



# HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Dear HCS Education Community:

## **Congratulations**

Please join us in congratulating Adriana Lippolis, who has received a "Rising Star" Award from the Michigan affiliate of the National Center for Women and Information Technology (NCWIT). Mrs. Hasseld states that award recipients are selected based on their aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing, as demonstrated by their computing experience, computing-related activities, leadership experience, tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and plans for post-secondary education. Rising Stars embody the idea of aspirations and are encouraged to continue their exploration of the field. Adriana joins a list of distinguished Hartland High School students who have won this award in the past. Please congratulate her!

## **High School Sports on Sunday**

Traditionally, Hartland values family and family time on Sunday. Unfortunately, the weather has not been cooperating this spring and the district is finding that if we are going to reschedule competitions, we may need to utilize Sunday. This is due in large part to the shortage of officials. Please know that we will not make this a normal practice. Thank you for your understanding.

## **Is the High School Air Conditioner Fixed?**

It pains me to share that the high school chiller is still not fixed. In the fall, we ordered the control system that burned out due to a power spike in August. We were told that the system would be installed in December. We were notified in December that the system was being made in Europe and would not be delivered until February due to a world-wide computer chip shortage. This delivery date was moved to April, and now we have been told maybe the end of May. We are planning for a temporary unit (not as big as the one we had in the fall). This unit should keep temperatures and humidity down in the building.

## **State Achievement Testing**

I want to thank our students, parents, and staff for setting up optimal testing conditions. While a single achievement test does not "paint the entire picture" of student learning, it is a factor in how our schools are graded. Please continue to keep track of testing days and make sure your children are getting a good night's sleep. I ask that you remind students that they should do their best to demonstrate to themselves how much growth they have had this year. Effort = Success!

## **2021-22 Student Perception Survey Grades 7-12**

The 2021-22 Student Perception Survey for grades 7-12 was completed on April 14, 2022. We had 923 or about 33% of eligible students respond. Here is a quick summary:

- 86% reported that teachers are preparing them for the next school year or post-secondary
- 86% feel safe at school
- 87% stipulate that they have a supportive relationship with at least one adult in school
- 82% stipulate that they would recommend their school to friends and family
- 66% stated that they have not experienced being bullied at school

- 16% of the students reporting they have not experienced bullying at school, shared that they have experienced being bullied on social media

Our building staff will review the information and compare it to the 2021-22 Parent Perception Survey results as they plan for affective goals in 2022-23. Affective goals such as teaching self-esteem, discipline intervention, soft skills, attendance intervention, and 21<sup>st</sup> century skills are necessary for active participation in the community. Affective goals have been a focus of schools at least since I began teaching in 1991. By helping students become aware of themselves and their interactions with others, we prepare them for academic and employment success. The National Association of Colleges and Employers state that “emerging occupations require employees to have social and collaborative skills that cannot be replicated by technology” (2018). Consistently, employers share that the two leading causes of letting employees go are the inability to get along and work with others, and poor attendance.

### **Weekly COVID Update**

Since my last update on April 13, 2022, the data shows:

**Livingston County Average Percentage of Positive Results for all Tested: 9.8%**

**Livingston County Average Number of Positive Cases Per Day: 26.1**

**Livingston County Average Number of Positive Cases Per Week: 183**

The district has been notified of positive or probable COVID cases at Farms Intermediate (2) and Hartland High School (3).

Continue monitoring for symptoms, stay home if symptoms are present, and pursue testing.

Respectfully,



Chuck Hughes  
Superintendent