



GATES CHILI

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

Graduation Newsletter 2023



Congratulations Class of 2023!

The sky's the limit for the Gates Chili Class of 2023! Family members and friends packed the Gates Chili Field House bleachers to watch as students crossed the stage, turned their tassels and became alumni during the high school's commencement ceremony on June 22.

Class President Haley Bigelow addressed her fellow graduating seniors, as did Class Vice President Abbey Moore, Valedictorian Michael Lin, Salutatorian Nissa Vanham, Class Secretary Faith Walker, Class Treasurer Gracie Day and Class Historian Jo Zimmer. Their speeches emphasized the resiliency of the Class of 2023, who persisted despite years of unprecedented challenges.



"We have all gone through so much, our world was turned upside down. We have grown and learned so much about ourselves and the world around us, bad or good," said Moore. "Though it was frustrating and seemed for a moment to be hopeless, we persevered and here we are now, united to celebrate the start of a new chapter."

"These past four years have been anything but normal. Through experiencing a worldwide pandemic, figuring out remote learning and losing out on years of valuable high school experiences that had to be cancelled, we still managed to work through it. Perhaps amidst it all, we uncovered something about our true selves," added Bigelow.

The ceremony also included a performance by members of the Advanced Treble Choir and Concert Choir as well as congratulatory remarks by Principal Ken Hammel and Superintendent Christopher Dailey, who praised the graduates and their families for their strength and tenacity over the past several years.

For a complete list of Class of 2023 graduates, see pages 6-7.



Together we teach and inspire excellence for all learners.

Letter from the Superintendent



Dear Gates Chili School Community,

As we wrap up another successful school year in Gates Chili, I extend my deepest gratitude to every person that makes up our phenomenal Spartan family. This includes our awesome students, engaged parents and guardians, hardworking staff members

and dedicated community members who all continue to do their part to invest in our kids in Gates Chili.

Gates Chili is a special place to work, live and grow, and it's always been the people here that truly make this community and school district such a wonderful place to call home. Thank you for the ways you continue to unite around our collective purpose of helping all our students find *their* purpose in life.

This year, we saw great success in a number of areas, some of which are highlighted in the pages of this newsletter. From academic achievement to success in arts and athletics to an increase in community engagement, we extend a heartfelt thanks for your continued partnership. We love seeing our families involved at our schools by volunteering and partnering with our educators to expand the support we provide each day to our students.

I hope you all have a great summer and enjoy time with loved ones. Thank you for making Gates Chili the place to be!

Go Spartans!

Christopher J. Dailey
Superintendent of Schools



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Our monthly
district
e-newsletter will
be back with
a new issue in
September!

Thank you, Gates Chili community!

At this year's annual budget vote on May 16, district residents voted to approve the proposed budget for the 2023-24 school year in a 613-244 vote. In addition to the budget proposition, district residents approved propositions for bus purchases, the establishment of a capital reserve fund and a student representative to the Board of Education. Thank you to the Gates Chili CSD community for its continued support of our students, staff and programs.

GCCSD elects BOE members

On May 16, Gates Chili residents also elected four board of education members. Newly elected board members Kathryn Davis (incumbent), Catherine Coffee (incumbent) and Michelle Jennings will each serve a three-year term that will end on June 30, 2026, and Robert Long (incumbent) will serve a one-year term ending on June 30, 2024. In addition, at its annual re-organizational meeting on July 11, the board voted to re-elect Catherine Coffee as board president and voted to elect Dr. Christine Brown Richards as board vice president.



Kathryn
Davis



Catherine
Coffee



Michelle
Jennings



Robert
Long



Dr. Christine
Brown Richards

Community use of the Gates Chili Field House

Community Walk Program

Gates Chili High School is open to district residents in the evenings for walking. Get your steps in no matter the weather by walking the indoor suspended track at the high school.

Community Swim Program

The Gates Chili High School pool is open most evenings and weekends for district residents for open swimming. Family Swim takes place on Saturdays and Sundays only. Children must be accompanied by their legal guardian.

