

Greene Central School



STUDENT'S HANDBOOK

SCHOOL YEAR 1945-1946

Greene, New York

School Calendar 1945-1946

First Semester

- Tuesday, September 4, School Opens.
- Friday, October 12, Columbus Day, school closed.
- Thursday and Friday, November 8 and 9, First Quarterly Examinations.
- Monday, November 12, Armistice Day Observed, school closed.
- Thursday through Sunday, November 22 to 25, inclusive, Thanksgiving Vacation, school closed.
- Friday, December 21, through Tuesday, January 1, 1946, inclusive, Christmas Vacation, school closed.
- January 28 to 31, Regents, Mid-Year and Final School Examinations.

Second Semester

- Friday, February 1, Second Semester Begins.
- Friday, February 22, Washington's Birthday, school closed.
- Thursday and Friday, April 4 and 5, Third Quarterly Examinations.
- Thursday, April 18, through Sunday, April 28, inclusive, Easter and Spring Vacation, school closed.
- Thursday, May 30, through Sunday, June 2, inclusive, Memorial Day and Weekend, school closed.
- June 17 to 20, Regents and Final School Examinations.
- Friday, June 21, School closes.
- Monday, June 24, Junior High School Commencement.
- Tuesday, June 25, Senior High School Commencement.

Board of Education

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| Dr. C. W. Chapin, President | Term Expires 1946 |
| Chester E. Race, Vice-President | Term Expires 1948 |
| Read Adams | Term Expires 1950 |
| John E. Burrows | Term Expires 1949 |
| Asher Copeland | Term Expires 1947 |

Faculty, 1945-1946

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| Donald S. Keeler, A. B., Colgate; M. A., Columbia; M. S. eq. Teachers' College | Supervising Principal |
| Dorothy Allen, B. F. A., Syracuse | Art |
| Esther Bailey, B. E., Geneseo | Junior Science |
| Leo J. Bailey, M. S., Penn State | Agriculture |
| Harry Blakeslee, B. S., Ithaca College | Boys' Physical Education and Coach |
| Marion F. Frone, B. S., Cornell | Home Economics |
| Mrs. Julia Godden, B. S., Fredonia | Vocal Music |
| Margaret Picarazzi, A. B., Cornell | Languages |
| Mrs. Grace McCormack, B. S., Albany | English and Librarian |
| Mary Ellen Mills, A. B., Alfred | Senior Mathematics |
| Gladys Murphy, A. M., Albany | Junior Dean and Guidance |
| Mrs. Anna Noone, Oneonta | Junior Mathematics |
| Harriet J. Purdy, A. B., Keuka | Junior English and Social Studies |
| Marion H. Race, A. B., Albany | Senior Dean and Social Studies |
| Mary I. Robinson, B. S., Keuka | Commercial Subjects |
| Ralph Simpson, B. S., St. Lawrence | Senior Science |

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| Robert M. Toft, B. S., Ithaca College | Instrumental Music |
| Jane A. Venner, A. B., Syracuse | Junior Social Studies |
| John E. Vosburgh, A. B., Penn State | English |
| Jane Barbara Wellwood, B. S., Syracuse | Girls' Physical Education |
| Roland Wolford, B. S., Oswego | Industrial Arts |

Grades

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|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Mrs. Bernice Ayer, Cortland | Second Grade |
| Lena Burkle, Cortland | Second Grade |
| Mrs. Helen Decker, Cortland | First Grade |
| Mrs. Julia Evans, Cortland | Third Grade |
| Frances M. Kimball, Cortland | Kindergarten |
| Mrs. Florence Loomis, Oneonta | Fifth Grade |
| Mrs. Grace Mills, Cortland | First Grade |
| Mrs. Maud Paddleford, Oneonta | Sixth Grade |
| Mrs. Florence Smith, A. B., Cornell | Sixth Grade |
| Mrs. Clara Symonds, Buffalo | Third Grade |
| Hazel M. Tydings | Fourth Grade |

Rural Schools

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| Freda Anderson, Oneonta | Smithville Flats |
| Mrs. Esther Curtis, Cortland | Smithville Flats |
| Mrs. Helen Kenyon, Cortland | Smithville Flats |
| Fannie E. Nelson, Cortland | Smithville Flats |
| Christina Pate | Harbor District School |
| Mrs. Ruth Randall | Brisben School |

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| District Clerk | Russell W. Gray |
| Treasurer | Mrs. Irene Flanagan |
| School Secretary | Mrs. Ella Baxter |
| Collector | Mrs. Bertha Martin |

