

PALMYRA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Celebrating 100 years of Excellence in Education



District Calendar & Parent Handbook

2010 - 2011

Palmyra Public Schools

Central Administration

301 Delaware Avenue
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Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Mrs. Debra Burkholder, Secretary
Ms. Geneva Moore, Board Secretary/
Business Administrator
Mrs. Kathleen Petrucelli, Payroll/Health Benefits
Mrs. Patricia Stanley, Asst. to the Bs. Admin.
Mrs. Joan Camilletti, Transportation/Tuition
Mrs. Christine Costello, Central Registrar

Keep informed about your schools!

You are invited to attend the monthly meetings of the Palmyra Board of Education. Attending these monthly meetings is an excellent way to keep informed about your school district. The Board of Education schedules regular meetings as follows:

August through June:

2nd Tuesday of the month (unless noted otherwise)

July: Optional

Notices are posted for these and other meetings as called by the Board of Education.

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Office Hours: 7:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m.
School Hours: 8:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Ms. Jeanne Barber, Principal
Mrs. Sheila Trampe, Secretary
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Ms. Joni Geiser, Speech-Language
Specialist
Ms. Kimberly Hoffman, Counselor

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301 Delaware Avenue
Telephone: 856-829-4777
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School Hours: 8:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.

Dr. Richard P. Perry, Principal
Mrs. Christine Costello, Preschool
Secretary
Ms. Kim Weisman, Speech-Language
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Child Study Team

301 Delaware Avenue
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Mr. Robert Pupchik, Director of Special Services
Mrs. Terri Bradshaw, Secretary
Ms. Jacqueline Bricketto, Social Worker
Ms. Suzanne-Moore Darms, Social Worker
Ms. Karyn Frengs, School Psychologist
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Palmyra High School

311 W. Fifth Street
Telephone: 856-786-9400
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Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
School Hours: 8:00 a.m. - 2:26 p.m.

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Mr. Mark Pease, Assistant Principal
Mrs. Amy Fanrak, Secretary
Mrs. Dori Cecchini, Secretary
Ms. Annette David-Waite, Secretary
Ms. Elisa DiLolle-Bassett, Director of
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Ms. Kara Shore, Guidance Counselor
Ms. Samantha Crean, Guidance Counselor
Ms. Linda Boyd, Guidance Secretary

Athletic Office

Mr. Ken Holloway, Supervisor of Athletics
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Telephone: 856-786-9400, x3142

Student Assistance Program (K-12)

Mr. Michael Petticrew, Student Assistance Coord.
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Buildings & Grounds

Mr. Sam Bello, Director
Mrs. Darlene Keller, Secretary
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Equity/Affirmative Action Officer

Ms. Jeanne Barber 856-829-3601

504 Officer

Mr. Robert Pupchik 856-786-8900

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Hours of Session

Palmyra High School	8:00 a.m. - 2:26 p.m.
Charles Street School	8:15 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Delaware Avenue School	8:45 a.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Pre-school hours	8:45 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.
	12:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.
Charles Street After School Program	2:30 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.

The "first bell" is sounded five minutes before the start of each session. Pupils should not report for school earlier than ten minutes before the start of the session.



Early Dismissal Schedule

Palmyra High School	8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
Charles Street School	
Gr. K-6	8:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Delaware Avenue School	
AM	8:45 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. (preschool)
PM	10:40 a.m. - 12:40 p.m. (preschool)

Emergency Closings

In case of any emergency which will require the schools to close, announcements will be made between 6:30 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. on radio station KYW from Philadelphia. (The emergency closing number for Palmyra is "663".) Television will state "Palmyra Borough School District" is closed, or delayed opening. You may also dial 786-9300 and press #6 for a message regarding school closings.

Lunch Hour Procedures

A full service cafeteria will be in operation at both the Charles Street School and Palmyra High School. Hot or cold lunches may be purchased there or students may bring bag lunches and eat under the supervision of teacher assistants and/or administration. All schools are participating in the National School Lunch Program; applications for free and/or reduced lunches will be sent home on opening day.

Students at the elementary level (grades K-6) may not leave school property during the lunch period. Students in grades 7-10 at Palmyra High School will not be permitted to leave the school property during the lunch period while students in grades 11-12 will continue to have the privilege of open lunch.

SEPTEMBER SPORTS

Football

3	*Gloucester-A (6:00)
10	*Robbinsville-H (7:00)
13	**Robbinsville-A (3:45)
17	*Riverside-H (7:00)
20	**Riverside-A (3:45)

Cross Country

11	Cherokee-A
14	BCIT Westampton-A (4:00)
16	Moorestown Friends-A (4:00)
21	N. Burlington-A (3:45)
25	Holy Cross-A
28	BCIT Westampton-A (3:45)

Boys Soccer

1	*Pennsville-A (11:00)
3	*Gloucester-H (11:00)
7	*Clayton-A (4:00)
9	**Holy Cross-H (3:30)
14	*Pemberton-H (3:45)
16	**Bordentown-H (*7:00/ **3:45)
17	**Moorestown Friends-A (3:45)
20	**Riverside-H (*7:00/ **3:45)
22	**Maple Shade-A (3:45)
24	**New Egypt-A (3:45)
28	*Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)

*V home games played at the football stadium unless noted;
**JV home games played at Charles Street School.

Girls Soccer

1	*Pennsville-H (11:00)
3	*Gloucester-A (11:00)
7	*Clayton-H (4:00)
9	**BCIT Westampton-A (3:45)
14	**Riverside-A (*7:00/ **3:45)
16	**BCIT Medford-H (3:45)
18	**New Egypt-A (10:30)
20	**Burlington City-A (3:45)
22	**Florence-H (3:45)
24	**Delran-A (3:45)
28	*Florence-A (3:45)
30	**Pemberton-A (3:45)

*V games played at the football stadium; **JV home games played at Charles Street School.

