

2020-21 Calendar



Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year!

In spite of the many challenges we face due to COVID-19, we are thrilled to return to teaching and learning in the City School District of Albany.

Please be assured that our commitment to our vision, mission and goals is stronger than ever. We continue to strive to be a district of excellence that offers equitable opportunities for all students. We continue to provide engaging learning experiences supported by caring relationships. We continue to place great emphasis on a student's social and emotional development.

In short, we continue to be All in for Albany. The pandemic cannot and will not change that.

This calendar is filled with dozens of photos of extraordinary young people who attend our schools. You can read more about how the students were chosen below, but be assured that

they have distinguished themselves among their more than 9,300 peers. We are proud of them, and they deserve recognition!

Our annual calendar typically contains activities and events happening in all our schools. However, due to the uncertainties COVID-19 is causing this year, we ask that you make use of our online calendar at albanyschools.org to stay up to date on what's happening at your school and across the district.

COVID-19 forced us to change how we teach and learn, and we will be better for it. It has inspired us to think differently and creatively in our approach to education. It showed how adept we are at dealing with change and challenging circumstances. And it demonstrated the power of community.

Let us take these lessons and carry them into

the new school year with assiduity, the longtime Albany High School motto that means diligence and perseverance.

Together, we will make this a great year.

Yours in education,

Kaweeda G. Adams
Superintendent

City School District of
ALBANY



Board of Education

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Sridar Chittur, *Ph.D.*

Hassan I. Elminyaw

Ellen Krejci

Damarise Mann

The City School District of Albany Board of Education typically meets on the first and third Thursdays of every month. The first meeting features the board's "action" agenda and the second is a roundtable discussion of different topics. All board meetings begin at 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise noted.

A specific time for public comment is set aside at each board meeting. This gives the public an opportunity to address the board and express opinions or ask questions about school district matters, and reserves the rest of the meeting for uninterrupted deliberation and action.

The board president may grant speakers permission to make brief statements about specific agenda items at times other than the periods scheduled for public comment.

If you want to speak during public comment, contact our board clerk at (518) 475-6015, or submit electronically at albanschools.org/publiccomment.

Board elections are held on the third Tuesday in May each year, in conjunction with the annual budget vote. Please contact the board clerk for more information about running for the board.

#allinforalbany



Sha Ei Ka Paw • Albany High School

About this calendar

The City School District of Albany works diligently to provide families with accurate information, but sometimes things change.

To view the most up-to-date version of our calendar, you can visit albanschools.org at any time.

You can also subscribe to our customizable online calendar to sync events to your own calendar.

And if the faces in this calendar are familiar to you, it's no surprise.

All are students of excellence in City School District of Albany schools.

The calendar students – like Sha Ei Ka Paw pictured above – are ambassadors of their schools, our families and our school community as a whole. They represent the extraordinary potential of the more than 9,300 students we serve, and we are honored to recognize them.

Congratulations to all our calendar students!



Sasha Post-Lais • Albany High School



Troy Treece • Edmund J. O'Neal Middle School of Excellence

September 2020

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Summer Recess
No school

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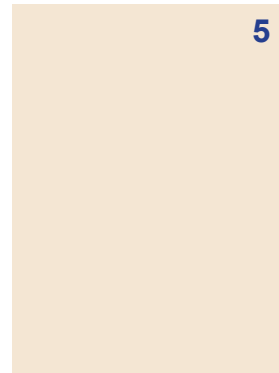
Professional
Development Day
No school

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Professional
Development Day
No school

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Labor Day Recess
No school



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Labor Day
No school

Professional
Development Day
No school

SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS

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Board of Education meeting
ASH
6:30 p.m.

Professional
Development Day
No school

Albany High
SAT exam
8 a.m.

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Yom Kippur
No school



Nasir Boston • Albany School of Humanities (ASH)



Giavanna Bacon • Albany High School

October 2020

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Albany High
SAT exam
8 a.m.

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Albany High
2021-22 Academy Lottery
applications available
(Deadline 11/12)

First quarter interim
marking period ends

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Columbus Day
No school

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Albany High
ACT exam
8 a.m.

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Ariana Diaz-Vazquez • Giffen Memorial Elementary School



Kason Goldston • Tony Clement Center for Education

November 2020

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Albany High
SAT exam
8 a.m.

