



HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Dear HCS Education Community:

Thank You High School Cheering Section: Mrs. Gregory and Mr. Wheeler informed me that parents from Okemos High School contacted them to say how impressed they were with our student section at the District Soccer game. They indicated that you were friendly and joking around with them and that this is just not typical behavior from students at schools they play. Thank you for always keeping things in a positive perspective and representing the Hartland community so well!

HCS Climate Survey Being Distributed: The district has been working with the Department of Justice to ensure follow-up toward closure regarding discrimination concerns in Hartland Schools. One of the expectations is that we perform a structured climate survey with all staff and parents, plus students in grades 7-12. The survey is designed as an anonymous survey. It is intended to help us get a better understanding of school climate within our district. Please watch your email for the link to participate.

Parents in grades JK-6 will be provided the annual Hartland Parent Perception Survey for their children attending school in the district. This will be distributed by our building administrators.

The survey window will close at 3:00 p.m. on November 7, 2022. The district will assess the responses and be required to create a plan for addressing any areas of concern. Thank you for your help in better understanding the climate of our school district.

Bullying: Did you know that most of the bullying now occurs through social media as a means of aggression toward others? Please do not be a bystander. Report online bullying behavior to school administrators or teachers if you become aware of this occurring. Together we can reduce and even eliminate online bullying behavior.

Congratulations Mrs. Jagusch, Third Grade Teacher at Lakes Elementary:

I want to congratulate Kathy on being awarded the Excellence in Education award from the Michigan Lottery. We are proud of you! **Note:** Did you know that the Michigan Lottery funds just about 7% of the total School Aid Fund for Michigan Public Schools. Unfortunately, I often hear people say that it funds all public education in Michigan.



Parent Coaching Available (A Parent Choice Opportunity):

We're excited to be partnering with ParentGuidance.org to provide every parent with a student in Livingston County access to a FREE, CONFIDENTIAL, parent coaching program. This is a collaborative countywide effort to provide parenting tools to those who wish to seek help.

WE WANT TO HELP PARENTS HELP THEIR CHILDREN.

Many times, parenting creates more questions than answers, and now you can turn to a professional coach made available through our new partnership. For the next year, you can meet confidentially with your own individual coach for up to 30 minutes each week, who will help you address the challenges you may be facing as a parent. This is a parent choice option being made available to you.

Coaches are not employees of the school, nor do they work in our schools, and your coaching is NEVER reported to the school! Coaching is a FREE, CONFIDENTIAL resource for parents that gives you the tools to help your child thrive.

To register, go to <https://parentguidance.org/get-coaching/> and select "**Register Today.**"

Attached are some resources to learn more about the coaching program:

- [Learn More About Coaching](#)
- [How Does Coaching Work](#)

You can also learn more about the program by clicking [here](#). We hope that parents who utilize this tool will have positive experiences to share.

Holiday Adopt-a-Family:

Each year the district works with the Hartland Optimist Club to take care of our families who could use a little help and cheer during the Holiday Season. This year, the schools decided to change the effort by focusing on providing items needed for meals, hygiene, and everyday tasks while organizations sponsor family gifts. If you would like to help in this endeavor, please see the lists below. Each principal or school leadership team will get more information out to you soon. We hope to have all collections complete by the end of the day on December 15, 2022.

I am sending these lists out now so that you might start collecting the items if you choose to participate in giving with your children. Also, if you are aware of a family who may benefit from this effort, please reach out to Mrs. Carol Hayes at 810-626-2144 as soon as possible. The earlier we know the needs of the community the better we can plan. Last year we took care of over 70 families and 200 children.

School administrators broke down the list of what is needed for the Adopt-a-Family collections to provide meals hygiene and every day products. **All donations should be collected by Thursday, December 15, 2022.**

High School / LEGACY / HVA:

Pasta	Hamburger Helper
Spaghetti Sauce (Can please)	Pop-Tarts or Breakfast Bars
Peanut Butter	Fruit Cups
Jelly	Cereal
Mac and Cheese (box)	Granola Bars
SpaghettiOs or other canned pasta	Powdered Box Mash Potatoes
Fruit Snacks	

Middle School:

Paper Towel (single or double roll only) Kleenex
Toilet Paper (4 packs please) Ziploc Bags (sandwich or 1 gallon)
Napkins

Farms Intermediate:

Cereal

Creekside Elementary:

Body Wash Hand Soap
Loofah Bar Soap

Lakes Elementary:

Shampoo & Conditioner Toothpaste
Toothbrushes Deodorant (men’s and women’s)

Round Elementary:

Pancake Mix Goldfish or other crackers
Syrup Rice

Village Elementary:

Hairbrush Shaving Cream
Hair Ties

CO/Transportation/Community Ed./Technology Dept./Maintenance/Senior Center, others:

Disposable Shaving Razors Bar Soap

Monetary donations are always welcome to help in purchasing holiday gifts for the families. If your organization (church, school club, sports team, business, etc.) would like to adopt-a-family, please contact us. Donations and adoptions can be accomplished by contacting Mrs. Carol Hayes., 810-626-2144 or carolhayes@hartlandschools.us.

Thank you for supporting our families in need. Together we make a difference every year.

Round Elementary Dad’s Step Up: Round had an amazing turn-out for Watch D.O.G.S (Dads of Great Students). Over 60 dads and students attended the Pizza Party where they learned about the volunteer program and participated in an activity to build connections with their child. We are looking forward to having lots of dad volunteers this year!



The Arc Livingston Offers Sibling Support Opportunities: If interested in this opportunity please register at the site below.



The Arc Livingston 2022 - 2023 Sibshops

What are Sibshops? Sibshops provide support and guidance to siblings (ages 8-12) of children with special medical or developmental needs. Siblings are encouraged to share the challenges and celebrate the joy with brothers and sisters in similar situations. Each session will meet in person for roughly two and a half hours. We will play games, talk about life with a sibling with disabilities, and play a few more games! A light lunch is provided.

Location:

2/42 Community Church – Brighton
7526 Grand River Avenue
Brighton, MI 48114

We will meet on the dates listed below starting at 10:30 am to 1:00 pm.

REGISTER AT:

<http://www.arclivingston.org/sibshops>

2022 - 2023 Sibshops Dates

October 15
November 12
December 10
January 14
February 11
March 11
April 8
May 13

Contact Laura Sauer with any questions or concerns:
Laura@arclivingston.org

For more information visit:

<http://www.arclivingston.org/sibshops/>



“Life is short, live it. Love is rare, grab it. Anger is bad, dump it. Fear is awful, face it. Memories are sweet, cherish them.”

Author Unknown

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Hughes".

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