

# School's Out, Inc.

239 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054

## From the Executive Director, Jayne Maloney

I hope you all enjoyed family and friends during the Thanksgiving holiday.

Thank you to all of our families who donated so generously to our Food Drive for the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York. The Food Bank was very grateful for the support they received.

Congratulations to our Holiday Card Winner, Sarah D. of our Glenmont site. Second place went to Margaret B., also from the Glenmont site and our third place winner was Caroline S. from the Hamagrael site. All of the children did a great job. Thank you to all.

With winter upon us, it is important that our families be familiar with the School's Out, Inc. Snow Policy. Snow closings, snow delays and early dismissals will be listed on our website, [www.schoolsoutinc.org](http://www.schoolsoutinc.org), as well on the radio and major television stations. To receive notification of these closings and delays as well as announcements, newsletters, and vacation care information as they become available, sign up for our *E-Mail News Alert* on our website.

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School's Out, Inc.  
will be closed from  
December 24th  
through  
Friday, January 1st.  
We will reopen on  
Monday, January 4th.

We wish you a  
Joyous Holiday Season  
and a safe and  
Happy New Year.

## Staff Appreciation


The holiday season will soon be upon us. The School's Out, Inc. Board of Directors established a Staff Appreciation Fund which is used for staff events such as holiday party, Staff Appreciation Week, motivational prizes, etc.

If you would like to contribute to the fund, please make a check out to School's Out, Inc. Staff Appreciation Fund and send it to School's Out Inc., 239 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054 or drop it in the office drop box. Thank you for your generosity.

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## ANNUAL RECEIPT FOR TAXES

If you need a receipt for January through December 2009, please call Debbie Hartnagel, Tuition Accounts Manager, at 439-9300, between the hours of 8:30 am and 4:30 pm or you can leave a message on her voice mail or e-mail a request at [soi@schoolsoutinc.org](mailto:soi@schoolsoutinc.org) and we will mail, e-mail or fax a receipt to you. Thank you.



We're on the web.  
[www.schoolsoutinc.org](http://www.schoolsoutinc.org)



## DRESSING FOR THE WEATHER

Our staff will take the children outside to play every day, weather permitting. Please help your children to remember to bring their heavy jackets, gloves, mittens, hats, boots and snow pants in the winter. Please label all clothing and backpacks.

\*Please check the *Lost & Found* at your child's site for any missing items.

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## Snow Policy

When the School District is **closed**, all School's Out, Inc. programs are **closed**.

### Delays:

- When there is a **one hour delay**, all School's Out, Inc. programs will run as usual.
- When there is a **two hour delay**, there will be no School's Out, Inc. morning program.

### Dismissals:

- When the School District **dismisses one hour early** (2:00 pm), School's Out, Inc. programs will run **until 4:00 pm**
- When there is a **two hour dismissal** (1:00 pm), School's Out, Inc. will be **closed in the afternoon**.

In the event of delays or snow closings, School's Out, Inc. will be listed on all the major television and radio stations' school closings and delays.



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## *Recipe for a Healthy, Stress-Free Holiday*

Make The Season One of Joy and Celebration

The holidays are a time for joy and celebration – not stress and obligations. The following recipe, provided by United Behavior Health, can help you make this season a happier and healthier one.

- Take a pinch of positive attitude.
- Sift in your favorite activities.
- Stir in heaping spoonfuls of daily relaxation.
- Sprinkle in dashes of laughter.
- Add a dollop of time management.

Fold in a sizable portion of rest and exercise.

And, I added in this special ingredient especially for parents:

Pour in unstructured quality time to play with and just enjoy children and loved ones.

Mix thoroughly and blend daily into your life.

Keep your activities simple, pare down the demands you place on yourself, and measure your food and drink in moderation. This recipe can be spread well past the holiday season and is good throughout the year.

From Robin McClure, *Your Guide to Child Care*

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