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Dear HCS Community:

Help Support the Hartland Optimist Club's Adopt-a-Family Program: All schools in Hartland are working to support the Adopt-a-Family program. Last year, the community supported over 90 families and 400 children in Hartland through this effort.

Creekside = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 1st and collecting peanut butter & jelly **Lakes** = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 11^{th} and collecting mac & cheese, granola bars, fruit chews **Round** = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 6th and 13th, and collecting mac & cheese, granola bars and fruit chews **Village** = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 8th and collecting peanut butter & jelly **Farms** = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 1st and 8th and collecting cereal **Middle School** = \$1.00 Hat Day donation on December 1st and 8th, and collecting pop tarts, pancake/waffle mix, and syrup. **High School** = \$1.00 Raffle Event and engaged in a food drive.

Reminder of Gleaners Mobile Food Pantry Dates: Howell Schools Food Mobile

Thursday, December 21 @ 4:00 pm Thursday, January 18 @ 4:00 pm **Location:** 411 N. Highlander Way

Parent Perception Survey Data Available: The district has completed the Parent Perception Survey for Hartland High School. I will present the district report at a future Board of Education Meeting.

Some highlights:

9th -12th Grade 2023-24 (32% of families responded)	2021-22
88.7% Strongly Agree or Agree school promotes Academic Success	85.7% SA or A
90.9% Strongly Agree or Agree school treats my student with respect	89.2% SA or A
88.5% Strongly Agree or Agree school is inviting and welcoming	81.1% SA or A
85.4% Strongly Agree or Agree school is a safe place for my child	80.1% SA or A
77.3% Strongly Agree or Agree in school's effort at teaching SEL skills	68.8% SA or A
74.6% Strongly Agree or Agree school encourages active partnership	68.2% SA or A
88.8% Strongly Agree or Agree adults care about my student	86.9% SA or A
12.8% Strongly Agree or Agree my student has experienced racial/ethnic	18.4% SA or A
conflict among students in school (down by 5.6% in 2021-22)	

91.9% Rate the high school as an A or B

85.4% A or B

Thank you, families, for responding to this important survey. In every category you have reported stronger support for HHS. As a staff, we will continue striving to ensure every child is treated with respect and has the supports needed to be successful.

Free Parent Coaching Continues: The district has partnered with the public schools in Livingston County and the Cook Center to provide free parent coaching. Please consider using this worthy resource.



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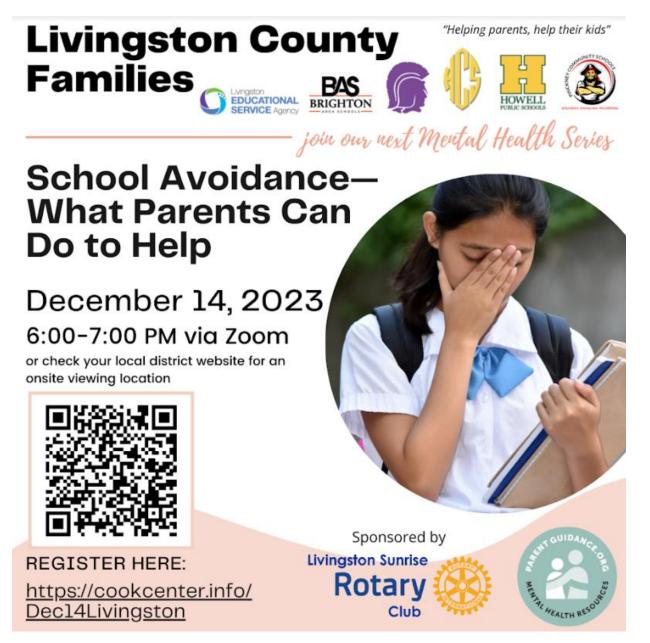
MS Geography Bee a Hit: Thirty-five (35) HMS students participated in the preliminary rounds of the HMS 22nd annual Geography Bee. Ten students advanced to the final round. From the final round, 3rd place went to Adrian Cosma. Runner-up was Jacob Strandtner, and the 2023 HMS Geography Bee Champion is Jacob Titus. Congratulations to all the participants!

A special thank you to teachers, Mr. Bliznik, Mr. Zapfe, Mr. Lauzon, Mr. Funston, Mrs. Rutkowski and Mrs. Smith for helping to make this a successful experience for the students.



Parent Education Series: The next topic "School Avoidance-What Can Parents Do to Help" will be held on December 14, 2023. Hartland parents can attend in person by arriving at Hartland High School's Collaboration Center (formerly the Media Center) or participating **anonymously** via Zoom by clicking on this link: <u>https://cookcenter.info/Dec14Livingston</u>. If you are planning on attending in person at the high school you can request child care by clicking on this link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeSECjhyUbga1HH7OBV4UcSqgsTUzs01tJe3Gd_4TanyDPh-Q/viewform?usp=sf_link Last month, we had over 110 participants who learned about how to help children with anxiety. We look forward to your participation.



Successful Hartland High School Blood Drive: The results of the HHS Fall Blood Drive for November 21, 2023 was fantastic. The Red Cross collected 47 productive units. Students and staff beat their drive goal, with 19 first-time donors; making the day a huge success. Teacher, Dr. Matt Assenmacher and his students appreciate everyone's help to make things run smoothly.

Hartland Teachers Raise Money to Support Gleaners: Hartland Schools really came together to help raise money for Gleaner's Food Bank. Altogether they raised \$2,300. Round Elementary Teacher, Kristen Raap delivered the check and they were very thankful. This money is doubled by the Ford Foundation! The donation will be able to provide 13,800 meals. Great Job!



High School Robotics Ready to Roll: We are gearing up for the 2024 High School robotics season and will be hosting a Robotics Information Night in about 2 weeks. Please see the flyer at the end of this update. The robotics team would like to thank HCS for all their support.

Respectfully,

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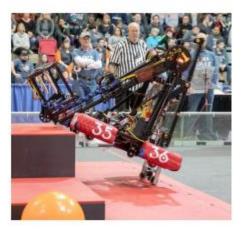
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"Never stop doing little things for others. Sometimes those little things occupy the biggest part of their hearts." Author Unknown



Do you like ROBOTS?

Or how about....



Solving problems? Designing mechanisms? Modeling in CAD? Manufacturing and building with your hands? Programming manual and autonomous actions? Creative writing? Graphic design? Making videos? Mentoring younger students? Working in a team environment? Having fun while being challenged?

Come to our Robotics Information Night and find out more about becoming part of our fun, exciting, and incredible High School robotics team. No previous experience is necessary.

What: High School (FRC) Robotics Information Night

When: December 12th @ 7:00PM

Where: Hartland Educational Support Services Center

(aka, the Old High School) 9525 E. Highland Rd, Howell, MI 48843 Enter Door 10 by the sign for Gymnastics/Robotics

Questions? Contact us at frc@hartlandrobotics.org