Service Employees

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| Head Bus Mechanic and Driver | Vern Marvin |
| Ass't Mechanic and Driver | Charles McCombs |
| Cafeteria Cook | Mrs. Mertie Gross |
| Custodian | Howard Hoag |
| Custodian | Ralph Hayes |
| Custodian | Walter Pierce |
| Custodian (Smithville) | Melvin Loomis |
| Custodian (Brisben) | Mrs. Jeanette Hutchins |
| Drivers: | Wheeler J. Corbin, Leon Ingraham, Arthur Sprague, John VanderBunt |

Medical Department

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| Newton Brachin, M. D. | School Physician |
| Mrs. Doris Blakeslee, R. N. | School Nurse |
| Dr. L. F. Gainsway | School Dentist |

Bus Regulations

1. Be ready when the bus arrives.
2. Do not enter or leave the bus while it is in motion.
3. Pass in front of the bus.
4. Remain seated until the bus arrives at your destination.
5. Keep your head and arms inside the windows.
6. Always occupy the seat assigned to you by your driver.
7. Do not use any objectionable language on the bus.
8. Rough play and loud speaking disturb the driver and should never occur.
9. Do your part toward keeping the bus neat.
10. Obey the bus driver. He is in charge of the bus and responsible for your safety.

Schedule of Bells

1945-1946

- 8:40 a. m., School Bell rings
8:43 a. m., Warning Class Bell
8:45 a. m., Tardy and Roll Call Bell
8:52 a. m., Classes Pass
8:55-9:40 a. m., First Period Class
9:40-10:28 a. m., Second Period Class
10:28-11:16 a. m., Third Period Class
11:16-12:05 p. m., Fourth Period Class
Noon Hour
12:53 p. m., Warning Class Bell
12:55 p. m., Tardy and Roll Call Bell
12:57 p. m., Classes Pass
1:00-1:45 p. m., Fifth Period Class
1:45-2:30 p. m., Sixth Period Class
2:30-3:15 p. m., Seventh Period Class
3:15-4:00 p. m., Activity Period

A Note to Parents

The Principal and Teachers welcome visits from parents. Together with you, we are working for the finest education possible for your children. We find that students succeed better if their parents confer frequently with us.

Please feel free to come to us at any time.

Special Attention of Students

Course of Study

This handbook is primarily prepared to direct and to encourage students to plan their school life so that their school experience will lead to a worthwhile educational end. Course offerings and extra-curricular activities are full and ample to fit the interest and skill of any student. The student should plan his course and his activities wisely, taking full advantage of the many resources of the school and the guidance of the faculty.

Greene Central School is a six-year high school, with course offerings to fit the needs of the student from grade seven through grade twelve. Grades seven through nine are organized into a Junior High School department, and grades ten through twelve into a Senior High School department.

Junior High School

Beginning with the seventh grade, a student takes the course of study of the Junior High School. Each class is held in a room especially equipped for the subject to be taught, and the teacher is a specialist in his field.

The subjects taken during the seventh and eighth years are as follows:

English—5 periods a week.

Social Studies—5 periods a week.

Arithmetic—5 periods a week.

Science—5 periods a week for one term; then Music—5 periods a week for the other term.

Art—5 periods a week for one term; then Home Economics or Industrial Arts—5 periods a week for the other term.

Physical Education—3 periods a week.

Guidance—1 period a week for seventh grade.

Occupations—3 periods a week for eighth grade.

Exploration of the many subject fields outlined above, preparation for and guidance toward the choice of courses offered beginning in the ninth grade is made in the seventh and eighth grades. A wide, basic educational foundation is also obtained in these grades.

Beginning with the ninth grade, the student is ready to elect a course of study consistent with his interests and abilities which will lead to his graduation from the Senior High School.

Senior High School

Greene Central School offers many courses of study in the Senior High School.

There is the College Entrance Course, with majors in either languages, mathematics or science, which prepares for the liberal arts colleges and the professions.

The Academic High School Course, with a choice of major in any field, prepares the student in the field of his interest, as well as a sound basic high school education.

The Commercial Course, preparing for stenography, business management or general business.

The Vocational Home Economics Course prepares for the many fields of homemaking and home economics, professional or non-professional.

The Vocational Industrial Arts Course prepares for industry or technical fields.

The Vocational Agriculture Course prepares for farming or technical agriculture and allied fields.

The Academic Courses in Special Fields prepares vocationally or non-vocationally in such fields as music, art, etc.

Information concerning any or all of these courses of study is available from your classroom teacher, from your homeroom teacher, from the dean, or from the office. Information concerning them is brought to your attention continuously in your classes, in homeroom discussions, in guidance subjects, and in individual conferences.

The student should not hesitate to ask any teacher at

any time concerning the answer to any question he may have concerning the course offerings.

