

# CAROLINE

## CONNECTION



May 10, 2019

**JUNE 21<sup>st</sup>**  
Service Learning Day  
Please wear your "I am needed" t-shirts

Greetings Caroline Families,

Please come out this evening to see many of our students perform in the **Talent Show at 6:00 PM**. Students performed today in front of their peers and did an outstanding job!

I want to apologize for any inconvenience caused by our shortage of bus drivers. Our Transportation Department has had to reduce and/or combine routes in order to get our kids home. Routes 41 and 42 have been impacted most frequently because their routes are nearest each other. I am grateful for the work of the transportation department to ensure that our field trips and after school activities continue as scheduled, despite the inconvenience of later bus runs.

In this Connection, please find information about the class list creation process. Our staff is already planning for next year.

Please come out next **Wednesday, May 15 at 6 PM** to support our Kindergarten and first grade classes for their **Spring Vocal Concert and Art Show**. Students have been working hard to prepare.

Our fourth graders will be **releasing the trout next Thursday, May 16**. Information has gone home to fourth grade families. It's powerful to see students experience the fruits of their hard work.

Our fifth graders engaged in a research study around the benefits of longer recess. They made proposals to both the PTA and me. I have approved their proposal to pilot a longer recess which started this past Monday. They will be keeping data on how the pilot is progressing. I am really proud of their contribution to our school and thank the teachers for facilitating the students' activism.

Our fifth graders will be visiting DeWitt next Thursday. Time has flown and it is hard to believe they will be leaving us.

May 10, 2019

VOLUME: 27

### CALENDAR

#### May

5/13 SEPTA Meeting 5:30-7:30 at BJM school

5/14- District Open House

5/15 K/1<sup>st</sup> gr Spring Concert  
8am and 6-7pm

5/16- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade visits Dewitt

5/18- Caroline PTA Fun Run

5/19 Caroline PTA Fun Run  
Rain date

5/20- PTA Meeting 545-715pm





Milly Stephenson and Dorothy Preston collaborated to have Nana Amin come back to teach our students in music class about African Drumming. I was amazed by how fast a whole class learned and performed a song. Thanks Milly and Dorothy!

Thank you again for your patience as we learn the procedures for using the new security features. It is an adjustment.

I am grateful for the time I spend with your children each day. Thank you for sharing them with us!

Sincerely,  
Karen Rachetta

## ADVENTURE IS CALLING





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### OUR STAFF MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE

What makes Primitive Pursuits unlike anything else you'll find in the Finger Lakes is the talent and dedication of highly experienced nature mentors. With their guidance and support, kids can immerse themselves in an all-outdoor journey, in small peer groups, learning about themselves and developing lasting and nurturing relationships.

### WE HAVE CAMP OPTIONS FOR AGES 3 TO 16:

- Traveling Camps with Transportation: Leaving downtown Ithaca
- Overnight Camps at Cornell's Arnot Forest (now for ages 9-15)
- Full or Half-Day Camps at 4-H Acres, Ellis Hollow, and more...

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4-H GROWS HERE

# ITHACA FESTIVAL MILE APPLICATION

**Event: Thursday, May 30, 2019**

A straight flat shot, the Ithaca Festival Mile adds fitness to the fun of Ithaca's largest festival weekend. **WHAT....** 1 certified road mile, point-to-point with no turns, no hills, and thousands of spectators through the heart of Ithaca. **WHERE....** Starts on Cayuga St. beside Ithaca High Tennis courts; Finishes near Dewitt Park. **Awards...** All youth runners receive finisher medal.

**REGISTRATION...** By hand/mail: BJM / Belle Sherman / Caroline / CH / FC / Enfield / NE / SH / Waldorf main office

**FEE:** \$5.00 entry by May 10<sup>th</sup> / \$7 entry if submitted by 15<sup>th</sup> if using form

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**Start Time Heat/Division** 5:30 PM Competitive Timed Heat 5:35 PM Family / Community Heat 1  
5:40 PM Community Heat 2 5:45 PM Community Heat 3 5:50 PM Community Heat 4 (if necessary)

6:00 PM Ithaca Festival Parade Commences

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL Group Runners must be registered w/ the IYB by May 19<sup>th</sup> (by May 17<sup>th</sup> if paper forms, May 19<sup>th</sup> if your group is participating in online registration), so that final # of heats and schedule of groups can be created and communicated! Please, check in with your group contact for more info and registration link, if processing online.**

School Contact: Amy Seldin-Murphy

aseldin@icsd.k12.ny.us

IYB CONTACT - Yolanda

(yolandar@cityofithaca.org)

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----- Entry Form and Waiver for BJM / Belle Sherman / Caroline / CH / FC / Enfield / NE / SH / Waldorf – **PLEASE CIRCLE**

\_\_\_\_\_ M / F \_\_\_\_\_  
**Last Name First Name Gender Age**

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**Last Name First Name Gender Age**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_

