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Central School District



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From The Superintendent and Board President Fiscal Outlook; A Need For Belt Tightening

Dear Community Members:

The effects from the state of our nation's economy are being felt by everyone in all aspects of everyday life. Here in New York State, a cumulative budget deficit of nearly \$50 billion over the next three fiscal years has been projected. As the Governor looks to close these anticipated budget gaps, he has proposed funding reductions for virtually every program area including education.

The Governor's announced budget for next year includes a revenue loss for the Wappingers Central School District (WCSD) in the amount of \$6.1 million or 12%. As we know, based upon history, the Governor's proposed budget will most likely undergo a few different iterations before receiving final approval and as such there is hope that the announced funding reduction will be less than what is now being anticipated. The message, however, that has been delivered thus far is clear...we will need to tighten our belts and to make sacrifices that in some instances are undesired.

At a special meeting of the Board of Education on December 18th, the administration presented a list of categorized initiatives for consideration that could help to close our anticipated state aid funding gap. These initiatives were compiled as a result of discussions with members of the District's administrative team and the leadership of our local collective bargaining units. The high-end of the range of combined estimated cost saving measures and revenue enhancements approximated \$11 million. The list of these measures is available on the districts website at www.wappingersschools.org via the link "New WCSD 2009-2010 Budget Website."

These initiatives were characterized as budget measures that are being proposed for consideration as we move into the heart of our 2009-2010 budget development process. As proposal considerations, it would be premature to assume that any particular program, service or position was being recommended for elimination or cutback at this time. Some of the measures presented may appear, on their face, not to warrant serious discussion or further

consideration; but we believe that "no stone should be left unturned" as we examine all available possibilities and, in the process, judge each measure on its own merits.

It is important to realize that these measures, however, are not to be considered to the exclusion of other budget initiatives that may ultimately be implemented, particularly those resulting from the Board's use of a modified form of the zero-based budgeting to assist with budget deliberations.

We believe that our approach during the development of the 2009-2010 budget needs to be one with both an immediate and long-range focus as the effects of this economic crisis will undoubtedly be felt beyond the upcoming school year. As such, we need to position ourselves so that we will not be caught in a continuing reactionary mode for the foreseeable future but rather be able to conduct our business of educating children according to a plan of action that provides a consistency and quality as can best be projected.

As we develop the 2009-2010 budget in the face of an anticipated significant loss in state revenues, we will need, as a community, to share ideas and thoughts so that we might be able to adjust our budget priorities to reflect the reality of our economic times.

We invite you to visit the District's webpage to keep abreast of the budget development process and to attend upcoming Board of Education meetings.

Regards,

Richard A. Powell,
Superintendent of Schools

Douglass Bitteker
President, Board of Education

WCSD Receives Tri-State Follow-up Visit

On December 16, 2008, a team of over thirty WCSD teachers and administrators participated in an important Tri-State Consortium follow-up visit. A team of eight members from the original Tri-State visitation team returned for this visit, which was extremely beneficial to the work the District has done in English Language Arts, (ELA). We have worked very hard on the Tri-State recommendations and have much to be proud of. It was a day of excellent

sharing and a wonderful professional development opportunity. The morning included sharing of our progress, questioning sessions, discussion and feedback, and recommendations from our Tri-State "critical friends".

The Consortium is scheduled to return in April of 2010 for their next three-day visit. As a result of these visits, the District maintains its accreditation through the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools.

Around Our Schools: Community

Community service projects provide students with the opportunity to learn the importance of helping others in their community and the world.

Shelby Simone Wins Hometown Hero Award



Shelby Simone was nominated and chosen for Channel 7 online Hometown Hero Award. She was nominated for her work with the Avon Breast

Cancer Walk (she walked 39 miles in the walk in October in NYC with her team after fundraising for the past year). She has also been involved with the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Shelby has distinguished herself by her work with the Challenger Softball League, helping handicapped children play

ball. She is involved in many activities at John Jay High School, where she is a Senior. She was elected President of the Chorus for this year and is a member of National Honor Society. Shelby has also earned the Presidential Gold Award for Community Service, which she received this past November.

Shelby appeared on Channel 7's website and then was honored on Veteran's Day at the Intrepid's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony in NYC. She is a great asset to our community and John Jay High School!

Evans Elementary School Gives to the Community

Evans students participated in a number of "Helping Hands" projects. They painted a mural in the main lobby of the Hudson River Museum. They also participated in the STAR 93 "Stuff the Bus" food drive. With help from Shop Rite, Evans' students created over 17 holiday baskets for the community. They also hosted a Flu Clinic for the Evans community.

