

THE FALCON FLYER



Fabius-Pompey
Central
School District



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CONGRATULATIONS CLASS of 2026!



Community Eligibility Provision

Implemented in the 2024-2025 School Year and Continuing during the 2026-2027 School Year: All students in grades Pre-K through 12 will receive breakfast and lunch at no cost. Additional entrees and a la carte items are subject to the prices on the a la carte price list. Please complete the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) / Provision 2 Non-Base Year Household Income Eligibility Form if you qualify for free and reduced school meals. Please return your completed application for the 2026-2027 school year to Karolyn Cornell. An application can be found on the Food Service page of the District website.

Fabius-Pompey Tax Update

Fabius-Pompey CSD tax collection for 2026-2027 begins September 8th. Tax bills were mailed at the end of August, but are also accessible at the following web address: <https://onondaga.go2gov.net/faces/search.jsp>.

Our new Tax Collector in the District Office is Diana Curatolo. Checks may be written to "Tax Collector" and either mailed to or dropped off at 1211 Mill Street, Fabius, NY 13063. As a reminder, if paying with cash, please call in advance of arrival so our Tax Collector can plan accordingly. This will speed up the payment and receipt process upon arriving.

From the Board of Education



As we welcome another school year, the Board of Education extends its warmest wishes to our students, families, faculty, staff, bus drivers, and the entire Fabius-Pompey school community. We hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable summer, and feel ready for the year ahead!

The beginning of a new school year always brings a sense of excitement and possibility. We look forward to another year of learning, growth, and collaboration as we work together to support the success and well-being of every student.

We are especially excited about the improvements made to our school buildings through the capital project. A great deal of work has taken place, and we are grateful for the careful planning and community support that made these improvements possible. We look forward to seeing our students and staff benefit from these updates, and we are particularly excited for the continued progress on the new high school gym.

The Board would also like to welcome our newest student Board member, Clara Warren, and welcome back senior Ethan Ludke for his second year of service. Clara and Ethan bring an important student perspective to our discussions, and we value the opportunity to hear directly from students as part of our work.

Community involvement is an important part of a strong school district. We encourage residents to attend monthly Board of Education meetings, either in person or virtually, to stay informed and share their perspectives. Board meetings provide reports on district initiatives, strategic plan progress, capital project status, events in our schools, policy changes, and updates from our student representatives. Please refer to the Fabius-Pompey school district website for more information regarding public participation as well as meeting dates, agendas, and Board policies.

We also encourage community members to communicate with their state and federal legislatures on issues affecting public education. Your voice has a meaningful impact on our students, schools, and community!

In addition, as we work to improve communication, we invite you to share your thoughts and feedback regarding these quarterly newsletters. Please use the QR code or survey link (<https://forms.gle/6hR5S3NanHteBs3a6>) to let us know what you would like to hear from the Board of Education in future communications.

Thank you again for your continued dedication and support for the Fabius-Pompey school district! We wish everyone a successful, safe, and rewarding 2026-2027 school year.

We'd love your feedback! Scan the QR code, or go to the link, to complete our 2-minute survey and help us improve future newsletters.

Sincerely, Fabius-Pompey Central School Board of Education

WELCOMES and UPDATES

From the Superintendent

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year. I hope everyone has enjoyed a safe, relaxing, and memorable summer. As we prepare to welcome our students back, there is a tremendous sense of excitement and optimism throughout the Fabius-Pompey Central School District.

The beginning of a new school year always brings new opportunities. Our faculty and staff have been working hard to prepare classrooms, programs, and learning experiences that will challenge, support, and inspire every student. We remain committed to providing a safe, welcoming, and engaging environment where students can grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

When we open the doors for the new school year, students, families, and community members will see significant progress on our voter-approved capital project. A great deal of work has taken place over the summer, and we are excited about the improvements being made throughout the District.

The High School gymnasium has undergone a major transformation, including new flooring, bleachers, lighting, sound system, school branding and repainted walls and ceiling. The MS/HS auditorium's new sound system has also been completed, providing an improved experience for concerts, theatrical productions, ceremonies, assemblies, and other school and community events. Upgrades to the auditorium lighting remain part of the upcoming work.

