPA of designating certain categories of student information as "directory information." The Board directs that "directory information" include a student's name, ID number, user ID, address, telephone number, date, major course of study, participation in school activities or sports, weight and height if a member of an athletic team, dates of attendance, degrees and awards received, most recent school attended, grade level, photograph, video, e-mail address and enrollment status.

1. It is the District's policy to disclose personally identifiable information from student records, without consent, to other school officials within the district whom the district has determined to have legitimate educational interests.
School official: a person who has a legitimate education interest in a student record who is employed by the District as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a member of the Board of Education; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as attorney, auditor, medical consultant or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official performing their tasks.
Legitimate educational interest: a school official has a legitimate educational interest if they need to review a student's record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities.
2. Upon request, the District will disclose education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll or is actually enrolled.
3. Personally identifiable information will be released to third party authorized representatives for the purposes of educational program audit, evaluation, enforcement or compliance purposes.
4. The District, at its discretion, releases directory information without prior consent, unless the parent/guardian or eligible student has exercised their right to prohibit release of the information without prior written consent. The District will not sell directory information.

In addition, the Every Student Succeeds Act requires schools to, upon request, disclose a high school student's name, address and telephone number to military recruiters and institutions of higher learning unless the parents or eligible student exercise their right to prohibit release of the information without prior written consent.

Parents (or students aged 18 or older) who do not wish the information released must make a specific request in writing, mailed by September 30, to the District Clerk, Valley Stream Central High School District, One Kent Road, Valley Stream, NY 11580-3398.

STUDENT WELLNESS

Given the documented connection between proper nutrition, adequate physical activity and educational success, the Board of Education adopts the following goals and authorizes the following actions to provide District students with a school environment that promotes student health and wellness and reduces childhood obesity.

FOODS AND BEVERAGES AVAILABLE IN SCHOOLS

The Board recognizes that a nutritious, well-balanced, reasonably portioned diet is essential for student wellness. To help students possess the knowledge and skills necessary to make nutritious food choices for a lifetime, the District shall ensure that foods and beverages available in school promote good nutrition, balance and reasonable portion sizes. The District shall ensure that reimbursable school meals meet or exceed the program requirements and nutrition standards found in federal regulations. To accomplish this, the Board directs that the District serve healthy and appealing foods and beverages at District schools, following state and federal nutrition guidelines, as well as safe food preparation methods.

PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Physical activity is an important factor in staying healthy and being ready to learn. The Board encourages every student to develop the knowledge and skills necessary to perform a variety of physical activities, to regularly participate in physical activity, and to appreciate and enjoy physical activity as an ongoing part of a healthy lifestyle. In addition, staff, families and community are encouraged to participate in and model physical activity as a valuable part of daily life. The District's physical education program shall adhere to the curricular requirements of the Commissioner of Education and the New York State Learning Standards.

NUTRITION PROMOTION AND EDUCATION

The Board believes that nutrition promotion and education is a key component in introducing and reinforcing healthy behaviors in students. Nutrition promotion and education that teaches the knowledge, skills and values needed to adopt healthy eating behaviors shall be integrated into the curriculum. Nutrition promotion and education information shall be offered throughout the school campus including, but not limited to, school dining areas and classrooms. Staff members who provide nutrition promotion and education shall be appropriately certified and trained. The District's broader health education program shall incorporate the appropriate New York State Learning Standards.

OTHER SCHOOL-BASED ACTIVITIES

The District may implement other appropriate programs that help create a school environment that conveys consistent wellness messages and is conducive to healthy eating and physical activity. Such activities may include, but are not limited to, health forums or fairs, health newsletters, parent outreach, employee health and wellness activities, limiting the use of food as a reward, reviewing food marketing and advertising in school, hosting or promoting community wide events, and offering wellness-related courses in the District's adult education program.

IMPLEMENTATION

The Board shall designate the District Director of Health, P.E. and Athletics as District Wellness Coordinator to be responsible for ensuring that the provisions of this policy are carried out throughout the District. The Board may also designate one person in each building to ensure that the wellness activities and actions are being implemented at the building level.

