

# SOLVAY

UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

## What's Happening at Solvay Schools

October 16, 2017



# Exciting New Year



- We are excited about the 2017-2018 school year!
- There have been several changes, moves, and new hires.
- We are looking forward to working together with each and every one of you!

# Changes for 2017-2018

- **Buildings and Grounds**
  - Classroom moves for PreK and 4<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Painting throughout all three buildings
    - Almost all rooms in SES
  - New furniture in each of the buildings
  - New scoreboards on baseball and softball fields



# Changes for 2017-2018



- **Staff**

- New hires - 39
- Moves and grade level changes – 19
- 58 total; over 20% of our staff are new or in new positions

- **Community**

- Bridge Street updates complete
- Milton Avenue Solvay Beatification Project

# Changes for 2017-2018

- **Students**

- 106 New Students

- 52 in Solvay Elementary School
- 27 in Solvay Middle School
- 27 in Solvay High School

- 97 students moved from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

- 124 students moved from 8<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade

- 1,500 total students



# Changes for 2017-2018



- **The work we do**
  - Teaching and learning
  - Preparing 3-8 Common Core Exams
  - Preparing Regents Exams
  - Preparing students for each grade level
- **The work we will do**
  - Curriculum alignment K-12
  - New science standards
  - New social studies standards
  - New APPR
  - Extended Day programming – Grants
  - Summer programming – Grants

# Administrative Changes – New Hires/Moves/Returning

## District Office

- Jay Tinklepaugh, Superintendent of Schools
- Eric Larison, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction
- Karen Henry, Assistant Superintendent for Business
- Ellen Sheehan, Director of Special Education
- Matt Dean, Director of Technology

## Solvay High School

- Diane “DeeDee” Hagemann, Principal
- Todd Lisi, Administrative Intern

## Solvay Middle School

- Neil Gottlieb, Interim Principal
- Christine Miczan, Assistant Principal

## Solvay Elementary School

- Matt Carpenter, Principal



# What Makes Solvay Special

- **Our staff**
  - Faculty
  - Instructional and non-instructional staff
  - Building office staff
  - Maintenance and custodial staff
  - Transportation staff
  - Food services staff
  - District office staff

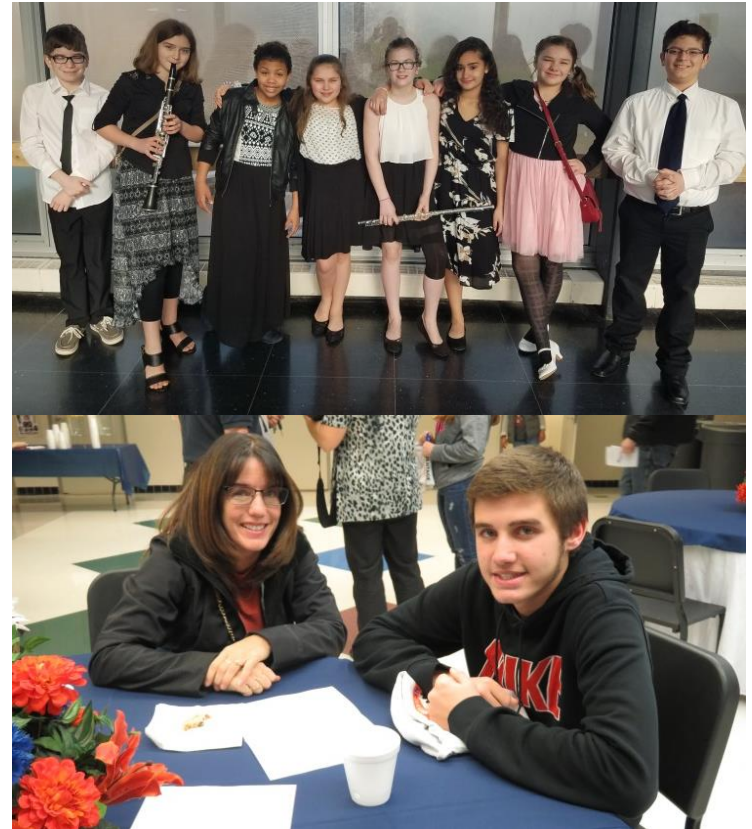
**Each of you make a difference and contribute to the success of our students, schools and community.**





# What Makes Solvay Special

- **Our community**
  - Families in the district
  - Parents and guardians
  - Alumni, history, and tradition
    - Class Reunions for Class of 1962-1966
    - 50 Year Reunion for Class of 1967
  - Board of Education
  - Boosters, athletics, and music
  - PTO's



# What Makes Solvay Special

- **Students**
  - Solvay and Lyncourt
  - Pride in their school
  - Involvement and engagement
  - Accomplishments
    - Academics
    - Athletics
    - Extra curricular activities
  - Diversity of our school and programs
    - Hard of Hearing Programs
    - English Language Learners



# What Makes Solvay Special

- **Partnerships**
  - Onondaga County
  - Syracuse University
  - Onondaga Community College
    - OCC Advantage Program (Second Cohort)
  - SUNY ESF
  - Local Businesses
    - ACMG
    - Solvay Bank
    - Youth Center



# What Makes Solvay Special

- **Grants**
  - 21<sup>st</sup> Century Learning Grant
  - Community Schools
  - Parent Teacher Home Visits with Families
- County Partners & Supports
  - Promise Zone Staff
  - Family Liaison Staff
- Community Partners



# What Makes Solvay Special

## Our Core Training

Train people well enough so they can leave, treat them well enough so they don't want to.

Richard Branson

- Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol (SIOP)
- Cognitive Coaching
- Habits of Mind
- Adaptive School
- Poverty
- Professional Development
  - Instructional Technology Coach
  - Literacy Coach
  - Content Specialist and Teacher Leaders

# Looking Forward

- **Our mission**  
“We develop **confident**, **continual** learners who are **caring** community members.”



# To keep a focus on our mission: 2017-2018

Beginning – New

Engage – Enthused and Energized

Attitude – Positive, Be Adaptable and Accepting

Responsible - Be Ready and Reasonable

Caring – Compassionate and Confident

Attention - To detail

Team - Trust one another

Support - Celebrate Success

**We are all BEARCATS!!!**



# “The only constant is change.”

Let's embrace change and work proactively together.

**Welcome back and I wish you all a productive and rewarding year!**





# In Closing...

“Education is the most powerful  
weapon which you can use to change  
the world.”

—Nelson Mandela