Hardyston School District

Weekend Update October 5, 2025

Calendar of Events:

10/6 8th Grade Class Trip permission slip and payment due

10/6 - 10/10 Week of Respect - see flyer below for more information

10/13 Teacher In-Service day - SCHOOL CLOSED

10/14 BOE Meeting @ HMS, 7 PM, cafeteria

10/16 PICTURE DAY - HES and HMS

10/17 PTA Family STEM Night for Grades K-5, 6-7:30 PM @ HES

10/17 TREP\$ Workshop - see flyer below for more information

10/27-10/28 PTA Glow Stick Sale @ HMS

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11/6 & 11/7 SCHOOL CLOSED

11/10 1st Marking Period ends

11/11 BOE Meeting @ HMS, 7 PM, cafeteria

11/12 HES Hornet Hustle

11/13 Make-up Picture Day - HES / HMS

11/14 HMS Hornet Hustle

11/17 Reports Cards posted on portal

11/26 Early Dismissal Day

11/27 & 11/28 Thanksgiving Recess - SCHOOL CLOSED

Universal Screening - attention parents of Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, 3rd grade students

As we begin the new school year, Hardyston Elementary School would like to introduce you to our early literacy universal screening process for students in kindergarten through grade three. This screening is a crucial part of our literacy program and is designed to help identify students who may benefit from targeted literacy support early in their education.

Early literacy universal screening involves assessing students' reading skills at least twice a year, as required by New Jersey law. These assessments help us gather valuable information about each child's reading development and guide us in providing appropriate support. It's important to note that this screening is not a diagnosis or indication of a disability; rather, it is a tool we use to promote each child's success as a reader.

We will use the mCLASS DIBELS 8th assessment. The assessment will be administered by a teacher or staff member during class.

After the screening is complete, we will provide you with a Family Report detailing your child's literacy screening results, including how they compare to grade-level norms. It will also provide information about the various support services available in the district, including reading intervention programs, to help your child succeed.

We believe that universal literacy screening is an essential step in ensuring every child has the opportunity to become a successful reader. Thank you for your continued partnership, and please feel free to reach out with any questions about the screening process.

Week of Respect - October 6-10

Week of Respect 2025, October 6-10



October 6-10 marks "Week of Respect" in the Hardyston School District and in schools throughout New Jersey. Hardyston School District will observe this special week by providing activities that focus on respecting others. Through this effort, our teachers and staff will continue to foster and sustain a positive school climate that promotes student learning in a safe and secure environment.

Monday, October 6th: "BLUE SHIRT DAY" – All staff and students are asked to wear a blue shirt. Blue Shirt Day, World Day of Bullying Prevention is a national initiative held on the first Monday of October. "Blue up" even further by wearing a blue hat, blue shoe laces, blue tie, blue sneakers ... etc. You could even dress your pets in blue! Don't forget your blue nail polish!

Tuesday, October 7th: "PAJAMA DAY!" - Staff and students encouraged to wear a pair of pajamas. Let's get cozy and show that respect starts with kindness and comfort! Wear your favorite school appropriate pajamas as we "dream of a world where everyone treats each other with empathy, understanding, and respect. It reminds us that feeling safe and comfortable-just like when we wear pajamas, should be something everyone experiences at school and in life!

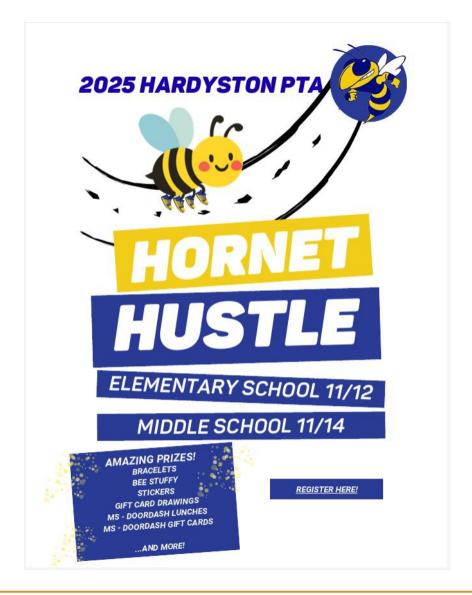
Wednesday, October 8th: "HERO Day" - Ask students and staff to dress up as their favorite super hero. Students will be encouraged to write thank you letters to the local police, firefighters, and EMTs, to thank them for their service!