Our outdoor athletic facilities have also received several important improvements. These include new lighting and bleachers at the soccer field, along with new scoreboards for both the soccer and baseball fields. These upgrades will improve the experience for our student-athletes, coaches, families, spectators, and visiting teams while strengthening the pride and sense of community surrounding our athletic programs.

Work has also continued in the areas of paving the parking lots, security camera upgrades, and instructional spaces that will support STEAM, agriculture, and hands-on learning opportunities. These improvements are designed not only to update our facilities, but also to expand opportunities for students and ensure that our schools remain safe, functional, and welcoming for many years to come.

These projects represent a significant investment in our students, staff, and community. We are grateful to our residents for supporting this work and to the contractors, architects, district employees, and community partners who have worked diligently to keep the project moving forward. Although some work will continue during the school year, we will make every effort to minimize disruptions, maintain a secure and orderly learning environment and instructional spaces will remain safe and usable.

Along with these facility improvements, we will continue advancing the goals of our District's Strategic Plan. Our focus remains on strengthening academic and enrichment opportunities, improving alignment across grade levels, expanding communication, and ensuring that every student feels connected, supported, and prepared for future success.

What makes Fabius-Pompey special is not simply our buildings, facilities, or programs, it is our people. Our dedicated employees, supportive families, involved Board of Education, and caring com-

munity work together each day to create meaningful opportunities for our students. We are proud of the strong sense of community that defines our District and look forward to building upon that foundation during the year ahead.

Thank you for your continued trust, partnership, and support. I encourage families to remain connected through ParentSquare, our district website, social media, school events, and regular communication from our teachers and administrators.

We are excited to welcome our students back and look forward to another successful year of learning, growth, achievement, and Falcon pride.

Sincerely, Lloyd L. Peck, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

From the Director of Curriculum

As we begin a new school year, much of our curriculum work continues to be guided by the first two goals of the Fabius-Pompey Strategic Plan: expanding academic and enrichment opportunities and improving curriculum alignment from Pre-K through Grade 12.

For the first goal, we are continuing to look for ways to expand learning beyond the classroom. This includes strengthening our Career and Technical Education programs, increasing college-level opportunities, and supporting enrichment across grade levels. We are also working to build stronger connections with local businesses and community organizations. These partnerships can create more opportunities for job shadowing, guest speakers, and other real-world experiences that help students connect their learning to future careers.

Our second goal focuses on continuing the District's curriculum alignment work. We are also restructuring our departments to improve communication and collaboration among teachers and administrators. The goal is to create more shared responsibility for this work and more regular opportunities for staff to identify needs, solve problems, and support one another across grade levels and subject areas.

This work will take time and continued collaboration. I am excited about the progress we are making and look forward to sharing more updates throughout the year.

Sincerely, Jay Lang, Director of Curriculum



WELCOMES and UPDATES

From the Middle/High School

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to the 2026-2027 school year at Fabius-Pompey Middle-High School! I hope everyone had an enjoyable, restful, and amazing summer. As we prepare to welcome students back into our classrooms, we look forward to another year filled with learning, growth, and opportunities for every student.

Our dedicated faculty and staff have spent the summer preparing engaging learning experiences, refining curriculum, and ensuring that our school is ready to provide a positive, safe, and supportive environment where all students can thrive. Whether students are entering sixth grade, beginning their final year of high school, or joining the Fabius-Pompey family for the first time, we are committed to helping every student feel connected, challenged, and successful.

Throughout the coming year students will have opportunities to participate in outstanding academic programs, athletics, fine arts, agricultural education, clubs, community service, and leadership experiences that help prepare them for college, careers, and life beyond graduation. We will also continue our work in aligning instruction with the New York State Portrait of a Graduate, the NY Inspires initiative, and our district's Strategic Plan to ensure students develop the knowledge, skills, and character needed for future success.

Strong partnerships between school and home remain one of the greatest factors in student achievement. We encourage families to stay connected through ParentSquare, our district website, school events, and ongoing communication with teachers and staff. Together, we can provide the encouragement, support, and high expectations that allow every student to reach their full potential.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. We are excited to welcome our students back and look forward to a year of learning, achievement, and memorable experiences.

Go Falcons!

Sincerely, Jason Martin, Principal



From the Elementary School

Welcome to a new school year at Fabius-Pompey Elementary! We are excited to welcome both new and returning students and families for a year filled with learning, growth, and new opportunities.