Fitness Center Use and Orientation

All district residents who would like to use the fitness center must undergo the Fitness Center Orientation. The orientation course requires residents to show a valid New York State driver's license that includes their Gates Chili district address.

Orientation is offered Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Cost: \$15

**All field house community members
must reside in the Gates Chili
Central School District. For questions about
hours and programs, call 247-5050 ext. 20219
or visit gateschili.org/FieldHouse.**



Gates Chili named in the

Best Communities for Music Education



Gates Chili Central School District has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education. Now in its 24th year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

“Music education and the arts are an integral part of the Gates Chili experience, and we are so proud to be recognized with this award,” said Superintendent Christopher J. Dailey. Gates Chili’s music education offerings include state-of-the-art music and art

classrooms to provide students with the space to further develop and explore the arts, a partnership with the Rochester Broadway Theatre League (RBTL) to integrate music education into the classroom and the creation of the Gates Chili Performing Arts Center to give students the space needed to learn and grow musically.

“The benefits of music education to a student’s life are immeasurable,” said Katie Coon, director of secondary education. “Music education supports all learning, stimulating language skills, developing a great work ethic, fostering a spirit of collaboration and helping students to build confidence.”

To qualify for the Best Communities designation, Gates Chili answered detailed questions about funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program and community music-making programs.



Spartans leadership changes

Gates Chili is proud to announce several administrators in new roles for the 2023-24 school year.

Gates Chili High School Principal **Kenneth Hammel** has moved into the role of Interim Director of Physical Education, Health and Athletics. As a result, Assistant Principal **Thomas Hammel** is serving as interim principal. Science teacher **Laura Braid** will assume the role of interim assistant principal, leading the grade-level office for the Class of 2025. Additionally, **Garonia “GiGi” Parchment-Magnussen** joins

the leadership team in the grade-level office for the Class of 2024.

Michelle Dossier is Gates Chili Middle School’s newest assistant principal. She will lead the Amerk community. Meanwhile, **Kenya Rollins** is the new leader of the middle school's Red Wing community.

Mayra Ortiz is the newest Star at Neil Armstrong Elementary School, serving as assistant principal.



Laura
Braid



Michelle
Dossier



Kenneth
Hammel



Thomas
Hammel



Mayra
Ortiz



Garonia “GiGi”
Parchment-Magnussen



Kenya
Rollins

Fifth-graders celebrate the end of elementary school

Stars, Bears, Dragons and Panthers celebrated their time in elementary school and the upcoming move to middle school during four special moving-up ceremonies this June. The ceremonies, held in the Gates Chili Performing Arts Center (GCPAC), also featured awards in all areas of academics and co-curriculars as well as leadership, character and personal integrity. Congratulations to all of the award winners!



Panther Palooza offers plenty of fun

Paul Road put on a Panther Palooza to celebrate the end of the school year.

Panthers and their families gathered at the school on June 9 for a fun-filled evening of activities. There was food, music, games, face painting and an inflatable obstacle course and bounce house. Students especially enjoyed the tie-dye and bubble-making stations. The school also partnered with the Monroe County Office of Traffic Safety to offer free car seat checks and installations during the event.

Panther Palooza was presented by the Paul Road School and Family Association (PRSFA) with help from the school's Service Club.

Future-ready through *fashion*

Fifth-graders at Walt Disney Elementary School are using fashion to think ahead about their future careers. The third annual Career Fashion Show, a collaboration between art and counseling, requires students to research and design a career they are interested in, then design apparel to represent that career research. Students then put on a fashion show to display their creations and have the opportunity to share their research and designs with students in grades K-4.



Eighth-graders soak up *the sun and the mist*



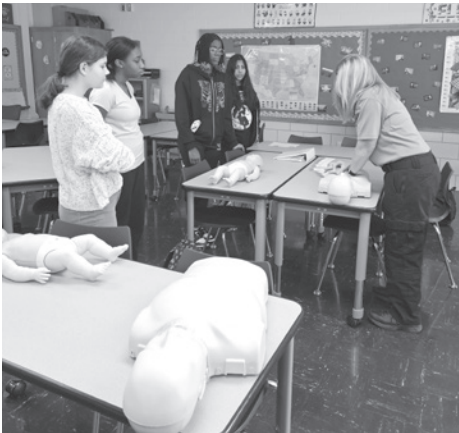
Gates Chili eighth-graders capped off their middle school careers with a trip to Niagara Falls on June 13.