Thursday, October 9th: "Mismatched Day" - Show Off Your Uniqueness: Students and staff encouraged to sport their most mismatched clothing! Everyone is Unique! Today is a day to celebrate that with a reminder about self respect!

Friday, October 10th: "Stand Up Against Bullying" – United we stand! Team up against bullying by having everyone wear their school pril-wear. Encourage students, staff and community members to take the pledge to create a world without bullying through kindness, acceptance and inclusion.



COMING SOON - HORNET HUSTLE!!!!!

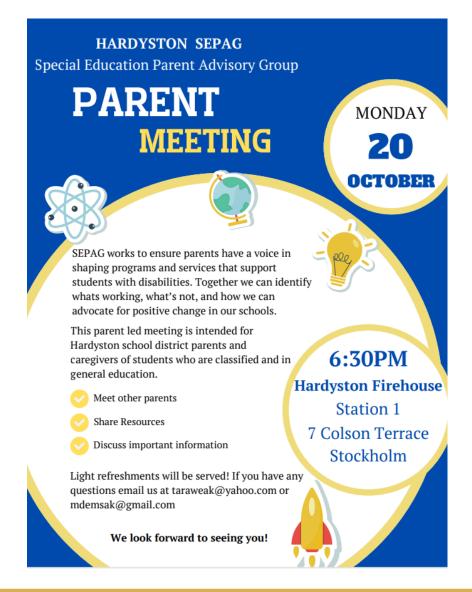


Parents/Guardians of our Preschool Students

In order to comply with New Jersey Law N.J.A.C. 8:57-4 Immunization of Pupils in School, every student attending Pre-K (6 months through 59 months of age) must have received a Flu/Influenza Vaccine between September 1st and December 31st of this school year.

Once your child has received their vaccine, please forward the documentation of that vaccination to Mrs. Stoffels, the school nurse, so that records can be updated in anticipation of the state audit. You may fax the proof of immunization to 973-827-6845, scan or email a copy to wstoffels@htps.org.

The State Health Department is closely monitoring these vaccination records and will mandate that we exclude your child if this required vaccine has not been received. Please have proof of immunization to the school nurse by December 31st. Flu shots are available now. Protect your child early.



Breakfast and Lunch Menus

Please click above to view HES and HMS breakfast and lunch menus

Breakfast and Lunch Prices

HES Breakfast Order Form

HES - snacks for grades 3 and 4

Beginning this week, snacks will be available for purchase for grades 3 and 4. Snacks cannot be charged.

Monday and Wednesday - grade 4

Tuesday and Thursday - grade 3

Chips \$1.25 or \$1.75

Ice cream cones and cotton candy twisty cups \$1.75

Ice cream cup, sandwich or on a stick \$1.25

Scooby Doo gummies \$1.00

Cookies \$.75

HMS Basketball and Cheerleading Sign Ups Happening Now!

Please complete the google form for Cheerleading sign ups for 5th-8th graders and Basketball sign ups 6th-8th graders by **October 17**.

Thank you!

Click HERE to sign up for HMS Basketball and Cheerleading!



2025-2026 Governor's Educator of the Year and Educator Services Professional of the Year

Do you know a classroom teacher or educational services professional who is dedicated, inspiring, and making a difference? If so, please take the time to recommend this person for the

Governor's Educator of the Year Program by completing the nomination form template by November 21st!

Nomination Form

HMS 8th GRADE CLASS TRIP

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We are excited to announce that the 8th-grade class will be attending *The Outsiders* musical at the Bernard B. Jacobs Theater in New York City on **Thursday, May 14**. This trip is a great opportunity to experience a live theater performance based on the classic novel by S.E. Hinton. The show will allow students to connect their classroom reading with a real-world artistic performance. Please click the link below to review the details of the trip and to authorize your child's participation.

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All permission slips must be submitted and payment sent in by Monday, October 6th.



Glow-Sticks are only \$0.50 each and come in a variety of colors!

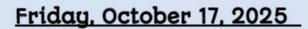


Click on the image above to register!

Family STEM Night: A Revolutionary Adventure

Step back in time and celebrate America's 250th with a night of hands-on discovery—exploring the people, inventions, and events that shaped the Revolutionary War!

Hardyston Township Elementary School



6:00-7:30 for students in grades k-5



Please note: This is a fun event for families, all children must have a caregiver attending with them. Pre- registration is required to attend. Please RSVP by 10/15/25 **RSVP** link

Help for Fathers!

24:7 Dads Parenting Course Hosted by Project Self-Sufficiency



Childcare Available Upon Request





Free!