Over the past several years, our staff has worked together to strengthen our curriculum and instructional practices, ensuring every student has access to engaging, high-quality learning experiences. As we begin the 2026-2027 school year, we are excited to build on that strong foundation and continue helping every child grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

We know that strong partnerships between home and school are key to student success. Thank you for your continued support and for being an important part of our Falcon community. We look forward to working together throughout the year and celebrating all that our students accomplish.

Below are a few important dates to help your family prepare for the start of the school year:

- **PreK and Kindergarten Meet & Greet: Thursday, September 3, 2026, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.**
- **First Day of School: Tuesday, September 8, 2026**
- **Curriculum Night: Thursday, September 17, 2026, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.**

We can't wait to welcome our Falcons back and begin another wonderful school year together!

Warm regards, Sasha Rasmussen, Principal



DISTRICT NEWS

Accomplishments for 2025-2026

Exceptional Student Achievement

- ▶ Achieved a 98% graduation rate.

Expansion and Strengthening of Academic Programs

- ▶ Continued curriculum alignment from UPK through Grade 12.
- ▶ Advanced implementation of Eureka Math², Wit & Wisdom, and Really Great Reading.
- ▶ Expanded STEAM, business, agriculture, technology, Esports, and career exploration opportunities.
- ▶ Increased real-world and work-based learning opportunities.

Progress on the \$19.1 Million Capital Project

- ▶ Advanced construction of the technology and agriculture wing, greenhouse, and STEAM spaces.
- ▶ Completed major Middle School/High School gymnasium improvements.
- ▶ Upgraded the auditorium sound system.
- ▶ Improved paving, parking, athletic fields, scoreboards, lighting, bleachers, fencing, and walkways.

College, Career, Military, and Workforce Readiness

- ▶ Expanded Career and Technical Education opportunities.
- ▶ Explored additional financial literacy, college-credit, and dual-enrollment opportunities.

School Safety and Student Wellness

- ▶ Expanded security camera coverage.
- ▶ Added school bus stop-arm cameras.
- ▶ Strengthened emergency planning and staff safety training.
- ▶ Supported student wellness through counseling, nursing, social-emotional learning, and community partnerships.

Expanded Student Opportunities Beyond the Classroom

- ▶ Increased extracurricular clubs and after-school activities.

Communication, Transparency, and Community Engagement

- ▶ Provided weekly Superintendent updates through ParentSquare.
- ▶ Livestreamed Board of Education meetings.
- ▶ Used social media, the district website, and community events to share information.

Showcasing Student Talent in the Fine Arts

- ▶ Outstanding student performances in Band, Chorus, Drama, and the school musical.
- ▶ All-County and All-State performances in Band and Chorus.
- ▶ Outstanding performances at the Darien Lake Music Fest 2026, where the Middle School Chorus, High School Chorus, and Middle School Band each earned Outstanding ratings, and the High School Band earned an Outstanding rating and First Place.

Falcon Athletics

Sectional Championships

- ▶ Girls Track and Field - Class C4 Champions

League Championships

- ▶ Baseball - Patriot American Champions
- ▶ Softball - Patriot American Champions

State Competitors

- ▶ Cross Country and Outdoor Track and Field (5th Place - Steeplechase)
- ▶ Cross Country and Outdoor Track and Field
- ▶ Indoor Track and Field (Intersectional Relay) and Outdoor Track and Field



CHAIN OF COMMAND

Chain of Command

By following this chain of command, parents, students and residents can get their questions and concerns addressed quickly and efficiently. If you are unable to reach the first contact or your issue is not resolved, move on to the second contact and so on until your concern has been addressed.

Athletics

- Step 1: Coach
- Step 2: Tim Wilcox, Athletics Director/CSE Chair
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Attendance

- Step 1: School Main Office or Nurse
- Step 2: Building Principal
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Budget

- Step 1: Daniel S. Silky , Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
- Step 2: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Building Use (outside organizations)

- Step 1: Organization's F-P Representative
- Step 2: Building Principal
- Step 3: Daniel S. Silky, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

Classroom Issues*

(curriculum, instruction or an individual student)

- Step 1: Classroom Teacher
- Step 2: Building Principal
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

*For issues including classroom procedures, classroom behavior, grades or subject matter being taught, textbooks and materials used, etc.

