

# Hardyston School District

Weekend Update    May 3, 2026

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## Calendar of Events:

5/4- 5/8 Week of Inclusion - *details below*

5/4 - 5/8 **Teacher Appreciation Week**

5/6 **Nurse Appreciation Day**

5/7 HES Gymnastics Show, 6 PM @ HES

5/7 **BOE Budget Public Hearing, 7:30 PM @ HMS**

5/8 PTA Tricky Tray @ HMS: doors open at 6 PM; calling starts @ 8 PM

5/11 & 5/12 **HMS - Math Testing**

5/12 BOE Meeting, 7 PM, HMS

5/13, 5/14, 5/15 **HES ELA Testing**

5/14/26 HES Spring Concert, Grs. 3 & 4, 6 PM @ HMS

5/18 & 5/19 **HMS ELA Testing**

5/19 & 5/20 **HES Math Testing**

5/22 **EARLY DISMISSAL DAY**

5/25 **SCHOOL CLOSED - MEMORIAL DAY**

5/28 HMS Spring Concert, 7 PM @HMS

6/9 7th Grade Trip

6/19, 22, 23 **Early Dismissal Days**

6/22 8th Grade Graduation, 7 PM, HMS

6/23 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS**

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# Week of Inclusion

Hardyston is making the PLEDGE to include!

This year with our

**Special Olympics of New Jersey's- Unified Sports Club,**

we are choosing to spread the message of Inclusion.

An inclusive school promotes all individuals with various abilities and our school is ready to show our Hornet pride in choosing to include everyone!

**Please join us MAY 4th-8th in the spirit to Include.**

Unified Sports Club joins students of various abilities to play , learn, and grow through sports and other activities .

Our Whole School Engagement Activities increase education and awareness promoting social inclusion and respect.

## MONDAY MAY 4TH

NEON DAY

The future is BRIGHT with inclusion! Wear your neon and represent the Unified Generation!

## TUESDAY MAY 5TH

TIE DYE DAY

Just like tie-dye, we're all made up of different colors and patterns but when you INCLUDE everyone, you get a beautiful picture!

## WEDNESDAY MAY 6TH

COMFY DAY DAY

Wear your favorite comfortable clothes and get comfy with INCLUSION! Our schools are more comfy for all of us when everyone is included!

## THURSDAY MAY 7TH

SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY

When everyone is INCLUDED, we're all on the same team! Wear your blue and yellow Hornet Pride to show your community that everyone belongs!

## FRIDAY MAY 8TH

Wear The Rainbow

Red- Physical Disabilities  
Orange-Inclusion  
Yellow- Neurodiversity  
Green- Cerebral Palsy  
Blue - Autism and Down Syndrome  
Purple- Epilepsy



HARDYSTON PTA  
**TRICKY TRAY**



May 8, 2026  6pm

Hardyston Middle School

Buy bundles  
here!



[www.HardystonPTA.org](http://www.HardystonPTA.org)

Heat  
Up  
The  
Mat!!

Join us for this  
year's Gymnastics  
Show!  
Thursday, May 7th  
at 6pm in the  
Elementary School  
Gymnasium



### **Academic Bowl Team**

CONGRATULATIONS to our Academic Bowl Team - Chase Diaz, Josh Rubalcava, Lucas Sytsma, Nate Rubalcava, and Gavin McCallum - for placing **1st** in an event at Wallkill Valley. Mr. Bob Demeter was the advisor, with the help of Mrs. Rosendale. Great job, everyone!

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# 2026 Yearbook



Please use this link to purchase your yearbook.

<https://link.entourageyearbooks.com/my/Hardyston2>

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There will be no "extra's" purchased.

**Sales end on May 8, 2026**

If you have any questions please email

Mrs. Kervatt

[kkervatt@https.org](mailto:kkervatt@https.org)

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Order your yearbook now! Please use the link provided above; no extras will be purchased!

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## A Special Message from the Nurse's Office

If your child has a fever of 100.0°F or higher, is experiencing vomiting, diarrhea, drainage from one or both eyes, or is showing significant signs of illness, please do not send them to school. In the event that your child becomes sick or injured during the school day, please ensure that arrangements are in place for timely pickup. Thank you for your cooperation in helping us maintain a healthy school environment.

Please remember to send your child in with refillable water bottles, especially as the weather gets warmer.