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Veterans Day
No school

Albany High
Deadline to submit 2021-22
Academy Lottery
applications

First quarter ends

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Parent-Teacher
Conference Day
No school

Thanksgiving Day
No school

Thanksgiving Recess
No school

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Athletics
JV and varsity
winter sports begin



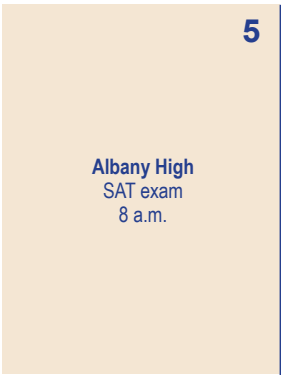
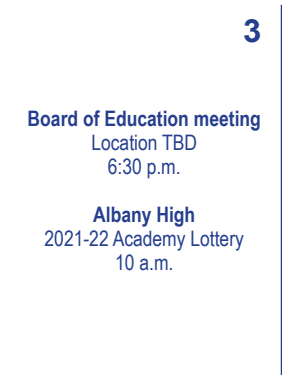
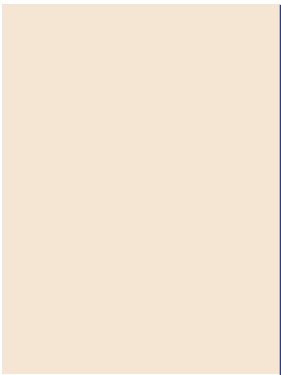
Kelise Campbell • William S. Hackett Middle School



Lakendriana Jones • Arbor Hill Elementary School

December 2020

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday



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Albany High
ACT exam
8 a.m.

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Second quarter interim
marking period ends

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Holiday Recess
No school

Holiday Recess
No school

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Holiday Recess
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Eoghann Devine-George • New Scotland Elementary School



Muiz Bayewu • Albany High School

January 2021

Sunday

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Holiday Recess
No school

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2021-22 magnet elementary
lottery applications available
(deadline 2/10, lottery 3/17)

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Martin Luther
King Jr. Day
No school

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Regents exams

Regents exams

Regents exams

Regents exams

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Amani Santos • Albany High School



Evan Ryals • Eagle Point Elementary School

February 2021

Sunday

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Second quarter ends
 2021-22 pre-K 4 lottery
 applications available
 (for children who
 will be 4 by 12/1;
 deadline 3/5, lottery 3/17)

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Albany High
 ACT exam
 8 a.m.

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Deadline to apply
for the 2021-22
magnet elementary lottery

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Presidents' Day
No school

Winter Recess
No school

Winter Recess
No school

Winter Recess
No school

Winter Recess
No school

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Diadalys Sierra • Thomas O'Brien Academy of Science and Technology (TOAST)



Nolan Brown • Stephen and Harriet Myers Middle School

March 2021

Sunday

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Thursday

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Saturday

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Athletics
JV and varsity
fall season 2 sports begin
(football, cheer and volleyball)

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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**Deadline to apply for
2021-22 pre-K 4 lottery**
(for children who will be 4
by 12/1; lottery 3/17)

**Albany Fund for
Education Gala**
Renaissance
6-9 p.m.

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Third quarter interim marking period ends

Albany High SAT exam 8 a.m.

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Superintendent's Conference Day
No school

2021-22 magnet and pre-K 4 lotteries
TOAST
10 a.m.

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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Registration begins for students chosen in 2021-22 magnet and pre-K 4 lotteries

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Syaira Liverpool • Albany High School



Saqar Assaidi • Sheridan Preparatory Academy

April 2021

Sunday

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Athletics
JV and varsity
spring sports begin

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Spring Recess
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Spring Recess
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Deadline to register
students chosen in
2021-22 magnet
and pre-K 4 lotteries

Albany High
ACT exam
8 a.m.

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2021-22 applications for
pre-K 3 lottery available
(for children who will be 3 by 12/1)

NYSESLAT speaking testing
window begins

NYS ELA exam
Grades 3-8

NYS ELA exam
Grades 3-8

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Third quarter ends

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2021-22 kindergarten
registration begins



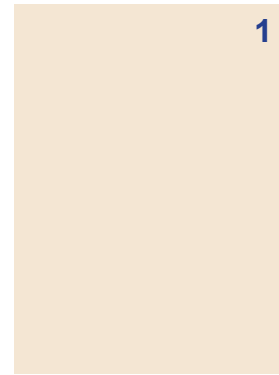
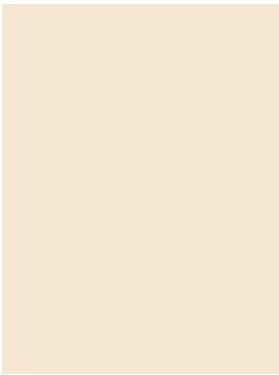
Robert Rosario • Pine Hills Elementary School



Susie Hai • North Albany Middle School

May 2021

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday



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NYS math exam
Grades 3-8

NYS math exam
Grades 3-8

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Deadline to apply for
pre-K 3 lottery
(for children who will
be 3 by 12/1)

Albany High
SAT exam
8 a.m.