Employment and Certification

- Step 1: Careers & Employment Webpage
- Step 2: Instructional: Building Secretary/Non-Instructional Daniel S. Silky
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Food Services

- Step 1: Karolyn Cornell, Food Service Department
- Step 2: Daniel S. Silky, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Medical Concerns

- Step 1: School Nurse
- Step 2: Building Principal
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Registration

- Step 1: Stephanie O'Neil, Registrar
- Step 2: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Scheduling

- Step 1: Teacher
- Step 2: Building Principal or School Counselor (if child is in middle of high school)
- Step 3: Building Principal
- Step 4: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

School Activities and Clubs

- Step 1: Activity/ Club Advisor
- Step 2: Jason Martin, Middle/ High School Principal
- Step 3: Daniel S. Silky , Assistant Superintendent for Business Services

School Policy

- Step 1: Building Principal for Instructional/Non-Instructional Daniel S. Silky
- Step 2: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Special Education

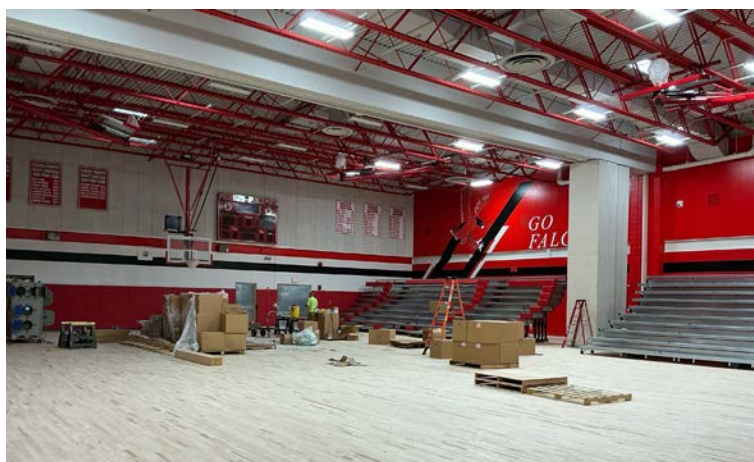
- Step 1: Special Education Teacher
- Step 2: Building Principal
- Step 3: Tim Wilcox, Athletics Director/CSE Chair
- Step 4: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools

Transportation

- Step 1: Bus Dispatcher
- Step 2: Daniel S. Silky, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services
- Step 3: Lloyd L. Peck Ed.D, Superintendent of Schools



CAPITAL PROJECT PROGRESS



Section III Athletics

Section III Athletics has transitioned from Aktivite (formerly Schedule Galaxy) to **Arbiter Live!**
Arbiter Live is the new way to stay connected with your favorite teams, athletes, schedules, scores, and events.

<https://arbiterlive.com/Teams?entityId=7217>

Health Office News

Health examinations are required by New York State for all students entering the District for the first time and for students entering grades PreK, K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11. The examination must be completed by a New York State licensed physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner. The New York State Department of Health requires proof of the examination to be received within 30 days of the start of school.

Immunizations: Parents should check to make certain all of their children have the required immunizations. New York State Education Law mandates that children attending school present a certificate from a physician stating they have received immunizations against measles, mumps, rubella (German measles), hepatitis B, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, and varicella, or provide proof from a physician confirming a history of chickenpox.

The New York State Department of Health (NYS Law Section 2164) requires the following: Students in PreK through kindergarten, or those entering kindergarten for the first time, must have two doses of the MMR vaccine and two doses of the varicella vaccine. All students entering 6th grade, or by 11 years of age, must have a Tdap vaccine. All students in grades 7-11 must have the meningococcal vaccine before starting school. All 12th-grade students are required to have received two doses of the meningococcal vaccine, unless the first dose was administered at 16 years of age or older.

The New York State Department of Health requires proof of vaccination to be received within 14 days of the start of school, or documentation from your healthcare provider, on official letterhead, confirming that an appointment has been scheduled to fulfill this requirement.

The Onondaga County Immunization Clinic provides childhood immunization services at the Civic Center, 421 Montgomery Street (Basement Level, Room 30), Syracuse, New York 13202. For more information, call 315-435-2074.

Please visit the Health Office page on the District website. If you have any questions, please contact your school nurse. We appreciate your cooperation with these requirements.

Student Photographs Used In Publications

Throughout the school year, photographs of students may be taken for use in District publications or by the local media. If you do not wish to have your child photographed, please contact your child's Principal.



