

December “Did you know?”

Hartland High School

Did you know that even though Hartland High School was put on a three week pause, students and staff still collected hundreds of food items to be donated to Gleaners Food Bank? HHS Student Council held a non-perishable food drive the week before Thanksgiving break in all 1st hour classes. The class that collected the most donated items was scheduled to win a pancake breakfast cooked by the HHS Student Council! Students from Mrs. DePestel’s resource room helped collect the canned goods from classrooms and organized them in the high school library. They were also organized by type of item, so it was easier for Gleaner’s to pick the goods up. Unfortunately, due to the pause, the drive was unable to be completed, but once again, the Hartland High community stepped up to support the community and Gleaner’s in a time of need.



Legacy High School

Did you know Legacy High School is redefining the stigma around Alternative Education? The student body of Legacy, eclectic in nature, fits no one stereotypical group of students. The smaller, familial like atmosphere, brings a collectiveness and collaboration among staff and students that promotes success for all. Fostering success at Legacy also stems from enrollment in Enrichment class. Every student has an educator that stays with that learner until graduation, acting as both a teacher and mentor. Enrichment class at Legacy, in typical years, involves field trips and monthly whole school activities that have been adapted during COVID to still create team building opportunities along with Social Emotional Learning lessons, weekly progress checks/emails to parents, and career and college planning among other lessons. Every student has a “best fit” learning environment, and Legacy is proud to provide a learning experience as fruitful and unique as its constituents.



Hartland Middle School

Did you know that many of our 8th grade students were able to take a field trip to the Holocaust Memorial Center in Farmington Hills this fall? Working with the Center, English teachers were able to arrange a virtual trip to the Center and facilitate the opportunity for parents and students to visit the Center and take a timed admission in-person tour. The field trip has been an important part of the English department's unit on informational writing for many years, which includes reading the Diary of Ann Frank. We are grateful that so many of our students and families were able to have this experience during our COVID year.



Farms Intermediate School

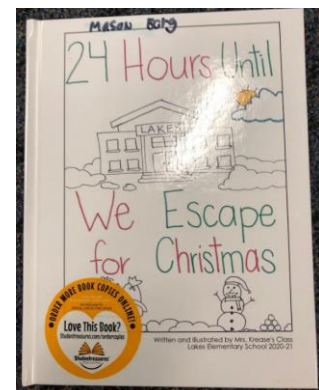
Did you know that our Media Center at Farms is doing amazing things? Galina Rogers, our media paraprofessional, is going above and beyond to help our face-to-face students as well as our remote learners. Our Media Center is open all day to all classrooms and students. In addition to accommodating our students who are in attendance at Farms, Mrs. Rogers has made books available to our remote students as well. Remote students can schedule times to visit the library, or they can request books to pick up from school. Mrs. Rogers has also created book tables focusing on different states and holiday themes. In addition to everything she is providing our students at school, Mrs. Rogers is working with Cromaine Library to offer a reading contest for our students. Although this is not a typical year for anyone, Mrs. Rogers has been able to create a safe environment in our Media Center and this has been greatly appreciated by our students and staff!

Creekside Elementary School

Did you know that Creekside PTO was able to organize our annual Secret Santa Workshop again this year? Even though it looked different with the shopping being done over a two-week period. Our JK-4 classes had the chance to shop for their families. Students were so excited to have some "normal" in their school days. Thanks to our amazing PTO for following COVID procedures and making Secret Santa Workshop a success!

Lakes Elementary School

Did you know that fourth grade students in Mrs. Krease's class wrote, illustrated, and published a book? The company Studenttreasures Publishing provided all the materials (for free!) and students were able to work together to write their story, "24 Hours Until We Escape for Christmas". Once they received their books, students celebrated with a Publishing Party. Students enjoyed autographing each other's books and then reading the book together for the first time. They learned quite a bit about the time and effort that goes into writing a book, and now they can officially call themselves published authors!



Round Elementary School

Did you know that the Round Elementary staff is using Social Emotional data from progress reports to determine classroom needs in order to tailor SEL lessons that increase student's social and emotional skills, strategies and understanding? We will be looking at our data in January to drive classroom instruction and interventions to ensure students are growing in their social emotional intelligence.

Village Elementary

Did you know that Village Elementary hosted a BOGO Book Fair and Santa Shop over the past two weeks? Each year Village Elementary hosts a BOGO Book Fair in December. Students, both in-person and remote, were able to come into school and purchase books that were buy one, get one free. The titles were very appealing to students and the price point supported all our Village families. This year, we instituted a parent donation for teachers to also purchase books for their classroom libraries. We were able to raise almost \$800.00 for teachers to choose high-interest texts. Additionally, our PTO put on an amazing Santa Shop. Students, both in-person and remote, were able to come in and purchase presents for family members. These Village traditions brought a sense of normalcy into our building and tremendous joy to our students.

Student Nutrition

Did you know that the Student Nutrition staff is working tirelessly to feed Hartland Students? Meals are currently free to all students, so our meal counts are climbing! We are feeding in-person students, remote students and virtual students. We are working hard to make sure that every student gets what they need no matter how they are learning.

Community Education

Did you know that we are already taking registrations for the 2021/2022 preschool year? We offer four options for 3-year-old classes and six options for 4-year-old classes. Our preschool classes had fun getting ready for the holidays!

Did you know our Child Care Center is open and serving over 150 Hartland families in our Day Care and Before and After Care programs? We were able to secure a Child Care Relief Fund grant for our families to receive a credit on their tuition. It was much appreciated by families.



Preschool Craft



Gingerbread House



Digging for Bones in Wiggles



Indoor fun in the gym