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2021-22 pre-K 3 lottery
(for children who will
be 3 by 12/1)

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Recess day
(only if no snow/emergency
days used; becomes a regular
school day if **two** snow/
emergency days are used)
**NYSESLAT listening,
reading and writing testing
window begins**

**SCHOOL
BUDGET VOTE
and
BOARD
ELECTIONS**

PD Day
No school

Registration begins for
students chosen in the
2021-22 pre-K 3 lottery

Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Fourth quarter interim
marking period ends

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NYS science performance
testing window begins
Grades 4 and 8

Recess day
(only if no snow/emergency
days used; becomes a regular
school day if **one** snow/
emergency day is used)

Recess day
(only if no snow/emergency
days used; becomes a regular
school day if **three** snow/
emergency days are used)

**All NYSESLAT testing
windows end**

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Memorial Day
No school



Rosaland Knox • Philip J. Schuyler Achievement Academy



Mason Moslander • Montessori Magnet School

June 2021

Sunday

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Regents exams

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Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

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NYS science performance
testing window ends
Grades 4 and 8

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Albany High
SAT exam
8 a.m.

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NYS science written exam
Grades 4 and 8

Albany High
ACT exam
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Albany High
Last day of classes

Regents exams

Regents exams
Board of Education meeting
Location TBD
6:30 p.m.

Regents exams

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Regents exams

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**LAST DAY
OF THE
SCHOOL
YEAR**

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Albany High
Graduation
(Additional information TBD)



Anaya Acevedo-Perez • Delaware Community School



Samuel Campiz • Albany International Center

July 2021

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AhLaylah Wilson • Stephen and Harriet Myers Middle School



Gsar Muhsan • William S. Hackett Middle School

August 2021

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Vincent Lembo • Albany High School



Bree Battle • Edmund J. O'Neal Middle School of Excellence

School and PTA directory

Albany High School

Principal: Jodi Commerford
700 Washington Avenue
(518) 475-6200 • Fax: (518) 475-6202
albanschools.org/albanyhigh

PTSA contact: Kimberly Wallace, call school or ptsaalbanyhigh@gmail.com

Edmund J. O'Neal Middle School of Excellence

Principal: David Bernsley
50 North Lark Street
(518) 475-6600 • Fax: (518) 475-6602
albanschools.org/oneal

PTO contact: Call school

Giffen Memorial Elementary School

Principal: Jasmine Brown
274 South Pearl Street

Abrookin Career and Technical Center

Principal: Andrea Marques-Clarke
99 Kent Street

Philip J. Schuyler Achievement Academy

Principal: Kendra Chaires-Francis
676 Clinton Avenue
(518) 475-6700 • Fax: (518) 475-6704
albanschools.org/schuyler

PTA contact: Dawn Whitman or Tonya Venable, tvenable@albany.k12.ny.us or (518) 475-6722

Pine Hills Elementary School

Tony Clement Center for Education

Principal: William Rivers
395 Elk Street
(518) 475-6525 • Fax: (518) 475-6527
albanschools.org/clement

William S. Hackett Middle School

Principal: Michael Paolino
45 Delaware Avenue
(518) 475-6475 • Fax: (518) 475-6477
albanschools.org/hackett

(518) 475-6400 • Fax: (518) 475-6402
albanschools.org/abrookin

Albany School of Humanities (ASH)

Principal: Marie Culihan
108 Whitehall Road
(518) 475-6575 • Fax: (518) 475-6577
albanschools.org/ASH

PTA contact: Judith Wines, call school or judithwines@gmail.com

Arbor Hill Elementary School

Principal: Rosalind Gaines-Harrell
1 Arbor Drive
(518) 475-6625 • Fax: (518) 475-6627
albanschools.org/arborhill

