

# Duanesburg

CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT



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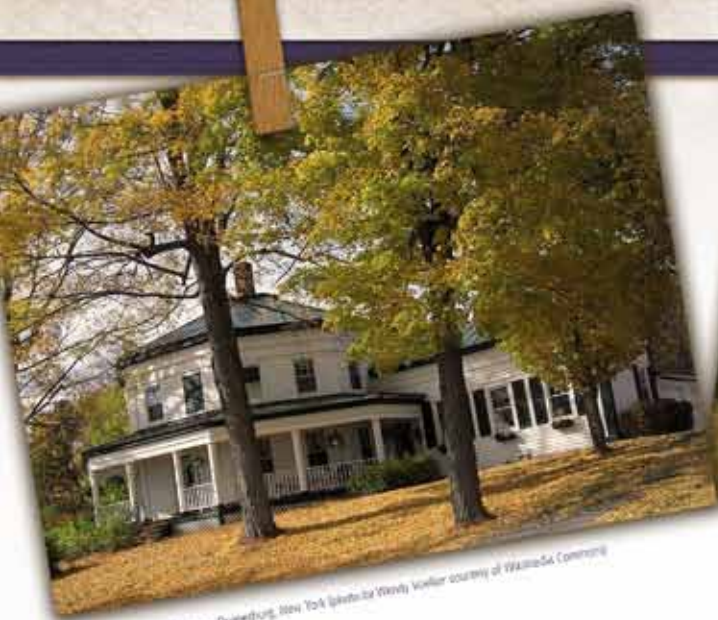
is settled among the rolling hills and farmland of New York's Mohawk and Schoharie Valleys within the charming bedroom community in the **Village of Delanson**.

The school district encompasses portions of nine towns and villages (Duanesburg, Quaker Street, Delanson, Wright, Knox, Charleston, Florida, Schoharie and Princetown), yet is fondly known for being a welcoming, family-oriented community where residents know and care about one another.

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Jenkins Octagon House - Duaneburg, New York (photo by Wendy Kofler courtesy of WilliamsCo. Commisn)



# OUR COMMUNITY...

Many residents were born and raised here and are now raising their own families within the community that offers rural, village and lake property living. There are quaint colonial homes dating back to the 1800s that line the village streets as well as newly constructed houses in developing subdivisions nestled among the vast open spaces of the country.

Located just 20 miles from Schenectady and Albany and with easy access via Interstate 88 to other nearby cities such as Troy and Saratoga Springs, the close proximity to educational, cultural, social and outdoor activities makes Duaneburg a suitable place for families to settle.



# RECREATION ABOUNDS

Some highlights of the area that residents and visitors alike enjoy are:

- ✎ Weekends filled with **downhill skiing and snowboarding** at Maple Ski Ridge and Cross-country skiing and snowshoeing at Oak Hill.
- ✎ Hiking and biking trails as well as leaf-peeping and bird-watching opportunities at Christman Sanctuary and Vroman's Nose. The short distance to the mountains in the Catskills and Adirondacks is an added bonus.
- ✎ The popular Schaffer and Van Patten Parks which have **tennis and basketball courts, nature trails, covered picnic areas/pavilions, a playground** and more.
- ✎ The **short travel to various golf courses** at such locations as Iron Works, Altamont Orchards, Stadium Golf and Schenectady Municipal.
- ✎ **Year-round athletic opportunities for children** such as the Duanesburg Youth Basketball League, Little League, AYSO Soccer, Pop Warner Football, Electric Eels Swim Team and Youth Wrestling.
- ✎ **The Duanesburg Area Community Center (DACC)** where children and adults can use the gym, weight room, the heated pool and take part in exercise classes. The annual DACC Triathlon and various 5K charity runs are other events that bring the close-knit community even closer.



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# HOMETOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT

The Duanesburg Central School District, serving more than 800 students in grades K-12, consists of two buildings: The Duanesburg Elementary School, which educates students in grades K-5, and the Duanesburg Middle/High School, which serves students in grades 6-8 (MS) and 9-12 (HS).

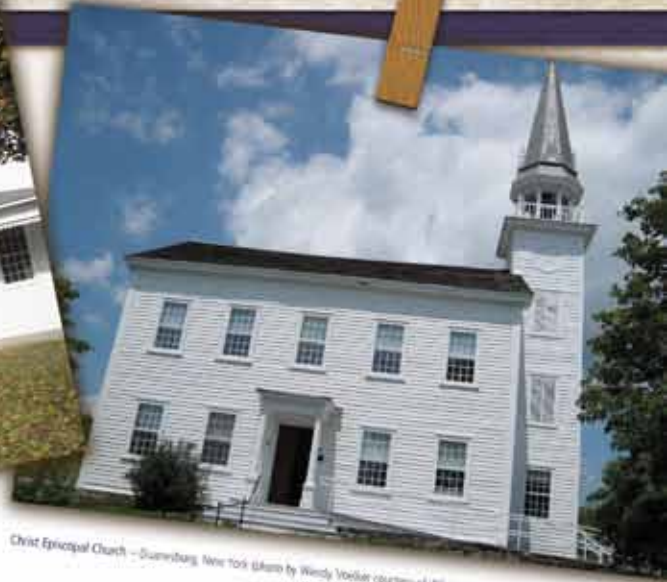
A small school atmosphere, individual attention and community support are just some of the benefits of receiving an education in the Duanesburg School District.