Girls Tennis

8	Cinnaminson-A (3:45)
10	N. Burlington-A (3:45)
13	Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)
15	Holy Cross-H (3:45)
17	Moorestown Friends-A (3:45)
20	BC Open-A (3:45)
21	Pemberton-A (3:45)
23	Delran-H (3:30)
27	Burlington Twp-A (3:45)
29	Burlington City-A (3:45)
30	BCSL Open-A (9:00)

*Home games played at Legion Field unless noted

Field Hockey

7	*Clayton-H (4:00)
9	**Riverside-A (*3:45/ **5:00)
13	**N. Burlington-H (*3:45/ **5:00)
15	**Burlington City-H (*3:45/ **5:00)
17	**Maple Shade-A (*3:45/ **5:00)
20	*Moorestown Friends-A (3:45)
22	**Florence-H (*3:45/ **5:00)
24	**BCIT Medford-H (*3:45/ **5:00)
27	**Cinnaminson-H (*3:45/ **5:00)
29	**Riverside-H (*3:45/ **5:00)

**Home games played at Charles Street School-JV to follow V unless noted.

*Varsity
**Junior Varsity

September 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>
<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> Staff In-Service	<i>8</i> First Day for Students	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>
<i>12</i>	<i>13</i> PTA Meeting-CSS	<i>14</i> Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> Back To School Night-CSS	<i>22</i> Back To School Night-DA 7 p.m.	<i>23</i> Back To School Night-PHS 7 p.m.	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i>	<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>		

Special Events

School Violence Awareness Week:
October 11-15, 2010

Red Ribbon Week: October 18-22, 2010

This will mark Palmyra Public School's 14th year of active involvement in the Red Ribbon campaign. The Palmyra/Riverton Municipal Alliance sponsors this program in an effort to eliminate the use of illegal drugs in the neighborhood and community. Red ribbons will be distributed again this year along with a calendar of events that will be taking place in school, homes and community.

Anyone interested in participating on a volunteer basis can call our Student Assistance Coordinator, Mr. Michael Petticrew, at 786-2104.

Report Card Dates

Marking Period	Marking Period Ends		Distribution Date
1	K-6	Nov. 12 7-12	K-6 Nov. 17 Nov. 3
2	K-12	Jan. 8	K-6 Feb. 2
3	K-12	Apr. 1	K-6 Apr. 13



Teacher Conferences

The staff of the Palmyra Public Schools desires close cooperation between the home and school. Parents are always welcome to come into the school to confer with teachers when classes are not in session. However, such conferences should be arranged in advance at a time convenient to both parties.

Please note that in addition to scheduled afternoon parent conferences in the fall and spring, the district will be hosting evening parent conferences.

Charles Street School

November 18, 19, 22, 23, 2010
February 14, 15, 16, 17, 2011

Delaware Avenue School

November 17, 18, 19, 2010
February 15, 16, 17, 2011

Palmyra High School

November 17, 18, 19, 2010
February 16, 17, 18, 2011

OCTOBER SPORTS

	Boys Soccer	Girls Soccer	Girls Tennis	Field Hockey
Football	2 *Delran-A (11:00)	1 *Trenton Catholic-A (3:45)	1 N. Burlington-A	1 **Burlington City-A (*3:45/**5:00)
1 *New Egypt-A (7:00)	4 **BCIT-Medford-A (3:45)	4 **Maple Shade-A (3:30)	1 New Egypt-A (3:45)	4 **Holy Cross-H (*3:45/**5:00)
4 **New Egypt-H (3:45)	6 **Holy Cross-A (3:30)	6 **BCIT Westampton-H (3:45)	4 Willingboro-H (3:45)	6 **Maple Shade-H (*3:45/**5:00)
8 *Delran-H (7:00)	8 **Bordentown-A *6:30/**4:30)	8 **BCIT Medford-A (3:45)	6 Cinnaminson-H (3:30)	8 **Florence-A (*3:45/**5:00)
11 **Delran-A (3:45)	12 **BCIT-A (3:45)	14 **New Egypt-H (3:45)	8 Trenton Catholic-A (3:45)	11 **New Egypt-A (*3:45/**5:00)
15 *Florence-H (7:00)	16 **Maple Shade-H (10:00)	15 **Moorestown Friends A (3:45)	11 Delran-A (3:45)	13 Holy Cross-H (3:45)
18 **Florence-A (3:45)	18 **Florence-A (3:45)	19 *Pennsauken-A (3:45)	13 Overbrook-A (3:45)	14 Overbrook-A (3:45)
22 *Bordentown-A (7:00)	20 **New Egypt-H (3:45)	22 **Pemberton-H (3:45)	18 Pemberton-H (3:45)	18 Pemberton-H (3:45)
25 **Bordentown-H (3:45)	21 *Willingboro-A (3:45)	26 *Willingboro-H (3:45)	22 Burlington City-H (3:45)	22 Burlington City-H (3:45)
29 *Holy Cross-A (7:00)	26 **Burlington City-A (3:45)	28 *Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)	25 Rancocas Valley-A (3:45)	25 Rancocas Valley-A (3:45)
Cross Country	28 *Willingboro-H (3:45)	29 **Cinnaminson-H (3:45)	27 New Egypt-H (3:45)	27 New Egypt-H (3:45)
2 Shore Coaches-A	29 **Cinnaminson-A (3:45)			20 **Bordentown-A (*6:30/**4:30)
5 New Egypt (4:00)				22 **Delran-A (*3:45/**5:00)
9 SJ Open-A	V home games played at the football stadium unless noted;	V home games played at the football stadium;	Home games played at Riverton	Home games played at Charles Street School unless noted.
15 Burlington County Open-A	JV home games played at Charles Street School.	JV home games played at Charles Street School.	*Varsity	
21 BCSL Open-A			**Junior Varsity	
26 Frosh/Soph Meet-A				

October 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 CSS student pictures PHS Underclass portraits 1 p.m.	2
3	4 PTA Meeting- CSS	5	6 Josten's Student Meeting PHS 9:30 a.m.	7 Progress Reports Issued PHS	8 Staff In-Service No students	9 SAT Testing
10	11 Columbus Day Observed—Schools Closed	12 Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	13 Progress Reports-CSS PSAT-PHS	14 Josten's Ring/Cap & Gown Payments During Lunches PHS	15 Josten's Ring/Cap & Gown Payments During Lunches PHS	16
17	18	19	20 Senior Portraits-PHS	21 Senior Portraits-PHS	22 Senior Portraits-PHS	23
24	25	26	27	28	29 Halloween Parade- 1:15 p.m. CSS	30
31			<i>School Violence Awareness: Oct. 11—15</i> <i>Red Ribbon Week: Oct. 18—22</i>			

Palmyra School District Attendance Regulations

Absences

When a student in grades K-12 is absent, the following procedure should be followed as early as possible on the day of an absence:

- K-6: Parents should call the school office at 829-3601, x221, by 8:30 a.m. to report the student absence and the reason for the absence.
- Gr. 7-12: Parents should call the main office at 786-2967, x250, by 8:30 a.m. and report the student's name and reason for the absence.

