Dear Parent/Guardian:

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! We hope you had a restful and enjoyable summer. The custodians, clerical and other staff members have worked hard all summer to prepare the building for a new school year, and we thank them for all their efforts. The faculty and staff are excited to welcome students back and to have our hallways filled with the excitement and positive energy a new school year brings. A new school year presents opportunities for new beginnings — new classes, new faces, and new courses. Additionally, we will continue to focus on making our school mission the core of our daily work with all students.

The first day of school for all students will be on Thursday, September 5, 2024. Our school hours are 7:50 a.m. to 2:40 p.m. (Periods 1-9). Sixth grade schedules will be posted on Monday, August 26th after 3 p.m. and seventh and eighth grade schedules on Tuesday, August 27th after 3 p.m. A copy of the bell schedule is posted on our website. The first day of school is an "A" day. Students in Grade 6 should bring a copy of their schedule with them on their first day of class as well as their ID which will be given to them along with a lanyard at orientation. Grade 6 orientation is on Wednesday, August 28th at 10:00 am or Thursday, August 29th at 6:00 pm. Students in Grades 7 and 8 should bring their ID from the previous year; a new one will not be given. Students will be required to swipe their ID card at a kiosk as they enter the building each day, so it is important

57 Division Street Holtsville, NY 11742 631.696.8600 All students should have their Chromebook from last year and should bring it with them on the first day of school. Students new to the building will receive theirs on Thursday, September 5. Each student will be responsible for having their Chromebook charged and ready each day.

If you need to bring something to your child while they are in school, you can leave the item(s) in the security vestibule. Also, if you need to pick your child up from school for any reason, you must have valid identification with you. No student will be released without proper identification and the person's name must be listed in e-school. The information on the emergency listing in e-school should be updated as needed.

The Empire Program is not being provided at any of the Middle Schools this year. Please expect your child to take the 2:40 p.m. bus unless they are staying after for a club, sport, or extra help.

All students entering the 7th grade must have received the Meningitis vaccine and have provided documentation to the health office prior to September 5, 2024. Please note that students will not be permitted to remain in school without the proper documentation. Also, all 6th grade students who will be 11 years old prior to September 5, 2024, must have received the Tdap vaccine or have a note with an appointment (within two weeks of their

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