

HARDYSTON SCHOOL DISTRICT

WEEKLY BLAST SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

VIRTUAL BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Monday, September 21, 5:00 PM

Please login to your child's Google Classrooms to learn more about your teachers, classes, expectations, and other interesting facts! All teacher video links will be available beginning at 5:00 PM.

[Mr. Ryder's video message](#)

[YMCA video message](#)

Phys Ed Classes are outside, weather permitting. Please dress warm and wear appropriate shoes. Mrs. Kasa suggests bringing a change of shoes if your child has class in the morning when the grass is still wet.

Remote Learning on Wednesdays Please note that each Wednesday, students must log in to their class(es) throughout the day, as their schedule states, for live instruction. If a student is not participating in class, they will be marked absent. If a student is present for half of the class and then logs off, they will be marked absent.

School Pictures Please read below for specific information related to school pictures. Virtual students will have the opportunity to get their pictures taken. That schedule is below.

Independent Learning Days Teachers have thoughtfully planned independent learning activities and worked hard to anticipate questions and leave clear directions. Please remember that on your child's independent learning days, their teacher is in school teaching the opposite cohort. They are not available to answer emails and provide guidance throughout the day.

How to Access school Google Account from Personal Device If your student is using his or her own device at home, they must log in to their school google account using their school-issued username and password in order to access their school Google account. They will know they're in when they can see the waffle on the top right of the screen.

Center for Prevention Family Fun Night click [here](#) for flyer

Social/Emotional Learning click [here](#) for information

Join the Girl Scouts! Click [here](#).

Join PTA!! Help make a difference - click [here](#)

FREE LUNCHES

Starting on Monday, September 21

- School lunches are now FREE to all students until December 31, 2020
- No paperwork is required
- Simply have your child tell their homeroom teacher they want a school lunch, and they shall receive one!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PICTURE INFORMATION

Gold Cohort: Friday, 9/25

Blue Cohort: Monday, 9/28

Virtual-Only Students

Friday, 9/25 - Virtual students with last names ending in A-J from 4:00 - 5:00 pm

Monday, 9/28 - Virtual students with last names ending in K-Z from 4:00 - 5:00 pm

*Order forms will be available when you arrive or you can order online.

Payment and Ordering Options:

On picture day, bring payment and order form to the photographer. Orders can also be placed online within 48 hours of picture day.

- To prepay online: visit mylifetouch.com and enter code: EVTMT82XV

Retakes: will be scheduled for November. More information will be shared in the future.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PICTURE INFORMATION

Gold Cohort: Friday, 9/25

Blue Cohort: Tuesday, 9/29

Virtual-Only Students

Friday, 9/25 - Virtual students with last names ending in A-J from 3:00 - 4:30 pm

Tuesday, 9/29 - Virtual students with last names ending in K-Z from 3:00 - 4:30 pm

*Order forms will be available when you arrive or you can order online.

8th Grade gown pictures will also be taken on the same days and times. Proofs will be sent home and parents may place their order online.

Payment & Ordering options:

On picture day, bring payment and order form to the photographer. Orders can also be placed online within 48 hours of picture day.

- To prepay online: visit mylifetouch.com and enter code: EVTH3J744

Retakes: will be scheduled for November. More information will be shared in the future.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR NURSES

Please read this document from our school nurses carefully.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES

Drop Off: Parents driving their child to school are to pull around to the back of the building **between 8:40 am and 8:50 am**. Students will be scanned for a temperature before exiting the car.

Pick Up: Students will be dismissed at the back of the building beginning at **3:30 pm**. Parents need to be parked by 3:20.

MIDDLE SCHOOL - DROP OFF AND PICK UP PROCEDURES

Drop Off: Parents driving their child to school are to go to the side of the building **between 7:40 am and 7:55 am**. Students will be scanned for a temperature before exiting the car.

Pick Up: Students will be dismissed on the side of the building beginning at **2:35 pm**.

SCHEDULE FOR HYBRID STUDENTS

If your child attends school, they are either part of the blue or gold cohort. On the in-person days, students are instructed by their teacher in school following a full-day schedule.

On Wednesdays, all students are home for live, remote learning. Students must log in to their teacher's Google Meet link at certain times throughout the day. In the Elementary School, teachers have posted this schedule to their Google Classroom. In the Middle School, students follow the half-day bell schedule and must log in to their teacher's Google Meet link at the scheduled time.

On the independent learning days, students will be learning independently, so there is no live classes or set schedule to follow. Work will be posted in each teacher's Google Classroom and students are to complete the posted work.

Cohort	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Blue	In-Person Instruction	In-Person Instruction	Remote Learning (all cohorts on an early dismissal schedule)	Independent Learning	Independent Learning
Gold	Independent Learning	Independent Learning		In-Person Instruction	In-Person Instruction

VIRTUAL STUDENTS

Virtual students will participate from home five days a week following the schedule pictured below. This means that students will join their class virtually for live, synchronous instruction on Mondays and Tuesdays, following a full-day schedule.

On Wednesdays, students will join live, remote learning following the early dismissal schedule.

On Thursdays and Fridays, students will be learning independently, so there is no live classes or set schedule to follow. Work will be posted in each teacher's Google Classroom and students are to complete the posted work.

Cohort	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Virtual	Live, synchronous instruction (full day schedule)	Live, synchronous instruction (full day schedule)	Remote Learning (half day schedule)	Independent Learning (no set schedule)	Independent Learning (no set schedule)

REMOTE LEARNING ON WEDNESDAYS

All students have LIVE instruction each Wednesday. Students will click on their teacher's Google Meet link to join their class live. The times to log in have been determined according to each student's schedule. In the Elementary School, teachers have posted this schedule to their Google classroom. In the Middle School, students are to follow the early dismissal bell schedule. This bell schedule is posted below.

Please click on the grade level links below to watch a short video for all you need to know for remote learning on Wednesdays.

GRADE K AND 1 REMOTE LEARNING TUTORIAL

Please click on this link to watch a short video of all you need to know for our first virtual Wednesday.

GRADES 2 AND 3 REMOTE LEARNING TUTORIAL

Please click on this link to watch a short video of all you need to know for our first virtual Wednesday.

GRADE 4 REMOTE LEARNING TUTORIAL

Please click on this link to watch a short video of all you need to know for our first virtual Wednesday.

GRADES 5-8 REMOTE LEARNING TUTORIAL

Please click on this link to watch a short video of all you need to know for our first virtual Wednesday.

HOW TO ACCESS YOUR GOOGLE MEETS LINK

MIDDLE SCHOOL BELL SCHEDULE

This document provides the middle school early dismissal bell schedule that MS students will follow to know when to join Google Meet for each period.

GOOGLE GUIDEBOOK FOR FAMILIES AND STUDENTS

GOOGLE CLASSROOM TIPS

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL BLOG

Click [here](#) to be taken to Mrs. Cimaglia's blog