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# DAISY GIRL SCOUT



## MEMBERSHIP RALLY

Wallkill Valley Girl Scouts is setting up troops for next year and are looking for incoming Kindergartners and First Graders



SATURDAY, MAY 9<sup>th</sup>, 2026

10am to 12pm

FRANKLIN LIBRARY

Daisies focus on friendship, fun, confidence and community!  
All girls from Kindergarten to 12<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to stop by and learn a little about Girl Scouts!!

Contact Molly Hubbard @ 973-862-1333  
Wallkill Valley Girl Scouts serves the communities of Franklin, Hamburg, Hardyston, Ogdensburg and Stockholm.

## NJSLA Testing is coming up soon - check out dates below!

### HES Testing

ELA Testing May 13th, May 14th, and May 15th

Math Testing May 19th and May 20th

### HMS Testing

Science Testing April 29th and April 30th

Math Testing May 11th and May 12th

ELA Testing May 18th and May 19th

## Testing Tips for Success

- 1. Get plenty of rest** - Stick to bedtime routines and limit television viewing and video games during the week of testing
- 2. Eat a good breakfast** – Whether it is at school or at home, it is important for students to eat something prior to testing. Plan your morning ahead of time to prevent issues that may put you behind schedule
- 3. Be on time** – Attendance is always important but especially important during testing days. Please avoid scheduling any outside appointments on these days
- 4. Follow directions** – It is important to listen to your teachers as they explain the directions for your test
- 5. Relax and take a deep breath!** – Do your best! **WE BELIEVE IN YOU!**

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# Introducing HMS Gifted and Talented's HARDYSTON HERALD!

Mr. Lombardo is proud to present volume one of the "Hardyston Herald" as completed by our amazing Gifted & Talented students! Look for a second volume later this year.

[Hardyston Herald](#)

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## Paraprofessionals Wanted!

Paraprofessionals are needed for the remainder of the school year. Please send all inquiries to Dr. Gulay Maffia at [gmaffia@https.org](mailto:gmaffia@https.org)

Thank you!

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## 2026-2027 School Year Registration Information

### *\*Attention Hardyston Residents\**

*\*If you have a child turning three years old by October 1, 2026 you may register them for Preschool.\**

*\*If you have a child turning five years old by October 1, 2026 you may register them for Kindergarten.\**

Preschool and Kindergarten Registration will be held at the *Hardyston Middle School* the week of **February 2nd through the 6th between the hours of 10am and 2pm**. For your convenience, there will be evening hours on Thursday, February 5th from 6pm until 8pm.

**\*Please be aware that there is LIMITED SPACE in the preschool program; be sure to register early!**

In an effort to streamline the process, please go to our website [www.https.org](http://www.https.org) then click on "Student Registration" to pre-register your child, or click on this image and it will bring you to the registration page.

When you come in to register, you will need to present the following:

- 1) Child's original birth certificate with raised seal
- 2) Current immunization records
- 3) Copy of a physical dated after September 5, 2025
- 4) Two forms of proof of residency.

Acceptable proofs of residency include:

- property tax bill, deed, lease agreement
- mortgage statement and utility bill

*If you are living with a Hardyston Township resident, the owner must complete an "Affidavit of Residency" form and provide a copy of their deed AND a current utility bill. This application will need to be notarized. Please contact Peggy Van Ginneken at [pvanginneken@https.org](mailto:pvanginneken@https.org) if this applies to you.*