- ✎ DCS is **consistently recognized as a high-performing district** with a high return on investment. It has one of the highest graduation rates in the region (in the 90s), and is **dedicated to preparing students for college, the workplace and life** by offering a robust academic program designed to promote lifelong learning and personal development. The percentage of graduates who pursue a post-secondary education is regularly in the 90s.
- ✎ In addition to the traditional academic courses, the district **proudly offers Advanced Placement Courses, University in High School courses** where students earn college credits, **distance learning courses and a variety of 21<sup>st</sup>-century elective courses** such as forensic science, industrial design, website development, television production, international business, life in the ER, and introduction to nanotechnology, to name a few.
- ✎ The district is also home to many talented students who participate in music and art, with **many students annually scoring “outstanding” or “excellent” in the NYSSMA Festival and earning statewide recognition for their artwork.**
- ✎ Duanesburg students can participate in **more than a dozen clubs devoted to many different interest areas—**from community service to the arts and sciences.
- ✎ The district’s **athletic program has more than 10 teams** from which to choose, and Varsity teams often qualify and play in sectional and state competitions.
- ✎ The district is **21-century ready** with nearly every classroom equipped with one or more **computers and projectors connected to a secure wireless network.** Many classrooms have **interactive Whiteboards** and there are seven **computer labs** between the two buildings as well as two **mobile netbook carts.**





Quaker Meeting House - Duaneburg, New York (photo by Wendy Votler courtesy of Wikimedia Commons)



Christ Episcopal Church - Duaneburg, New York (photo by Wendy Votler courtesy of Wikimedia Commons)

# RICH LOCAL HISTORY

The Town of Duaneburg was proudly named in honor of Judge James Duane, the chief proprietor of the town in 1765, who played a major role in the American Revolution as a founding father of our republic. Duane was also the first mayor of New York City, a federal district court judge, a member of the First Provincial Congress and also helped found the New York State government and its constitution.

- ✎ For those interested in local history, **the Town of Duaneburg has over forty national registry structures** including Federal, Greek Revival, Italianate, octagonal, Victorian and saltbox architectural styles, contains 643 structures identified as historic by New York State, 55 cemeteries and 15 natural sites of interest.
- ✎ Two of the town's most visible treasures are the Christ Episcopal Church and the Quaker Meeting House. **The Christ Episcopal Church, consecrated in 1793**, was given as a place of worship by James Duane to the people of Duaneburg. It is considered to be the oldest Episcopal Church in New York State that still stands in the "quaint" simplicity of its original structure. **The Quaker Meeting House, built in 1807** by an early settlement of Quakers, has been in continuous use since it was first opened. The building, in the hamlet of Quaker Street, still embodies the spirit of simplicity and plainness of the Society of Friends.



# SHOPPING & ENTERTAINMENT

There's something for everyone in Duanesburg and its surrounding towns where residents proudly support a variety of family-owned businesses and farms, unique entertainment experiences and an assortment of shopping venues.

- Seasonal berry and apple picking; local, organic farm markets and shops such as Schoharie Valley Carrot Farm, Mildred's Meadows, Apple Barrel, Syron's Fresh Meat Market and Hickory Hill Smokehouse as well as lots of antique shopping attract people locally and from afar.
- There are many annual community happenings, such as the Memorial Day Parade, Fourth of July Fireworks, the DACC Triathlon, the Village Trick or Treating event, and the Canadian Pacific Railways Holiday Train that stops in the Village of Delanson where residents participate in outdoor activities to kick off the start of the holiday season.
- For residents' shopping convenience there's a Hannaford Supermarket and Pharmacy in town, and Rotterdam Square, Colonie Center and Crossgates Malls are just a short distance.
- Duanesburg is also just a stone's throw to many historical, entertainment venues such as Howe Caverns with its underground wonders and the Baseball Hall of Fame, the Farmers Museum and Fenimore Art Museum in Cooperstown.
- Duanesburg also supports many religions and is home to a variety of churches—some historical, such as the Our Lady of Fatima Church and Shrine and the Christ Episcopal Church.



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