Parents must contact the office by 8:30 a.m. School personnel may contact the homes of those whose absence has not been verified by a parent phone call by 8:30 a.m. In some situations the school may make follow-up calls to further verify the student's absence.

Parents cannot legally grant permission for absences which violate state and school policies. The only acceptable reasons for absenteeism from school are:

- Religious holidays
- Personal illness
- Official verification of court
- Death
- Family vacation (see subtitle)
- College visit - verified on college stationary
- Motor Vehicle Driver's Test - 1/2 day only

Excuse Notes

Medical excuses from a physician should be submitted to the school attendance secretary within five (5) days of the student's return to school.

PLEASE NOTE: When a physician determines that a student's illness will result in an absence of ten (10) consecutive days or more, a medical note should be provided as soon as possible to the school nurse so that home instruction may be set up commencing with the 11th day. Pupils assigned to homebound instruction will not be counted as being absent from school.

Home Instruction

Pupils who are unable to attend school because of prolonged illness may receive home instruction for five hours a week, provided extended absence is indicated by a physician and approval is granted under the State Department rules and regulations. Such instruction does not apply in cases of temporary illness. Application for home instruction should be made to the school nurse.

Family Vacation During the School Year

There are circumstances which require that family vacations be taken during the school year. Hence, such vacations will be allowed with the following provisions:

- Provide the school Principal with parental written request of intent at least two (2) weeks prior to the event. The student will be given a form for teacher signature informing them of the upcoming vacation.
- Only one such event in any school year will be allowed and may not exceed ten (10) school days.
- Subject assignments will be provided to the student for completion and must be returned. Time allowed for make-up work shall not exceed the amount of time absent.

Lateness/Early Dismissal

For purposes of the policy, tardiness is defined as being late to school up to two hours. Tardiness is excused for the following reasons:

- Medical appointments verified by a physician's note.
- Official verification of a required court appearance.
- Attendance at a religious service verified by a written note from the parent/guardian.
- Official verification of a motor vehicle driver's test.

In grades 7-12, students signing in at the office between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. will receive detention.

Students signing in after 8:30 a.m. are considered as cutting first period.

In the event of other unusual circumstances, an appeal may be made to the administrative staff.

When it is necessary for a student to leave early, a note from home signed by the parent/guardian must be submitted to the office before 8:30 a.m. The school will recognize four reasons for early dismissal:

- Illness after a student reaches school
- Verified appointment with a physician/dentist
- Emergency situations as allowed by the principal
- Driver's test with verification of appointment

Do not telephone the school asking to have pupils dismissed. Children must be picked up at the school office by parents or guardians and signed out.

Do not telephone the schools asking to have personal messages delivered to students.

NOVEMBER SPORTS

Football

- 1 **Holy Cross-H (3:45)
- 5 *Maple Shade-A (7:00)
- 8 **Maple Shade-H (3:45)
- 15 **Burlington City-H (3:45)
- 25 *Burlington City-H (11:00)

Cross Country

- 6 Sectionals
- 13 State Group
- 20 Meet of Champions

*Varsity

**Junior Varsity

November 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 PTA Meeting - CSS	2	3 End of Marking Period PHS	4 NJEA Convention Schools Closed	5 NJEA Convention Schools Closed	6 <i>SAT Testing</i>
7	8	9 Underclass portrait retakes 1 p.m. Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	10	11	12 End of Marking Period CSS	13
14	15	16 Senior Portrait Retakes	17 K-6 Report Cards Parent Conf. PHS 2-6 P.M. CSS Evening Conf. 6-8 P.M.	18 PHS Evening Conf. 6-8 P.M.	19	20
21	22	23	24 Early Dismissal PreK-12	25 Thanksgiving Recess—Schools Closed	26 Thanksgiving Recess—Schools Closed	27
28	29	30	<p><u>Parent/Teacher Conference Schedule—Early Dismissal:</u> Charles Street School: Nov. 17, 18, 19, 22, 23 Palmyra High School: Nov. 17, 18, 19 Delaware Avenue: Nov. 17, 18, 19</p>			

Health Services

The Palmyra Board of Education employs a medical examiner, Student Assistance Coordinator, and nursing staff.

The following screenings are performed by the school nurse during the school year: weight, height, blood pressure, vision, hearing (except grades 5 and 7), scoliosis (from age 10, every 2 years). In all cases where a physical problem is noted, parents will receive written notice.

Students in grades K-6 may participate in a weekly Fluoride Rinse Program, recommended by the Burlington County Dental Association.

All student **medical examinations** are conducted by your **family doctor**. Students are **required** to have a physical examination for the following reasons:

- Entering preschool or kindergarten
- Transferring into the Palmyra School District from another school
- Participation on a school sports team. If requested, sports physicals will be done by the school doctor in June. See nurse for details.
- Applying for working papers

The Palmyra School District **recommends** subsequent physical examinations by your doctor during the student's developmental stages: Fifth Grade and Eighth Grade. Further information and required Physical Forms can be obtained from the school nurse.

The administration of **medications** during school hours should be avoided whenever possible. Only when medications are prescribed by a licensed physician, and with the written request of a parent/guardian, will they be approved by the school physician to be administered by the school nurse. The medicine should be brought to the school by a responsible adult in the original container labeled according to standards. Such medication is to be kept in a locked closet and administered by the school nurse.

Self-administration of medicine shall be limited to the use of inhalers or epi pens. In emergency situations students may be permitted to self-

administer medication when the nurse or parent/guardian is not present, provided a physician authorizes such self-administration for life-threatening illness only, and certifies that the student is capable of self-administration, and the parents/guardians release the school district of any and all liability. Self-administration of medicine shall also apply to students who participate in any off-site or after-school activity under the same conditions. The nurse shall retain an identical copy of any inhaler(s) or epi pen that a student may be permitted to use under the specific conditions described.

Health Exclusions

- A. When a student lacks valid documentation of New Jersey State-Mandated Immunizations, she/he may be excluded until requirements are met.
- B. When there is evidence of departure from normal health of any student, the principal of the school shall, upon the recommendation of the school physician or school nurse, exclude such student from school.

Readmission to school may be granted when proof, satisfactory to the school medical inspector, is furnished to indicate that the student is free from communicable disease.

he school nurse is available daily to provide **first aid** for students with an urgent illness or injury. Parents will be notified when referral to their physician is indicated. Parents must provide transportation if a student becomes ill in school. The nurse provides care to special needs students as directed by their physician. It is essential that the nurse have accurate and complete information regarding all medication your child takes regularly. Also, the nurse will confer with any student, parent, or staff member about their health concerns.

