January "Did you know?"

Hartland High School

Did you know that Hartland High School students are able to participate, and in some cases get certified, in career technology programs? Students have the opportunity to take career specific courses at or away from campus in the following areas: Fire Fighter Academy, EMT, Aviation, Construction, Automotive Technology, Cosmetology, Culinary Arts, Health Occupations, Cyber Security, Early Childhood Education, Manufacturing, Marketing, Personal Finance, Computer Programming, Web Design, CAD Engineering, and Agricultural Science. Next year, students will have an opportunity to be certified as an overhead electrical lineman. Post-secondary education and career awareness is a key focus of Hartland Schools as we attempt to give students ideas and career pathways for a successful future.

LEGACY

Did you know LEGACY students are recognized in a "Student of The Month" program by demonstrating the following selection criteria?

- Stepped forward to act as a role model for fellow students
- Distinguished themselves both academically and through personal conduct
- Hard-working and dedicated
- Good grades
- Self-discipline
- Good attendance
- Commitment

The names of these students are sent to both Senator Joe Hune, and Congressman Mike Bishop so that the students may receive their Certificate of Recognition. This month's students are: Alyssa McKeny & Nicolas Sanderson. Congratulations to all of our students. We are proud of your efforts!

Hartland Middle School

Did you know that HMS teachers spent \$6,000 on new books to augment their classroom libraries this year? Teachers worked with ELA Coach Jenna Furr to purchase books with money provided by the Curriculum Department. The students' excitement was evident during book talks and when they saw new books on display. We have robust classroom libraries, the media center, and free "loaner" books on carts throughout the school provided through book drives. We have made it a priority that all our students have easy access to quality reading materials. Thank you to everyone who worked together to make this happen for our kids!

Farms Intermediate School

Janet Chodos, 6th grade teacher, and Colleen Mercier-Smith, 5th grade teacher, coordinate the Recycling Green Team at Farms Intermediate. They do this with the support of the students in their classes, volunteers from each classroom, as well as the guidance of all classroom teachers. The goal of the group is to develop good recycling habits and create a culture of respect for our environment. The program began eight years ago with teacher Monique Shorr and a small group of students. It has now grown to involve hundreds of students throughout the school. The team recycles all the paper goods twice a month, rain or shine, by moving and emptying more than 50 recycling bins outside to the recycling dumpster. Farms also recycles plastic water bottles on an ongoing basis, filling over 60 gallons per week, which Mrs. Chodos takes home for curbside recycling. We know the program is a success when we see dedicated students monitoring bins and trash throughout the building and reminding others to recycle. Thank you to Janet Chodos and Colleen Mercier-Smith for leading such a successful and important program at Farms!

Creekside Elementary School

Did you know Creekside students are having fun learning about physical fitness, exercise, and keeping their bodies healthy? Physical education classes are focused on teaching students about teamwork, sportsmanship, fitness vocabulary, and the basic skills required for all sports. New this year, Creekside students are participating in the Presidential Fitness Program, which requires students to show improvement and growth on select exercises and activities throughout the year. Third and fourth grade students have a chance to earn Presidential and National Awards for high achievement. We are excited that our students are learning important life skills and are working hard to be physically fit!

Lakes Elementary School

Lakes has a new addition to the staff! His name is Brix, and he is a therapy dog. Brix is a French bulldog owned by Dr. Toni Johnson, School Psychologist. He has been in training since he was three months old and passed the Therapy Dogs International Test in the fall. He visits Lakes every week and loves our students. He enjoys going into classes and observing students learning. If you see Brix, be sure to say "hello" and he will likely greet you back with a kiss.



Round Elementary School

Did you know that Round Elementary 4th grade students organized a fundraiser for victims of the Smokey Mountain fire? The students raised \$211.00. Another great example of Round students and families supporting others!

Village Elementary School

Did you know that Village Elementary provides student support groups through the Livingston County United Way? The United Way provides our fourth graders with 'Connection Groups' and our K-3 students can participate in RAP (Really Amazing People) groups that meet weekly on Tuesdays. This support assists our students in social emotional learning and social problem solving skills. Village Elementary values our partnership with our local community in meeting the needs of our students.

Community Education

Community Education will again host its annual Mother/Son and Daddy/Daughter dances at Hartland High School on February 8th and 9th respectively. Join in on the fun and memories in the making!

The Child Care Center is looking for readers for any day in March 2017. Our children love the variety of people and books that come in to share their love of reading. If anybody is interested in coming, please contact Amy Rollins at (810) 626-2780 or by email amyrollins@hartlandschools.us

You can come in from the cold of winter into a warm gym at the HESSC for some recreation and physical activity every night Monday through Friday from 8:00-10:00 p.m. for \$4 a visit. Monday is Pickleball, Tuesday & Thursday are Open Basketball, and Wednesday & Friday are Volleyball. Open "Guts Frisbee" is available at Hartland Middle School on Thursdays from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Registration is open for 2017-18 Preschool. Call now to reserve your spot.

We are very interested in partnerships with current staff to offer enrichment classes during the school year and in the summer. We are always looking for new classes and opportunities for our community. You set the schedule!