



GENESEO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #228

2016-17

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION and BACK-TO-SCHOOL INFORMATION

The first day of school for 2016-17 will be Thursday, August 18th.

RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION for current Geneseo CUSD #228 students will be available for completion ONLINE through Family Access on the District's website, www.geneseoschools.org, beginning:

MONDAY, JULY 11, 2016 & IS TO BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST 18TH

Teacher and building placements for Kindergarten students who registered in the spring will be emailed to parents/guardians starting the week of July 11th. Elementary students' homeroom teacher assignments and Middle School student schedules will be viewable in Skyward Family Access on August 12th. High School student schedules will be viewable in Family Access on August 8th. Please note that posted student schedules are subject to change prior to the beginning of the school year. High School locker assignments will be viewable the week school begins.

Payment for the 2016-17 school year can be made online through the Fee Management tab of Family Access during the online registration process. Check or cash payments, if necessary, must be mailed to or dropped off after August 1, 2016 at the building your student will be attending.

For those returning students without computer access at home, online registration may be completed at the Middle School on August 9, 2016, 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. All returning students must be registered online.

NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION, including:

- NEW STUDENTS TO THE DISTRICT
- STUDENTS TRANSFERRING FROM ST. MALACHY'S SCHOOL
- S.A.F.E. PROGRAM, will be held on:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 2016 from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at
Geneseo Middle School, 333 E. Ogden Avenue, Geneseo, IL

New Student Registration Forms may be found on the District website at www.geneseoschools.org, under the Quick Link "Registration", located on the left side of the District and individual school web pages. Please download and complete forms prior to August 9. Bring completed forms to New Student Registration on August 9.

NEW STUDENT ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

- To enter kindergarten, a child must be five (5) years of age on or before September 1, 2016.
- If you attended Kindergarten Registration in the spring, you **need not** attend New Student Registration on August 9.
- The parent/guardian of all new students to the District must present one of the following Category I proofs of residency:
 - Most recent property tax bill and proof of payment
 - Mortgage papers
 - Signed and dated lease and proof of last month's payment
 - Letter of residence from landlord in lieu of lease
 - Letter from park manager and proof of last month's payment (trailer park residents)
 - Letter of residence to be used when the person seeking to enroll a student is living with a District resident (please request a blank copy of form 7:60-AP2, E2 from the school office)
- The parent/guardian of all new students to the District must present two of the following Category II proofs of residency:
 - Driver's License
 - Vehicle Registration
 - Voter Registration
 - Most recent cable television and/or credit card bill
 - Current public aid card
 - Current homeowners/renters insurance policy and premium payment receipt
 - Most recent gas, electric, and/or water bill
 - Current library card
 - Receipt for moving van rental
 - Mail received at new residence
- The parent/guardian of all new students to the District must present the student's certified or registered birth certificate at registration.
- All new students to the District must have physical, vision, and dental examinations and immunizations as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health. (See Health Section below.)

STUDENT REGISTRATION FEES FOR 2016-17

	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Reduced</u>	<u>Free</u>
Kindergarten through Grade 8	\$99.00	\$33.00	\$0.00
Grades 9--12	\$111.00	\$37.00	\$0.00

In addition to the registration fees, the following list provides you with fees that may be assessed, depending upon grade level. Some of these fees will be billed later in the school year, if the student has incurred the expense, (such as in the case of a lost padlock).

High School Miscellaneous Fees	<u>Standard</u>	<u>Reduced</u>
• Driver Education, Behind-The-Wheel Fee	\$150.00	\$50.00
• Lost or stolen hallway padlock	\$10.00	\$10.00
• Lost or stolen P.E. padlock	\$10.00	\$10.00

- Parking Tag Fee

Semester 1	\$35.00	\$35.00
Quarter 3	\$25.00	\$25.00
Quarter 4	\$15.00	\$15.00

 (Fee entitles eligible GHS students to one parking space)
- Musical instrument repair fee \$50.00 \$50.00
(if student is using a District-owned instrument)
- Advanced Placement (AP) exam fees TBD TBD
- PSAT test fee TBD TBD
- Black Hawk College dual enrollment fees will be billed by Black Hawk College.

District Optional Fees

- Athletic Activity Pass (for students Grades K--12) \$10.00 for MS Events
\$10.00 for HS Events
(Good for all home athletic events, except any tournaments and/or playoffs)
- Optional 24-hour Accident Coverage TBD

HEALTH, VISION, AND DENTAL EXAMINATIONS

Please review the following State of Illinois requirements for the specified grade levels and transfer students. All required exams and immunizations are to be returned to the school nurse. Failure to comply with the Illinois School Code requirements may result in your child's exclusion from school. All forms may be found on the District website www.geneseoschools.org under the Parents and Students link under Health. Forms are also in the General Information packet under the Registration link. Please contact a Geneseo school nurse with questions.

Parents or legal guardians who object to health, dental, or vision examinations, or any part thereof, or to immunizations, on religious grounds shall not be required to submit their children or wards to the examinations or immunizations to which they so object, if such parents or legal guardians present to the Superintendent a signed statement of objection, detailing the grounds for the objection, and, as of October 16, 2016, the State of Illinois' religious exemption form signed by the parent and physician. The new form may be found on the District website www.geneseoschools.org. Failure to provide the completed parent statement and the religious objection form by the first day of school may result in your child's exclusion from school. Exempting a child from the health, dental, or vision examination does not exempt the child from participation in the program of physical education training provided in Sections 27-5 through 27-7 of Illinois School Code [105 ILCS 5/27-5 through 105 ILCS 5/27-7].