Notification of Pesticide Use

Initial Notification to Persons in Parental Relation and Staff Pursuant to Section 409-H of the State Education Law. New York State Education Law Section 409-H, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and non-public elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The Fabius-Pompey Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications: When a school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72 hours following an application; • anti-microbial products; • nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children; • nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children; • silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams or gels in areas inaccessible to children; • boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate; • the application of EPA-designated biopesticides; • the application of EPA-designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25; • the use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less for venomous spiders, bees, wasps and hornets. In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you would like to receive 48-hour prior notification of scheduled pesticide applications, please contact the District pesticide representative, Richard Clancy, Buildings, Grounds and Maintenance Supervisor, Fabius-Pompey Central School District, 1211 Mill Street, Fabius, NY 13063. Please be sure to include your name, address, phone number, email address and school building(s) of interest.

Asbestos and Fire Inspections

Asbestos Inspection - In compliance with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), all asbestos-containing building materials in our school buildings have been inspected. The triennial was completed in the spring of 2025. The EPA requires us to perform a six-month visual inspection and a re-inspection of the asbestos materials every three years. A New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) certified asbestos inspector has performed this re-inspection and a certified NYSDOL asbestos management planner reviewed the results. We will continue to manage all asbestos material in place as recommended by EPA guidelines and the NYSDOL certified asbestos management planner. The Asbestos Designee, Richard Clancy, is available at 315-683-5180 to answer any questions you may have about asbestos in our buildings.

Fire Inspection - The annual inspection of the Fabius-Pompey Central School District buildings for fire hazards, which might endanger the lives of students, teachers and employees, was conducted in February 2026, and the report is available at the District Office, located in the Middle School-High School building, for inspection by any interested persons.

COMMUNITY NEWS

School Census

If you are a new family in the Fabius-Pompey Central School District, please contact Stephanie O'Neil at 315-683-5857 to be entered into the school District census.

Fabius-Pompey Outreach

Fabius-Pompey Outreach is a nonprofit organization that has served families and individuals in the Fabius-Pompey School District since 1988. Outreach operates food pantries at the Fabius Community Center and the Delphi Falls United Church. Please see the food pantry hours for both locations listed below. For neighborly assistance, please call 315-677-3590.

F-P Sports Boosters

Our Mission: The Fabius-Pompey Sports Boosters support our athletic programs by providing equipment, resources, and opportunities that may not otherwise be funded by the school district. **How Sports Boosters Raises Funds:** Fall Sports Concessions: Families of varsity, junior varsity, and modified athletes are expected to work one concession stand shift and donate concession items. Coaches will share the donation list, and concession sign-ups will be available at each family meeting.

Engraved Pavers: Honor a student-athlete, graduating senior, alumni class, or special occasion by purchasing an engraved paver for the patio in front of the concession stand.

Next Meeting: Please check our Facebook or Instagram pages for the most up-to-date meeting information.

Email: FPSportsBoosters@outlook.com

Follow Us on Facebook: Fabius-Pompey Sports Boosters

Instagram: @fabius_pompey_sports_boosters

Association of Parents, Teachers, and Students (APTS)

Thanks to the strength of our community support, we are excited to share that we have expanded our funding for the 2026-2027 school year to support even more areas of student and teacher life, including:

- Direct grade-level support (\$225 per grade, PreK-12)
- International speaker and visiting author event refreshments
- Middle and high school student activity support and club organization supplies
- PreK/Kindergarten Ice Cream Social and Sunshine Committee support

All of these initiatives and investments are made possible by parents, caregivers, teachers, and community members who volunteer their time, attend meetings, and support our fundraising efforts.

Get Involved & Stay Connected

Sign Up to Volunteer: Fill out our quick APTS Volunteer Form to let us know how you'd like to help this year!

Visit Our Website: Check out www.f-p-aps.org for meeting links, updates, and news.

Follow Us on Facebook: Search for the Fabius-Pompey APTS page to stay up to date on upcoming events, announcements, and reminders.

Join Us for Our First Meeting!

Date & Time: Wednesday, September 16, at 6:30 p.m.

Location: MS/HS Library (or join virtually online)

Warmly, Jennifer Heneka, APTS President Fabius-Pompey APTS
www.f-p-aps.org