Nurses:

Preschool-Gr. 6: Mrs. Middleton, RN 786-2981
Gr. 7-12: Ms. McClure, RN 786-2984

Health services are provided confidentially and are free of charge.

DECEMBER SPORTS

Boys Basketball

- 3 */**N. Burlington-A (3:45)
7 *Moorestown Friends-A (3:45)
9 */**Pennsgrove-H (3:45)
14 */**Triton-A (3:45)
17 */**Burlington City-H (*6:30/**5:00)
20 */**Delran-A (*6:30/**5:00)
22 *Moorestown Friends-A (3:45)
29 *Pitman-A
30 *Pitman-A

Girls Basketball

- 3 */**N. Burlington-H (3:45)
7 *Moorestown Friends-H (3:45)
9 */**Pennsgrove-A (3:45)
14 */**Triton-H (3:45)
17 */**Burlington City-A (*6:30/**5:00)
20 */**Delran-H (*6:30/**5:00)
21 *Moorestown Friends-H (3:45)
23 */**Holy Cross-H (*6:30/**5:00)
27 *Pitman-A
28 *Pitman-A

Wrestling

- 4 *Rancocas Valley-A
8 *Cherokee-A (3:45)
18 *Pitman-A
30 *Palmyra-H

Winter Track

Schedules to be determined at a later date.

*Varsity

**Junior Varsity

December 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> Band Parents Craft Fair
<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> PTA Meeting-CSS	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i> Progress Reports PHS	<i>9</i> PHS Winter Concert—7 p.m.	<i>10</i> CSS Winter Concert—1:15 p.m.	<i>11</i>
<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	<i>15</i> Progress Reports-CSS	<i>16</i> PHS Fall Sports Assembly 1:30 p.m.	<i>17</i>	<i>18</i>
<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> Early Dismissal PreK-12	<i>24</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	<i>25</i>
<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	<i>28</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	<i>29</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	<i>30</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	<i>31</i> Winter Recess - Schools Closed	

Vocational Opportunities

The Palmyra Board of Education supports a program of vocational opportunities that include vocational courses of study as part of the regular curriculum of the school and a cooperative vocational education program to offer pupils experience in private employment.

Admission to vocational education programs will be open to regularly enrolled pupils who are qualified by interest, motivation and potential for achieving the goals of the program.

No pupil shall be denied admission or participation in such programs due to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectation or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status or disability.

Pupils participating in vocational education programs supervised by the Board are considered to be regularly enrolled in the schools of this district and are subject to the policies and rules of this Board, including rules regarding attendance, for those periods when they are not assigned to outside work projects or other classes.

Special Education Program

In order to meet the needs of our community, the Board of Education provides an education for children with special needs. These programs are required and are partially subsidized by the state, and provide specialized educational programs for those children who are determined eligible by the Child Study Team.

Any question regarding special education should be referred to the Director of Special Services at 786-8900. Palmyra is a member of the Burlington County Educational Services Unit.

Preschool Program

The Palmyra Preschool Program services children ages 3-5 from Palmyra and neighboring school districts who have been evaluated and found to need a specialized program before entering kindergarten.

Sessions are run in the morning and afternoon. Related services, such as speech/language, occupational and physical therapies are available as needed.

Emergency Information



At the beginning of the school year each child is required to present an emergency form completely filled out giving the parent's work telephone number, neighbor or relative's telephone number, and the name and telephone number of the family doctor.

It is the parent's responsibility to notify the school in writing of any changes.

Suspension

During a period of suspension, students lose all privileges connected with class or school activities. They may not attend dances or other affairs sponsored by the school, nor may they participate in any athletic contest. They are prohibited from being on school grounds. Students are responsible for all school assignments and tests.

Harassment, Intimidation & Bullying Policy (#5512.01, 5512.02)

Available on the district website (www.palmyra.k12.nj.us) as well as in the Superintendent's office.

JANUARY SPORTS

Boys Basketball

- 6 ***Riverside-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 11 ***Maple Shade-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 13 ***New Egypt-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 14 ***Gateway Regional-H (3:45)
- 18 ***Florence-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 20 ***Holy Cross-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 21 ***Cinnaminson-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 25 ***Burlington City-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 27 ***Pemberton-H (*6:30/**5:00)

Girls Basketball

- 4 ***BCIT Medford-H *(5:15/**3:45)
- 6 ***Riverside-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 7 ***Bordentown-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 11 ***Maple Shade-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 13 ***New Egypt-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 18 ***Florence-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 20 ***Pemberton-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 21 ***Cinnaminson-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 25 ***Burlington City-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 27 ***BCIT Medford-A *(5:15/**3:45)

Wrestling

- 5 *Riverside-A (5:00)
- 8 *Overbrook-A
- 12 *Maple Shade-H (5:00)
- 15 *Lindenwold-H
- 19 *Holy Cross-H (5:00)
- 22 *Delran-A (8:00)
- 28 *Moorestown Duals-A
- 29 *Moorestown Duals-A

*Varsity
**Junior Varsity

January 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						<i>1</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>3</i> Schools Re-Open	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>	<i>8</i>
<i>9</i>	<i>10</i> PTA Meeting-CSS	<i>11</i> Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	<i>12</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>14</i> Staff In-Service— Early Dismissal PreK-12	<i>15</i>
<i>16</i>	<i>17</i> Martin Luther King Jr. Day—Schools Closed	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>21</i>	<i>22</i>
<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> Mid-Term Exams PHS 12:15 dismissal	<i>26</i> Mid-Term Exams PHS 12:15 dismissal	<i>27</i> Mid-Term Exams PHS 12:15 dismissal	<i>28</i> Mid-Term Exams PHS 1/2 day End of 2nd Marking Period	<i>29</i>
<i>30</i>	<i>31</i>					

School Progress Reports

Detailed reports will be distributed to parents throughout the year in grades 1-12. Parents are urged to examine these reports carefully and sign them. Your signature on the report indicates you have seen the report, but not necessarily that you agree with it. Parents are urged to arrange conferences with the teacher regarding their child's progress when the need arises, and definitely when notices of unsatisfactory progress are received.