Nearly 200 students along with staff chaperones boarded charter buses and traveled to the popular tourist destination. They experienced hurricane-force winds and got doused by the thundering falls at the famed Cave of the Winds, ate lunch and enjoyed the views at Fort Niagara State Park, cruised on the iconic Maid of the Mist and got drenched again, and learned how the falls generate electricity at the Niagara Power Vista. The day of adventure ended with dinner and dancing at a banquet hall.

Students participated in PTO-sponsored fundraising opportunities throughout their middle school years to raise money for the trip.

Careers in Demand: an eye on the future

Eighth-grade students had the chance to start thinking about their future careers during the middle school's Careers in Demand event on May 18. More than 18 different industries were represented by almost 30 presenters. Students were able to attend three presentations ranging from health and medicine to architecture and engineering, to video game design development and business, to law enforcement and communication. Thank you to middle school staff and the many community partners who helped to make this event a success.



Gates Chili High School

Sabha M. Abdeldayem
 Gustavo C. Acebal-Vargas
 Annika G. Ahlstrom
 Jesse J. Albano
 Antonio E. Alberti
 Mackenzie G. Alley
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 Huraba Arif ▲◆
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 Sienna M. Hood
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 Anthony R. Jones △
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 Jabr M. Kamhed
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 Xavier L. Mitchell
 Kani K. Mitchem △
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 Edward H. Myers III
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 Emma E. O'Donnell
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 Jenna M. Reiss ~
 Ray Reyes
 Nayelyn Rico
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 Madalynn Elizabeth Sachs
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 Gabriel Treto Guilherme ▲§
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 Adem A. Ucar
 Elijah J. Valle ~
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 Coen Jacob Wallace
 Faith J. Walter ▲◆~➤
 Brianna M. Warden ▲◆~
 Aidan C. Webb ~
 Amiyah N. Wells △
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 Nyzhene K. Wilson
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| ▲ | Academic Varsity Letter | • | August 2022 Graduate |
| ~ | Foreign Exchange Student | •• | January 2023 Graduate |
| □ | National Business Honor Society | ~ | Award Recipient |
| ◆ | National Honor Society | ➤ | Seal of Biliteracy Candidates |
| ✱ | National Technical Honor Society | △ | Urban League Black Scholar |
| § | Tri-M National Music Honor Society | | |

GCHS students *show their skills* at SkillsUSA

Four Gates Chili High School students participated in the 2023 New York State SkillsUSA Leadership Conference and Championships through BOCES 2 Career and Technical Education (CTE). The annual event took place at the New York State Fairgrounds from April 26-28.

Juniors Thomas P. and Ashton S. collaborated with their Computer Technology peers to form a seven-member Opening and Closing Team. The team placed third in the competition, earning a bronze medal.

Leadership activities are also a core function of the event, and 12 BOCES 2 CTE students, including GCHS juniors Samantha P. (Dental Assisting) and Samuel B. (Heavy Equipment Operation and Maintenance), represented the WEMOCO SkillsUSA chapter as delegates.

In total, 21 BOCES 2 CTE students combined for 10 medals and more than 100 WEMOCO CTE Center students attended the event as competitors, delegates, event workers and guests.



GCHS students awarded Make All the Difference Scholarship

Two members of the Gates Chili Class of 2023 have been recognized by Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES for their achievements. Avery Murray and Jeanae Robinson (Nurse Assisting and Associated Health Careers) were celebrated at the "Make All The Difference" Scholarship Reception hosted by the Monroe 2-Orleans Educational Foundation Board.

The Monroe 2-Orleans Educational Foundation funds scholarships and awards for students for whom non-traditional education programs have "made all the difference." Make All the Difference Scholarships and Awards recognize outstanding examples of how the convergence of non-traditional education programs, dedicated staff, and engaged students can Make All the Difference in a student's life, in ways that general education is not traditionally designed to do.