MONITORING AND REVIEW

The Superintendent or his or her designee shall report upon request to the Board on the implementation and effectiveness of this policy. Every year the Superintendent or his or her designee and advisory committees shall monitor and review the District's wellness activities to determine whether this policy is having a positive effect on increasing student wellness.

Parents, students, food service professionals, physical education teachers, school health professionals, school administrators and the school board shall participate in the development, implementation and periodic review and update of this wellness policy. The District shall provide information to the public (including parents, students and others in the community) about the content and implementation of this wellness policy. The District shall inform and update the public (including parents, students and others in the community) about the content and implementation of this wellness policy by posting this policy (and any updates) on the District website and in each school lunch area, referencing the policy and its availability and providing information about new and ongoing wellness policy activities to parents, staff and students via established communication channels.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Valley Stream Central High School District hereby advises students, parents, employees and the general public that it offers employment and educational opportunities, including vocational education opportunities without regard to race (including traits historically associated with race, such as hair texture and protective hairstyles like braids, locks, and twists), color, national origin, creed, religion (including religious practices), marital status, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth or related medical condition), age, sexual orientation, gender identity and expression (i.e. actual or perceived gender-related identity, appearance, behavior, expression or other gender-related characteristic regardless of the sex assigned to that person at birth, including but not limited to the status of being transgender), disability (physical or mental), predisposing genetic characteristic, military work or status, domestic violence victim status, citizenship/ immigration status, or use of a guide dog, hearing dog, or service dog, as applicable. Inquiries regarding this nondiscrimination policy may be directed to the Title IX and Section 504 Coordinators, Valley Stream Central High School District, One Kent Rd., Valley Stream NY 11580-3398. Phone number 516-872-5671 or 516-872-5625.

FEBRUARY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	DW VS Council of PTAs Mtg MJHS Library 7 pm 3rd Marking Period Begins 1	Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm 2	DW MBK Induction Ceremony @ CHS 6 pm 3	NHS Mandatory Induction Rehearsal 3:15 pm & Induction 7 pm 4	NHS BSU Black History Month Celebration 7 pm Report Cards Posted 3 pm 5	MJHS Coffee Talk 9 am Lunar New Year 6
				PERFORMING ARTS DRAMA PRODUCTION @ CHS 7 PM		
7	DW Parent Forum Virtual 7 pm 8	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm 9	NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm SHS PTSA Mtg 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom 10	DW Junior College Info Night @ NHS 7 pm 11	Lincoln's Birthday 12	13
Valentine's Day 14	SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Recess Presidents' Day 15	SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Recess 16	SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Recess 17	SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Recess 18	SCHOOL CLOSED Winter Recess 19	20
21	Washington's Birthday 22	DW 11th Gr Nassau Com. College Info Night Zoom 7 pm 23	Performing Arts Showcase @ CHS 7 pm 24	MJHS Black History Month Celebration 6:30 pm 25	NHS Class Acts 7 pm 26	DW PTSA Legislative Breakfast @ MJHS 9 am 27
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COMMUNITY SERVICES

ADULT EDUCATION

The District sponsors a full adult education program of day and evening courses, as listed in the Adult Education brochures posted online in August and December. The fall and spring terms are scheduled to begin in September and January, respectively. Both mail and in-person registrations are available. For more information, please contact Danielle Artido at 516-872-5608.

COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES

Community organizations may apply for permits to use the District's buildings and playing fields after school hours and on weekends. In general, users are responsible for the preservation of order and are subject to various restrictions. In some cases, fees are charged and some uses are prohibited. Application forms and detailed rules and regulations may be obtained by Calling the Director of Facilities at 516-872-5686.

STUDENT TRANSPORTATION TO NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

As required by state law, the District offers free transportation to nonpublic schools which are more than two and less than 15 miles from home for seventh and eighth graders, and more than three and less than 15 miles from home for ninth through 12th graders. However, families requesting this free transportation must file their applications yearly by the state-mandated deadline of April 1. Late requests are granted only when families move into the District after April 1.