PTA contact: Shanae Lawrence, slawrence@albany.k12.ny.us or (518) 475-6628

Delaware Community School

Principal: Rachel Stead
43 Bertha Street
(518) 475-6750 • Fax: (518) 475-6754
albanschools.org/delaware

PTA contact: Claire Proffitt, call school or claireproffitt@gmail.com

Eagle Point Elementary School

Principal: Gabriele Barbato
1044 Western Avenue
(518) 475-6825 • Fax: (518) 475-6827
albanschools.org/eaglepoint

PTA contact: Colleen Lemmon, eaglepointpta@gmail.com

(518) 475-6650 • Fax: (518) 475-6652
albanschools.org/giffen

PTA contact: Amanda Boyd or Linda Mitchell, aboyd@albany.k12.ny.us or lmittell1@albany.k12.ny.us, or call school

Montessori Magnet School

Principal: John Powell
45 Tremont Street
(518) 475-6675 • Fax: (518) 475-6677
albanschools.org/montessori

MCC contact: Danielle Gillespie or Cynthia Blake, call school or dsgillespie75@gmail.com or cblake7373@gmail.com

New Scotland Elementary School

Principal: Lesley Buff
369 New Scotland Avenue
(518) 475-6775 • Fax: (518) 475-6777
albanschools.org/newscotland

PTA contact: Jessica Sullivan, call school or newscotlandpta@gmail.com

North Albany Middle School

Principal: Julie Barber
570 North Pearl Street
(518) 475-6800 • Fax: (518) 475-6802
albanschools.org/northalbany

PTA contact: Call school

Principal: Tia Corniel
41 North Allen Street
(518) 475-6725 • Fax: (518) 475-6729
albanschools.org/pinehills

PTA contact: Kim Ruchel, call school or pinehillsPTA@gmail.com

Sheridan Preparatory Academy

Principal: Zuleika Sanchez-Gayle
400 Sheridan Avenue
(518) 475-6850 • Fax: (518) 475-6852
albanschools.org/sheridan

PTA contact: Melissa Permaul, PTOSheridanprep@gmail.com or call school

Stephen and Harriet Myers Middle School

Principal: Andrea Piper
100 Elbel Court
(518) 475-6425 • Fax: (518) 475-6427
albanschools.org/myers

PTSA contact: Sonya Miller or Laura Duran, myersptsa@yahoo.com or call school

Thomas O'Brien Academy of Science and Technology (TOAST)

Principal: Sophia Newell
Lincoln Park
(518) 475-6875 • Fax: (518) 475-6877
albanschools.org/TOAST

PTA contact: Carrie Jewett, call school or toastpta@gmail.com

PTA contact: Jolyn Gallagher, hackettpta@gmail.com or call school

Community Schools

Seven district buildings are designated Community Schools, which function as neighborhood centers providing additional support and services to students and families during and beyond the regular school day. For more information, contact any of the following Community School site coordinators:

