

Hardyston School District

Weekend Update September 25, 2022

District Family Meeting

Hardyston School District will host a series of meetings on various topics throughout the school year.

Meeting #1

- Wednesday, September 28, 6:00 PM
- Hardyston Middle School cafeteria
- Topic: K-8 Health Instruction- we will participate in classroom lessons on controversial areas within the new state standards and examine the pros and cons of each lesson

Big Brothers, Big Sisters

Hardyston middle schoolers in grades 5-7 are invited to participate with Franklin Borough middle schoolers, and Walkkill Valley high schoolers serving as mentors. Please read!

2023-2024 School Year School Choice Information

If you know of anyone wishing to attend school at Hardyston in grades 3 - 8 and live out of district, please share the information about us!

Let's Stuff the Stocking!

Sussex County and Warren County elementary, middle and high school students are challenged to a

competition for a cause!



Area schools are collecting donations of *new, unwrapped* gifts and gift cards for children of all ages to be distributed to local families in need through the **Season of Hope Toy Shop**.

The competition will take place **October 1 through December 12.**

HOW IT WORKS

Project Self-Sufficiency staff will collect donations from all participating schools. Then, our elves will tally the donations from each school. The winning school will claim the **Stuff the Stocking** trophy from the 2021 winner, Pope John Middle School.



PLEASE NOTE –

Only **NEW, UNWRAPPED** items will be accepted.

There is a great need for **Gift Card donations**, which are an option for those who want to contribute but don't want to shop.



Bringing Holiday Toys to Sussex & Warren County Children in Need

For more information go to www.projectsufficiency.org or call **(973) 940-3500**.

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Important Events

9/29 - PTA Meeting: ES Library

- 6:15 Meet and greet
- 6:30 Meeting begins

10/5 - MS Progress Reports on Portal

10/10 - Columbus Day - Teacher In-Service - School Closed for Students

10/11 - BOE Meeting, 7 pm, Middle School

10/24 - Picture Re-Takes

10/28 - PTA Trunk or Treat, 6 pm, MS Parking Lot

Please visit www.https.org to access the District Calendar for all events!

Start Strong Assessment

Start Strong assessments are state-required assessments for grades 4-8 that provide schools with the opportunity to assess students' needs at the beginning of the school year.

Below is the Start Strong Assessment schedule:

- Monday, Oct. 3: grade 4 ELA and math
- Thursday, Oct. 6: grades 5-8 ELA and math
- Tuesday, Oct. 11: grade 6 science

State Assessment Schedule

This document serves as notification of any statewide student assessment or commercially developed standardized assessment that will be administered over the course of the school year.

Nominate Your Educator Now!

The New Jersey Department of Education aims to recognize educators who have gone above and beyond their service to New Jersey's students. Hardyston is asking our district families to take the time to complete the Google form which is accessed by the link below, to highlight a staff member who has made a difference in their child or children's education experience. All staff members are notified if nominated; I hope you find time to let these teachers and educational services professionals know about the difference they have made.

All submissions are Due October 28, 2022.

Educator of the Year

[Click here to nominate your favorite educator!](#)

Paraprofessionals Wanted!

We are currently looking for paraprofessionals to assist students at all levels in our district.

Basic Qualifications:

- High School diploma, fingerprint/background check

Preferred Qualifications:

- 60 college credits- eligible for substitute certification

If you or anyone you know is interested, please share this information and email Dr. Maffia at gmaffia@https.org

TREX Recycling Challenge

The middle school will once again be participating in the Trex Recycling Challenge. Acceptable plastics can be dropped off at any retail store that collects plastic bags. Franklin Library also has a drop bin. Most stores prefer frequent trips with smaller drops rather than one large drop. Once you've dropped your recycling, please e-mail TScognamiglio@https.org with the approximate number of pounds. Thank you for doing your part to help the world! [See attached flyer!](#)

Application and Instructions for Free and Reduced School Meals

If you would like to participate, please click on the links below for more information.

[Letter](#)

[Instructions for Application](#)

[Application](#)

PTA SPIRIT WEAR IS BACK!! Order today; limited time only!
Click [HERE](#) to access the store.

PTA Needs YOU!!!!

Become a volunteer today! Click on the Google form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSelSCrZ-ZyEFRTbparm1sLuMwr6fZ4ulfY019uIyvUuDL1LQ/viewform>

PTA NEWS - Click here for the latest happenings!

"BEE"come a member today! Go to <https://hardystonpta.memberhub.com>

YMCA Open House

YMCA Sports

2022-2023 Student/Parent Handbook

[Click here for the full calendar and handbook!](#)

2022-2023 School Year Calendar

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