This transportation application must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Transportation Coordinator, Valley Stream Central High School District, One Kent Road,

Valley Stream, NY 11580-3398. For further information, please call the Transportation Department at 516-872-5616.

The April 1 deadline does not apply to students with disabilities, as their transportation is arranged separately.

SUMMER SCHOOL

Summer school is open to public and nonpublic school students who are residents of the Valley Stream Central High School District and is contingent upon successful passing of the District budget.

Students who fail during the regular school year are urged to make up the work, subject to the applicable regulations, in summer school. Enrichment or acceleration is offered on a limited basis. Before enrolling in summer school, all students must obtain written permission from their principal, guidance counselor or other authority of their home school.

A summer music program offers instruction for both elementary and secondary students. Overseen by the District Director of Fine & Performing Arts (516-561-4439), classes are held in both elementary and secondary schools. For enrollment and scheduling information, please check the District website, www.vschs.org, in the spring.

Also included is Driver Education, not offered during the regular school year (subject to budget). Details are contained in the Summer School Bulletin which is posted on the District's website, www.vschs.org. For additional information, please call 516-872-5608.

WELLNESS CENTERS

The District offers Wellness Centers in each of our buildings. Each Wellness Center is open on Tuesdays beginning at 3:15 pm These centers are staffed by a combination of



school psychologists, school social workers and school counselors from that building.

The purpose of the Wellness Centers is to provide short term support for students and their families on a number of topics. When longer term support is indicated, the Wellness Center staff will help to make appropriate referrals for outside resources. In addition, Wellness Center staff offer student activities that proactively build positive student habits and behaviors. There are also various Community Forums throughout the year.

For more information regarding the Wellness Centers, please contact Dr. Kelly Whitney-Rivera at 516-872-5625 or your building's Main Office.

MARCH 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm		DW Skilled Trade & Career Expo @ CHS 7 pm		MJHS Coffee Talk 9 am MJHS Science Olympiad Regional Competition @ Kellenberg High School
	DW MANDATORY MUSIC FESTIVAL REHEARSAL 6 - 8 PM @ CHS					
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	SHS Parent Club Mtg 7 pm DW Varsity/JV Spring Sports Begin DW MANDATORY MUSIC FESTIVAL REHEARSAL 6 - 8 PM @ CHS	SCHOOL CLOSED Eid al-Fitr	NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom DW MANDATORY MUSIC FESTIVAL REHEARSAL 6 - 8 PM @ CHS			
7	8	9	10	11	SHS WORLD CULTURE NIGHT 6:30 PM	
Daylight Saving Begins	DW Parent Forum Virtual 7 pm	Asynchronous Day for CHS, NHS & SHS DW PSAT/SAT Exams SHS Mandatory Prom Mtg 7 pm DW MANDATORY MUSIC FESTIVAL REHEARSAL 6 - 8 PM @ CHS	St. Patrick's Day	SHS National Jr. Honor Society Induction 7 pm	DW District Music Festival Elementary Concert @ CHS 9:30 am DW District Music Festival Scholarship Concert @ CHS 7 pm	
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	NHS Subject Honor Society Mandatory Rehearsal 3:15 pm & Induction 7 pm SHS Mandatory Jr. Dinner Parent Mtg 7 pm	CHS Academic Honor Society Rehearsal 3 pm & Induction 6 pm	CHS Heritage Night Celebration 6 pm	CHS/MJHS PTSA Fashion Show & Fundraiser 7 pm NHS Culture Fair 6:30 pm	SCHOOL CLOSED Good Friday	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	NHS National Junior Honor Society Mandatory Rehearsal 3:15 pm & Induction 7 pm SHS Mandatory Honor Society Rehearsal 3:15 pm DW JH Spring Sports Begin	DW Early College and Career Information Night @ SHS 7 pm	SHS National Honor Society & Academic Societies Inductions 7 pm			
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VALLEY STREAM COUNCIL OF PTAS