Congratulations to Gates Chili's **Black Scholars!**

Twenty Gates Chili High School students have been named as Urban League of Rochester Black Scholars! For over four decades, the program has provided academic recognition, college readiness assistance and scholarship incentives to students. Spartans who earned this achievement were celebrated at the Urban League's 44th annual celebration on June 5.

Congratulations to:

Emma Barker, Kenisha Chonge, Lestariyah Danzy, Briana Gibson, Zinaria Gibson, Keira Jackson, Anthony Jones, Mireya Justiniano, Kayla Maragh, Kani Mitchem, Brandon Randolph, Jeanae Robinson, Mya Rone, Marlon Salmon, Alaya Stewart, Kirk Sullivan, Jazalynn Thompson, Amiyah Wells, Ashley Wrobeh and Jericho Yates.

Nace-Brenner named *Outstanding Senior*

Each year the Monroe County Council of School Superintendents (MCCOSS) recognizes one senior from every high school and the two BOCES in Monroe County with the Dr. Michael O'Laughlin Outstanding Senior Award. Congratulations to this year's recipient, Braedon Nace-Brenner!

Students are selected for this honor based on their scholarship, leadership, service and character. Nace-Brenner was recognized for his extensive volunteer work and his commitment to school and community. He was also the Monroe County Young Citizen of the Year 2019 and selected as an honoree in 2023.



Fluency rewarded with NYS *Seal of Biliteracy*

Twenty-two members of the Gates Chili High School Class of 2023 earned the NYS Seal of Biliteracy on their graduation diplomas. This prestigious designation means that students have attained a high level of proficiency in listening, speaking, reading and writing in one or more languages in addition to English. To earn the seal, students must meet criteria set by New York State as well as the district to prove language proficiency at the intermediate high level or above as defined by the American Council on Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).



Haley Bigelow, French
Johana Bogdanovska, Macedonian
Nicole Bracci-Leiter, Italian
Giovanni Buonomo, Italian
Gracie Day, Latin
Olivia DiMaria, French
Jakob Emanuele, Italian
Nolan Every, Spanish
Megan Firnstein, Spanish
Cecelia Gardner, Latin
Nghi Le, Vietnamese
Michael Lin, Latin
Kayla Maragh, Spanish
Braedon Nace-Brenner, Latin
Oscar Ruiz, Spanish
Phuong Nguyen, Vietnamese
Gabryella Rodriguez-Machado, Spanish
Alaya Stewart, French
Jazalynn Thompson, Spanish
Faith Walter, Spanish
Jericho Yates, Spanish
Jo Zimmer, Latin

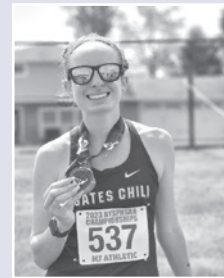
Spartans compete in Special Olympics

Several Gates Chili elementary and middle school students hit the track for the Special Olympics at Spencerport on June 2. Spartans competed with students from Brockport and Spencerport. At Paul Road and Walt Disney elementary schools, competitors were sent off to the games by a cheering crowd of students and staff. The event was a great opportunity for students, staff and families in our school community to celebrate together.



Spartans compete at track and field state championships

Three Spartans competed at the New York State Public High School Athletic Association (NYSPHSAA) Outdoor Track and Field Championships. Josiah L. (100-meter dash), Kyra P. (steeplechase) and Mati S. (pole vault) represented Gates Chili at the championships in Middletown, New York in June. Both Kyra and Mati made it to the podium with Kyra placing fifth overall in division one and Mati placing fourth overall in the state and tying for sixth overall in the federation finals. Go Spartans!



BUILDING A CHAMPIONSHIP CULTURE

Fifth-graders unite for annual track meet

It may have been Bears versus Dragons versus Panthers versus Stars, but unity was certain at the 2023 Sam Utter Fifth Grade Track and Field Meet.