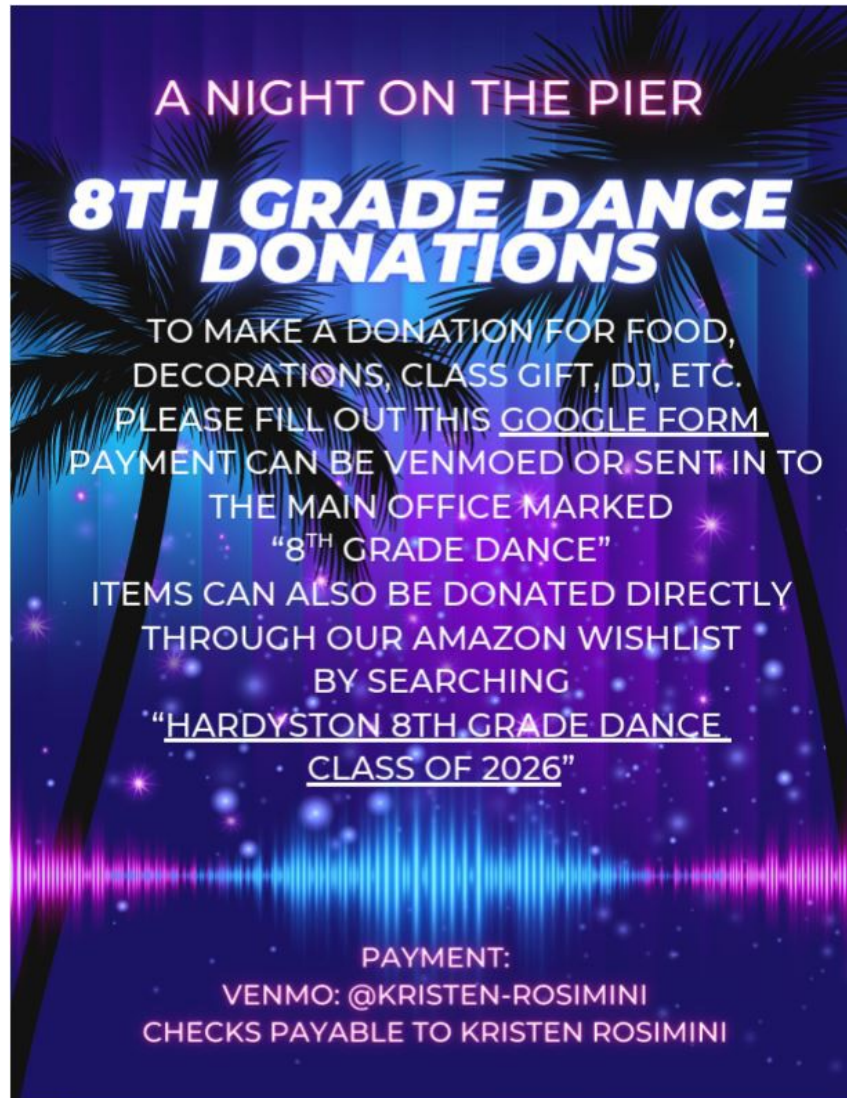
Please pass this information along to any Hardyston resident you know that this may apply to. Thank you!

*We look forward to seeing you in February!*

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# Order your HES Field Day Shirts

Click [HERE](#) to order



8th Grade Dance 2026

## Reminder - Please review your contact verification

Please log into the parent portal and review your child/children's contact information. You are able to make changes on the portal which will be reviewed and approved within a few days.

You can also indicate which emergency numbers you would like to designate for any notifications sent out during the course of the school year. \*Please note that these notifications are for emergencies such as school closings/delays, changes in sports games/practices, not for those who can pick your child up from school\*

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Peggy Van Ginneken at [pvanginneken@https.org](mailto:pvanginneken@https.org).

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## Sparta Summer Arts Workshop

We are excited to announce that registration is now open for the 2026 Sparta Summer Arts Workshop! This is a workshop providing classes in fine art, music, STEM, cooking, and sewing for students entering grades 5-12 in the 2026-2027 school year. The workshop will run from **Monday, June 29th to Thursday, July 16th**, with our Final Arts Evening taking place on **Wednesday, July 15th at 6PM**.

Below you will find links to the registration form as well as our website, where you can see the updated course offerings for this year. Many of our most popular classes will be offered again, and additionally, we are thrilled to welcome our new orchestra director at Sparta Middle School, Mr. William Thoman, who will be teaching our strings classes, as well as a new guitar studio and composition class.

[2026 SAW Registration Form](#)

[2026 SAW Course Offerings](#)

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Pageant*



**FRIDAY, MAY 29, 2026**

MISS HARDYSTON - AGES 17-21  
TEEN MISS HARDYSTON - AGES 13-16  
JR. MISS HARDYSTON - AGES 8-12  
LITTLE MISS HARDYSTON - AGES 4-7  
LITTLE MISTER HARDYSTON - AGES 4-7

LOCATION:  
HARDYSTON TOWNSHIP MUNICIPAL BUILDING  
149 WHEATSWORTH ROAD  
7:00PM

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ONLINE:  
[WWW.HARDYSTON.COM](http://WWW.HARDYSTON.COM)