Gayhead Elementary School Students' Community Service

The second graders from the Number and Letter Houses at Gayhead Elementary School sponsored a food drive for the food pantry at the VA Hospital at Castle Point. In one day, the students and faculty collected over 2,000 non-perishable and canned items. The people at the food pantry were extremely grateful for the donation

that Gayhead delivered on Veteran's Day. What a great way to help those who have helped to keep our country safe!

A Message from Mr. Miele, Principal of Sheafe Road Elementary

Many wonderful things have been happening at Sheafe Road. Our wellness committee wrote a grant and received \$10,000 for the purchase of a climbing wall. During the holiday season, gifts and food baskets were donated to families in need. Sheafe Road grandparents were treated to a special breakfast with their grandchildren. Each grade level held their grandparents breakfast on a different morning in the weeks before the holiday break. The annual Ice Cream Social was held in September and it helped set the tone for another great school year. The Fall Festival was held in October; a fun time was had by all who attended.

WCSD Character Education Program

The WCSD is committed to promoting and expanding Character Education. This year, a Character Education Committee has been working diligently on a number of initiatives. The Committee has developed a clear vision, mission, and a proposed Character Education Policy for presentation to the Board. For many years, our schools have been demonstrating outstanding character education based activities. A scope and sequence of Character Education programs in every school and across all grade levels is being collected. Anti-bullying and anti cyber-bullying programs have been successfully implemented. John Halligan and Connect With Kids Anti-bullying assemblies were very successful for grades 5,6, 7 and 8.

Our schools continue to give to our community.

John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham Choirs Spread the Holiday Spirit

As the holiday season approached, both the RCK and John Jay Chamber Choir spread the holiday spirit by performing at numerous school district and community events, dispersing goodwill along the way.



Roy C. Ketcham (bottom) and John Jay (top) choirs pose with Wappingers Central School District Superintendent Richard Powell as they perform.

Wappingers Junior High School Celebrates Achievements!

On December 10, 2008 the WJHS PTA celebrated 275, 7th grade first quarter honor roll students and 217, 8th grade first quarter honor roll students. PTA members "honored" these students with a "wellness breakfast" sponsored by Hannaford's supermarket of Wappingers Falls.

English Language Arts (ELA) teachers Laura Baldwin and

Claudia King invited parents to our school to inform them about the upcoming ELA assessments.

Over four evenings, many parents attended and took sample assessments to help them understand what their children would be experiencing in January, 2009. Ms. Baldwin and Mrs. King were pleased by the very positive feedback that they received from parents.



On Thursday October 30, 2008, the Brinckerhoff Elementary School in Fishkill, NY hosted a "Power to Learn presents Nickelodeon's Kids Pick the President" student presentation to community officials, school officials, parents and the media.

Around Our Schools: Achievements

"Ongoing, continuous, non-stop personal development literally assures you that there is no limit to what you can accomplish."

~ Brian Tracy

Apple a Day Program at Sheafe and Oak Grove



An Apple a Day is a literacy based alcohol and substance abuse prevention program that focuses on building self-esteem and developing healthy habits in children. It focuses mostly on making good decisions, knowing who "safe" people are and where "safe" places are. This program has helped our first and second graders grow as individuals and has helped to foster their decision-making skills. The teachers who have implemented the program have been successful in connecting with the students.

The program is part of a grant from The Council on Addiction Prevention and Education of Dutchess County, Inc. (C.A.P.E.), and is free to the District. It has been piloted at Sheafe Road Elementary School and will soon be started at Oak Grove Elementary School.

Myers Elementary School "We Celebrate Excellence!"

At Myers Corners Elementary School, students participated in our winter concerts, which were excellent. Plans are underway for our second annual Wellness Day.

Great News from John Jay High School!

We have exciting national recognition for our girls' soccer season.

Coach Darryl Sullivan was named to the ESPN All-American First Team, and Erin Egan was named to the ESPN All-American Team 2nd Team.

Our Musicians Excel at NYSSMA

Eleven WCSD high school music students were selected to perform at the New York State School Music Association's Conference All-State Festival, held in Rochester, NY on December 4-7, 2008. Thousands of students across the State audition each spring in solo adjudication festivals. This selection is a very exclusive honor. *Augusta Bergeron, Kyle Behnken, Marisa Caruso, Kevin Chen, Bijan Daneshvar, Adam Downer, Jennifer Edwards, Theresa McGillicuddy, Fiona Scales, Alan Smit, and Stephanie Yuan* participated this year.

Four WCSD high school music students were selected for the MENC All-Eastern Festival, to be held in Providence, Rhode Island on March 12-15, 2009. This festival is held every other year and students from the Mid-Atlantic States are selected to attend. The students chosen for this year are *Kyle Behnken, Bijan Daneshvar, Fiona Scales, and Stephanie Yuan*.

