Hardyston School District

Weekend Update March 31, 2024

Happy Easter! School Closed April 1 through April 5

Solar Eclipse - Monday, April 8

On Monday, April 8 (the Monday after Spring Break), we will experience a partial solar eclipse here in New Jersey.

- Begins at 2:09PM
- Maximum eclipse at 3:24PM
- Ends at 4:35PM
- https://www.timeanddate.com/eclipse/in/@5101760?iso=20240408

There has been much in the news about schools across the country and some in NJ canceling classes to mitigate the risk of students looking into the sun during the eclipse during school hours. Others are using the eclipse as an opportunity to host watching parties.

Hardyston's position is this: It is important to create age-appropriate lessons to explain what the eclipse is, how it works, why it works, when it works...and also the dangers of looking at the sun. Explain that looking at even a partial view of the sun can cause permanent eye damage. The safest way to view the eclipse is on television.

Hardyston Schools will <u>not</u> host watching parties, nor will we purchase or distribute eyewear to facilitate the watching of the eclipse. Parents will be responsible for this, should they choose to have their child(ren) observe the eclipse. The reasoning behind this decision is that there are far too many variables at play for us to safely take responsibility for purchasing the correct eyewear and the proper wearing for all 600 students. It is the school's responsibility to educate about the science behind the eclipse and the dangers associated with viewing the eclipse.

Thank you.

Upcoming Events:

4/12 Trep\$ Marketplace, MS - 6:30 - 8:30 PM
4/17 SEPAG-Raising Confident, Competent Children, 7pm MS
4/18 Literacy Night at HES - grades K-4. 6 pm. Pizza provided
4/19 Report Cards Posted in Parent Portal
4/24 BOE Regular Meeting and Budget Public Hearing
5/30 7th Grade trip
6/3 8th Grade trip
6/6 Band and Choir trip

PARAPROFESSIONALS needed

Hardyston School Distict is in need of paraprofessionals for this school year. Please contact Dr. Maffia at gmaffia@htps.org if you are interested in learning more.

WORLD LANGUAGE TEACHER needed for the 2024-25 school year

Please email resume and questions to Superintendent Michael Ryder at mryder@htps.org

In April WE WEAR BLUE FOR AUTISM

On April 10th please join us in celebrating Autism Acceptance Month by wearing BLUE



The Autism Society of America shares April was previously known as Autism Awareness Month, but since 2011, the title was changed to Autism Acceptance Month because acceptance is often one of the biggest barriers to finding and developing a strong support system. Awareness is knowing that somebody has Autism.

Acceptance is when you include a person with Autism in your activities.



Elementary School - Every Kid Healthy Week

IN HONOR OF "EVERY KID HEALTHY WEEK"

EVERY KID HEALTHY WEEK

2024 SCHEDULE



FAMILY YOGA NIGHT

APRIL 26TH FROM 6-7 PM IN THE GYMNASIUM GRADES K-4

PLEASE ONLY ONE ADULT PER HOUSEHOLD
CLASS LIMIT IS 40 STUDENTS

PLEASE FILL OUT THE GOOGLE FORM IF YOU'D LIKE TO ATTEND
(ONE FORM FOR EACH CHILD IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD)
PLEASE BRING A YOGA MAT

Family Yoga Night - click HERE to register

8th Grade Dance Wish List

The Dance Committee has been busy planning a memorable dance for the 8th Graders. We have an Amazon Wishlist that contains items we need for the dance. This is a great way to donate if you can't donate time!

Adventure Theater - Middle School

Please complete this form if your student is interested in participating in Middle School Adventure Theater this year!

Auditions for this year's musical will be coming up and we would like to gauge student interest.

Additional information will be coming soon!

Sign in to Google to save your progress. Learn more

* Indicates required question

Email *

Vour email

Please join us for this wonderful event and support our students!

Hardyston PTA Presents

A NIGHT UNDER THE STARS

FAMILY DANCE

The Hardyston PTA Presents A Night Under the Stars Family Dance Dress to Impress if you choose.

Friday, May 3, 2024 Hardyston Middle School

A night out for grades PreK through 8th

Refreshments, Family Craft, Dancing and a night your family will never forget!

PRE REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY APRIL 19,2024!!!



SCAN HERE TO REGISTER via google forms https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1DODwofyF9P2RNEWT9FSLlW1OZMxEaENkTXTEpVFftnw/ viewform?edit_requested=true

Any questions can be directed to the Hardyston PTA at hardystonpta@gmail.com

7th Grade Trip to Bronx Zoo

Please click the button above for information regarding the 7th grade trip and fill out the google form by April 29.

Elementary School Field Day Shirts

All students have the opportunity to order a field day t-shirt. Cost is \$5 per shirt (XXL is \$7). Cash or check made payable to Hardyston School District can be sent to your child's homeroom teacher. You must fill out the form above to choose a size.

Kindergarten and Preschool Registration

Please click for important information relating to preschool and kindergarten registration.

Wednesday, April 17

Hardyston SEPAG Welcomes



Project Self Sufficiency Presents

Raising Confident, Competent Children

This program is open to parents, caregivers and professionals working with youth today!

WEDNESDAY
APRIL 17TH
7PM - 8PM
Hardyston Middle School
183 Wheatsworth Road
Hamburg



Children are welcome!! The YMCA will provide fun activities on site at the middle school for the children of any adults attending this seminar. Registration is required.

Triple P Program Details and Registration



Raising Confident, Competent Children

In this seminar you will be introduced to six core building blocks for children to become confident and successful at school and beyond!

- · Showing respect to others
- · Being considerate
- · Good communication and social skills
- · Self-Esteem
- · Being a good problem solver
- · Becoming independent



EMAIL US TO REGISTER

Pizza and refreshments will be served!!! Register Today. Hope to see you!!!