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS  
MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 15TH

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
PLEASE CALL 973-823-7020



August 3rd—August 7th from 9am-12pm

Graduation is August 7th at 12pm

Safety Town will be held at the Wheatsworth Road Pavilion

**Our Safety Town Program is open to children entering  
Kindergarten in 2026**

**Safety Lessons will include Bicycle, Bus, Fire, Water & Stranger  
Danger**

**Registration Fee: \$30 per child (Hardyston, Hamburg, Franklin)  
\$40 for non-residents.**

**Registration form is due on 6/15/26.**

Space is limited to 25 participants. Priority is given to Hardyston Residents

To register, please visit [Hardyston.com](http://Hardyston.com) for the printable form.

Forms are also available at the Municipal Building



## HAMBURG HAWKS SUMMER SELECT

PROGRAM - 8 WEEKS

BOYS & GIRLS | U8 - U17

- > 16+ PROFESSIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS
  - > PRE-TRAVEL & TOURNAMENT PLAY
  - > PROFESSIONAL COACHING
  - > DEVELOPMENT-FOCUSED ENVIRONMENT
- TRAINING KIT SEPARATE

PROGRAM DATES:  
JUNE 15TH - AUGUST 8TH

- Ⓞ MONDAYS & FRIDAYS
- Ⓞ 5:30PM - 8:30PM

EARLY BIRD  
**\$250**

REGISTER EARLY & SAVE

**\$275**

NON-CLUB  
**\$350**



LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE REGISTER EARLY TO SECURE YOUR PLACE

EMAIL: [HAMBURGHAWKSSOCCER@GMAIL.COM](mailto:HAMBURGHAWKSSOCCER@GMAIL.COM)  
[WWW.HAMBURGSOCCER.COM](http://WWW.HAMBURGSOCCER.COM)



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**SUMMER4KIDS**



**WEEKLY FIELD TRIPS TO  
MOUNTAIN CREEK WATER PARK  
REGISTER FOR 2 WEEKS OR MORE, AND YOUR  
MOUNTAIN CREEK WATER PARK SEASON PASS IS ON US!**

**\*DAY PASS MUST BE PURCHASED IF ONLY REGISTERING FOR ONE WEEK\*  
\*TRIP DATES MAY VARY\***

**06 JULY 2026 – 14 AUG 2026**



-  (973) 846-8250
-  [www.winter4kids.org](http://www.winter4kids.org)
-  44 Breakneck Road, Vernon, NJ 07462



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# BLUE MOUNTAIN DAY CAMP

**THE**  
Summer You'll  
Never Forget  
**PLACE**



A nature-filled day camp for kids ages 3-15, where every day is about fun, friendship, and growing strong.



June 22 - August 21, 2026  
Stillwater, New Jersey

[bluemountainymcacamp.org](http://bluemountainymcacamp.org) | 973-383-9282

Easy Payment Plans | Financial Assistance  
Norwescap/Childcare Subsidy Accepted

Convenient Bus Routes | Before & After Care

Register Online Today! [bluemountainymcacamp.org](http://bluemountainymcacamp.org)

Not a school sponsored program



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# LAKE IN THE WOODS YMCA DAY CAMP

**THE**  
Summer You'll  
Never Forget  
**PLACE**



June 22 - August 7, 2026  
Blair Academy, Blairstown, NJ

[lakeinthewoodsymca.org](http://lakeinthewoodsymca.org) | 973-383-9282

Easy Payment Plans | Financial Assistance

On the campus of Blair Academy | Before & After Care Available  
Lunch & Snack Included!

Register Online Today! [lakeinthewoodsymca.org](http://lakeinthewoodsymca.org)

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## Breakfast and Lunch Menus

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

## HES Breakfast Order Form

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## 2026 - 2027 School Year Calendar Approved

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## 2025-2026 Student Parent Handbook and Calendar

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## Hardyston PTA Website

Become a PTA member TODAY

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## Follow HES on Instagram

### HTPS Contacts

[Mental Health Resource](#)

Email: [admin@htps.org](mailto:admin@htps.org)

Website: [www.htps.org](http://www.htps.org)

Location: [183 Wheatsworth Road, Hamburg, NJ, USA](#)

Phone: [973-823-7000](tel:973-823-7000)



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