The fifth-grade classes at all four Gates Chili elementary schools gathered for the annual event on June 8 thanks to organizers who went above and beyond to pull it all off. Originally scheduled for June 7 at Spartan Stadium, this year's meet had to be postponed a day and moved indoors to the field house due to an Air Quality Health Advisory issued by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Students didn't let the change get in the way; they still had a blast competing in high and long jumps, softball throw and shotput. Although it was a contest, the competitors

were quick to cheer on and support their "rivals" from other schools. It was a wonderful opportunity for the Class of 2030 to both show their pride for their different elementary school communities as well as to come together as one before they join forces as sixth-graders at the middle school in September.

This year marked 52 years since the district began hosting the meet. In 2021, it was renamed in honor of former Gates Chili athletic director Samuel D. Utter, who

has served as announcer for the event for more than 40 years.

"I consider it an honor and a privilege that has impacted so many students throughout the years. This track meet is a tradition that has lasted 52 years, and I hope it lasts another 52 years," said Utter. "I'm humbled to have it be named in my honor, but more importantly, I'm happy this meet continues to be a learning opportunity for students."



GC PRIDE Award

Gates Chili CSD is proud to recognize students, staff and community members who go above and beyond on behalf of the district and its students. The GC PRIDE Award stands for and honors professionalism, respect, innovation, dedication and excellence. Congratulations to high school students Antwan D., Austin D., Alannah G. Mekhi H., Basheer M., Mariah Q., Mya R., Oscar R., Alaya S. and Jazalynn T. on this honor!



Congratulations to the Gates Chili Retiree Class of 2023!

Gates Chili honored retirees during a districtwide staff meeting on June 23. Collectively, the group represents more than 1,000 years of service to the Gates Chili school community! Thank you to this group of outstanding educators for your years of service and dedication to students:

Benjamin Amico, Paul Antinelli, Laurie Ashodian, Charlene Beale, Jeannine Bezon, Angela Boyd, Annemarie Brower, Richard Butler, Richard Castre, Maureen Conley, Jeffrey Curran, Brenda Dalton, Amy Deni, MaryEllen Donovan, John Eaton, Kathleen Entress, Renee Gately, Brian Gowanlock, Bruce Hastings, Erik Johnson, Albert Kingsbury, Karen Leaderer, John Lesio, Janine Lyons, John Magiera, Frank Mahns, Todd Martin, Darrin McBride, Kristin McBride, Dean Myslivecek, Richard Pound, Richard Rall, Lisa Sanchez, Traci Schimmel, Judith Schnitzler, Karen Sinopoli, Dirk Sipes, Karen Smelt, Sharon Tubbs, Deborah Wagner, Linda Wetherell, Andrea Wheatley and Carol Wilbur.



Singh celebrated by transportation colleagues

Gates Chili Bus Driver Sukhdeep "Sue" Singh is the Transportation Employee of the Year. Singh has worked for the district for almost 13 years as a driver and received the award for her dependability, willingness to help, dedication to safety and unwavering reliability. She also routinely helps recruit new drivers and attendants and is always promoting bus driving as a career.





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FREE meals for the summer

The Gates Chili Central School District is proud to continue its nearly decade-long partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture to serve free meals to anyone 18 and younger in the summer months!

NOW THROUGH FRIDAY, AUG. 11

Gates Chili Middle School, 2 Spartan Way
Breakfast weekdays from 8-8:30 a.m.
Lunch weekdays from 12-1 p.m.

Or catch the Spartan Eats Bus around town at
11 a.m. at Lions Park, 11:30 a.m. at Memorial Park or
12 p.m. at Westgate Park

Menus for all locations are available at gateschili.org/menus



Summer hours and new location in effect for the Gates Chili Food Pantry

The Gates Chili Food Pantry has moved! This new resource for Gates Chili students and families is supported in partnership with Gates Chili Community Connections. It's now located at the Gates Chili Administration Building, 3 Spartan Way and will be open once a week each month. Families should come to Admin. Building door #5.

Wednesdays this summer
from 1-2:30 p.m.

Visit gateschili.org/FoodPantry
for information.

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