Health Examinations

A student's parent(s)/guardian(s) shall present proof that the student received a health examination and the immunizations against, and screenings for, preventable communicable diseases, as required by the Illinois Department of Public Health, within one year prior to:

1. Entering kindergarten or grade one (if for the first time);
2. Entering grades six and nine;
3. Enrolling in an Illinois School for the first time, regardless of the student's grade.

You may mail your completed physical examination forms to the school your child will be attending, or drop off completed physical examination forms with the school nurses at Geneseo Middle School on Tuesday, August 9, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Nurses will also be available that day to discuss your student's special medical requirements, if necessary.

Dental Examinations

All children in **kindergarten**, **second** and **sixth** grades must present proof of having been examined by a licensed dentist prior to the opening day of school of the current school year in accordance with rules adopted by the Illinois Department of Public Health.

Lead Screening

Lead screening is required for all children one time prior to entering kindergarten.

Vision Examinations

Parents/guardians of students entering kindergarten or an Illinois school for the first time shall present proof prior to the opening day of school that the student received an eye examination within one year prior to entry to kindergarten or the school.

FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS

Free and reduced priced meals are available to children of families who qualify because of financial difficulty. Free/reduced applications will not be mailed to parents this year. Applications can be completed online at www.geneseoschools.org as part of the online registration link. There is also a link to a tutorial for completion of this application. This will be available on Monday, July 11th.

If you choose not to complete the application online, you can print the forms from the registration link, or stop by the District Office to pick up the paper application between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. You can also call 309-945-0450 and select option 0 (zero for operator) after July 11th and request an application to be mailed to your home.

Electronically filed applications will be sent directly to the Food Service Department. Return completed paper applications to the District Office between 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. You will be notified by U.S. mail when your paper or electronic application has been processed. Any questions should be directed to the Food Service Office by calling 309-945-0414 beginning August 1st.

The lunchrooms at each school will open Thursday, August 18th. Charges for full-priced lunches will be as follows:

Kindergarten through 5th grade--\$2.20; 6th grade through 12th grade--\$2.45; adults--\$3.30;
extra milk--40 cents

Charges for full-priced breakfast will be as follows:

Kindergarten through 12th grade--\$1.40; adults--\$1.90

You will have the opportunity to fund student lunch accounts online at www.geneseoschools.org, or mail payments to Geneseo CUSD #228 District Office, ATTN: Food Service, 648 N. Chicago Street, Geneseo, IL 61254.

On the first day of school, kindergarten students are cafeteria guests and will receive a free lunch.

S.A.F.E.

Registration for the S.A.F.E. (Before and After School Child Care Program) can be completed any time after Monday, July 11, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Southwest Elementary School, or on Tuesday, August 9, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Geneseo Middle School. For questions regarding S.A.F.E., please call Megan Lundeen at 309-714-1784.

2016-17 ORIENTATION/OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION

KINDERGARTEN PARENT ORIENTATION: Thursday, August 11, 5:45 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. at Millikin, Northside, and Southwest Elementary Schools.

MIDDLE SCHOOL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION: Friday, August 12, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., at the Geneseo Middle School Counseling Office.

HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN STUDENT ORIENTATION: Monday, August 15, 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., at the Geneseo High School Main Gym.

HIGH SCHOOL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION (for students who are new to the Geneseo School District): Tuesday, August 16, 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m., at the Geneseo High School Commons.

ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE: Tuesday, August 16, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Millikin, Northside, and Southwest Elementary Schools.

MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Wednesday, August 17, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Geneseo Middle School.

HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE: Wednesday, August 17, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Geneseo High School.

HIGH SCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION (for parents of Freshmen and parents of new students to the Geneseo School District): Two sessions to accommodate parents' schedules; information presented will be the same at both sessions: Wednesday, August 17, 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Geneseo High School Library.

GHS FALL ATHLETICS MEETINGS: Wednesday, August 17, 7:10 p.m. to 7:40 p.m.; locations throughout GHS to be announced.

Classes for grades Kindergarten through 12th will start on Thursday morning, August 18, 2016.

SCHOOL TIME SCHEDULES

- Geneseo High School will begin at 8:00 a.m. High School students who have Early Bird class will begin their day at 7:00 a.m. There is NO Early Bird class on the first day of school. However, for those High School students who signed up for Black Hawk College classes, those classes meet according to the Black Hawk College schedule. Classes dismiss at 3:00 p.m.
- Geneseo Middle School will begin at 8:10 a.m. and dismiss at 3:10 p.m.
- Southwest, Northside, and Millikin Elementary Schools classes begin at 8:25 a.m. and dismiss at 3:10 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: there is a one-hour early dismissal on August 18 and August 19.

INSTRUCTION TO BUS RIDERS

If your child is new to the District, please call Pinks' Bus Service, 309-944-6417, to find out the pick up time and ensure your child will be picked up the first day of school.

ACCIDENT INSURANCE

All students are automatically covered by school time accident insurance. Coverage is provided for a student participating in any school district sponsored activity or event. Additional optional insurance is available for grades Kindergarten through 12 at an additional cost. The additional plans are explained in the letter available at school Open House nights.

Student accident insurance is secondary to parents'/guardians' primary health insurance. Student accident coverage is limited and may not always cover the amount charged for the accident. In this case, the parent/guardian will be obligated to pay the difference. For more information, letters will be available at school Open House nights. Information is also available at www.geneseoschools.org under the Parents & Students link.