



## GENESEO COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT #228

### 2015-16 RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION NEW STUDENT REGISTRATION, and BACK-TO-SCHOOL INFORMATION

The first day of school for 2015-16 will be Thursday, August 13<sup>th</sup>.

**RETURNING STUDENT REGISTRATION** for current Geneseo CUSD #228 students will be available for completion ONLINE through Family Access on the District's website, [www.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.org), beginning:

**MONDAY, JULY 6, 2015 & IS TO BE COMPLETED BY AUGUST 7<sup>TH</sup>**

Elementary students' homeroom teacher assignments will be viewable in Skyward Family Access on June 15<sup>th</sup>. Middle School and High School student schedules will be viewable in Family Access on July 27<sup>th</sup>. 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 2015-16 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 5, 2015 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 4, 2015, 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 4, 2015 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.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.org), under the "Parents & Students" heading, drop down to "Forms". Please download and complete forms prior to August 4. Bring completed forms to New Student Registration on August 4.***

## **NEW STUDENT ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS**

- To enter kindergarten, a child must be five (5) years of age on or before September 1, 2015.
- If you attended Kindergarten Registration in the Spring, you **need not** attend New Student Registration on August 4.
- 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)
- 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
- All new students to the District must present a 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 2015-16**

	<b><u>Standard</u></b>	<b><u>Reduced</u></b>	<b><u>Free</u></b>
Kindergarten through Grade 5 . . . .	\$84.00	\$28.00	\$0.00
Grades 6--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).

<b>High School Miscellaneous Fees</b>	<b><u>Standard</u></b>	<b><u>Reduced</u></b>
• Driver Education, Behind-The-Wheel Fee	\$50.00	\$16.65
• 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)
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| • 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 will be billed by Black Hawk College. |         |         |

#### **District Optional Fees**

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

### **HEALTH, VISION, AND DENTAL EXAMINATIONS**

The following exams should be completed before the opening day of school. All students entering the District must have physical, vision, and dental examinations and immunizations as required. Please check [www.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.org) for the new 6<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade Meningococcal vaccine mandate beginning this school year 2015.

#### **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 4, 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.

Unless the student is homeless, failure to comply with the above requirements will result in the student's exclusion from school until the required health forms are presented to the District.

#### **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.

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. 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].

## **FREE AND REDUCED-PRICE MEALS**

Free and reduced-price meals are available to children of families who qualify because of financial difficulty. Free and reduced-price meal applications must be completed each school year. Applications will be mailed to each household and also available online at [www.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.org) on or after July 15, 2015. Completed applications are to be returned by mail to: Geneseo CUSD #228, ATTN: Food Service, 648 N. Chicago Street, Geneseo, IL, 61254, or dropped off between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. You will be notified by mail of your free or reduced-price meal status. Questions regarding Food Service should be directed to 309-945-0414.

The lunchrooms at each school will open Thursday, August 13. Charges for full-priced lunches will be as follows:

Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade--\$2.10; 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade--\$2.35; adults--\$3.25; extra milk--40 cents

Charges for full-priced breakfast will be as follows:

Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade--\$1.35; adults--\$1.85

You will have the opportunity to fund student lunch accounts online at [www.dist228.org](http://www.dist228.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 6, 2015 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at Southwest Elementary School, or on Tuesday, August 4, 2015, 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 309-945-0661.

## **2015-16 OPEN HOUSE/ORIENTATION INFORMATION**

**MIDDLE SCHOOL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION** (for new students to the Geneseo School District and their parents): Friday, August 7, 10:00 a.m., at Geneseo Middle School Cafeteria.

**HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN STUDENT ORIENTATION (for all Freshman students):** Monday, August 10, 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., at Geneseo High School Main Gym.

**HIGH SCHOOL NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION** (for new students to the Geneseo School District): Tuesday, August 11, 12:30 p.m. to 1:15 p.m., in the Geneseo High School Library.

**ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE:** Tuesday, August 11, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Millikin, Northside, and Southwest Elementary Schools.

**MIDDLE SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE:** Wednesday, August 12, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Geneseo Middle School.

**HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE:** Wednesday, August 12, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., at Geneseo High School.

**HIGH SCHOOL PARENT ORIENTATION** (for parents of Freshmen and new students to the Geneseo School District): Two sessions to accommodate parents' schedules; information presented will be the same at both sessions: Wednesday, August 12, 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the Geneseo High School Auditorium.

**GHS FALL ATHLETICS MEETINGS:** Wednesday, August 12, 7:10 p.m. to 7:40 p.m.; locations throughout GHS to be announced.

# **Classes for grades Kindergarten through 12 will start on Thursday morning, August 13, 2015.**

## **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 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 13 and August 14.

## **INSTRUCTION TO BUS RIDERS**

If your child is new to the District, please call Pinks' Bus Service, (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 will receive FREE school time student accident insurance. Additional optional insurance is available for grades Kindergarten through 12 at an additional cost. The additional plans are explained in the letter available at Back-To-School Night/Open House.

For high school football, the participant must pay an additional coverage fee, or the parent/guardian of the participant may opt to use their own insurance and waive the policy provided by the school.

Student accident insurance is secondary to parents'/guardians' own insurance. Student accident insurance 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. See letter for further coverage information. Letters will be available at Back-To-School Night/Open House.