



HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Dear HCS Education Community:

Meet Chris Costa, Board of Education President



Mr. Costa has lived in the Hartland Community for 18 years. He was elected to the Board of Education in November of 2014. For eight years he has been a voice for the community first as a Trustee and now as the Board President. Mr. Costa has been a public educator for 23 years. He has been happily married for 22 years and has a son in the Hartland Consolidated schools.

The reason he chose to pursue a position on the Hartland Board of Education was because “I was looking for an opportunity to give back to my community. I felt my experiences and insight into education would support and align with the district's goals in being fiscally responsible and putting the needs of children first.” Mr. Costa is most proud of the “many wonderful things that are happening in Hartland. It is hard to pick just one thing that I am most proud of. With that said, I would say I am most proud of how the Hartland Consolidated School District continually looks to better the educational experience of all its students, from academics to extra-curricular activities and beyond. We are always striving to make every child be the best they can be.”

When it comes to hopes and dreams for the future of HCS, Mr. Costa hopes that “we continue with our goal of being a premiere district that focuses on reason, respect and responsibility throughout our community.”

“Today, you could be standing next to someone who is really trying their best not to fall apart. So, whatever you do today, do it with kindness in your heart.”

Author Unknown

Mechanic Needed: If you or someone you know is looking for a mechanics position with benefits and good pay, please ask them to visit the employment website. This is a great opportunity to support the students in Hartland. The garage is an extremely friendly place to call your work home.

Accountant Position Available: The district is looking for an Accountant to become a team member in our business office. If you know someone, please let them know to check out our website:

<https://www.hartlandschools.us/Departments/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/index.html>.

Plan for School Cancelations: Yesterday reminds me of the need to remind parents the importance of creating alternative plans for childcare in the event of a school cancelation. The weather often creates situations in which district staff must make decisions that will affect families. With the closure of Round Elementary due to a power outage, I ask that each family develop alternate plans. I will try to make decisions early enough to give you time to figure things out; however, sometimes this is just not possible and last-minute decisions must be made. Thank you for understanding the importance of this request.

Meet Our Intermediate and Elementary Administrators: This week I wanted to introduce our JK-6 administrative team. These individuals are the epitome of positive student-centered leaders. It is impressive to watch them work to ensure every child is treated fairly and has what they need to be successful. Because of them, the district can share that students continued to show growth on state assessments, even during a difficult couple of years. The community will certainly be impressed with the assessment scores when they are released sometime in the near future.



Farms Intermediate Principal Ms. Cheney and Assistant Principal Mrs. Briskey



Ms. Moore-Way, Principal Creekside, Mr. Howerton, Principal Lakes, Mrs. Hottum, Principal Round, and Mr. Reck, Principal Village

Parent/Student Reminder: Please remember that the school district embraces all students and the concepts behind REASON. Last year, the Board of Education adopted the following definition for reason. It is essential that we continue the conversation with our students about what reason means.

Reason: ... the power of our mind to seek to understand and think logically. By developing reasoning skills, our students and staff are better able to think critically in both the academic and social environments in which they find themselves. We support a well-rounded educational experience.

Still in Need of Bus Drivers: The district continues to struggle to fill driver positions. Right now, we have been asking our dispatchers, mechanics, maintenance, and supervisors to drive both morning and afternoon shifts and still complete their normal workload. This cannot be maintained for the entire school year. The district is hoping that more people come forward to train and drive so that we do not have to pause routes or compress routes as the year progresses. If you know anyone who might be interested, please let them know to visit us at <https://www.hartlandschools.us/Departments/Human-Resources/Job-Openings/index.html>.



\$500/\$300 HIRING AND REFERRAL BONUS!

STUDENT NUTRITION HAS OPENINGS!

ANY HCS Staff member that refers a permanent Student Nutrition employee is eligible to receive \$500.

Any NEW permanent Student Nutrition team member is eligible to receive \$500

ANY HCS Staff member that refers a Student Nutrition substitute is eligible to receive \$300

Any NEW Student Nutrition substitute is eligible to receive \$300.

Please email LisaArchey@hartlandschools.us for more details!!

Respectfully,

Chuck Hughes