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As public school educators, we follow two annual calendars – the school year calendar from July through June and the annual calendar from January through December. December marks the end of the annual calendar and brings many end-of-year learning activities and holiday celebrations, along with special assemblies and performances. I am sure you will delight in sharing in the events taking place in your child's school at this special time of year.

December also brings a unique opportunity for parents and schools to connect. The Wappingers Central School District will host the first Parent Workshop on Saturday, December 5, 2015, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at Van Wyck Junior High School. The Parent Workshop Series is intended to provide educational programs to parents on topics you want to know more about, such as understanding standards-based learning, STEM, standards-based grading, internet safety, graduation requirements, high school course offerings, and social and emotional learning. Once again, please take advantage of this opportunity to cultivate rich learning experiences for your child. Registration is available by clicking on the following link: <http://goo.gl/forms/VDLKUVo2IP>.

As we close out the calendar year, many of us begin to think about our New Year resolutions. I would like to encourage all of the Wappingers Central School District community to share a resolution in common that reflects the mission and core values of our District, which is to work together and learn as much as we can from each other to ensure a high-quality education for all of our children. A new year brings with it many new experiences and enriching opportunities in academics, fine arts, and athletics. This is a time to reflect collectively on student progress and reinvigorate our efforts as a district to ensure that our students have a successful experience as they begin the second half of the school calendar year.

We are most grateful to all of our schools who continue to participate in food drives, gathering warm clothes for families in need, and providing supports to our community. Once again, it truly demonstrates the mission and core values of the district in their commitment to our neighbors and the community we serve.

As the end of 2015 draws to a close, please be sure to stay warm and safe. From our District to your home -- we wish you all a very safe winter break and happy holiday.

Sincerely,
Jose Carrion
Superintendent of Schools