Student Assistance Program

The Student Assistance Program is a comprehensive program including classroom education, teacher training, parent education, community approaches, peer mediation, crisis intervention, referral, counseling and support services to all students in kindergarten through grade twelve. Students, parents and teachers may utilize the Student Assistance Program in an effort to address core social issues demanding our attention, specifically drug/alcohol prevention, and creating a healthy and positive community and environment. **These services are provided confidentially and are free of charge.**

Student Assistance Coordinator:

Mr. Petticrew 786-2104

Affirmative Action

The Palmyra School District is committed to providing equal accessibility to all opportunities and programs without regard to race, color, national origin, sex or handicap. Questions or concerns may be directed to:

Affirmative Action & Title IX Coordinator

Ms. Jeanne Barber, Principal
Charles Street School
100 West Charles Street
Palmyra, NJ 08065

Emergency Closing Make-Up

In the event that it is necessary for an emergency closing during the school year, the day(s) will be made up by adding school days in June if additional days are necessary.

Intervention & Referral Service Committee

Palmyra Public School's Intervention & Referral Service Committee is a multi-disciplinary group of staff who meet regularly to identify, intervene and refer high-risk students for individual assistance. Academic, behavioral and social needs are addressed. Our commitment to on-going training along with pride in the program is the key to its success.

Are You Registered To Vote?

At the annual school election, usually held on the third Tuesday in April, voters choose members of the nine-member Board of Education and cast ballots for the amount of money that must be raised through local taxes to support the proposed school budget for the coming year.

To be eligible to vote, residents must be citizens of the United States and at least 18 years old on the day of the election. Residents must have been living in the state and county for at least 30 days, and must have registered to vote at least 29 days before the election. Anyone registered to vote in general elections may also vote in school elections.

Qualifying residents may register to vote at the Borough Clerk's office at the Borough Hall or by securing a mail-in registration application. Registration forms are available from the Board of Education office or from the Principal's office at each school.

Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained from the Office of the County Clerk, Mt. Holly, NJ 08060, or from the principal's office at each school.

We encourage you to vote in the next school election. Polls will be open from 2-9 p.m.

FEBRUARY SPORTS

Boys Basketball

- 1 */**/Riverside-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 3 */**Maple Shade-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 4 */**Bordentown-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 8 */**New Egypt-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 10 */**Florence-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 12 *CVC-A
- 15 */**Burlington Twp.-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 24 */**Haddonfield-H (*6:30/**5:00)

Girls Basketball

- 2 */**Riverside-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 3 */**Maple Shade-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 8 */**New Egypt-H (*6:30/**5:00)
- 10 */**Florence-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 12 *CVC-A
- 15 */**Pemberton-A (*6:30/**5:00)
- 17 */**Burlington Twp.-A (*6:30/**5:00)

Wrestling

- 5 *Gloucester-H (3:45)
- 12 *VCV-A
- 18 *Districts-A
- 19 *Districts-A
- 22 *Regionals-A
- 25 *Regionals-A
- 26 *Regionals-A

*Varsity
**Junior Varsity

February 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> K-6 Report Cards	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>
<i>6</i>	<i>7</i> PTA Meeting-CSS	<i>8</i> Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	<i>9</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i>
<i>13</i>	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> PHS Parent Conf. 2-6 P.M. CSS Evening Conf. 6-8 P.M.	<i>17</i> PHS Evening Conf. 6-8 P.M.	<i>18</i>	<i>19</i>
<i>20</i>	<i>21</i> Presidents' Weekend Schools Closed	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i>
<i>27</i>	<i>28</i>		<p><u>Parent/Teacher Conference Schedule—Early Dismissal:</u> Charles Street School: Feb. 14, 15, 16, 17 Palmyra High School: Feb. 16, 17 Delaware Avenue: Feb. 15, 16, 17</p>			

Student Uniform Dress Code.....

ACCEPTABLE SHIRTS FOR STUDENTS

Collared golf style, turtleneck and dress shirts (short or long sleeved).

Shirts must be loosely fitted and midribs must be covered.

All shirts must be buttoned above the chest line and must be tucked in.

Shirt colors are only solid white, solid black or solid red.

Solid black shirts may only be worn with khaki color pants, skirts, shorts, skorts or capris.

Shirt logos must be only Palmyra logos.

Shirts not tucked in must be properly fitted as defined by the administration.

ACCEPTABLE SWEATERS FOR STUDENTS

Crew-necked, V-necked or cardigans over collard shirts (as specified above) or turtleneck.

Sweater length must extend to and be no longer than the hip area.

Sweaters must be loosely fitted.

Sweater colors are only solid red or solid white.

Sweater logos must be only Palmyra logos.

Sweaters must be properly fitted as defined by the administration.

ACCEPTABLE PANTS (SLACKS) AND SKIRTS FOR STUDENTS

Docker or Dickie Style pants, dress pants, or capris.

Bermuda or walking shorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh. Skirts, shorts, and skorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh.

(Slits should not extend any higher than two inches above the knee.) Pants cuffs must be within the heel to toe of students' footwear.

Pants must be appropriately sized and worn at the waist. Pants (slack) and skirt colors are only khaki (tan) or solid black.

ACCEPTABLE FOOTWEAR

Shoes with rubber or hard soles, sneakers and open toed sandals with back strap.

ACCEPTABLE HEADWEAR

Headwear that is specific to religious affiliations.

MARCH SPORTS

Baseball

- 11 */**Gloucester-A (3:45)
- 15 */**N. Burlington-H (3:45)
- 17 */**BCIT Westampton-A (3:45)
- 21 */**Burlington Twp.-H (3:45)

V home games played at Charles Street;
JV home games played at Riverton Park.

Girls Softball

- 11 */**Gloucester-H (3:45)
- 15 */**N. Burlington-A (3:45)
- 21 *Burlington Twp.-A (3:45)

Home varsity games played at Legion Field;
Home junior varsity games played at Charles Street

Boys Tennis

- 29 Burlington Twp.-
A (3:45)

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Art, Physical Education, Music & World Language

Instruction is provided to all students in grades K-6 once a week for 30 to 40 minutes by a specially trained teacher. These teachers also correlate their specialty with other courses of study.

Instrumental music training is available to children in grades 5-12.

The Instructional Program

The primary aim of the instructional program is to develop well-rounded citizens. To this end the school provides an environment filled with rich and varied experiences designed to provide each child with equal opportunity to become vocationally and economically effective, and to develop physically, mentally, emotionally, aesthetically, spiritually and socially.

Testing Program

The State of New Jersey requires students in third and fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh grade (NJ ASK), eighth grade (GEPA), and eleventh grade (HSPA) be given standardized proficiency tests.

All children in the Palmyra schools are also given tests covering achievement. A careful study of the test helps the staff to understand individual children more thoroughly so that their development may be carefully guided.