Questions? Tara Codner taraweak@yahoo.com or Meg Demsak mdemsak@gmail.com

Click HERE to register

Raising Confident, Competent Children April 17 from 7 - 8 pm at HMS

Thursday, April 18





Family Literacy Night



for Hardyston Elementary School students & their families in grades K - 4

Join us at 6:00 on April 18, 2024 at Hardyston Elementary School to share a campfire dinner, story time, crafts, and fun— all FREE!

Don't forget to bring your sleeping bag and/or lawn chair if you have one!

Please register to attend by completing the form below and handing them into your main office!

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT.

Family Literacy Night is a program of Project Self-Sufficiency. For more information please visit www.projectselfsufficiency.org

Click HERE to register for Literacy Night

Click here to register to attend literacy night on 4/18 at 6 pm. Free pizza for your family.

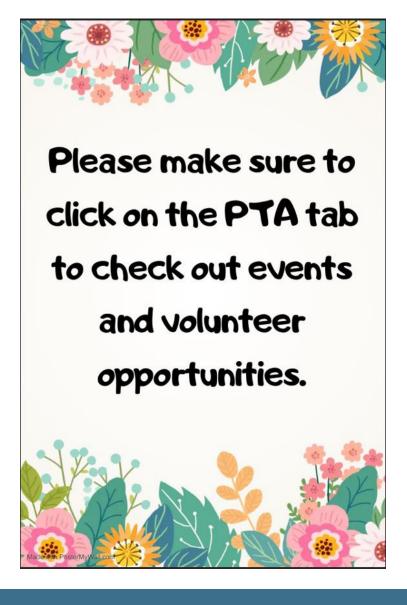


Cafeteria Food Menu

This link brings you to the ES and MS lunch menus.

There were some changes made to February's menu, please click the link

2024 - 2025 School Year Calendar



PTA NEWS

CLICK THE BUTTON TO READ WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE PTA!



Outdoor Adventures

In a technology-free outdoor setting, you'll enjoy...

- Archery (for Grade 2+)
- Ziplining (for Grade 4+)

- Swim Lessons

- · and more!

Spirit Days

· Girl Scout

· Pickleball

More Fun Activities

- Outdoor Cooking
 Dip Netting
- · Low Ropes Challenge Course • Yoga
- Trading Post

- · Songs & S'mores

• Tie Dye

To learn more about our summer camp programs and to register, visit www.gsnnj.org/Camp

Free convenient busing near you. for camp fees is available





Sussex County Rail-Club Meetings

YMCA is HIRING!

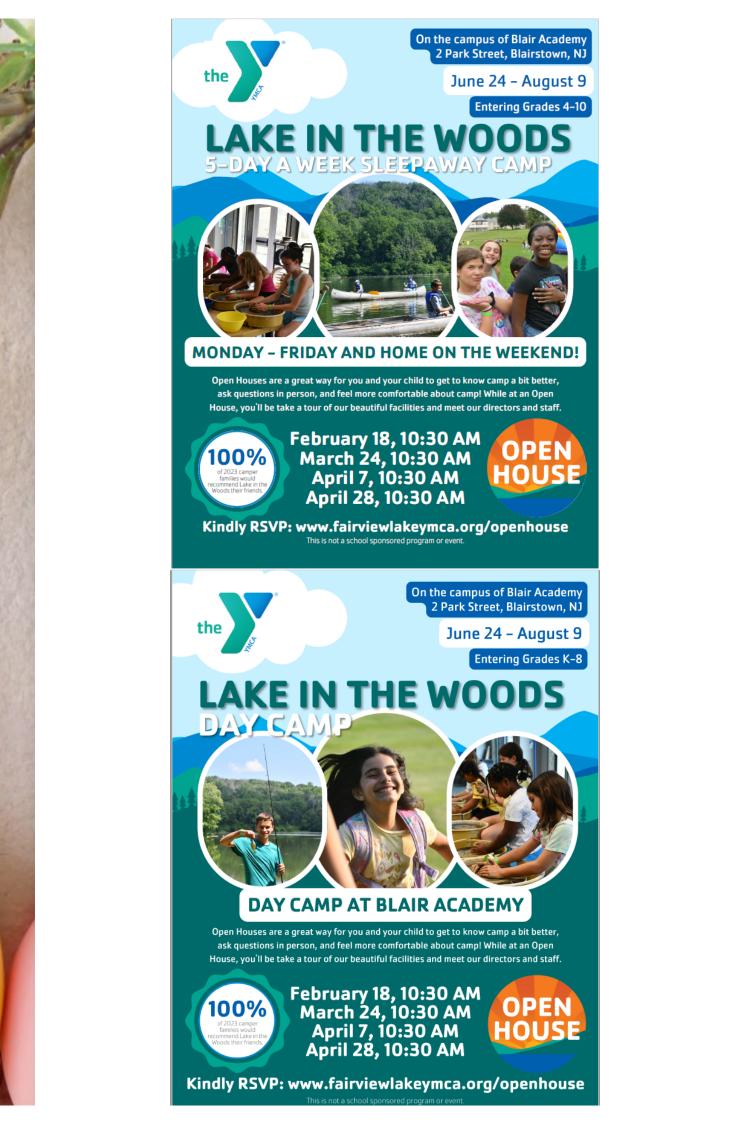
Join the YMCA







Kindly RSVP: www.fairviewlakeymca.org/openhouse



2023-2024 Student/Parent Calendar and Handbook

Please review for important school information.

Follow us on Instagram

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HTPS Contacts

Mental Health Resource
Email: admin@htps.org
Website: www.htps.org

Location: 183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ, USA

Phone: <u>973-823-7000</u>