Congratulations to all our outstanding musicians.

John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham Score Big at DECA Regionals

On Thursday, January 8, 2009, members of the John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham High School Chapters of Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) participated in the New York State DECA Region 3 competition, which was held at the Holiday Inn in Kingston, NY. Members of DECA work to develop marketing and management skills in areas such as hospitality, finance, sales, service, business administration and entrepreneurship. Through activities such as the Region 3 competition and the New York State DECA Career Development Conference, which is scheduled to be held in Rochester in March, students in DECA identify specific career interests and further develop skills in communications, human relations, employability skills as well as knowledge of economics and free enterprise.

Congratulations go to the following students on their participation:

John Jay High School Participants

- Michael Pavia* - 1st place Accounting Applications
- Michelle Lamela* - 1st place Apparel and Accessories Marketing
- Eric Rodriguez* - 4th place Automotive Service Marketing
- Karen Donato* - 3rd place Marketing Management
- Blake Rodriguez* - 1st place Sports and Entertainment Marketing
- The team of Matthew Bengis and Brian Davis* - 2nd place Buying and Merchandising Management Decision Making
- The team of David Lederer and Lou Galarza* - 2nd place Financial Management Decision Making
- Jimmy Trill* - 4th place Business One-to-One
- Tanya Pavlik* - participated in Food Marketing
- John Martz* - participated in Hotel and Lodging
- Nicholas Esposito* - participated in Restaurant and Food Service Management
- The team of Caroline Vesperman and Amanda deBara* - participated in Hospitality Services Management Decision Making

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John Jay Sports Highlights

An awards dinner at John Jay High School celebrated the Girls Soccer Team's State Championship. The Boys Soccer Team finished second in the state. The Football Team won another league championship. Parents, administrators, teachers and local officials celebrated these achievements with the students.



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about out schools
Mondays at 7p.m.

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The team of Alex Baycora and Matthew Robinson participated in Sports and Entertainment Marketing Management Decision Making.

Roy C. Ketcham High School Participants

1st Place Hosp. Svcs Team -
Matt Egan & Becky Brennan

1st Place Sports & Ent. Team -
John Egan & Alyssa Novick

1st Place Sales Demonstration - **Naisha Morales**

1st Place PS Broadcast Adv. - **Melissa Howe**

1st Place Broadcast Adv. - **Katlin O'Meara**

2nd Place Career & Finance - **Melanie Noye**

2nd Place PS Visual Adv. - **Arriana Denully**

2nd Place Wholesale Selling - **Vic Alam**

2nd Place Business One to One - **Jamie Dunne**

2nd Place Job Interview - **Sarah Garcia**

3rd Place Bus. Svc. Mktg. - **Nikki Vanvoorish**

3rd Place Hotel & Lodging - **Sam Derosa**

3rd Place Marketing Mgmt. - **Dylan Aguado**

3rd Place Quick Serve - **Barry Barsiaman**

3rd Place Rest. & Food - **Stephanie Baehr**

3rd Place Marketing Math - **Stephen McLaughlin**

3rd Place Visual Adv. - **Jay Lueck**

3rd Place Retail Merchandising - **Brian Sears**

3rd Place Decision Making - HR - **Erin Rodrigues**

Congratulations to all DECA members on all of
your hard work and accomplishments!

Van Wyck Students Reach Out

Students at Van Wyck Junior High School, as part of the Grade 7 computer applications class are communicating around the globe. Mrs. Guerrette has reached out to teachers around the world using the ePals website funded by National Geographic. To date they have exchanged cultural and geographical information with Canada, Spain, Ukraine, Italy, Russia and France. The students are able to practice their English and foreign language skills, as well. Corresponding through email and postal mail, students have exchanged various holiday cards with a school in Sitges, Spain.

Their work with a school in Cape Cod, Massachusetts involves Skype sessions where they shared information about school, hobbies, local historic sites and tourist attractions.

A school in Altario, Canada has been a partner for video-conferencing. Mr. Rubeo, one of the district technology specialists, has been the liaison between the schools. Students have worked on various presentation topics using Brigit software, which connects each classroom's whiteboard, to add to the experience.

Mrs. Guerrette and Mr. Rubeo are in the process of working with an American school in Grenoble, France. They are planning to set up a wiki/blog site for students to have cultural and literary exchanges.