Tests are administered to all pupils in grades K-12, and 11 each school year. The results of these tests are used for the improvement of instruction and the identification of academic skills that pupils possess, not for grade placement.

March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Progress Reports PHS HSPA Testing PHS	2 Read Across America HSPA Testing PHS	3 HSPA Testing PHS	4 Sock Hop-CSS	5
6	7 PTA Meeting-CSS	8 HSPA Make-up Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	9 HSPA Make-up	10 HSPA Make-up	11	12
13	14	15	16 Eighth Grade Parent Orientation 7 P.M.	17 Eighth Grade Orientation 9-10:30 a.m.	18 Staff In-Service— Early Dismissal PreK-12	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Field Trips

Short walks or trips within the immediate area may be taken with the classroom or special teachers without permission slips. Other trips requiring transportation need parental consent and possibly some additional financing if fees are involved.

Fire/Emergency Drills

The School Laws of New Jersey require that every school hold at least two fire drills each month during school hours. A mild day is chosen whenever possible. Children are taught appropriate procedures to comply with drills.

Electronic Devices

Electronic devices are not permitted during the school day. If any of these items are in a student's possession during the school day, the item will be confiscated.

Lost and Found

Lost and found articles are reported to and taken to the office of the principal or designated teacher. If not claimed within a reasonable time, they will be disposed of.

School Supplies

Books and other necessary school needs, that are supplied by the school at no cost to the pupil, remain the property of the school district. Books are to be covered at all times. This is the responsibility of the student. Books which are lost must be paid for in full by the pupil. Assessments for damage will be at the discretion of the teacher or librarian.

APRIL SPORTS

Boys Track

- 11 Burlington City-A (3:45)
- 28 SJ Relays-A

Girls Track

- 11 Burlington City-H (3:45)

Boys/Girls Track

- 2 Hall of Fame-A
- 5 Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)
- 9 Bridgeton/Deptford-A
- 16 Woodstown/Willingboro-A
- 21 Florence-A (3:45)
- 26 Maple Shade-H (3:45)
- 30 Penn Relays-A

Baseball

- 1 */**Florence-H (3:45)
- 5 */**BCIT Westampton-*H/**A (3:45)
- 7 */**New Egypt-A (3:45)
- 11 */**BCIT Medford-*H/**A (3:45)
- 12 */**Pemberton-H (3:45)
- 14 */**Cinnaminson-H (3:45)
- 16 *Gloucester-A
- 19 */**Maple Shade-H (3:45)
- 21 */**Riverside-A (3:45)
- 26 */**Burlington City-H (3:45)
- 28 */**Trenton Catholic-A (3:45)
- 29 *BCSL Tournament-A
- 29 */**Holy Cross-H (3:30)
- 30 *BCSL 1st Round-A

Home Varsity games played at Charles Street School; home Junior Varsity games played at Riverton Park.

Boys Tennis

- 1 Florence-A (3:45)
- 4 N. Burlington-H (3:45)
- 6 Cinnaminson-A (3:45)
- 8 Delran-A (3:45)
- 12 Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)
- 15 Burlington City-H (3:45)
- 20 BC Open-A
- 21 Florence-H (3:45)
- 27 Cinnaminson-H (3:45)
- 28 BCSL Tournament-A

Home matches played at Legion Field.



Girls Softball

- 1 */**Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)
- 5 */**Florence-H (3:45)
- 7 */**BCIT Westampton-H (3:45)
- 8 */**Pemberton-H (3:45)
- 12 */**Cinnaminson-A (3:30)
- 14 */**BCIT Medford-*A/**H (3:45)
- 15 */**Delran-H (3:30)
- 19 */**Riverside-H (3:45)
- 21 */**Burlington-H (3:45)
- 26 */**Maple Shade-A (3:45)
- 28 */**Burlington City-H (3:45)
- 29 */**Holy Cross-A (3:30)
- 30 *BCSL 1st Round-A

Home Varsity games played at Legion Field; home Junior Varsity games played at Charles Street.

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**Junior Varsity

April 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<i>1</i> End of Third Marking Period	<i>2</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>4</i> PTA Meeting-CSS	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i> End of 3rd Marking Period	<i>7</i> Kindergarten Round-Up—CSS	<i>8</i>	<i>9</i>
<i>10</i>	<i>11</i>	<i>12</i> Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m.	<i>13</i> K-6 Report Cards	<i>14</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i>
<i>17</i>	<i>18</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>19</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>20</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>21</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>22</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>23</i>
<i>24</i>	<i>25</i> Spring Recess - Schools Closed	<i>26</i>	<i>27</i> School Board Election CSS Project Night K-6 Early Dismissal	<i>28</i>	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i>

Safety Between Home and School



Children should:

1. Start to school early enough so they will not have to rush, and late enough so the crossing guards will be on duty when they get there.
2. Travel to and from school in pairs or small groups at all times.
3. Cross streets at intersections only and, if possible, where the crossing guards are on duty.
4. Never arrive on the playground of the Charles Street School until after 8:00 a.m., when the teacher assistants are on playground duty.
5. Stop and look both ways before crossing all streets.
6. Not leave the curb until the crossing guard gives the signal.
7. Not get out of an automobile in the middle of the street or on the opposite side of the street from the school. If getting out is necessary on the opposite side, crossing should then be made at the corner.
8. Not play in the street on the way to or from school.
9. Help other children, especially smaller ones, to get back and forth safely.
10. Never accept rides or gifts from strangers; tell their parents or teacher if these things are attempted; try to get the license number of the car, if possible. Remember what the "stranger" looked like and how he/she was dressed.
11. Never hitch rides on cars when streets are snow covered or at any time on their bikes.
12. Avoid rough play, swinging objects and throwing things. These are the chief causes of accidents.
13. Obey safety patrol members who are assisting crossing guards.
14. Use the safe routes to school when possible.
15. Students not participating in extracurricular activities are required to leave school grounds immediately.

MAY SPORTS

Boys Tennis

- 2 Delran-H (3:45)
- 4 Holy Cross-H (3:45)
- 5 Pemberton-A (3:45)
- 9 Burlington City-A (3:45)
- 11 Burlington Twp-A (3:45)
- 12 Rancocas Valley-A (3:45)

Home matches played at Legion Field.



