

Hardyston School District

WEEKEND UPDATE OCTOBER 31, 2021

PICTURE RETAKE DAY!

Monday, November 1 is picture retake day for both the elementary school and middle school. If you'd like retakes, please make your child or your child's teacher aware. Students will be called down to the gym for retakes.

PARENT / TEACHER CONFERENCES NOVEMBER 2, 17, 18

Conference days are here! A parent-teacher conference provides an opportunity to discuss student progress, ask specific questions, and exchange information to maintain a positive and productive school experience. **Masks are required upon entering the building and are to be worn during conferences. Thank you for your cooperation!**

These days are early dismissals. Middle school dismisses at 12:35 and the elementary school dismisses at 1:15.

Conference appointments are made through the parent portal. [Instructions](#) for how to schedule a conference. **At this time, the parent portal is not working so conferences cannot be scheduled. As soon as it is working again, we will send an alert to let you know.**

*Grade 4 parents, you will schedule the conference with your child's math/science teacher; the language arts/social studies teacher will join in at that conference.

On behalf of the Hardyston faculty, we look forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's progress.

SCHOOL CLOSED NOVEMBER 4 AND 5 - NJEA CONVENTION



HARDYSTON FAMILY

Thanksgiving FOOD DRIVE

SHOW THANKFULNESS BY FEEDING THOSE IN NEED, ALL
FOOD COLLECTED GOES TO HARDYSTON FAMILIES.
HOMEROOMS WHO COLLECT THE MOST IN THEIR GRADE
WILL BE REWARDED WITH A TREAT!

**FOOD ITEMS WILL BE COLLECTED FROM
OCTOBER 25-NOVEMBER 12**

MIDDLE SCHOOL ITEMS Grade 8--Juice/Juice boxes Grade 7--Jars of pasta sauce Grade 6--Pasta Grade 5--Peanutbutter or Jelly	ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ITEMS Grade 4--Cans of gravy Grade 3--Canned soup Grade 2--Applesauce, cranberry sauce, canned fruit Grade 1--Cans of veggies Kindergarten--Stuffing Pre-K/MD--Muffin mix
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**FROZEN TURKEYS/GIFT CARDS ARE
ALSO ACCEPTED. IF YOU HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT
MRS. BURDZY
EBURDZY@HTPS.ORG**

A SPECIAL NOTE FROM THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL NURSE

As part of the health services program, the following screenings will be administered to students in the upcoming months:

- Height
- Weight
- Blood Pressure
- Hearing

- Vision

If you do not wish for your child to have any of these screenings, please submit a letter to the health office as soon as possible. If your child has had a physical by their private physician, please provide a copy to the school nurse. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Stoffels.

SEPAG SURVEY

Parents and Caregivers, please take the time to complete the short survey. Your participation is vital and will help us understand what areas need to be addressed and what workshops you would like brought to Hardyston.

UPCOMING DATES AND REMINDERS

- 11/2 Early Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conference Day
- 11/4 & 5 School Closed
- 11/7 Daylight Savings Time Ends - *turn clocks back 1 hour*
- 11/9 BOE Meeting, 7PM @ MS
- 11/11 1st marking period ends
- 11/17 Report cards posted on parent portal
- 11/17 Early Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conference Day
- 11/18 Early Dismissal - Parent Teacher Conference Day
- 11/24 Early Dismissal
- 11/25 & 26 Thanksgiving Recess

STRATEGIC PLANNING UPDATE

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who attended our first Strategic Planning Session on October 20. It was heart-warming to see such a blend of community members, former students, current parents, former parents, administrators, staff members, and board members. There was some great collaborating going on, and our work has just begun! Our next session is **Wednesday, November 10, 7 PM**, in the middle school cafeteria. We would love to see everyone participate!

Meeting notes will be published [on our website](#).

YMCA VACATION CAMP FOR TEACHER'S CONVENTION

The YMCA Vacation Camps are back for NJEA Convention Weekend, November 4 & 5! **SPACE IS LIMITED. MASKS ARE REQUIRED.** The program is for children ages 4-11 years old, in Grades Pre-K through 5th. Click [here](#) for flyer.

THE IMPACT OF TRAUMA ON CHILDREN (MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 5:30PM)

NJ HOPE AND HEALING INFO

LUNCH MENUS

This link will take you to the current lunch menus for the ES and MS.

WV GIRL SCOUTS

UPDATED GUIDANCE FROM THE NJ DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

[COVID-19 Public Health Recommendations for Local Health Departments for K-12 Schools](#)

Updated August 31, 2021

[The Road Forward](#)- updated September 1, 2021

Key Update Regarding Masks:

In the K–12 indoor classroom setting, the close contact definition excludes students who were within 3 to 6 feet of an infected student (laboratory-confirmed or a clinically compatible illness) where both the infected student and the exposed student(s) correctly and consistently wore well-fitting masks the entire time. This exception does not apply to teachers, staff, or other adults in the indoor classroom setting.(updated 8/21)

***Students who are wearing well-fitted masks will NOT need to be quarantined if they are a close contact of an infected student in the school.**

TRAVEL GUIDELINES

Hardyston School District strongly encourages you to follow CDC recommendations; however, the most current information from the district. Please contact your school if you have any questions.

concerns.

Currently, the CDC recommends delaying travel until you are fully vaccinated.

Domestic Travel

According to the CDC, unvaccinated individuals who do travel should get tested 1-3 days before their trip, 3-5 days after travel, and stay home and self-quarantine for 7 days after domestic travel.

For those traveling to New Jersey, domestic travel is defined as lasting 24 hours or longer to states or US territories other than those connected to New Jersey, such as Pennsylvania, New York, and Delaware.

For more information, refer to the [CDC's guidance for domestic travel](#).

International Travel

The CDC requires all air passengers arriving in the United States from a foreign country to get tested for COVID-19 no more than 3 days before their flight departs and to present the negative result or documentation of having recovered from COVID-19 to the airline before boarding the flight.

For more information, visit the [CDC website](#).

HELP WANTED!

Middle School Assistant Boys Basketball Coach

Middle School Head Girls Basketball Coach

Middle School Assistant Girls Basketball Coach

Middle School Math Club Advisor

All positions require a substitute certificate.

Please reach out to Mr. Demeter if interested, rdemeter@https.org

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A SUBSTITUTE TEACHER?

Click [here](#) for more detailed information on new guidelines and instructions for obtaining substitute teaching certification.


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