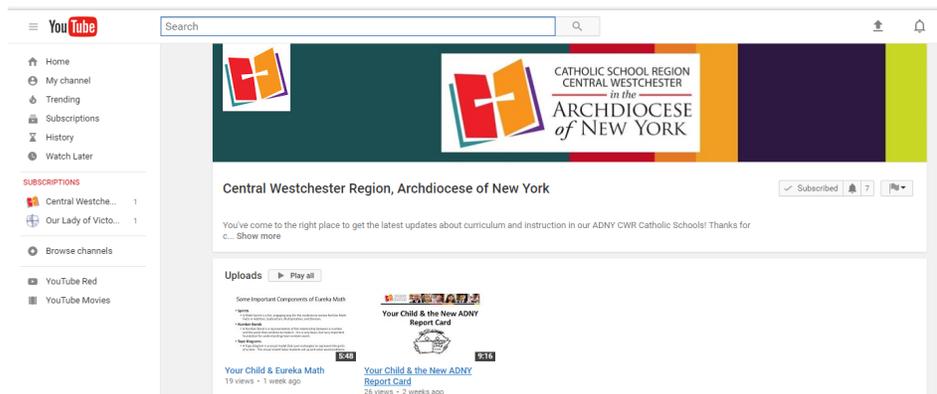




Central Westchester Region YouTube Channel

I am very excited to announce that our region has their very own YouTube Channel! I highly encourage you to subscribe to this page so you are informed each time a new video is uploaded. Currently, there are two videos: The New Report Card and Eureka Math.

For those parents that were not bale to make the meeting on those two topics, feel free to take a look! Click the screen shot or the direct link below to visit the page!



Direct link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCt8TSvO4VQX-E5ddZYjJcDA>

2nd Quarter Report Cards

All second quarter report cards, for students in Kindergarten to 8th grade, will be sent home on Thursday, February 9th.



Valentine's Dance

Friday, February 10th
6:30pm—9:30pm

\$15 per person

Tickets must be purchased ahead of time, no tickets will be sold at the door.



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February 5, 2017

Dear Parents,

Beginning Tuesday, February 7th, students in Kindergarten to 8th Grade will participate in round two of the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) Assessment. The MAP assessment will once again be administered in the computer lab for grades 2 – 8, and on iPads in the students' classroom for Kindergarten and First Grade. Students in Kindergarten and 1st Grade will participate in a Reading and Mathematics Assessment and students in grades 2 to 8 will participate in Reading, Grammar and Mathematic Assessments. Each test, while untimed, typically takes less than an hour.

As a reminder, the MAP Assessment is an adaptive form of technology, meaning that it will adapt to the student's individual progress. Every student will be presented with individualized questions, tailored to their specific needs. If your child answers a question correctly, the test follows up with a more challenging question. Conversely, if your child answers incorrectly, the test follows up with an easier question, until a baseline can be established.

Students are not given a grade on the assessment, nor will it be used towards the promotion or retention of any student. The MAP Assessment will give students a RIT score, which is strictly used to measure a student's achievement level at different times of the school year and to compute growth.

The data gathered from this second round of assessments will be used as a tool to give the faculty and myself to monitor the growth of our students over the last three months.

As the MAP Assessment is done electronically, student results are made immediately available to both the teacher and myself. With this immediate feedback, we will be able to work towards addressing differentiated instruction for each student without delay.

A **tentative schedule** will be sent home, by email, on Monday morning.

If you would like to see a sample of the MAP Assessment, please visit warmup.nwea.org.

Should you have any questions of the MAP Assessment, please feel free to reach out to me.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Morano
Principal