"In celebration of National School Bus Safety week, October 20-24, 2008, and New York State School Bus Driver Appreciation Day, October 24, 2008, Mary Williams, a distinguished school bus driver for the WCSD was recognized by the WCSD Board of Education for her 31 years of dedicated service to the District. We thank Mary for her dedication and professionalism and for the great care and affection that she has demonstrated in the service of the District, families and, most of all, our children."

District Announcement Regarding Megan's Law

"...From time to time local law enforcement officials will notify the District when an individual with a history of sex offenses against a child is being paroled or released into the community. Upon written request to the principal, notification will be provided by the principal to the community members who have made the request of the fact that such an individual has been paroled or released into the community. Requests for particulars about the individual being released will be referred, at the request of local law enforcement, to the hotline number or the website provided..."
(1-800-262-3257) (www.criminaljustice.state.ny.us/nsor)

Winter Spring WCDS Continuing Education Brochure

WCDS Continuing Education www.wappingersschools.org 298-5000 Ext 137

2008 GED TEST DATE Dutchess Community College

Jan 18 & 19	April 25 & 26	Sept 5 & 6
Feb 1 & 2	May 9 & 10	Sept 26 & 27
Feb 22 & 23	June 6 & 7	27
Mar 7 & 8	June 27 & 28	Oct 17 & 18
Mar 28 & 29	July 18 & 19	Nov 14 & 15
April 11 & 12	Aug 15 & 16	Dec 5 & 6

Rooms: FRIDAY: Bowne Hall - Room 122, Room 115 and Room 104

SATURDAY: Bowne Hall - Room 122, and Room 104/105 as needed

Jeffrey Behnke, Coordinator,
298-5000, ext. 137

SPRING 2009

GET YOUR GED HIGH SCHOOL EQUIVALENCY PREPARATION & ADULT BASIC EDUCATION

Students under 21 - \$20 registration fee. Students over 21 - FREE. Resumes January 6th.

GRINNELL LIBRARY -
Wappingers Falls
Tues & Thurs 9:30 am -12:30 pm

ROY C. KETCHAM H.S. -
Room 124
Tues & Wed 5:30-8:30 pm
New students accepted weekly at all locations.
This is a continuing program.
Bring high school sign-out sheet.

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE
TO REGISTER: Course is free, but there is a book fee. There is no child care. Students may register at the respective classes. Course is on-going. Resumes Jan. 5th

BEGINNING
ROY C. KETCHAM H.S. -
Room 120
Mon, Wed & Thurs 7:00-9:00 pm

LOW INTERMEDIATE
GRINNELL LIBRARY

Mon, Wed & Fri 9:30-11:30 am

INTERMEDIATE
ROY C. KETCHAM H.S. -
Room 124
Mon & Thurs 6:30-9:30 pm

HIGH INTERMEDIATE
GRINNELL LIBRARY
Mon & Wed 9:30-11:30 am
BLODGETT LIBRARY
Thurs 12:45-2:45 pm

ADVANCED
GRINNELL LIBRARY
Mon, Wed & Fri 9:30-11:30 am

PRONUNCIATION CLASS -
Open to all levels
GRINNELL LIBRARY
Fri 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

S.A.T. REVIEW CLASSES
This is NOT an S.A.T preparation course. It is for review & practice.

Classes will be offered as follows:

JOHN JAY H.S.
Mon & Wed 6:30-8:30 pm
Tues & Thurs 2:00-4:00 pm

ROY C. KETCHAM H.S.
Mon & Wed 2:15-4:15 pm
Tues & Thurs 6:30-8:30 pm

Classes begin Mon., March 2nd & Wed, March 3rd. There is no class on Monday night, March 2nd. There will be a total of 6 classes in math and 6 in verbal. If there is no school that day there are no SAT classes. Cost is \$90 and includes text. There is a minimum (12) and a maximum (20) enrollment. Enrollment deadline is February 24th and will be strictly enforced. Register early or class may be cancelled.

PRE-LICENSING
Two locations. Call appropriate school to register. Cost is \$22. You must have a learner's permit and enroll by phone. Class is held 6:30-9:00 pm both nights.

ROY C. KETCHAM H.S.,
298-5100 EXT. 0
99 Myers Corners Rd,
Wappingers Falls, Room 206
Feb 17 & 19; Apr 14 & 16,
June 2 & 4

JOHN JAY H.S., 897-6700 EXT. 0
Rte 52, Hopewell Jct., Room 137
Jan 27 & 29; Mar 10 & 12;
May 12 & 14

CHILDREN'S

DRAMAWORK - SCENE ONE

Discover theater with a gentle, fun & games approach. Through singing, dancing & playing high-energy games, 2nd & 3rd graders are introduced to the exciting world of drama. Workshops stimulate imagination & encourage creative expression while building communication & social skills.

