

## Civil War Reenactment Assembly

All 8<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in a Civil War Reenactment Assembly that was held outside at SMS on September 30. Students have been studying and learning about the Civil War in their social studies classes and had an opportunity to experience first hand what life was like during this time period. Students learned about Civil War music, medicine, clothing, laundry, food, soldier's life, and more, by rotating to different stations led by Civil War reenactors who came from different parts of the state. This was a great experience for the students! A big thank you to the 8<sup>th</sup> grade team of teachers, SMS staff, buildings and grounds crew, PTO, administration, and Board of Education for your support in making this event possible!





## Solvay Awarded 5-Year Grant

Solvay UFSD has been awarded a 5-year grant from New York State's Office of Mental Health (OMH) for a total of \$2,282,658 (\$456,531 per year). OMH offered this grant in light of the pandemic in order to increase the services and support for students with regards to mental health and trauma. This grant will allow Solvay to continue existing services as well as expand services and supports for our students and families.

The grant will be used to support two existing embedded county supports whose funding is split between the district and Onondaga County - Promise Zone Specialist at the elementary school and district-wide Family Support for Student Success person.

The grant will allow for the expansion of these duly supported positions through the addition of a Promise Zone Specialist at the Elementary School and an additional district wide Family Support for Student Success person.

Funding will also be used to add district-wide Mental Health Liaison who will be a full-time Solvay employee and act as the District's single point of contact for referrals to mental health services outside of the district and will be the out-facing liaison for Solvay working with area supports such as Golisano Children's Hospital and other facilities. This person will act as the central hub to coordinate and maximize full wrap around support and services for our students.

Additionally the OMH grant will allow the district to contract with Peaceful Schools to obtain a district-wide Family Engagement and Education Training-Social Emotional Learning Interventionist. This individual will provide family engagement and support related to social-emotional learning development, skill development for caregiving, conflict resolution skills, identification of and seeking support for various mental health concerns (i.e depression, anxiety, suicidal ideations), etc. This position will be an incredible asset and support to our students and families.

Solvay is grateful for the continued partnerships with Onondaga County's Coordinated Care Services, Inc. and Peaceful Schools who worked with us collectively to successfully win the OMH Grant.



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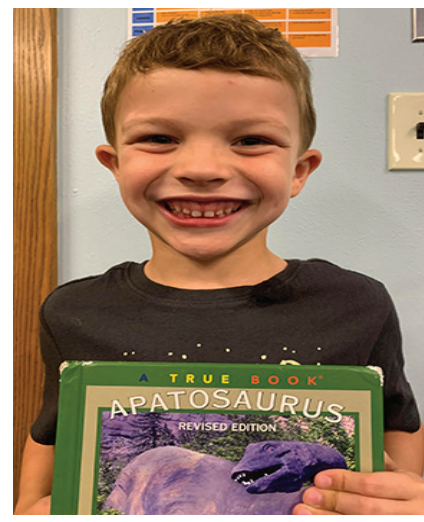
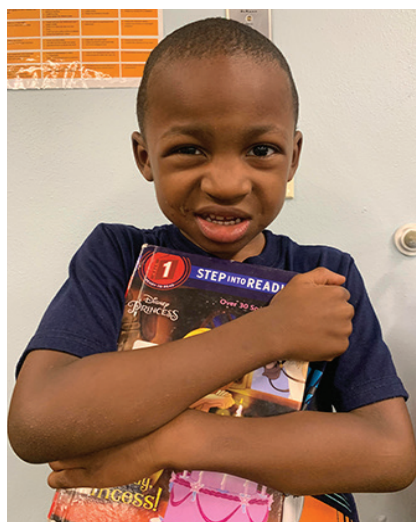
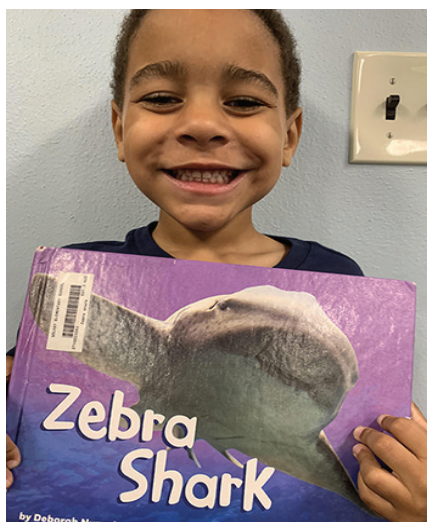
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Kindergarten students with their first library book. Pictured L/R: Isaiah Foaster, Omari Street, & Michael Green.

