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Dear HCS Community:

**New Niche Ratings Released:** Once again Hartland Schools has been ranked in the Top 10% of all schools in Michigan.

Best School Districts in Michigan = #52 out of 580 school districts ranked. Best School Districts for Athletes in Michigan = #8 out of 527 districts ranked or Top 2%. Best Teachers in Michigan = #58 out of 557 or Top 10%.

Congratulations everyone! Learn more at <u>https://www.niche.com/k12/search/best-public-high-schools/s/michigan/</u>

Let the Robot Races Begin: Students engage in programming robots for the Farms Intermediate School STEM Robot races.



**Round Elementary Fun Run Exceeds Expectations:** Principal Hottum was color blasted by students as a reward for exceeding their fun run goal. Congratulations!



**High School Esport Team Wins Hardware:** The HHS Rocket League Gold team participated in a tournament this past weekend. Kyle Greig, Lincoln Deman, and Christian Gatien competed in a 3 v 3 tournament at Southwestern Michigan College. This was a 16-seed tournament and included both high school and college teams from southwest Michigan and Indiana.

The Gold team was dominant throughout the night, winning 5 straight games and taking first place in the first-ever Fiber Cup. They were each awarded an Xbox Series X and a championship belt. Midwest Energy & Communications will also be making a \$500 donation to our esports program. Go Eagles!



**Young Engineers:** Students in Mr. Jarvinen's Engineering and Design class took part in a robotic arm curling tournament. In this team design challenge, students were required to perform the following tasks: analyze the blueprint, adjust the design to meet the new parameters set by Mr. Jarvinen, accurately measure and draft the various robot components to scale on an 11" x 17" cardboard panel, carefully cut, assemble, and test the movement of the robot, and attach the hydraulic power components (10 ml syringes and tubes). The approximate time needed to complete the project was 6 hours.



**Respect for Law:** The Hartland Optimist Club held our annual Respect for Law Breakfast where we recognized Hartland Township, Charyl Stockwell Academy, and Hartland Township for partnering with HCS to bring local police road patrols back to Hartland. It was a wonderful opportunity to continue building on the relationships we have established together. Thank you Stephanie Furge for your leadership as President.



CSA: Jessica Moceri Receiving



LCSO: Sheriff Murphy Receiving



Hartland Township: Bill Fountain Receiving



Hartland Optimist Club Members

If you are interested in joining the Hartland Optimist Club, please feel free to contact me at 810-262-2100 or <u>chuckhughes@hartlandschools.us</u>. Our biggest project each year is the Adopt-a-Family program where we work with the Jr. Optimist Club, local organizations/businesses and individuals to take care of the needs of our families in Hartland during the holidays. Last year, we addressed the needs of over 400 children and 90 families. If you are interested in helping with this effort, please reach out to carolhayes@hartlandschools or 810-626-2150. You can also reach out to the Adopt-a-Family Chair, Mrs. Meghan Glabach at Hartlandadoptafamily@gmail.com or 586-850-3366.

**Village Reading Promotion Video:** Take a look at the attached video which shows how the Village Family approaches the importance of reading every day: <u>https://youtu.be/APCLfaN1ISQ?si=zGFCUHIg37KIgk3i</u>.

**Varsity Athletes Give Shout Outs to Outstanding Teachers:** Some high school varsity football players recently recognized some outstanding teachers in HCS. Click on this link: <u>https://drive.google.com/file/d/11MepLKIxULoEH9Y-hWk9\_LoQAsBVxNEs/view</u>

Respectfully,

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"Forgive everyone no matter what! But always remember the lessons you learned with them." Unknown