No class 4/6 or 5/25
Mon 3/30-6/8 • 4:00-5:15
9 sessions
\$145 • Gayhead ES Large Cafeteria
Kathi Spinella & Cindy Pajer

DRAMAWORK - SCENE TWO

Learn how to bring a character to life! 4th, 5th & 6th graders enjoy fun & engaging drama activities which build teamwork, focus, improv & characterization skills. No class 4/6 or 5/25. Mon 3/30-6/8 • 5:30-7:00 • 9 sessions • \$145 • Gayhead ES Large Cafeteria
Instructor: *Kathi Spinella & Cindy Pajer*

SPECIAL

EATING BY DESIGN **NEW!**
Learn how to eat for maximum energy, immune function and overall health. This class will cover how to eat right for your body type and hormones, as well as how to create a metabolism

that promotes weight loss. Dr. Ashburn is certified by Maximized Living as a leader in this area and will help you to understand the latest concept in properly fueling your body.

Wed 1/28 & 2/4 • 7:00-8:00 • 2 sessions
FREE • Ketcham HS Room 217
Wed 3/4 & 3/11 • 7:00-8:00 • 2 sessions
FREE • John Jay HS Room 110
Instructor: *Eric Ashburn*

NOTARY PUBLIC PREP COURSE

Notary Public Central Designed to educate individuals with the legal terminology, concepts & clauses contained in the framework of the NYS Notary booklet. Price includes: supplemental study guide, Notary Fact Sheet, Practical exam, sample forms, Notary Public Application, NYS exam schedule & booklet, subscription to Notary Public Central & Legal Updates. Please bring pen and/or highlighter. Commissioned Notaries are welcome to attend.

Thurs 4/16 • 7:00-10:00 • 1 session
• \$60 • Ketcham HS Room 217

HOME MAINTENANCE FOR BEGINNERS

Protect the value of your home. Learn to identify/evaluate and prioritize potential hazards to your home. Find the most cost-effective way to remediate and control them.

Thurs 3/12-3/26 • 7-9 pm • 3 sessions
\$30 • Ketcham HS Room 206
Instructor: *Edward Tummer*

GETTING PAID TO TALK

This exciting class will explore numerous aspects of voice-over work for TV, film, radio, audio books, documentaries & the internet. All the basics will be covered, including how to prepare a demo, how to be successful and earn great income in this exciting field. Students will even have a chance to record a commercial script. Bring all your questions.

Thurs 3/5 • 6:30-9 pm • 1 session
\$25 • Ketcham HS Room 217
Instructors: *Voice Coaches*

DEFENSIVE DRIVING

Upon completion of this 6 hour, DMV-approved point/insurance reduction program, participants will be entitled to receive a 10% reduction on vehicle liability, personal injury protection & collision insurance for 3 years. In addition, participants may also reduce up to 4 points on their driving record. Attendance is mandatory for both nights.

Tues 1/27 & Thurs 1/29 • 6:00-9:00
Ketcham HS Room 206 –or–
Tues 2/24 & Thurs 2/26 • 6:00-9:00
John Jay HS Room 137
\$45 • Two sessions each
Instructor: *Bob Doran*

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOR BEGINNERS

A course for those new to digital cameras. Learn how to take good quality pictures and how to install your camera's software and download images to your computer. You will also learn how to use different flash modes and some basic creative modes. Bring your camera, software, cables and documentation to class. Limit 12

Wed 1/7-2/4 • 6-9 pm • 5 sessions
\$150 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Jeff Montanye*

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY ADVANCED

Take your digital camera to its' maximum abilities by learning about the camera's advanced features. Learn about controlling depth of field, color balancing, exposure locks, dynamic range, focus points, shooting with a gray card and much more. Bring digital camera, manual, software & cables to class. Limit 12

Wed 2/18-3/18 • 6-9 pm
5 sessions
\$150 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Jeff Montanye*

ACADEMIC

BEGINNING BASIC SPANISH

Introductory course for basic conversational skills. Book cost \$25. Limit 10

Wed 2/11-5/6 • 7-9 pm
12 sessions
\$70 • Ketcham HS Room 220
Instructor: *Tere Voloshin*

BEGINNING BASIC SPANISH – A CONTINUATION

For those students who have started with the Beginning Basic Spanish class and want to continue learning basic conversational skills. Limit 10

Mon 2/9-5/11 • 7-9 pm
12 sessions
\$70 • Roy C Ketcham HS Room 220
Instructor: *Tere Voloshin*

BASIC SPANISH II

Continuation of basic conversational Spanish. Limit 10

Thurs 2/12-5/7 • 7-9 pm • 12 sessions
\$70 • Ketcham HS Room 220
Instructor: *Tere Voloshin*

ADVANCED SPANISH

Basic Spanish II is a prerequisite. Book cost \$20. Limit 10

Tues 2/10-5/5 • 7-9 pm • 12 sessions
\$70 • Ketcham HS Room 220
Instructor: *Tere Voloshin*

COMPUTER

BEGINNING KEYBOARDING/INTRO TO MS WORD **NEW!**

This class develops basic keyboarding skills needed for personal use. You will learn how to enter alphabetic information using the touch method, how to use the number/symbol keys, how to use the numeric keypad, proper techniques at the computer keyboard and using Microsoft Word and MicroError Checker.

