

Chautauqua County Education Coalition

Working to increase community awareness and support for public education

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Coalition Membership

Membership is open to countywide umbrella organizations, which are related to education and subscribe to the mission of the Coalition. Membership consists of parents, teachers, school board members and superintendents.

Coalition Leadership

The Coalition shall have individuals in leadership positions for two-year terms to facilitate its mission.

Maintaining the Coalition

Flexibility is the essential condition of a successful collaboration. Effective collaborations are strengthened, not defeated, by disappointments and challenges.

The Mission (purpose)

- Increase community awareness and support for public education.
- Increase community awareness of issues that impact a child's ability to: achieve his/her academic potential, develop good character and practice a healthy lifestyle.
- Encourage networking and teamwork among members of the Coalition.
- Seek funding and legislation to support public education.
- Improve public education for every child in Chautauqua County.

Chautauqua County Public School Statistics

- 23,863 K-12 students are educated in 18 public school districts.
- Ranked fourth in New York State with an annual student attendance rate of 95.3% averaged throughout the county.
- New York State Report Cards indicate high levels of achievement in all 18 school districts.
- The 18 school districts in Chautauqua County have over 4,215 employees. Additionally, districts employ substitutes and seasonal staff.

Chautauqua County Resources

- Chautauqua Institution – one of the region's notable gathering places for intellectual, artistic and philosophical discovery and practice. A jewel in the Chautauqua Region's crown.
- The Chautauqua County Health Department has offices in Mayville, Jamestown and Dunkirk, which provide services throughout the County for residents of all ages.
- The Chautauqua Library System coordinates and strengthens library and information services within Chautauqua County by assisting its 24 member libraries to expand and improve their ability to meet the education, information, and leisure needs of individuals in the communities and to offer direct quality service to the public in a variety of formats and in a cost-effective manner.
- The Manufacturing Technology Institute is a partnership of Jamestown Community College and the Manufacturers Association of the Jamestown area. It offers coursework for either Diploma or Certification Program in a variety of manufacturing related areas.
- Chautauqua County Colleges
- Jamestown Business College – prepares individuals for careers in business by offering associate degree programs in information technology, business administration, office technology, marketing and management, accounting and medical/legal options.
- Jamestown Community College was founded in 1950 as predominantly transfer, liberal arts oriented institution, was among the first community colleges with the SUNY system.
- SUNY Fredonia is the westernmost campus of the SUNY system. Student academic success for the past 176 years led to the adoption of the campus motto: "Where Success is a Tradition." Students receive personal assistance from faculty and staff in exploring majors, developing a course of study and identifying career choices.

CCEC Members

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Parent Teachers Association

