# December "Did you know?"

## Hartland High School

Did you know that Hartland High School fall sports had fantastic seasons? The girls' golf team was a State Tournament qualifier for the second year in a row and finished in 9<sup>th</sup> place in the state for Division 1 schools. Boys' cross country had one individual state qualifier, senior Ethan Stover. The boys' soccer team had a great run, as senior Brady Walker earned 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-State and senior Tony Rizzo earned 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State accolades. Girls' volleyball earned the MIVCA Academic All-State Award, football had 9 athletes chosen for KLAA All-Conference awards, and girls' swimming had 5 swimmers qualify for the state competition. What a great fall our athletes had! Congratulations to all coaches, players, parents, and a big thank you to the athletic department!

## Hartland Middle School

Did you know that Hartland Middle School has many programs that foster social-emotional skills in our students?

- Challenge Day -- approximately 400 students per year for over 15 years
- "Be the Change" Club
- Peer support groups
- EBCE -- award-winning alternative program that focuses on linking students to school through employability skills
- Faculty and staff get to know students
- Work with Social/Emotional Learning Coach -- weekly videos and twice a month lessons
- ICT
- Reaching Higher Classes -- 50 students per year
- Support Classes
- Individual counseling
- Sprigeo -- anonymous reporting of issues
- STAND -- this club raises awareness of issues that impact students and families
- Mental health presentation -- by Nicole Schingeck
- Peer to Peer Program -- greatly expanded this year
- Fun events -- staff vs. student games, spirit days, etc.

#### Farms Intermediate School

Did you know that Farms has a Student Leadership Club? Each year, approximately 50 students participate in the organization of school events and fundraisers. So far this year, the Leadership Club has raised \$529 for Hurricane Harvey, \$455 for Mott's Children's Hospital, and \$325 to put toward "Adopt A Family" for Christmas presents. They also assisted with the HEA Coat Drive by helping to collect and organize coats, hats, and gloves for people in need. In the past, our students have visited the Hartland Nursing Home to spend time with the residents. They recently visited the Hartland Daycare to read books, play games, and make Christmas ornaments with the preschool classrooms. These awesome students will continue to organize various charity events and school activities throughout the rest of the school year. Thank you to our students and sponsors, Mrs. Briskey and Mrs. Bontekoe, for all that they do for our school and community!!!

#### **Creekside Elementary School**

Did you know that Creekside students are learning how to be good citizens and give back to our community? They collected over 500 pounds of non-perishable food for Gleaners during our holiday food drive. They also collected boxes of new items for the "Toys for Tots" Marine Corps toy collection. Our school and many grade levels sponsored families in need for the holidays, providing them with Christmas gifts and meals. Recent Friday "Hat Day" fundraisers collected money for the Humane Society, Adopt a Pet, and the Mott Children's Hospital. As EAGLES, we are proud of how our kids are learning to care for and serve others.

## Lakes Elementary School

Over 70 Lakes Elementary 3rd and 4th graders have applied and signed up to be a part of various Leadership and Service teams. These teams are described below:

- Green Team--Recycling group; promote Earth Day activities and Bottle Cap Art project; promote keeping entire school clean
- EAGLES Team--promote EAGLES language; share what our Lakes Family groups are doing; plan school wide assemblies
- Lunch/Recess Ambassadors--promote healthy eating choices and exercise; promote a safe playground
- Buddy Bench Brigade--promote proper use of our Buddy Bench and also promote an antibullying message
- Reading Renegades--promote reading; book clubs, book drives, and suggested reading; reading and writing contests; read to younger students; help with MIRM activities
- Student leaders serve during their lunch and lunch recess time to create posters, make morning announcements, and put their plans into action of making Lakes Elementary a better place!

## **Round Elementary School**

Did you know that Round Elementary raised money in December for Juvenile Diabetes? We celebrated World Diabetes Day on November 14<sup>th</sup> with a "blue out". Teachers wore blue and paid \$1.00 to wear jeans. We raised \$317 for Juvenile Diabetes. This money will be used for research on the prevention and treatment of Type 1 Diabetes.

#### Village Elementary School

Did you know that Village Elementary has had a special Santa Breakfast every year for the past 12 years? Santa makes a special appearance for Village students and their families and other community members who want to join us! Our staff and PTO serve a continental breakfast, have a book fair, a craft show, and all students get to visit with Santa up close and personal. Students also enjoy making a holiday craft ornament and cookie decorating. Next year, put this event on your holiday 'to do' list, as it is simply the BEST way to visit Santa and fun is always had by all!

#### **Student Nutrition**

Did you know that all of our school lunches come with unlimited fruits & veggies? That's right! Our students can take as many fruits and veggies with their school lunches as they can eat! We are working hard to increase our students' fruit & veggie consumption and shape healthy eating habits!