Rules and Regulations

Both departments of the High School will begin their daily sessions at 8:45 a. m., and at 12:55 p. m.

Students are required to be in their respective school rooms promptly at the time of opening of school, and in all cases of absence or tardiness to bring, on their return to school, an excuse in writing from their parent or guardian assigning good and sufficient reasons for such absence or tardiness.

Any student leaving school during the session without being excused by the school office shall stand suspended until restored by the Principal.

Bus students are not expected to leave the school grounds during the noon hour without written permission from their parents. This permission must be OK'd in the school office.

Bus students are expected to eat their lunches in the rooms provided for that purpose. Please do not leave food and rubbish in the desks or lockers.

Students about to leave school should give notice to their teachers; if detained by sickness, they should give notice through parents or guardians within one week.

Full Daily Attendance is required of all students. Post Graduate students are required to take full schedule, including physical education, but may be granted permission to take part-time work if employer's certificate is presented. Mature cases will be dealt with separately.

Summary of Compulsory Education and Child Labor Law

1. Under no circumstances may a pupil leave school for employment, or work at home, prior to his 16th birthday.
2. All children between 7 and 16 years of age inclusive must attend upon instruction the entire time the school attended is in session unless physically or mentally incompetent.

Employment certificates are required of minors from 16 to 18 years of age who are to be employed.

The Board of Education is required to enforce this law,

and has appointed an attendance officer, who is authorized to arrest, without warrant, any person of school age found away from home and a truant from school.

Parents or guardians who fail to cause their children to attend school as above may be fined \$10 or ten days imprisonment; for each subsequent offense \$50 or 30 days imprisonment.

General Information

a. Courses

After the first week of school, no change is to be made in the schedule of subjects without permission from the Principal or Dean.

In order to drop a subject, a student must receive a slip of permission signed by the Principal.

The passing mark is 75% with the exception of regents examinations in Senior High School subjects where the passing mark is 65%.

No student may carry less than 20 hours of work, or four subjects, plus physical education, except by special permission of the office.

Physical education is required by law of all students. Exemption to this work may be granted temporarily by the Principal upon recommendation of a physician.

b. Extra-Curricular Activities

From 3:15 to 4:00 p. m. each day, a period is set aside for various extra-curricular activities. The use of a period during the regular school day makes it possible for bus students to participate in the various activities. During this period, there is a wide variety of interests and activities for the student, such as dramatics, journalism, band, orchestra, chorus, library club, art club, music club, intra-mural athletics, assemblies, Future Farmers Club, student councils, science clubs, homemaking clubs, athletic association, public speaking, etc.

Each student should take a part in one or more of these activities, thus contributing to his own, as well as the activities' success.

The student should remember, too, that teachers give of themselves very generously to extra-curricular activities,

and, too often, their efforts are accepted as a matter of course.

The student must realize that he is asking the teacher to do extra work, and should show his appreciation in every way possible, especially by making the teacher's work as easy and as pleasant as possible.

c. Text Books

Text books are furnished by the school for the use of all students, with a few exceptions. These books must be returned at the close of the school year in good condition. In the event of unreasonable wear, a charge will be made. Any books which are not returned must be paid for before report cards or marks may be issued. All books must be turned in at the time of the examinations and no student may try examinations unless he turns in his books or pays for them at that time.

d. The Library

The school library adjoins the study hall and is in charge of the school librarian. All books and periodicals have been especially selected for high school students. Reference materials for use in connection with various courses are available. Books may be withdrawn by students, upon presentation to the librarian.

Students wishing to use the facilities of the Moore Memorial Library, during school hours, are asked to obtain a pass slip from the school librarian, and have it OK'd by the office.

e. Absence and Tardiness

Each student who is absent from school is required to present a written excuse from his parent or guardian giving the date of the absence and the reason why it was necessary. Excuses for illness are to be presented to the school nurse. For other reasons, the excuse should be presented at the office. A pass slip will then be issued.

Legal excuses are personal illness, illness in the family for one or two days, church attendance, appearance in court, and extreme weather conditions or impassable roads.

Every student who is tardy is expected to report to the school office and receive a pass admitting him to his first class. This enables his absence, as reported to the office, to be changed to a tardiness.

f. Lost and Found

All articles found are to be turned in to the office. They may be claimed there.

g. Fire Drills

Fire drills are required by law and are held at unannounced times. The student should familiarize himself early with the correct means of escape from his various classrooms.