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APRIL 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				MJHS Heritage Night 6 pm	NHS Supermarket Bingo 7 pm	
				1	2	3
	DW VS Council of PTAs Mtg @ MJHS Library 7 pm	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm	MJHS National Junior Honor Society Mandatory Rehearsal 2:45 pm MJHS National Junior Honor Society Induction 7 pm		NHS Junior Banquet 7 pm End of 3rd Marking Period	
4	5	DW NYS ELA EXAMS 7-8		PERFORMING ARTS DANCE CONCERT @ CHS 7 PM		
		6	7	8	9	10
	DW Parent Forum Virtual 7 pm 4th Marking Period Begins		NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm SHS PTSA/Parent Club 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom	Performing Arts Showcase @ CHS 7 pm	CHS Junior Dance 6 pm NHS Spring Musical 7 pm Report Cards Posted 3 pm	NHS Spring Musical 1 pm & 7 pm
11	DW NYSSMA LEVELS 1-6 @ SHS		DW NYS MATH EXAMS 7-8/DELAYED OPENING MJHS, NHS & SHS			
	12	13	14	15	16	17
	CHS Mandatory Parent Prom Meeting 6 pm DW NYS SCIENCE 8 EXAMS	DW Science Research Symposium @ NHS 7 pm		SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess Passover Begins	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	SCHOOL CLOSED Spring Recess	
25	26	27	28	29	30	

CHAIN OF COMMUNICATION

The Valley Stream Central High School District's communication protocol helps to promote direct, open and respectful interactions so that problems and concerns can be worked out quickly and efficiently. The District encourages any and all questions from parents and residents regarding school matters. Phone numbers for each school and District office can be found on the District website at vschsd.org.

CLASSROOM/CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION QUESTIONS

(classroom procedures, behavior, grades, strategies, textbooks, etc.)

Step 1: Classroom Teacher

Step 2: School Counselor

Step 3: School Department Chair

Step 4: Building Assistant Principal

Step 5: Building Principal

Step 6: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

Step 7: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

SPECIAL EDUCATION CONCERNS & QUESTIONS

Step 1: Classroom Teacher

Step 2: School Special Education Chair

Step 3: Building Assistant Principal

Step 4: Building Principal

Step 5: Director of Special Education

Step 6: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

Step 7: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

GUIDANCE

Step 1: School Counselor

Step 2: PPS Assistant Principal

Step 3: Building Principal

Step 4: District Director of Guidance

Step 5: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

Step 6: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

TRANSPORTATION

(pickup, route issues, etc.)