**State Zip**

Running w/ child(ren)? E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**Yes or No\*\* Entry Fee: #\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Runners x \$\_\_\_\_\_ = Total Enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_**

I, the undersigned accept full responsibility for myself and child for any injuries I or they may incur during the Ithaca Festival Mile. I have read this application and I fully understand that participating in this event may be dangerous to mine or my child's health. Broken bones, cuts, bruises, hypothermia heat exhaustion, collision with vehicles, other runners or pedestrians are all possibilities. I fully understand that emergency medical personnel may not be on the course. I and/or my child have trained sufficiently for this event. I will not hold any of the organizers, landowners, the American Red Cross, Bang's Ambulance, the City of Ithaca, the Finger Lakes Running Club, the Finger Lakes Running Company, the Ithaca City School District, the Ithaca Festival, the Ithaca Youth Bureau or Recreation Partnership, the Road Runner's Club of America, Tompkins County, or any volunteers responsible. My actions and those of my child

and mishaps are accountable to no one but myself. I agree to withdraw myself or child from the race if so instructed by a race official. I grant the race organizers the free use of my or my child's name, and any photos or videos of me for any use related to the race they see fit. I acknowledge that my and my child's entry fee is non-refundable, even if the race is canceled because of an act of nature or mankind, and may be rejected for any reason that the race directors deem necessary.

I understand THERE WILL BE NO animals, JOG STROLLERS, roller skates, skateboards PERMITTED IN ANY HEAT PER INSURANCE REGULATIONS!! \*\*I am sending my child to run the race alone / unsupervised and I will ensure there is a designated pick-up person at the finish line.

Parent / Guardian Signature (if under 18)

Date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

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**5TH GRADERS  
VS.  
"THE RULERS"**

**WEDNESDAY MAY 22**

**6:30 PM**

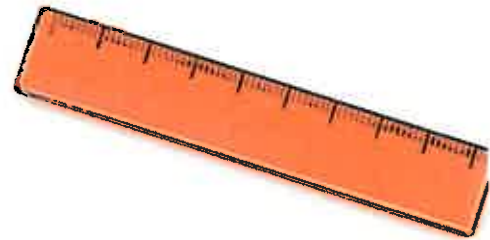
**CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE**

**NO ENTRY FEE!**

**COME SEE THE STAFF PLAY**

**BASKETBALL AGAINST THE 5TH  
GRADERS!**

**THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR 5TH GRADE  
GRADUATION AND TRIPS. PLEDGE A DONATION TO A  
5TH GRADER, OR CONTRIBUTE AT THE GAME!**



**STAFF**



**Vs.**  
**STUDENT**  
**BASKETBALL GAME**



ON MAY 22 AT 6:30, THE CAROLINE 5TH GRADERS WILL TAKE ON "THE RULERS" THE STAFF BASKETBALL TEAM! THE WINNERS TAKE HOME THE GLORY, WE ALL HAVE A GREAT TIME WATCHING AND CHEERING. CAN YOU HELP WITH THIS 5TH GRADE FUNDRAISER BY PLEDGING TO SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT?

<b>NAME</b>	<b>DONATION</b>
	\$
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	\$
	<b>TOTAL:</b>

ANY 5TH GRADER CAN PLAY! WE ASK THAT EACH PLAYER RAISE A MINIMUM OF \$5. TO GET ON THE PLAYER'S LIST, PLEASE CONTACT [ELIZABETH.LEARN@GMAIL.COM](mailto:ELIZABETH.LEARN@GMAIL.COM). PLEASE RETURN YOUR FORM AND MONEY TO CAROLINE BY 5/20!

**Attention Students-please ask friends and family outside of school! Teachers & Staff will support you in other ways!**

**FAMILY GAME NIGHT AT  
BROOKTONDALE COMMUNITY CENTER!**

**SATURDAY MAY 11, from 5PM-9PM.**

**Ages: focus on 8+, but any youth with adults who are interested in board games are welcome.**

**We will have a variety of games, including Forbidden Island, Apples to Apples, Clue, Dominion and more!!**

**Families who have youth who play Magic are welcome to join and learn as well.**

**Pizza, lasagna, and veggies will be available, along with popcorn and hot pretzels! Just RSVP so we know how much food!**

**Free event**

**If you would like --donations of \$5-20 per family are welcome.**

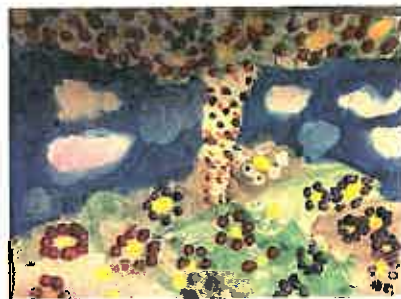
**Sponsored by Cornell Cooperative Extension Tompkins County and the Joint Youth Commission youth programs, and Brooktondale Community Center.**

**For questions, or to RSVP please contact Beth at 607-227-9532 or email [bab47@cornell.edu](mailto:bab47@cornell.edu)**

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You are invited.....