Baseball

- 3 **/***Florence-A (3:45)
- 5 **/***New Egypt-H (3:45)
- 7 *BCSL Tournament-A
- 9 **/***Burlington Twp.-A (3:45)
- 12 **/***Riverside-H (3:45)
- 13 **/***Willingboro-A (3:45)
- 14 *BCSL Tournament 3rd Round-A
- 17 **/***Maple Shade-A (3:45)
- 19 **/***Burlington City-A (3:45)
- 20 **/***Delran-H (3:45)
- 24 **/***Trenton Catholic-H (3:45)

Home Varsity games played at Charles Street School; home Junior Varsity games played at Riverton Park.

*Varsity
**Junior Varsity

Girls Track

- 10 Riverside-A (3:45)

Boys Track

- 10 Riverside-H (3:45)

Boys/Girls Track

- 3 New Egypt-A (3:45)
- 7 SJ/Ike Willis-A
- 14 BCSL Divisional Meet-A
- 21 Burlington County Open-A
- 28 Sectionals-A

Boys Softball

- 26 */**Bordentown-A (3:45)

Girls Softball

- 3 */**Trenton Catholic-A (3:45)
- 5 */**BCIT Westampton-*H/**A (3:45)
- 7 *BCSL Tournament-A
- 9 */**BCIT Medford-*H/**A (3:45)
- 10 */**Pemberton-A (3:45)
- 14 *Palmyra Tournament-H
- 17 */**Riverside-A (3:45)
- 19 */**Maple Shade-H (3:45)
- 20 */**Bordentown-A (3:45)
- 23 */**Willingboro-H (3:45)
- 24 */**Burlington City-A (3:45)
- 26 */**New Egypt-A (3:45)

Home Varsity games played at Legion Field; home Junior Varsity games played at Charles Street.

May 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 PTA Meeting-CSS	3 NJ ASK 6, 7, 8 Reorganization of the Board of Education 7 p.m.	4 NJ ASK 6,7,8	5 AP English Lit. Exam NJ ASK 6, 7, 8	6 PTA Plant Sale AP History Exam Jr/Sr Prom NJ ASK 6,7,8	7
8	9 Progress Reports PHS	10	11	12 PHS Spring Concert 7 P.M.	13	14
15	16	17 EOC Biology Testing PHS Delayed Opening	18 EOC Biology Testing PHS Delayed Opening	19	20 CSS Spring Concert 1:15 p.m.	21
22	23	24	25 Sixth Grade Parent Orientation 7 p.m. PHS	26 Sixth Grade Orientation 9-10:30 a.m. PHS	27 Concession Day	28
29	30 Memorial Day— Schools Closed	31				

Bicycle Riding

Only 3rd through 12th graders are permitted to ride bikes to school. Bicycle riding is a privilege and may be suspended if safety rules are not followed. Bicycles should be locked while on school grounds. The support of the home is critical toward these points and will be of great assistance in avoiding accidents. The Board of Education will assume no responsibility for lost, stolen, or damaged bicycles.

****All children, fourteen years of age and younger, are required to wear a bike helmet for safety.**

Children Should:

1. Not double ride on a bicycle with another either on seat, handlebars, crossbar, or fender.
2. Keep on the right hand side of the road; go with traffic, the same as a car.
3. Keep close to the curb when riding. Dismount at the curb when riding. Dismount at the curb when crossing all intersections.
4. Keep both hands on the handlebars, except when signaling for a turn or stop.
5. Observe all traffic signals and stop signs, and directions of all traffic officers and safety patrol.
6. Look both ways before crossing intersections or railroads, and when coming out of driveways or pulling out of parking spaces.
7. Cross the railroad only at protected crossings.
8. Never hitch rides on trucks, buses, or other vehicles.
9. Ride in a single file when riding in a group.
10. Never zigzag on the street or do stunt riding.
11. Give pedestrians the right of way.
12. Not ride or glide their bikes on the school grounds.
13. Walk in bad weather. No Bicycles!
14. Not ride in school parking lots.

Safe Routes to School Program

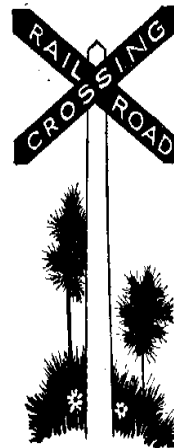
The 3 designated routes that have been chosen for the Safe Routes to School Program are the following:

- 1) Seventh St. to E. Charles St. to Charles Street School
- 2) Harbour Dr. to Cinnaminson Ave. to W. Charles St.
- 3) Race St. to Park Ave. to W. Charles St.

All 3 routes are protected by crossing guards and cross through the major sections of the borough.

Light Rail Safety

- Never stand on the tracks or cross the tracks anywhere but at a grade crossing.
- When waiting for a train, stand behind the yellow line.
- When walking or riding a bike, never hold onto the outside of any train.
- Always look both ways before crossing the tracks



JUNE SPORTS

Boys/Girls Track

- 3 Groups-A
- 9 States-A

Crossing Guards

At dangerous crossings that are not guarded by the regular police, special officers are on duty at the times when children are on their way to and from school. Parents can protect their children by seeing that they come to school at the right time, when these crossings are guarded, and that they cross only at protected points. This is very important for your child's safety. Parents can set a good example by following the safety rules. Parents should wait for the guards to cross them with their children.

Hours for all crossings are:

7:30 - 8:15 a.m. & 2:30 - 3:15 p.m.

Early dismissal crossing times:

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

12:45 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Special lunchtime crossings:

Charles St. and Cinnaminson Ave.

Both Walnut and Charles St. Intersections

Broad St. and Cinnaminson Ave.

Broad and Race Sts.

Broad St. and Weart Blvd.

Protected crossings are:

7th St. and Highland Ave.

Broad St. and Cinnaminson Ave.

4th St. and Cinnaminson Ave.

Charles St. and Cinnaminson Ave.

Broad and Race Sts.

Broad St. and Weart Blvd.

Temple Blvd. and Cinnaminson Ave.

(covered from 2:45-3:30 p.m.)

5th and Market Sts.

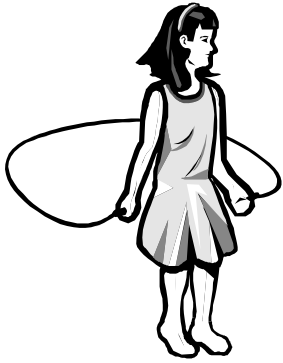
Charles and Walnut Sts.

Charles and Filbert Sts.

Spring Garden and Park Ave.

