



HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Dear HCS Community:

Gleaners Food Bank Distribution: Unfortunately, turnout by community members to utilize the mobile food pantry at the Hartland location remained low, so all resources were moved to the Howell distribution location. Please share information with others that this resource is available for families.

Howell Schools Food Distribution Mobile Dates:

Thursday, December 21 @ 4:00 pm

Thursday, January 18 @ 4:00 pm

Location: 411 N. Highlander Way, Howell

Hartland Elementary, Farms Intermediate and Middle School Rankings for Public Schools in Michigan

Released: The U.S. News and World Report recently released their rankings for Michigan Public Schools (High School ranking was shared on August 30, 2023, Top 5.9% or 112 out of 1,870). The following rankings were given to the rest of our schools:

Creekside Elementary =	Top 5.2% or 139 out of 2,654 Public Elementary Schools
Lakes Elementary =	Top 9.3% or 248 out of 2,654
Round Elementary =	Top 12.2% or 326 out of 2,654
Village Elementary =	Top 31.7% or 843 out of 2,654
Farms Intermediate =	Top 9.3% or 190 out of 2,026
Middle School =	Top 3.7% or 76 out of 2,026

Congratulations Students and Staff!

Hartland Students Help Each Other With Bus Evacuation Practice: Last week students worked on bus evacuation techniques. Hopefully this is never needed, but practice helps in all things that we may encounter.



High School Parent Perception Survey: Linked here is the [HHS Parent Perception Survey](#). This survey is designed to gather perception data to help the district and schools better understand the needs of our educational community. Please take the time to complete the survey so that needs can be identified within our school. Only fill this out for your oldest student in mind who attends the High School! We value your current thoughts as we try to create the best learning environment possible for your children. The deadline for completing is by 3:00 PM on Thursday, November 30th.

Parent Perception Survey Data Available: The district has completed the Parent Perception Survey for JK-4 and 5-8. I will present the district report at a future Board of Education Meeting.

Some highlights:

JK-4 (38% of families responded)

96% Strongly Agree or Agree school promotes Academic Success
98% Strongly Agree or Agree school treats my student with respect
96% Strongly Agree or Agree school is inviting and welcoming
97% Strongly Agree or Agree school is a safe place for my child
95% Strongly Agree or Agree in school's effort at teaching SEL skills
91% Strongly Agree or Agree school encourages active partnership
96% Strongly Agree or Agree adults care about my student
3% Strongly Agree or Agree my student has experienced racial/ethnic conflict among students in school (down from 4% last year)

97% Rate their child's school as an A or B

5-8 (52% of families responded)

94% SA or A
95% SA or A
92% SA or A
93% SA or A
87% SA or A
86% SA or A
91% SA or A
8% (down from 10%)

94% SA or A

Thank you, families, for responding to this important survey.

Pickle Ball Engagement: Legacy and the Hartland Senior Center held their second annual pickleball tournament last week. Seniors and students played round robin games and then squared off in elimination play until champions were crowned. Thank you, Seniors, for an amazing event.



High School Eagle Exclusive: Listen to students, Carolyn Phillips regarding voter registration, Oscar Konigslehner, HS Swedish Foreign Exchange Student, and Carla Azcarate, Spanish Foreign Exchange Student, talk about their experiences. https://youtu.be/oMCYXEgPguo?si=MsizKi5IfM9VG7_N

Hartland Robotics Update: Hartland Robotics is off to a great start for their season. All three FTC teams recently competed in tournaments across the state. Team 5957 Sonic Eagles took 1st place for Innovation at North Branch. Team 15104 Static Eagles took 2nd place for Innovation and 1st place for the Think Award at Macomb/Warren. This team earned an advancement to the State Tournament on December 8th – 10th. Team 23777 took 1st place for the Inspire Award and 3rd place as an Alliance Captain at Macomb/Warren. They also earned an advancement to the State Tournament in December. It is great to see these students doing so well!



Mental Health Newsletter: In today's world, recognizing the significance of mental health is playing in the lives of our children is important. Parents hold a crucial role in shaping their children's views and behaviors around well-being. The phrase "Erase The Stigma" is a call to action, emphasizing the need to break down the barriers surrounding mental health and the role parents play. Let's explore the importance of parents taking the lead in erasing the stigma surrounding mental health and fostering awareness in their children.

Join us and start by reading this December's Mental Health Newsletter ([English/Spanish](#)). As always, check out the [ParentGuidance.org](#) resources where you can access free courses led by licensed therapists on more than 50 topics. Check out the course titled, [Connect with Your Child by Parenting with Purpose](#). To access the course, simply navigate to ParentGuidance.org and click *on-demand courses*.

Mr. Butter Bucket Turkey Says "Happy Thanksgiving to All": Hoping everyone enjoys family and friends during the Thanksgiving break.



Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Chuck Hughes".

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*"It took me a long time to understand that in order to fully embrace my worth,
I had to first let go of those who did not value me."*

Ryan Elliott