Call 973-940-3500 to Register or Register Online,

A program of the Journey Family Success Center

Get a gift card for attendance -







Project Self-Sufficiency, 127 Mill Street, Newton, NJ 07860 973-940-3500 www.projectselfsufficiency.org



2025-2026 Student Parent Handbook and Calendar

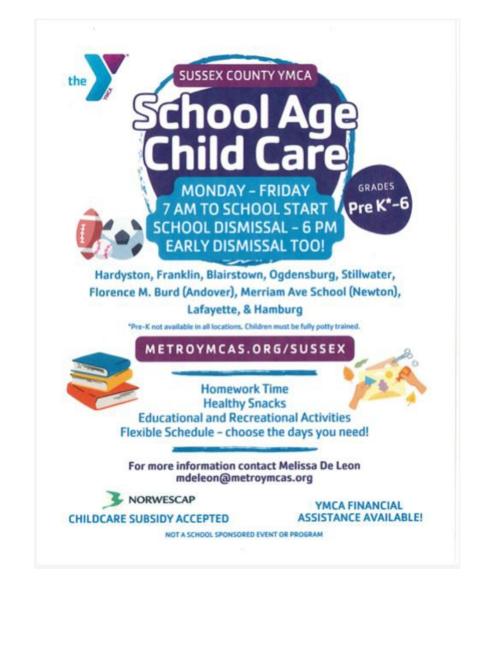
Hardyston PTA Website

Become a PTA member TODAY











Grades 6-12 \$118

Teens from all around NJ and PA unite to build incredible friendships and leadership skills. The weekend will include food, accommodations, team building, a service project, climbing, archery & ax throwing and so much more! Participants will be divided into groups based on grade. Break-out sessions will focus on the YMCA's core values and how they apply in a leadership setting.

YMCA Teen Leaders & Achievers Clubs Welcome!

FAIRVIEW LAKE YMCA CAMPS

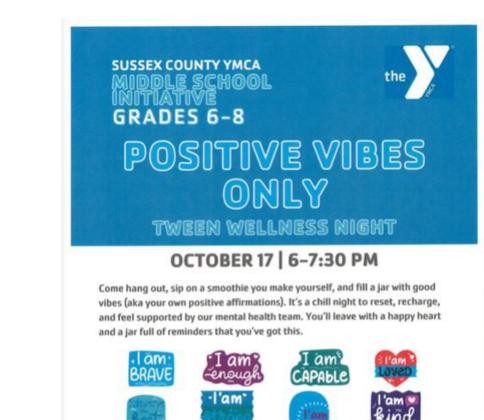
Activities

9	Climbing & High Ropes	200	Leadership Workshops
20	Hiking & Exploring	94	Service Project
0	Team Building	1	Archery & Ax Throwing

Learn More & Register www.fairviewlakeymca.org/youth

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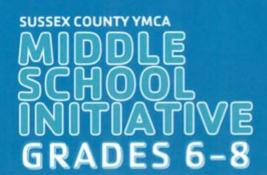




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LEARN MORE

Join our FREE program for Sussex County 6th, 7th & 8th graders designed to support & encourage youth to live healthy lifestyles & make responsible choices. Activities include: wellness training, swimming, group classes, basketball & more.

MANDATORY ORIENTATION

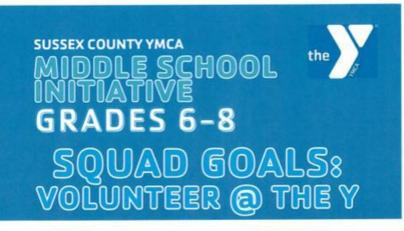
Middle School participants & their Guardian must attend one in-person session prior to enrollment.

Saturday 9/27: 1pm Tuesday 9/30: 6:15pm Tuesday 10/14: 6:15pm Wednesday 10/22: 7pm Saturday 10/25: 1pm

REGISTER ONLINE - METROYMCAS.ORG/SUSSEX

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Want to do something new this year? Come volunteer at the Sussex County YMCA! You'll get to help out at cool programs and events, earn service hours, and meet new friends along the way. It's fun, it feels good to give back, and YOU get to be part of making the Y a better place for everyone. Ready to jump in? The Y needs you!

Family Fall Fest: October 24 | 6-7:30 pm Flapjacks & Fun: December 13 | 9:30-11 am Winter Carnival: January 11 | 11am-2pm

WANT TO HELP? CONTACT CHRYSTINA KEPREOS CKEPREOS@METROYMCAS.ORG

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HTPS Contacts

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

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