

April “Did you know?”

Hartland High School

Did you know that the Hartland Winter guard competed throughout the winter? Winter guard, which is similar to Color guard, is a lovely group of young women who use props and movement with songs. Their winter season was a virtual competition. The ladies worked hard and will be scored after all teams have submitted their performances online. Congratulations on a great season, ladies! Go Eagles!



Legacy/HVA



Did you know that Legacy High School is hosting a Learning with Legacy day on May 6th? Originally designed for School-of-Choice students, the day is now open to Hartland High School students as well. Students will meet our teachers and be paired with current LEGACY students to shadow for the day. They will interact with our instructional practices, staff and group activities. Every student has a best-fit learning style, and for some, a smaller environment is just that. It can help reduce anxiety and start building the small successes that every adolescent needs to continue their progress toward graduation.

Hartland Middle School

Did you know that Hartland Middle School 8th graders participate annually in the Michigan Farm Bureau America & Me Essay Contest? Participating students wrote essays about “My Personal Michigan Hero.” The top three submissions from HMS were submitted by Alyson Luck (1st place), Lexi Hamilton (2nd place) and Maya Demeniuk (3rd place). Alyson’s first place essay was then entered into the state competition where it earned a 9th place finish over 2,000 middle school essays! She wrote about her hero grandmothers and how they helped her through the pandemic. She wrote: “Things were weird during quarantine, but having my grandparents nearby helped. Like Jay Kesler once said, “Young people need something stable to hang onto - a culture connection, a sense of their own past, a hope for their own future. Most of all, they need what grandparents can give them.” Grandparents affect our lives every day by showing what is right or wrong, giving advice, and so much more. I'm so glad that I have the grandparents I do.” As a top 10 finalist, she was awarded a \$1,000 cash prize and \$1,000 for the school! Congratulations to Alyson, Lexi and Maya for their amazing essays.

Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that Mr. Anderson has had his students compete in the state-wide Stock Market Game Competition for the past 20 years? Despite many challenges this year, Mr. Anderson found the energy and time to continue this tradition with his students. The Stock Market Game is a ten-week simulation of Wall Street trading that provides a framework for teaching students about stock market, business, and economic decision-making and is integrated through Social Studies, Economics, Math, Language Arts, Technology, Life Skills, and Business Education. Over 100 of his students competed this year. Colton Lucente, a 6th grader at Farms, finished 1st place in this competition beating all middle school and high school students in the State of Michigan. Another student, Devyn Cheyne, finished 1st place in the InvestWrite Essay competition. Devyn received a \$100 gift certificate, a 1st place trophy, and many other fun prizes. Thank you to Mr. Anderson and his students for all of their hard work and dedication to this awesome program!



Creekside Elementary School

Did you know that our Physical Education teacher, Mr. Guenther, organizes and runs a mileage club at CES? Each week students record how many laps they run during PE class. As the students reach goals and miles, they earn rewards for their hard work! We are so excited to have our parents help with this program during lunch times next year. Keep up the good work Creekside kiddos.

Lakes Elementary School

Did you know that the 4th graders at Lakes participated in the DTE/Consumers Energy "Think Energy!" program this spring? The students learned about forms of energy and energy conservation during the presentation. Each student was presented with an energy kit to take home. Inside the energy kit are different items that each family can use in their home to help conserve energy. The students enjoyed the presentation and loved being "energy detectives" by discovering where they could help conserve energy in their homes. This activity was an excellent way to wrap up our 4th grade science unit on energy. Thank you to DTE and Consumers Energy for sponsoring this wonderful program.



Round Elementary School

Did you know that Round Elementary School has a robust Peer-to-Peer program facilitated by our school social worker, Ms. Smith? Peer-to-Peer is an evidence-based peer-mediated program that Round Elementary offers to support children who may struggle with social interactions, classroom behavior, and other things. Peer-to-Peer teaches children about differences and how to help support others who struggle socially in their classroom. Not only does the program benefit students who struggle, but parents and teachers have reported benefits to the general education students as well, including increased empathy and leadership skills. The groups meet weekly or bi-weekly to practice pro-social interactions, problem-solve challenges and plan for positive social interactions.

Village Elementary

Did you know that Village Elementary is hosting a Fun Run next month? Over the past month, Village families have raised money through our Virtual Hedgehog Hustle platform. It has been an amazing experience for our entire community and to date we have raised over \$30,000. With these funds we plan to purchase courtyard furniture, Chromebook carts and new lunch tables.

Community Education

Did you know that we have over 400 soccer players on over 40 teams playing this spring with Hartland United FC? We offer an in-house program for 5-8-year-olds, in addition to our travel programs. Games are played at Heritage Park.

Did you know that our spring travel volleyball games started in April? The teams are having fun practicing and learning new skills! Did you know that our preschool program is so popular that we had to open another class for 4-year old's starting in the fall? The 3-year-old classes are also filling up quickly.



Student Nutrition

Did you know that Student Nutrition received a grant to serve hot chocolate to the High School students at breakfast? Students can now choose hot chocolate instead of cold milk on those chilly mornings! This is going to be even more appealing during next year's winter months! We are hopeful that this can be expanded to other buildings in the future. The students love this option.