## Food Service Options Expand

There have been some exciting changes in the Solvay Food Service department this year. Breakfast and lunch continue to be free for all students and we have made other changes to keep up with school dining trends.

At Solvay Elementary School, we have been able to have the students come through the lunch line for the first time since the pandemic started. It is great to have the kids and their smiling faces come through the line each day. We are still doing breakfast in the classroom, which gives us the best opportunity to make sure our students are starting the day with a nutritious meal.

At Solvay Middle School, we have also been able to resume a more traditional food service operation. For breakfast, we have started offering a hot breakfast choice along with other breakfast options. At lunch, we have opened a made-to-order sandwich station as well as our hot lunch options. We also are now able to offer a variety of snack items for purchase to allow the students to add a treat to their lunch.

At Solvay High School, we have expanded both the breakfast and lunch programs to try to meet the tastes of our teenage students. We are offering breakfast sandwiches, muffins, and cereals daily along with other items to help the high school students start their day off on the right foot. We have expanded the daily lunch offerings to include a deli bar, chicken patty sandwiches, pizza, and entrée salads. We are also serving a featured hot entrée on

a daily basis. A variety of snack, ice cream and beverages are also available for purchase for the high school students. Encourage your kids to eat free at school every day!





## Welcome to Our New Staff!

### Solvay Elementary School

Nicholas Beach, school counselor  
 Jenna Berry, gr. 1 teacher  
 Tina Buzak, teaching assistant  
 Kayla Capucilli, LT gr. 2 teacher  
 Adrianna Cooper, cafeteria aide  
 John W. Dippold, LT AIS teacher  
 Karli Flask, teaching assistant  
 Catrina Hogan, nurse  
 Kim Jaskula, food service helper  
 Alicia Pease, gr. 1 teacher  
 Kyla Pecora, special ed teacher  
 Laura Renaud, LT gr. 1 teacher  
 Shannon Sanford, teaching assistant  
 Raeann Sinn, teaching assistant  
 Laurie Snyder, teacher aide  
 Lana Vecchiarelli, special ed teacher

### Solvay High School

Alicia Flinn, technology teacher  
 Nicholas Godzak, music teacher (choral)  
 Joseph Harding, custodial worker  
 Leanne Maracle, teaching assistant  
 Richard Owczarzak, science teacher  
 Ryan Poley-Baier, math teacher  
 Laura Richards, LT nurse (SHS & SMS)  
 Margaret Walsh, ENL teacher

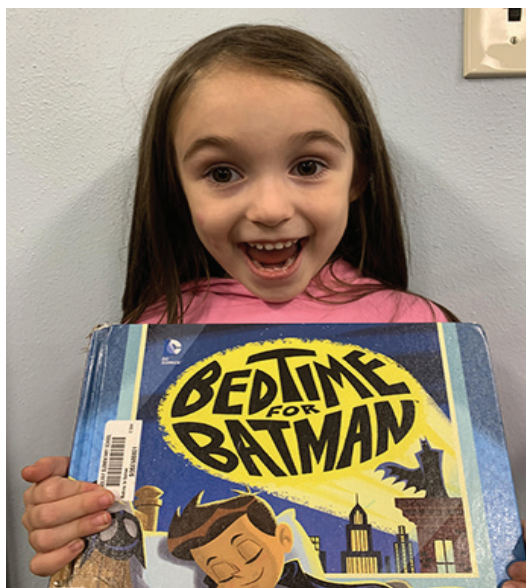
### Solvay Middle School

Anthony Alves, technology teacher  
 Amanda Anthony, gr. 5 teacher  
 Marissa Balduzzi, teaching assistant  
 Debra Bristol, teaching assistant  
 Porter Bristol, cafeteria aide  
 Nikolaus Campbell, music teacher (instru.)  
 Sydney Clary, AIS teacher  
 Rosemarie Edwards, custodial worker  
 Theresa France, PreK teacher  
 Stephanie Goldthwait, cafeteria aide  
 Rachel Gross, music teacher (choral)  
 Phoebe Hulbert, LT gr. 5 teacher  
 Lynn King, LMS  
 Tammy Leonard, custodial worker  
 Kim McNamara, food service helper  
 Shannon Pfautz, teaching assistant  
 Laura Richards, LT nurse (SHS & SMS)  
 Deb Samuel, LT Spanish teacher  
 Brianna Smith, gr. 5 teacher  
 Amie Snyder, teaching assistant

### District

Christopher Boiselle, director of facilities  
 Michael Herr, school lunch director

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Kindergarten students with their first library book. Pictured L/R: Audrey Cuyle and Raheim Newman.



