

January 2021 "Did you know?"

Hartland High School

Did you know that the Hartland National Honor Society (NHS) has been volunteering virtually during the COVID pandemic? Hartland High School's NHS is finding ways to give back during the pandemic. This year the *BE A BUDDY* program was started. This program partners NHS students with a K-6 student who is looking for a virtual buddy. They meet once a week virtually and engage in activities like virtual field trips, games, and more. One student reported that he is teaching his buddy to solve a Rubik's Cube! Other ways NHS members are giving back while staying safe is by making Valentines for Meals on Wheels to give to senior citizens in their February deliveries. We are proud of these students for finding safe and creative ways to help the community.

Hartland Legacy High School

Did you know Hartland Virtual Academy has a computer/study lab open daily? We are all experiencing heightened, COVID drawn attention to online learning. Yet sometimes, the online world can be isolating or distressing to the social emotional needs of students. To help both academic and social student success, HVA offers the Hartland Promise. Students enroll in 6 MIVU courses taught by Michigan certified teachers, and have Hartland teachers as mentors. Our mentors check in weekly with Google Meets and emails, as well as run the HVA computer/study lab times. Students receive individual help, from HCS teachers, in advertised weekly sessions where the student can choose the subject area they need help with, or simply come in to connect. [HVA Computer/Study Lab Calendar](#)

Hartland Middle School

Did you know that Hartland Middle School has placed an increased focus on College and Career Readiness? All 7th and 8th grade students complete the new Xello career development planning tool provided by the State of Michigan. Using the program, students build self-knowledge, explore options, and create educational plans based on their career goals. Student goals help increase engagement and focus. We have added a visual entitled "Where Will Your Wings Take You" to our commons area to help remind students of the many career options before them. Our Career Days also help students learn about college and career readiness. Thanks to Mrs. McLennan and Mr. Chanavier for leading this effort.



Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that Farms has Acceleration Time (A time) where students receive extra time and support during the school day? We have had this for several years, but this year, we were able to focus on having all of our 6th grade students have A time during 5th hour, while our 5th grade students have A time during different hours of the day. Because of this, we were able to give more resource room support and time for all of our special education students as well as extra time and support for our general education students. We were able to expand the daily time which allows for more interventions and accelerated activities. Farms teachers are doing a phenomenal job of working with all students, making sure their social emotional and academic needs are met! We are proud of our teachers and students for all of their hard work!



Creekside Elementary School

Did you know that Creekside students participated in a math Prodigy tournament over the holiday break? Prodigy is an online math resource that allows teachers to assign certain assignments and tasks to students for extra math help. The program also allows students to play against each other at school or at home. Students at Creekside love to spend time having fun while learning or improving their math skills. The top three winners at Creekside received Target gift cards.

Lakes Elementary School

Did you know that Lakes Elementary was able to have their annual Holiday Shop in December before the holiday break? Students in JK through 4th grade were able to shop for family, friends, and pets for the holidays in early December. The Lakes PTO and Lakes staff helped maintain COVID protocol for this event to take place. Remote students even had the option of ordering from home or coming into school on a Friday to shop. It was so nice to have this annual event during these challenging times! A special thank you to PTO officer Crystal Reilly for organizing this mammoth undertaking! Another special thank you goes out to Lakes Lunch/Recess para Cathy Mendrek and Sue Lynch for their help each day with wrapping gifts for students.



Round Elementary School

Did you know Round students participated in a Prodigy Math tournament from December 14th to January 8th? Students were able to compete over the winter break. Teachers were able to assign standards for students to master and practice. Our top 5 students were: Hendrix Callahan, Mason Reutter, Ben Yegge, Connor Britton, and Annie Gaubatz. These students received digital prizes for answering the most questions correctly. Prodigy is an adaptive program which means all students were competing against their own personal best! Thank you to Annette MacFarlane for organizing this special opportunity!

Did you know that the Round School has started a *MISSION SLIMPOSSIBLE* competition? Our combined starting weight was 4,488.3 lbs. In 2 weeks, we lost a combined 133.6 lbs. We have 9 weeks left in our competition.

Village Elementary

Did you know that Village Elementary students decorated their donated white cloth masks? Village was lucky enough to have 500 white cloth masks donated to them. While we were very thankful for the donation, we knew that white cloth masks in an elementary school may not stand up to our student's daily activities.

Our new art teacher, Jacqui Tomin took those masks and created a project that allowed students to be their own fashion designers and decorate their own mask. Every student at Village will have the opportunity to create a mask that will now serve as a memento from this school year. Thank you to our anonymous donor and thank you to our art teacher and students for their endless creativity!



Community Education

Did you know that the Hartland Aquatic Center is offering adult lap swimming, adult exercise classes and swim lessons for children? Did you know the Hartland Middle School swim team will be having tryouts on Monday, February 8th?

Did you know that our Preschool classes scheduled to start in the fall are already starting to fill up? Did you know that spring soccer registration starts February 1st? Please check our website for more information.