

# Hardyston School District

*Weekend Update: January 2, 2022*

**Happy New Year!**

## Updated COVID Guidelines

The [COVID-19 Activity Level Report](#) is now VERY HIGH - RED. At this time, the only change in guidance is to strongly encourage extracurricular sports team participants to be vaccinated, since masks cannot be worn during play. It is also recommended to test athletes twice per week. New guidance from the Department of Education will be coming soon, and when it does, it will be shared with the Hardyston community.

**Please speak with your children about the need to wear masks correctly at all times.** Too many children have to be told to pull their mask over their nose throughout the day. Omicron is extremely contagious and it is imperative that their masks are worn properly indoors at school.

**Please keep your child home if they have been tested but are awaiting results.** Too many students are coming to school and being told mid-day that they tested positive. Please have patience and wait for the results to come before you send your child to school.

The New Jersey Department of Health's K-12 current guidance on quarantine periods for close contacts is as follows, and **please note that it does NOT follow the shortened CDC timeline:**

*"Close contacts who are not fully vaccinated should be excluded for 10 days (in absence of testing) from the date of last contact. Close contacts who test negative during the 5th through 7th days following the date of last contact may return on the 8th day or thereafter."*

The above guidance applies regardless of the COVID-19 Activity Level (CALI). **As a reminder, all close contacts that are fully vaccinated and asymptomatic are not required to quarantine.**

**Middle School Winter Concert - Rescheduled**

The middle school winter concert will be Thursday, January 6, at 7 pm. ***Please note that masks are required to be worn at all times upon entering the building. Thank you for your cooperation.***

## Math Club is now at the Middle School!

[Click here to read more information](#) about math club at the middle school!

## Congratulations to our Teachers of the Year

Each year, the community is asked to nominate outstanding educators. Last week Mrs. Kervatt and Mr. Bennett were announced as Hardyston School District's Teacher of the Year recipients. Both of these teachers exhibit joy for their work both inside and outside of the classroom. We will continue to celebrate this recognition throughout the year.

Congratulations to Mrs. Kervatt and Mr. Bennett!

## Understanding TikTok and Social Media

Please take a few moments to read the articles below. They may be helpful to you.

[Help Kids Navigate Social Media Stunts](#)

[Parents' Ultimate Guide to TikTok](#)

## Thinking about becoming a substitute teacher?

We **INCREASED** our teacher substitute rates! We now pay \$150/day!

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

### Substitute Rates:

Nurses \$250/day

Teachers \$150/day

Custodians \$15/hour

Paraprofessionals \$13/hour

Secretaries \$13/hour

## Looking for Elementary School Parent Volunteers

We are in need of volunteers to assist teachers in the supervision of students during recess. If you are interested, please contact Mrs. Cimaglia for more information.

## Upcoming Dates and Reminders

- 1/3/2022 School Opens
- 1/4 BOE Regular Meeting and Annual Reorganization Meeting, 7 PM @ MS
- 1/6 MS Winter Concert
- 1/25 Budget Workshop Meeting, 7 PM @ MS

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Lunch menus

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