## Summer School at SES

Students in Ms. Sue Collins' and Ms. Karen Clements' summer school enjoyed many opportunities to experience the Solvay community. They walked to the Solvay Police Station, Solvay Fire Department, Solvay Public Library, Solvay Pool, Splash Pad, Youth Center, and WWII Memorial Park. They read *Sadako* and the *Thousand Paper Cranes*, and made origami cranes. Students investigated structures and functions of the human body. Students explore how our bones and muscles are interconnected, how our eyes interact with light and impact our vision, and how our brain responds to stimuli in our



environment.

They played board games with peers and listened to a daily read aloud, *Bridge to Terabithia*.



## SHS Students Visit Schneider Packaging

Students in Mr. Weston's Principles of Engineering class, along with members of the Solvay Success Academy, recently visited the Schneider Packaging Equipment plant in Brewerton, NY. The field trip was part of Manufacturing Careers Day which provides high school students an early look into the field of engineering. Students received a guided tour of the facilities and participated in a Q&A session with supervisors and engineers from the plant.



Pictured L/R back row: Mr. Weston, Ryland Bligh, Carson Tyler, & Ethan Mason; L/R middle row: Jamison Sass, Landon Raymond, Rai Vang, Zim Par, Athena Clark, Maria Wescott, Sophia Wescott, Mr. Lasher & Assemblyman Al Stripe; and L/R front row: David Silyuk, AJ Trendell, Xavier Hardy, & Jordan Dippold.



## Athletic Department Highway Cleanup

The Bearcats and WestRock celebrated their 25 year partnership in cleaning up areas of Solvay. We look forward to another 25 years!



## Winter Start Dates

JV/Varsity - Monday, November 14

Modified I (boys basketball and girls volleyball) - Wednesday, October 26

NOTE: Please check with the school nurses if your child needs a physical for the upcoming season.

## Family ID

Sign up today for sports via FamilyID.com

## Website

Please be sure to visit our Athletic Department website at <http://www.solvayschools.org/athletics> for important announcements and for the most up to date schedules and directions to other schools please be sure to visit [www.schedulegalaxy.com](http://www.schedulegalaxy.com).

## Twitter and Facebook

Solvay Athletics is on Twitter and Facebook! Please be sure to check daily for contests, score updates and other athletic office news! Follow us @SolvayAthletics on both platforms!

Congratulations to the senior fall athletes. Pictured top left: boys soccer, right: girls volleyball, bottom left: boys cross country and right: girls soccer.





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### Emergency Closings

In the event of a closure or delay, notices will go out via Parent Square, email, appear on the district's web site, and media outlets.

### Calendar Changes

- SMS Variety Showcase - Nov. 14 to Nov. 21
- SMS Gr. 5/6 Band/Chorus Concert - Dec. 6 to Dec. 15
- SMS Gr. 7/8 Band/Chorus Concert - Dec. 8 to Dec. 15
- Budget Hearing - May 1 to May 8
- Budget Vote - May 9 to May 16
- Full Plate Dinner - May 9 to May 16

Solvay-Geddes-Camillus Kiwanis Club, Solvay High School Key Club, and Geddes Federal Savings & Loan Association are offering

## READERS FROM BIRTH PROGRAM

2022-2023

Oct. 11	Dec. 13
Nov. 15	Jan. 17

COME SPEND A STORY HOUR WITH YOUR CHILD WITH AGE-APPROPRIATE BOOKS, ACTIVITIES, & CRAFTS. A SNACK IS PROVIDED.

**PRESCHOOL AGES 0-5**

Feb. 7
Apr. 11
Mar. 7

Solvay Public Library | 6:00-7:00 PM  
615 Woods Road, Solvay, 13209

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