There is as much danger from panic as from fire. For this reason, it is essential that drill be very orderly and that no unnecessary talking take place. Good discipline in a fire drill is even more essential than speed.

h. Grade Promotions

Examinations are held in all grades at the end of each quarter. A record of class work during the year is also kept. This, together with frequent tests and term examinations, is the basis of promotion, the class average counting two-thirds and the final examination one-third of the general final average. All promotions are under the supervision of the Principal.

i. Eligibility: Athletics

Greene Central School is a member of the Susquenango League, and, since the war emergency, of the Duration League, and is governed by the league rules in all interscholastic relations. Detailed regulations are printed in the leagues' handbooks, and, in intent, are similar to those set forth by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.

Eligibility to participate in athletics or in other extracurricular activities will be determined by the contestant's school citizenship, "determined effort" in the classroom, and the maintenance of a grade of work satisfactory to the school authorities.

Contestants will not be eligible who are illegally absent from school during the week.

An eligibility list will be issued periodically from the office.

j. Athletic Insignia

Sportsmanship—A student to win the athletic insignia must maintain an attitude of true sportsmanship throughout the season: i.e., his attitude must be for the betterment and advancement of himself, his team, and his school, and in no manner bring disrepute upon his team or school. The determination of this shall rest with the Principal, the Athletic Association, and the Coach.

Scholarship—To receive athletic insignia, a student must have passed the required number of subjects at the end of each five weeks' period during the season.

Attendance at practice and games—To receive athletic insignia, a student must not have more than three unexcused absences from practice during the season. Failure to report for contest without legitimate excuse may be the cause of failure to receive an award.

k. Instrumental and Vocal Music

Greene Central School offers unusual opportunities for instruction in instrumental music. Classes are conducted in all band and orchestra instruments. Many large and expensive instruments are loaned to students for use in the school building. Students interested should ask the instrumental instructor concerning the various methods by which instruments may be obtained by the student.

Vocal instruction is also available in the choruses, in special classes or through individual instruction.

Advanced students may receive Regents credit toward graduation by playing in the school band or orchestra, or through achievement in chorus or choral groups.

l. Nurse Service

A registered nurse is employed by the school and is available to all students. Cots are provided in her clinic-office for students who are taken ill at school. The nurse wel-

comes having any student consult with her regarding any health problem.

The school nurse may render first aid and will refer more serious cases to the school or family physician. Any student feeling ill should report to the school nurse. All accidents involving a personal injury, no matter how slight, should be reported to the nurse immediately by the student injured.

m. Cafeteria

Greene Central School provides balanced hot lunches for bus students remaining during the noon hour. These lunches are provided at actual cost, and therefore prices are very low. Supervised lunch rooms are provided, and supervised activities are carried on during the lunch hour.

n. Early Dismissal

Students, for necessary reasons, may be excused before the close of school by bringing a written excuse from their parents and presenting it at the office. The permit which they receive should be signed by the teachers with whom they would have had work during the remainder of the day, and then returned to their home room teacher before they leave the building.

Regulations For Graduation

The following requirements for graduation have been adopted by the Board of Education of Greene Central School:

1. The candidate must have no less than eleven units of acceptable credit when seeking admission to the senior class in September.

2. At that time, the candidate shall be carrying sufficient work to give him a total of 16 acceptable units at the completion of his senior year.

3. The candidate must have taken or be registered in all subjects required for one of the regents diplomas.

4. The candidate must satisfactorily complete four years of work in physical education unless such work is limited upon the written request of a physician or excused by the Principal.

5. The candidate must maintain an average class standing of 75% in each subject taken during the senior year.

6. A candidate who thus enters the senior class, maintains a 75% class average, or passes a Regents examination in each subject taken, will receive the school diploma. The diploma is not issued to one who displays lack of effort in the final or Regents examinations.

7. Students of the school who do not have senior standing, but who complete the requirements for a Regents Diploma will be awarded the school diploma.

Senior Class, 1945

Donald Ivan Adams
Meta Altha Auwarter
Lillian Irene Barstow
Helen Louise Bilby
Josephine Mae Bucklin
Charles William Chamberlain
Grace Evelyn Chamberlain
Stanley Duane Clinton
Shirley Ellen Copeland
Arlene Edith Davis
George T. Decker
Ann Marie Drachler
Margaret Ellen Elliot
Paul Robert English
Juanita Eileen Evans
Myrtle Jean Excell
Dolores Julia Gibson
Anne Sherwood Gray
Jeanne Elizabeth Hoag
Philip Leigh Hollenbeck
Jean Frances Kruger
Erma Leone Paddleford
Beverly Jean Parker
Jacob Charles Pendorf
Donald Phelps
Carol B. Pierce
Iris Wilcox Rheubottom
Jean Lucille Rice
Margaret I. Roberts
Naomi Lucia Roy
Louise Erma Smith
Patricia Ann Spring
Clifford Charles Thomas
Nancy Jane Travis
Robert Vern Williams
Donald Leland Wright

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