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Gr. 6 Awards- CSS 9 a.m.	2 Kindergarten Orien- tation-CSS 9 a.m.	3 PTA Ice Cream Social—CSS	4
5	6 PTA Meeting-CSS	7	8 7th & 8th Grade Awards 7 P.M.	9 Undergraduate Awards 7 P.M.	10 Fitness Day K-6 8th Grade Dance Early Dismissal preK-6	11
12	13 Early Dismissal preK-6	14 Early Dismissal preK-12 Board of Education Meeting 7 p.m. Final Exams PHS	15 Early Dismissal preK-12 Final Exams PHS	16 Early Dismissal preK-12 Final Exams PHS	17 Early Dismissal preK-12 Final Exams PHS End of 4th Marking Period	18
19	20 Last Student Day Early Dismissal preK-12 PHS Graduation- 6 p.m.	21 Last Staff Day	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		



School Age Child Care

This program is sponsored by the Palmyra Board of Education. The program:

- Offers a safe, affordable after school program for children in grades K to 6.
- Furnishes quality child care delivered by a professional and caring staff.
- Features flexibility in scheduling and fees based on the number of days per week that the child attends.
- Provides a convenient program located in the Charles Street School.
- Selects activities that are relaxing, safe, and enjoyable.
- Plans the curriculum to promote the physical, mental, emotional, and social needs of your child.

Interested parents should contact the Board of Education Business Office (786-9300) for additional Details.

After School Program Fees

One child - \$10.00/day or \$40/week
More than one child - \$8.00/day or \$36/week

Presentation Labs/Smart Rooms

A state-of-the-art multi-media presentation classroom is housed in the Palmyra High School Library Media Presentation Center. This facility is equipped with a high powered ceiling mounted projector, a 77" wall mounted SMART board interactive white board, a robust Dell workstation, a DVD/VCR unit, and a sound system. This advanced classroom comfortably accommodates up to thirty students and has also been used by visiting colleges, universities, and community groups. Instructors can alter files directly on the SMART Board and then save the changes for student hard copies. Since the facility is connected to the newly upgraded district computer network, it has a broadband, dedicated, 24/7 connection to the internet and the capability of delivering such instructional technologies as video-on-demand for classroom instruction. The front of the library is equipped with six Dell workstations for student research and document processing. These workstations are all connected to a Hewlett Packard LaserJet printer and, like all workstations in the school district, have a filtered (CIPA compliant) connection to the internet. A similar configuration is part of the student lab at Charles Street Elementary.

This design of mounting advanced audio-visual instruction equipment allows instructors to focus on using these technological tools for instruction, rather than grappling with breaking equipment down and securing cables stretched across a floor. The district has several static advanced audio-visual classrooms, including the Charles Street Elementary student lab and eight classrooms in Palmyra High School. In the fall, two more of these classrooms will be constructed in Palmyra High School and one at Charles Street School.

On-going staff training enables instructors and other staff members to deliver an environment to students, which maximizes the technological benefits and experiences for all the students in the school district. The latest district training involved a full day training for ten staff members, trained on-site in the Palmyra High School Library Media Presentation Center by a SMART Board certified trainer.

Physical Education

An organized health and physical education program is provided for all children. A full program of recreation, games, contests and individual sports is offered by a teacher of physical education. Fundamentals of team sports are taught with some interschool competition. Accident prevention and safety education are offered during inclement weather. A program to prevent drug abuse, incorporating all teachers and pupils K-12, is included in the curriculum as well as Red Cross Certification in babysitting, first aid and CPR/AED.

Money and Valuables

Pupils should be instructed never to leave money or valuable objects in their desks. Such items should be left in the care of the teacher. Students should report cases of theft immediately to their teacher or to the teacher-in-charge.

All students who have lockers are encouraged to lock them.

Students' Cars

Driving to school is a privilege and may be revoked. Students must register their cars with the main office and park ONLY in the parking lot, not on the street. Cars may only be used to drive to and from school. They may not be used during the school day. This includes driving during lunch time, sitting in, or going to their cars.

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Missing Children Policy

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility to play a preventative role in the problem of children missing from the educational system.

The Board of Education directs the Superintendent to continue already established procedures in the areas of custody and attendance.

In addition, the Board directs the administration to notify the Palmyra Borough Police Department of suspected cases of missing children. In reporting the names of such children to the police, the administration is authorized to also give the following information:

- Full Name
- Home Address
- Chronological Age
- Sex
- Description
- Parent/Guardian Name(s)
- Parent/Guardian Work Place, Phone

In all instances where a matter of doubt exists, the matter shall be resolved in favor of the well-being of the child.

Finally, all reasonable attempts at resolving the missing children problem within the school setting will be exhausted.

Palmyra Educational Funding Enterprises, Inc. (PEFE)

Palmyra Educational Funding Enterprises, Inc. is a non-profit organization established in 1991 to raise funds and/or materials for the children in the Palmyra School District. Meetings are held on a regular basis. Call Ms. Jeanne Barber (856-829-3601) for information.

Immunization and Vaccination

The State of New Jersey requires proof of immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, polio, mumps, measles, rubella, chicken pox, hepatitis b, haemophilus influenzae type b (HIB), pneumonia, meningitis and influenza at appropriate age levels before entering school.

Admission Regulations

Board of Education Policy requires proof of residency. School registrar, Mrs. Christine Costello, can be reached at 856-829-4777.

Kindergarten: Children who will be five years of age on or before the first day of October will be admitted to kindergarten in September of each year.

First Grade: Students must be at least six years of age before October 1st if they have not attended a state certified kindergarten elsewhere.

All new entrants must present:

- parent/guardian's driver's license with current address for identification purposes
- proof of residence (2 documents)
- a valid documentation/certification of birth for student
- valid documentation of New Jersey mandated Immunizations (in English) for student
- student's unofficial transcript from previous school
- a physical examination by the student's physician.

New students are placed into the sending school's grade assignment on a trial basis for 30 days.

Transfers from other districts: Students transferring from other districts must present transfer cards, health records, and any other school records available at the time of registration.

PTA

Parent-Teacher Association

President.....Laurie Beck
V.P.....Dawn Skelly
Secretary.....Lisa Muir-Jablonski
Treasurer.....Mindie Weiner

Your generosity and the commitment of our dedicated volunteers enables the Palmyra PTA to sponsor many activities for the children including:

Artist of the Month
Book Fair
Book Distribution
Class Trips
Fitness/Wellness Day
Fun Day for Kids
Ice Cream Social
Cultural Arts Presentations
Halloween Contests
Parenting Programs
Reading Initiative
Secret Holiday Shop
School Pictures
Writer of the Month

Your continued support will not only help us maintain these programs, but also enable us to continue in our goal of fostering the cooperative effort between the home and school.

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