Step 1: District Transportation Coordinator

Step 2: Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance

Step 3: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

MEDICAL CONCERNS

Step 1: School Nurse

Step 2: Building Assistant Principal

Step 3: Building Principal

Step 4: Director of Athletics

Step 5: Assistant Superintendent of Personnel & Administration

Step 6: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

ATHLETICS

Step 1: Coach

Step 2: Building Director of Athletics

Step 3: Building Principal

Step 4: District Director of Health, Physical Education and Athletics

Step 5: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

Step 6: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMS

Step 1: School Activities Advisor

Step 2: School Activities Director

Step 3: Building Assistant Principal

Step 4: Building Principal

Step 5: Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction

Step 6: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

BUDGET CONCERNS/QUESTIONS

Step 1: Assistant Superintendent for Business & Finance

Step 2: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools

REGISTRATION & RESIDENCY CONCERNS

Step 1: Registration Clerk

Step 2: Residency Officer

Step 3: Assistant Superintendent of Personnel & Administration

Step 4: Deputy Superintendent or Superintendent of Schools



MAY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	SHS Parent Club Mtg 7 pm	Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm	NHS 6th Grade Orientation 7 pm District 24 Budget Hearing @ Buck Elem 7:30 pm District 13 Budget Hearing @ Dever Elem 8 pm	MJHS 6th Grade Orientation 7 pm DW Culinary Classic @ CHS 5 pm	SHS Supermarket Bingo 6:30 pm	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
			DW AP EXAMS			
Mother's Day	DW Parent Forum Virtual 7 pm District 30 Budget Hearing @ Shaw Elem 7:30 pm	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm DW Tenure Dinner DW Art Show @ MJHS	NHS Junior Departmental Awards 8:30 am NHS JH Spring Concert #1 7 pm SHS PTSA Mtg 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom	CHS/MJHS PTSA Mtg @ CHS 7 pm NHS Sr. High Spring Concert #1 7 pm SHS JH Spring Concert #1 7 pm	SHS Junior Dinner 7 pm MJHS MUSICAL PRODUCTION @ CHS 7 PM DW ALL STATE NYSSMA - LAWRENCE MIDDLE SCHOOL	
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			DW AP EXAMS			
	SCHOOL CLOSED Eid al-Adha	SCHOOL BUDGET VOTE MJHS Spring Concert #1 @ CHS 7 pm NHS JH Spring Concert #2 7 pm	NHS Senior Departmental Awards 8:30 am NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm SHS Junior High Spring Concert #2 7 pm	MJHS Spring Concert #2 @ CHS 7 pm NHS Sr. High Spring Concert #2 7 pm		DW 2nd Annual Block Party @ MJHS 11 am
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	NHS Small Ensembles Concert #1 7 pm SHS Senior High Spring Concert 7 pm	MJHS Spring Concert #3 @ CHS 7 pm		NHS Mandatory Prom Meeting 6:15 pm CHS Pre Prom 4 pm & Prom 6 pm	SHS 7th & 8th Grade Field Day	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	SCHOOL CLOSED Memorial Day					
30	31					

JUNE 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Board of Education Committee Meeting 8 pm SHS 7th Grade Awards 8:30 am	MJHS Awards Night 7 pm @ CHS SHS 8th Grade Awards 8:30 am	CHS Senior Awards Ceremony 6 pm NHS Recognition Night 7 pm SHS Senior Awards 8:30 am & 6 pm	CHS Spring Concert 7 pm NHS Shakespeare in the Courtyard 6 pm	DW SAT Exam @ CHS
		1	2	3	4	5
	NHS Select Ensembles Concert #2 7 pm SHS Athletic Awards 7 pm DW VS Council of PTAs Mtg MJHS Library 7 pm	Board of Education Business Meeting 8 pm	CHS Athletic Awards 6 pm NHS PTSA Meeting 7 pm SHS Parent Club Mtg 7 pm DW SEPTA Mtg 7 pm Zoom	CHS Departmental Awards 8 am NHS Athletic Awards 7 pm	LAST DAY OF CLASSES SHS SHAKESPEARE IN THE COURTYARD 6 PM	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	NHS Mandatory Graduation Rehearsal 9 am Flag Day	CHS Gospel Concert 7 pm	DW Seal of Biliiteracy Ceremony @ CHS 1 pm	NHS Pre-Prom 4:30 pm & Senior Prom 7 pm SHS Pre-Prom 4:45 pm & Senior Prom 7 pm	SCHOOL CLOSED RATING DAY Juneteenth Observed	Juneteenth
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
DW REGENTS EXAMS						
Father's Day	CHS Graduation @ Hofstra University 2 pm SHS Sr. Breakfast & Grad Rehearsal (Mandatory) 9 am	SHS Graduation @ Hofstra University 3 pm NHS Graduation @ Hofstra University 6:30 pm		TW Graduation @ Keller Auditorium 12 pm	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL End of 4th Marking Period	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
DW FINAL & REGENTS EXAMS						
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				Report Cards Posted 3 pm		
				1	2	3
Independence Day	Independence Day Observed					
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	DW Summer School Begins (Tentative)	Board of Education Reorg & Business Mtg 7:30 pm (Tentative)				
11	SHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					17
	12	13	14	15	16	
18	SHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					24
	19	20	21	22	23	
25	MJHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					31
	26	27	28	29	30	

AUGUST 2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	MJHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					7
	2	3	4	5	6	
8	NHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					14
	9	10	11	12	13	
			DW Summer School Graduation @ Keller Auditorium 5 pm			
		DW REGENTS EXAMS				
15	NHS SUMMER BRIDGE PROGRAM					21
	16	17	18	19	20	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

Please note: All phone numbers begin with area code 516.