Mon 3/2-3/16 • 4-6 pm
3 sessions
\$40 • Ketcham HS Room 286
Instructor: *Maryalice Goodall*

BASIC WINDOWS ORIENTATION & FILE MANAGEMENT

Students will work with Windows, including task bar operation, icons, menus, dialog boxes & window manipulation. Learn the techniques used to organize files. Limit 12

Tues 2/3 & 2/10 • 6-8 pm • 2 sessions
\$30 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Nancy Cantarini*

INTRO TO MICROSOFT WORD

Nancy Cantarini
Learn to change fonts, create & edit documents, read & save documents in different formats, insert text & graphics, move blocks of text within & out of a working document. Limit 12

Tues 2/17-3/3 • 6-8 pm • 3 sessions
\$40 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Nancy Cantarini*

BASIC INTERNET

Learn how to use a web browser to "surf the net" and locate what you're looking for using advanced search engines. Internet email will also be discussed. Limit 12 • Tues 3/24 & 3/31 • 6-8 pm • 2 sessions
\$30 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Nancy Cantarini*

BUSINESS

HOW TO SELL ON eBAY®

Learn how to sell items on eBay®. This class teaches you how to find items to sell & how to know their value. You will learn the proper way to create a listing, leave feedback and use your eBay® account to track your auctions. You will also learn how to use PayPal to make & receive payments as well as how to calculate shipping charges. We will list an item on eBay® in class. You must be able to browse on the internet and know how to download digital pictures to your computer.

Wed 4/15 & 4/22 • 6-9 pm • 2 sessions
\$85 • Ketcham HS Room 207
Instructor: *Jeff Montanye*

FINANCIAL STRATEGIES FOR A SUCCESSFUL RETIREMENT

In four sessions, you will get a comprehensive overview of the retirement process. Develop a detailed financial plan addressing all your retirement concerns & spend 11 hrs to financially organize it. You cannot afford to miss this course if you are over 40. Book fee \$40, payable first night of class. Spouse may attend free of charge.

Tues 3/3-3/24 • 7-9:45 pm
• 4 sessions
\$75 • Ketcham HS Library
Instructors: *John T. McFadden & James P. Agrawal*

PROTECTING & INVESTING YOUR WEALTH WISELY

This seminar is taught by a consumer advocate and not a commissioned salesman. Learn how to buy mutual funds, insurance, long term care insurance, and cars. You will be taught how to invest on your own or with a financial planner. Optional material fee \$20 payable to instructor.

Thurs 5/7 • 6-8 pm • 1 session
\$50 • John Jay HS Room 108
Instructor: *Rick Nathan*

SAVE \$\$\$: HOW TO BUY & SELL REAL ESTATE WISELY

Learn how to buy & sell your home, investment property, foreclosure property, vacation home, etc., with or without a realtor. Learn techniques for buying a property for nothing down and selling a property on your own. Optional material fee \$20 payable to instructor.

Thurs 5/7 • 8-10 pm • 1 session •
\$50 • John Jay HS Room 108
Instructor: *Rick Nathan*

MANAGING YOUR PERSONAL FINANCES

Explore prioritizing financial demands and how to establish, manage and repair your credit. You will discuss incurring debt-choices to make, what to consider when borrowing money, credit & debit cards, purchasing vs. leasing, renting vs. owning and how to improve your personal record-keeping. Optional material fee \$20 payable to instructor.

Thurs 5/7 • 6-8 pm • 1 session
\$50 • John Jay HS Room 110
Instructor: *Bev Nathan*

ENTREPRENEURSHIP

You will learn behind-the-scenes practical information on how to start a successful home-based, second-income business which can

then become full time. With little money down, you will learn how to decide on a business or product to sell with minimal problems. You will also learn how to avoid making major financial mistakes. Optional material fee \$20 payable to instructor.