Kindergarten and First Grade  
SPRING CONCERT AND ART SHOW  
"BLAST OFF"



Wednesday, May 15, 2019  
6:00pm in the Caroline Cafeteria





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**Caroline Elementary 2019 Spring Spirit Wear**  
**Order Deadline May 10th**

Email	Phone Number

Questions? Contact Brittany Crispell, brittany\_lynn7@yahoo.com or 607-242-6477

- Orders may be placed by returning this form to the school in an envelope labeled "PTA Spirit Wear" with payment.
- **Cash or Check only** Checks should be made out to "Caroline PTA" Orders will be sent home with your child.

Parent/Guardian	Student	Grade/Teacher

\* Please Note Adult 2XL & 3XL have a \$3.00 per item additional charge

Product	YS	YM	YL	AS	AM	AL	AXL	2XL	3XL	Subtotal	Personalization \$5 Per Item
Tee Red W/White Lettering											
Tee Grey W/Red Lettering											
Tee Black W/Red Lettering											
Red Tie Dye Tee W/White Lettering											
Rainbow Tie Dye W/White Lettering											
Black Tie Dye W/Red Lettering											
<i>The tie dye process infuses each garment with unique character. Please allow for slight color variation.</i>											
Hooded Sweatshirt Red W/White Lettering											
Hooded Sweatshirt Grey W/Red Lettering											
Hooded Sweatshirt Black W/Red Lettering											
Black Tank W/Red Lettering											
Canvas Tote Natural W/Red Handle & Lettering	One Size: Please Enter Quantity-										

Price Key:			
Tee	\$9.00	Tank	\$11.00
Tie Dye Tee	\$13.00	Canvas Tote	\$9.00
Hooded Sweatshirt	\$20.00	Personalization	\$5.00

SUBTOTAL OF ALL ITEMS	
TOTAL	

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# Caroline Runs Wild!

## 1-mile Fun Run on the Wilderness Trail

Supporting outdoor education and place-based learning experiences

Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 12:00 pm

(Rain Date Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>)



- **Free t-shirt for the first 100 students!**
- Students and their families are encouraged to run or walk together!
- Enjoy Caroline's Wilderness trail on this 1-mile course through the woods, along Six Mile creek and around the Caroline school grounds!
- **This event is FREE! All Caroline families are encouraged to participate!**

Thank you to our event Sponsors:

**Cayuga Medical Center  
Independent Print Company  
Caroline PTA**

12:00 - 12:20 - Runner check in, T-shirt pick up  
12:30 - Fun Run  
12:45 - 1:00 - Water and light snack  
1:00 - Bench dedication at the Trailhead

Join us for a special Bench Dedication for former principal Mary Grover!

Please return the bottom portion of this form by **May 10<sup>th</sup>** via backpack mail, or email Sarah [sarahfeldt324@gmail.com](mailto:sarahfeldt324@gmail.com) to reserve your t-shirt and spot at the FUN RUN!

Adult's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Runners:

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (circle one): Child S M L XL or Adult S M

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

T-shirt size (circle one): Child S M L XL or Adult S M

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I would like to donate \$\_\_\_\_\_. Donations will benefit the Wilderness trail and place-based education for Caroline students! Cash or checks payable to Caroline PTA. Thanks for supporting our trail!

### WAIVER

I, the undersigned accept full responsibility for myself and my minor child(ren) for any injuries I or my child(ren) may incur during the Fun Run. I realize that running is a potentially dangerous activity. I will not hold the Caroline PTA, nor any of its sponsors, volunteers, affiliates, nor race course land owners, responsible for any mishaps that may occur. I understand that professional medical attention may not be immediately available. I grant the race organizers permission to use my name and any photos or video of me in what ways they see fit.

Parent/ Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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## Caroline Elementary PTA Invites you to our May meeting:

Meetings are held in the music room.  
Childcare is provided in the cafeteria.

Meetings are open to the entire school community – parents, teachers and staff. You do not need to be a PTA member to attend.

We hope to see you there! Questions? Email us! [president@carolinepta.org](mailto:president@carolinepta.org)

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**Monday, May 20, 2019 5:45pm-6:45pm**

- We will complete the budget discussion and vote on the budget and officers for the PTA board for next school year.

Please join us and share your thoughts about how we spend our money! Your opinion matters and we want to hear from you!

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**Are you considering getting more involved next school year?  
These positions are available:**

Co-President  
Farm to Table Market  
Doug's Fish Fry Fundraiser  
Silent Auction  
New Student Welcome  
Yearbook Club  
Fall Art Fundraiser

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## Sign up for the FUN RUN!!

Submit the form by Monday at the latest, or email Sarah [sarahfeldt324@gmail.com](mailto:sarahfeldt324@gmail.com) to register.

Show your support for our school at this super fun event!  
Kids get a free T-shirt! Support our Wilderness Trail!

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