BUILDING NUMBERS

	CENTRAL	MEMORIAL	NORTH	SOUTH
General Offices	561-4400	872-7700	564-5500	791-0300
Principal	561-4410	872-7710	564-5510	791-0310
Asst. Principal/Guidance	561-4420	872-7712	564-5520	791-0312
Asst. Principal/Discipline	561-4412	872-7720	564-5512	791-0320
Asst. Principal/Discipline	561-4453	872-7767	564-5565	791-0354
DEPARTMENTS				
Art	561-4466	872-7791	564-5597	791-0387
Athletic Director	561-4407	872-7707	564-5507	791-0307
Business Education	561-4483			791-0373
Cafeteria	561-4454	872-7784	564-5584	791-0384
Career & Tech. Education		872-7783	564-5580	791-0373
Commercial Foods	561-4484			
Computer Business Oper.			564-5589	
Cosmetology	561-4436			
Custodian	561-4485	872-7785	564-5585	791-0385
English	561-4474	872-7774	564-5574	791-0374
ENL			564-5573	
Family/Consumer Sci.		872-7766	564-5580	791-0380
World Languages	561-4431	872-7776	564-5576	791-0376
Library	561-4470	872-7770	564-5570	791-0370
Mathematics	561-4460	872-7760	564-5562	791-0360
Music	561-4475	872-7775	564-5575	791-0375
Performing Arts	561-4464			
Physical Education				
Boys	561-4481	872-7781	564-5581	791-0381
Girls	561-4482	872-7782	564-5582	791-0382
Pupil Personnel Services				
Attendance	561-4450	872-7750	564-5550	791-0350
Guidance	561-4422	872-7722	564-5522	791-0322
Hearing/Speech Impaired	561-4400	872-7722	564-5583	791-0392
Nurse	561-4443	872-7743	564-5543	791-0343
Psychologist	561-4440/32	872-7740	564-5564	791-0340/57
Science	561-4493	872-7786	564-5547	791-0386
Social Studies	561-4488	872-7764	564-5588	791-0388
Social Worker	561-4442/48	872-7742	564-5542	791-0328/37
Special Education	561-4449	872-7748	564-5583	791-0347
Speech	561-4400	872-7748	564-5583	791-0357
Technology	561-4483	872-7783	564-5580	791-0330

DISTRICT NUMBERS

ADMINISTRATION

Superintendent of Schools	872-5601
Deputy Superintendent.....	872-5607
Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction	872-5664
Asst. Superintendent for Personnel & Administration	872-5671
Asst. Superintendent for Finance & Operations	872-5610
Special Programs/Twilight.....	872-5647
Adult Education.....	872-5608
Business Department.....	872-5611
Accounting	872-5620
Billing & Purchasing.....	872-5619
Cafeteria Office	872-7784
Director of Facilities.....	872-5686
Payroll	872-5636
Transportation	872-5616
Health Insurance.....	872-5618
District Clerk	872-5628
District Director of Fine & Performing Arts.....	561-4439
District Director of Guidance & Chief Information Officer	872-5625
District Director of Instructional Services	872-5664
District Director of Physical Education & Athletics.....	872-5695
District Director of Restorative Practices & Community Engagement.....	872-5639
District Director of Special Education.....	872-5640
District Coordinator of Career & Technical Education	872-5589
Work-based Learning Coordinator.....	872-5646
Transition Coordinator	872-5681
Personnel Office.....	872-5672
Residency Office.....	872-5694
Summer Program Information	837-1001
Teacher Center.....	872-5675

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