Thurs 5/7 • 8-10 pm • 1 session
\$50 • John Jay HS Room 110
Instructor: *Bev Nathan*

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT REVERSE MORTGAGES

An informative & educational presentation about Reverse Mortgages for senior citizens, families of senior homeowners and all interested parties. Learn about the history of Reverse Mortgages, how they work, who qualifies for a Reverse Mortgage and the safeguards built into a Reverse Mortgage. Participants will be able to find out how much equity value from their home they may receive from a Reverse Mortgage and will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn about this innovative opportunity

Tues 3/10 & 3/17 • 4:00-6:00 pm
• 2 sessions FREE • Ketcham HS Room 207
Tues 4/14 & 4/21 • 4:00-6:00 pm
• 2 sessions FREE • John Jay HS Room 108
Instructor: *Bruce Cohen*

ART & HOME

BEGINNING CAKE DECORATING

Learn the basic tools, techniques & tips. Make a beautiful, decorated cake in last class! \$25 beginner cake decorating kit to be purchased at first class.

Wed 2/11-3/11 • 7:30-9:30 pm
5 sessions
\$40 • Ketcham HS Room 262
Instructor: *Jackie Rywalt*

EXPLORING WATERCOLORS **NEW!**

This class is for students who wish to explore painting with watercolors. Students will learn the basics of using this versatile way to create art. Students will learn the skills needed to understand and use watercolor paints. Techniques include how to mix colors, use wet in wet techniques, textures, masking and more. Students need to have basic drawing skills. Students are required to purchase supplies. A list will be provided.

Wed 1/14-3/4 • 6:00-8:30 pm
• 7 sessions
\$80 • Wappingers JHS Room 145
Instructor: *Lisa Dawson*

BASIC BEGINNING DRAWING SKILLS

An introduction to drawing for those just beginning to draw or those who need to review the basics to improve their skills. Students will learn the skills needed to create pencil drawings. Topics discussed will include the geometry of drawing, perspective, proportion, line, shading, positive & negative space and composition. Students are required to purchase supplies. A list will be provided.

Thurs 1/15-2/26 • 6:00-8:30 pm •
7 sessions
\$80 • Wappingers JHS Room 223
Instructor: *Lisa Dawson*

BASIC STERLING SILVER WIRE JEWELRY TECHNIQUES **NEW!**

Learn techniques to make several pieces of silver wire jewelry w/ beads. No soldering. Students will purchase tools from a list to be provided. Approximate tool cost \$50. Students can wait to order tools together to save on shipping costs. Because silver wire & findings prices fluctuate with the market, kits will be provided at cost of

\$15 to \$20 per kit to be paid to the instructor either up front or weekly. We will finish 5-6 projects in class. Thurs 3/12-4/23 • 6-8:30 pm • 6 sessions
\$70 • Wappingers JHS Room 145
Instructor: *Lisa Dawson*

HOME UPHOLSTERY

Various techniques will be taught to the students by upholstering their own chair or stool. Spring tying, tacking, cotton molding, machine & hand sewing, & different tufting will be covered. Tools & supplies will be paid for on the first night & students are asked to bring a picture of their project. Limit 12

Mon 2/23-5/4 • 6-9 pm • 10 sessions
\$95 • Ketcham HS Room 233
Instructor: *Willie Masker*

RECREATION

TAE KWAN DO (Korean Karate)

Learn the discipline of the body & mind as taught in the WTKDA. For ages 10 thru adult. Under 12, submit proof of age. Age 9 admitted with enrolling & attending adult. First family member full price, all other members of the same family half price; or same person second night half price. Choose only one discount. A great sport for all ages & genders. Program continues. Choose:

Mon 2/23-5/4 • 6:30-8:30 pm • 10 sessions
\$60 • Fishkill Plains ES Gym
Fri 2/13-4/24 • 6:30-8:30 pm • 10 sessions
\$60 • Fishkill Plains ES Gym
(\$90 for both nights or 2 people on same night)
Instructors: *L. LeClair & J. LeClair*

DANCE

Concentrate on one (or five) dances of your choice at both basic & intermediate levels. (No classes 4/6) Instructor for all Dance Classes below: *Gene Anolick*

HUSTLE

Mon 2/9-3/16 • 7-8 pm • 5 sessions
\$45 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria
Concentrate on the smooth dances:

FOXTROT & WALTZ

Mon 2/9-3/16 • 8:05-9:05 pm • 5 sessions
\$45 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria

CHA CHA

Mon 3/23-4/27 • 7-8 pm • 5 sessions
\$45 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria

SWING (East Coast)

Mon 3/23-4/27 • 8:05-9:05 pm • 5 sessions
\$45 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria

BASIC BALLROOM DANCE

Introductory course. The following dances will be taught: Foxtrot, Waltz, Tango, Merengue, Rumba, and Swing. Dancers are taught a number of patterns and learn to develop the ability to lead & follow. No class 4/8. Limit 32
Wed 2/11-4/22 • 7-8:15 pm
• 10 sessions
\$80 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria
Instructor for all Ballroom Dance Classes: *Naomi Anolick*

INTERMEDIATE BALLROOM DANCE

Learn to do the Cha-cha and improve the skills learned in dances previously taught. No class 4/8. Limit 32
Wed 2/11-4/22 • 8:20-9:20 pm
• 10 sessions
\$80 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria

INTERMEDIATE II

This second intermediate class goes beyond the introductory intermediate class. A minimum of 50 hours of previous instruction or instructor permission is required. No class 4/7.

Tues 2/10-4/21 • 8:20-9:30 pm • 10 sessions • \$85 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria
Instructors: *Naomi & Gene Anolick*

ADVANCED BALLROOM

This class requires a minimum of 65 hours of previous instruction or instructor permission. No class 4/7.
Tues 2/10-4/21 • 7:00-8:10 pm • 10 sessions
\$85 • Ketcham HS Cafeteria

MODERN WESTERN SQUARE DANCING

Couples, singles, children over 8 years old. No experience necessary. "Friendship Set to Music." Fun. Relaxing. Great entertainment & good exercise. No class 4/30. FREE fun night Feb. 5.
Thurs 2/12-5/14 • 7:15-8:30 pm • 12 sessions
\$60 • Myers Corners ES Cafeteria 1
Instructor: *Stu Summers*

SQUARE DANCE II

Stu Summers, Boots n' Bows Square Dance Club
Review the 50 basic patterns & continue thru the PLUS program and ALL POSITION. No class 4/30. Free fun night Feb. 5.
Thurs 2/12-5/14 • 8:30-9:45 pm
• 12 sessions
\$60 • Myers Corners ES Cafeteria 1

MINI COURSES

STAMP CAMP

Create 3 projects using rubber stamping techniques. One card and 2 non-card projects will be complet-

ed. New and experienced stampers welcome. Supply fee of \$10 payable to instructor night of class
Thurs 4/23 • 6:30-9:00 pm
• 1 session
\$8.50 • Myers Corners ES Library
Instructor: *Debbie Pennachio*
MONOGRAMMED CARDS & NOTEBOOK
Send an elegant note on your own monogrammed cards with envelopes. You will make 6 different cards and a holder to store them. A matching notebook will also be created. New and experienced crafters welcome. Supply fee of \$12 payable to instructor night of class.
Thurs 3/19 • 6:30-9:00 pm • 1 session
\$8 • Myers Corners ES Library
Instructor: *Debbie Pennachio*

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Early registration is encouraged to assure placement and to avoid possible class cancellation due to insufficient enrollment.
School holidays are: Jan. 1 & 2, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, Apr. 6-10, May 22 & 25
TO REGISTER: Complete the coupon OR send us your name, phone number, address & class(es) wanted on a piece of paper. Include a check for the fee listed made payable to WCSD. Mail to: Continuing Ed, WCSD, 167 Myers Corners Rd., Suite 200, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590. You will NOT be notified of your acceptance into a class. However, you WILL be notified of class cancellation. Check or money orders only, sorry no credit cards.

REGISTER IN PERSON: The Continuing Ed office is located at 167 Myers Corners Rd. Use the Orchard View entrance.
Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-12:30 pm.

SENIOR CITIZENS: If you are 62 or older, take 10% off all courses, but not on supply fees or books.

BOOKS & SUPPLIES: Prices may increase. Senior discount does not apply.

FOR THOSE UNDER AGE 21: Please add your age on the coupon.

SNOW DAYS & CANCELLATIONS: Continuing Ed will be cancelled on all school holidays and any day when school has not been in session. If after-school activities are cancelled, so are our classes that evening. Cancellations will be announced on WKIP, WHUD/WBNR and WPDH/WEOK. All cancelled classes will be made up at the end of the course.

REFUNDS: If a class is cancelled due to insufficient registration or if a class is filled, a refund will be issued.

MINIMUM ENROLLMENT: Generally classes require a minimum of 8-10 registered students.

PARKING: Do not park in front of the main entrance or along the sidewalk at the front of a school. These are fire zones.

SMOKING POLICY: No smoking is allowed in school buildings or on school property.

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298-5000 Ext. 137


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NAME _____
PHONE _____
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COURSE(S) _____
Enclosed Total \$ _____

 Make checks payable to **Wappingers Central Schools**. No acknowledgment of registration will be made. REFUNDS will be granted only in the cases where there is insufficient registration and a class is unable to begin.