

# CAZENOVIA CSD



## CREATING A CULTURE OF *Care*

Burton Street Assemblies are back! The Lakers at Burton Street will be Leading the Way as they exemplify being safe, being responsible, and being kind! At the beginning of the month, teachers will be focusing on lessons that teach the respective character trait, followed by looking for examples of students demonstrating that trait! If you see a gold star on a student, you know that they crushed it at school! After learning about the character trait, demonstrating it throughout their day at school, several students will be recognized at our assemblies, which will be led by our new 4th Grade Student Ambassadors! We are so excited to see how this will positively impact our school community!



### LAKERS Lead the Way

To Be: Safe, Responsible and Kind.

|                 | Safe                                  | Responsible                       | Kind                                      |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| <br>Classroom  | Keep hands and feet to self.          | Follow directions right away.     | Encourage and include others.             |
| <br>Hallway    | Walk with a safe body.                | Go directly where you need to go. | Remember others are learning.             |
| <br>Bathroom   | Wash hands and use supplies properly. | Keep the space clean.             | Wait patiently and share space.           |
| <br>Cafeteria  | Stay seated while eating.             | Clean your area.                  | Include others at your table.             |
| <br>Playground | Use equipment the right way.          | Line up when it's time to go.     | Include others and check the buddy bench. |

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## TOGETHER AS ONE

THIS YEAR THE CAZENOVIA LIONS CLUB WORKED WITH KATIE KURLA, THE MIDDLE SCHOOL ART TEACHER, TO

THE POSTER'S THEME WAS "TOGETHER AS ONE".



"PEACE IS A CONCEPT THAT UNITES US AS A SCHOOL AND THROUGHOUT OUR WORLD. CAZENOVIA MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT ARTISTS WERE PRESENTED WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO INSPIRE OTHERS THROUGH THEIR POSTER'S DESIGN AND CREATIVELY EXPRESS WHAT PEACE MEANS TO THEM IN THEIR UNIQUE IMAGERY. STUDENTS' POSTERS ARE NOW ON DISPLAY IN OUR SCHOOL HALLWAYS INSPIRING PEACE IN OUR COMMUNITY."

LILLIAN NICHOLAS' POSTER WAS AWARDED FIRST PLACE. HER POSTER ADVANCED TO THE DISTRICT LEVEL COMPETITION. WINNING POSTERS CAN ADVANCE TO THE STATE, NATIONAL, AND INTERNATIONAL PEACE POSTER AWARDS.

LILY AYRES RECEIVED 2<sup>ND</sup> PLACE,  
AND NORA MAGGIO 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE.



ARC-C HOSTED THE KNOW YOUR RIGHTS EVENT AT THE PUBLIC LIBRARY ON JANUARY 15TH. HERE ARE SOME HELPFUL RESOURCES:

- FOR FAMILIES:  
[HTTPS://WWW.NYSMIGRANT.ORG/RESOURCES/FAMILYLIBRAR](https://www.nysmigrant.org/resources/familylibrar)
- FOR TEACHERS AND ADMIN:  
[HTTPS://WWW.NYSED.GOV/SITES/DEFAULT/FILES/PROGRAMS/BILINGUAL-ED/2025.1-OAG-GO-SED-IMMIGRATION-STUDENTS-A.PDF](https://www.nysed.gov/sites/default/files/programs/bilingual-ed/2025.1-oag-go-sed-immigration-students-a.pdf)
- FROM US DEPT OF ED: [HTTPS://WWW.ED.GOV/TEACHING-AND-ADMINISTRATION/SUPPORTING-STUDENTS/EDUCATIONAL-RESOURCES-FOR-IMMIGRANTS-REFUGEES-ASYLEES-AND-OTHER-NEW-AMERICANS](https://www.ed.gov/teaching-and-administration/supporting-students/educational-resources-for-immigrants-refugees-asylees-and-other-new-americans)



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## Emory Hour - A Ripple Effect of Respect



"SENIOR IGD PARTICIPANT LILY KOGUT SAID THAT THE MORNING'S ACTIVITIES SET A POSITIVE TONE FOR THE DAY. WHILE LEADING AN ICEBREAKER CALLED 'THE WILD WIND BLOWS,' LILY ALSO NOTICED THAT HER HOMEROOM PEERS SEEMED MORE RECEPTIVE AND OPEN TO DISCUSSIONS."

Once a quarter, all students in grades 8-12 participate in an Advisory period during Emory Hour. This is dedicated time where students build community and focus on our building norms (Be Kind. Be Safe. Be Respectful. Be Prepared. Be Your Best). Students from InterGroup Dialogue went to each homeroom and helped facilitate a variety of activities based on the norm: Be Respectful. At the end of the session, each student wrote down 1 way that they could be more respectful to create a more harmonious school environment. The Art Club then worked on creating this Ripple Effect of Respect Piece that hangs in our hallway outside of the cafeteria.

## CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT DAYS TO KNOW

### January

- International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust, 1/27

### February

- World Interfaith Harmony Week, 2/1-2/7
- Hindu: Maha Shivaratri, 2/15
- Islamic: Ramadan begins, 2/18

### March

- Hindu: Holi, 3/4
- Sikh: Hola Mohalla, 3/4
- International Women's Day, 3/8

## HOW TO REPORT:

Visit our district website  
[Dignity for All Students](#)

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**Are there school events, classroom approaches, or other items that contribute to CCSD's Culture of Care that you'd like to suggest for future newsletters?**

**[Submit ideas here!](#)**

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

*For students 7-12, all staff, and community members*

All dialogues will begin at 6:30 pm in the HS Library:

February 26, April 16, May 2

To learn more about community-wide dialogues, read [this article](#) from our district site.