Arbor Hill: Shanae Lawrence
(518) 475-6628
slawrence@albany.k12.ny.us

Clement: Marshay Hines
(518) 475-6565
mhines@albany.k12.ny.us

Giffen: Amanda Boyd
(518) 475-6669
aboyd@albany.k12.ny.us

O'Neal: Julianna Obie
(518) 475-6600
jobie@albany.k12.ny.us

Schuyler: Michael-Aaron Poindexter
(518) 475-6707
mpoindexter@albany.k12.ny.us

Sheridan: Abigail Gomes
(518) 475-6857
agomes@albany.k12.ny.us

TOAST: Michaela Townsend
(518) 475-6881
mtownsend@albany.k12.ny.us



Albany Booster Club: albanyboosterclub.org



Albany Fund for Education: thealbanyfundforeducation.org

Family and community communication guide

Question	Contact 1	Contact 2	Contact 3	Contact 4	Contact 5
Pre-K academics	Classroom teacher	Building principal or program director	Early childhood director	Assistant superintendent for elementary instruction	Superintendent
Elementary academics	Classroom teacher	Building principal or assistant principal	Assistant superintendent for elementary instruction	Superintendent	
Secondary academics	Course/classroom teacher	Assistant/academy principal	Building principal	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction	Superintendent
Athletics	Team head coach	Director of health, physical education and athletics	Director of curriculum and instruction	Superintendent	
Attendance	Classroom teacher	Building principal, assistant principal or home school coordinator	Assistant director of pupil personnel services	Director of pupil personnel services	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction
Board of Education	Board clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education president		
Budget and finance	Director of business operations	Deputy superintendent for business and finance	Superintendent		
Buildings and grounds	Building principal	Assistant director of facilities	Deputy superintendent for business and finance	Superintendent	
Communications/social media/website	Assistant director of communications	Director of communications and operations	Superintendent		
Construction/Capital Projects	Building principal	Director of facilities planning	Deputy superintendent for business and finance	Superintendent	
Employment	Human resources generalist	Assistant director of human resources	Director of human resources	Superintendent	
ENL and refugee services	ENL teacher	Director of ENL and refugee services	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction	Superintendent	
Facilities use	Facilities use coordinator	Assistant director of facilities	Deputy superintendent for business and finance		
Food service/free and reduced meals	Building cafeteria manager	Building principal	School lunch director	Deputy superintendent for business and finance	Superintendent
Health services	School nurse	Building principal	Health coordinator	Director of pupil personnel services	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction
Registration/changing schools	Central registration	Data coordinator	Assistant superintendent for assessment, accountability and technology innovation	Superintendent	

School safety	Building principal	Director of safe schools and violence prevention	Director of pupil personnel services	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction	Superintendent
School taxes	Tax collector	Treasurer	Deputy superintendent for business and finance		
Special education	Classroom teacher	Building principal	Director of special education	Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction	Superintendent
Technology	Help desk	Technology coordinator	Assistant superintendent for assessment, accountability and technology innovation	Superintendent	
Transportation	Building principal	Director of transportation	Director of communications and operations	Superintendent	

Administration contact information

Superintendent's Office

(518) 475-6012

Assistant superintendent for elementary instruction

(518) 475-6012

Assistant superintendent for secondary instruction

(518) 475-6012

Assistant superintendent for assessment, accountability and technology innovation

(518) 475-6075

Board of Education clerk

(518) 475-6015

Business and Finance Division

(518) 475-6020

Buildings and Grounds Department

(518) 475-6160

Central Registration

(518) 475-6125

Communications and Operations Division

(518) 475-6065

Community Engagement Department

(518) 475-6067

Curriculum and Instruction Division

(518) 475-6060

Department of Health, Physical Education and Athletics

(518) 475-6310

Director of Safe Schools and Violence Prevention

(518) 857-5999

Early Childhood Office

(518) 475-6591

ENL and refugee services

(518) 475-6147

Facilities use coordinator

(518) 475-6161

Food Service Department

(518) 475-6644

Grants and Program Development Division

(518) 475-6080

Health coordinator

(518) 475-6730

Human Resources Division

(518) 475-6055

Pupil Personnel Services

(518) 475-6130

Quality assurance manager

(518) 475-6181

Special Education Department

(518) 475-6150

Tax collector

(518) 475-6035

Technology Help Desk

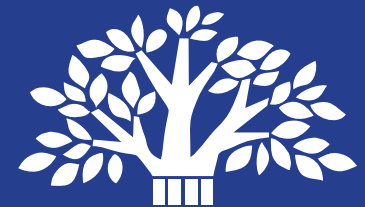
(518) 475-6195

Transportation Department

(518) 475-6170

Treasurer

(518) 475-6020



City School District of
ALBANY

About our district

Led by Superintendent Kaweeda G. Adams, the City School District of Albany and its more than 1,500 faculty and staff strive to provide an academically challenging, safe and welcoming experience for all students.

The district serves about 9,300 students in 17 schools: 11 elementary schools, four middle schools, an alternative-education program for middle and high school students and Albany High School, a comprehensive high school with a career and technical center.

The district developed the following vision statement, mission statement and goals under the leadership of Superintendent Adams. These values guide the district's efforts in all areas as we work together to raise achievement for each of our students.

Our vision

The City School District of Albany will be a district of excellence with caring relationships and engaging learning experiences that provide equitable opportunities for all students to reach their potential.

Our mission

The mission of the City School District of Albany is to work in partnership with our diverse community to engage every learner in a robust educational program designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary for success.

Our goals

- Increase student achievement
- Enhance the delivery of quality instruction
- Build our leadership capacity and increase accountability
- Empower families
- Partner with our diverse community

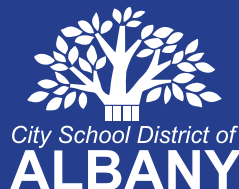
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