

HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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September 2019

THUMBS UP TO A NEW SCHOOL YEAR



Important notice: Our recently published calendar contained an error in the month of November. An early dismissal was incorrectly listed as taking place Nov. 15, whereas the correct date is Nov. 8. There is no early dismissal on the 15th.

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Letter from the superintendent

Dear residents,

The opening of the 2019-2020 school year was outstanding and we were thrilled to welcome all of our students back to school.

One did not have to look far to see the energy, enthusiasm and excitement that comes with the start of a new school year. I am certain that there is no better place to be than at school on opening day and the days thereafter, for that matter. I am excited at the prospects of the 2019-2020 school year and that we will, in fact, have a superb school year filled with learning, growth and fun.

It takes quite a bit of coordination and planning to get ready for a new school year. There are so many moving parts in a school system and everyone must do their part and do it well in order for everything to come together. Please join me in thanking our maintenance staff, our transportation staff, our food services staff, our support staff, our administrative staff, and our teachers for ALL of their work in preparing for the opening of this school year. Our classrooms, our schools and the grounds around them looked fantastic for our students.

On a related note, I hope you've had the opportunity to see our new digital display at the main entrance to the campus as well as our new logos at the entrances, at the football stadium, and near the gymnasium in the Jr. Sr. High School. You can't help but have a ton of school spirit when you see our hornet around the campus. Everyone and everything here at school is aimed at providing the best experience possible for our students each and every day.

We are poised to have a great school year and we look forward to your partnership with us to help make the 2019-2020 school year truly outstanding for our students. With that in mind, I think it is worth highlighting our district's core belief statements; those beliefs that drive our collective work here in the district. Our core beliefs are:

1. Students are our first priority.
2. Students and staff deserve a safe, positive and supportive environment.
3. We will act with integrity and respect, value diversity, and preserve the dignity of each person.
4. We value the partnerships among students, staff, parents and the community.
5. All students have the ability to learn and will be successful.
6. We will never give up on any student.

In thinking further about our students, please join me in welcoming the Harpursville Central School Class of 2020 to their senior year. It's hard to believe that this group of outstanding young men and women are already seniors. We are truly looking forward to experiencing all of the exciting moments of the senior year with our class and their families.



Michael Rullo,
superintendent

Let's also take a moment to welcome our newest students to our school district – our sweet, little pre-K and kindergarten students who are beginning their educational journey. Of course, a huge welcome to everyone in-between as well. No matter what the grade or age, there is always so much to do and to learn at each step of the way. Every year matters and we will work diligently every day of the school year for every student to ensure they have the best experience possible.

Last, and as always, I encourage the establishment of positive and proactive lines of communication with your student's teachers, guidance counselor, and administrators. When the home-school connection is marked by a true spirit of cooperation, students benefit and have the best chance for the success they deserve. Please know that our doors are always open and we are eager to work with you.

Best wishes for an amazing school year. I look forward to seeing you at school for the open houses, athletic contests, band and chorus concerts, holiday parties, award assemblies, and the various classroom celebrations that will mark our school year.

Yours in education,

Michael J. Rullo

Go Hornets!





District communication guidelines

Frequently, parents and other community members request help in knowing the best way to communicate with the school. The chart below will serve as a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the prescribed order, you can be assured that your questions will be answered.

For questions about	1 st contact	2 nd contact	3 rd contact	4 th contact
Academics	Teacher	Guidance Counselor	Building Principal	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Jr/Sr Principal	Superintendent
Behavior	Teacher	Assistant Building Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent
BOE policies	District Clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education	
Budget	Business Official	Superintendent		
Building Use	Administrative Assistant	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Cafeteria	Director of Food Services	Business Official	Superintendent	
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Assistant Building Principal	Building Principal	Superintendent
Bus Behavior	Bus Driver	Head Bus Driver	Asst. Principal/Principal	Superintendent
Co-Curricular	Advisor	Building Principal	Superintendent	
Facilities	Director of Facilities	Business Official	Superintendent	
Health Office	Building Nursing Office	Grade Level Principal	Superintendent	
Scheduling	Guidance Office	Jr/Sr Principal	Superintendent	
Special Education	Teacher	Grade Level Principal (academics)	CSE/CPSE Chairperson	Superintendent
Transportation	Head Bus Driver	Business Official	Superintendent	

Harpurville Central School District directory

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Joseph McLaughlin, Business Official
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Robert Blendinger

Bonjour tout le monde! Life is an adventure and experience as much as you can... you will be better because of these efforts.

I am Rob Blendinger and this is year 25 of working with students both locally and globally in the French domain.

It is awesome to collaborate with younger students and with those obtaining collegiate credits. This platform has allowed me to have a more profound appreciation when traveling abroad connecting with numerous French schools, and to have a greater comprehension of other cultures. Through these interactions I've realized we have much more in common than what may divide us.

Playing football collegiately afforded me the passion to coach football, basketball and track. As a basketball referee I greatly enjoy seeing a community come together to support the youth and their endeavors. Learning new skills is essential to becoming more independent, and by doing construction on homes and cars repairs I've learned that sometimes mistakes and reflection are the best teachers.

Coming to Harpursville offers me the chance to collaborate with peers and students much like my childhood home. Having taught in urban schools, I've realized that making deep connections with people is what creates lifelong alliances and memories. Merci bien!



Madelyn Blackman

Hello, my name is Maddie Blackman and I am the new elementary physical education teacher. I am so excited to get the opportunity to work with Harpursville School District.

I went to Susquehanna Valley High School and spent my first years of college at SUNY Broome. I then transferred to SUNY Cortland, where I

earned my degree. I am very passionate about physical education and the importance of students moving and being active.

During my free time I go to the gym or spend time with friends and family. I am excited to become a part of the school and community.



Ashley Mannina

Hello! My name is Ashley Mannina and I will be teaching a section of sixth grade reading and writing, as well as fifth and sixth grade special education at W.A. Olmsted Elementary. I am thrilled to become a part of the hornet community!

Prior to joining the Harpursville School District, I was a kindergarten teacher for three years. I received my bachelor's degree through SUNY Cortland in early childhood/childhood education and my master's degree through

SUNY Oneonta in childhood special education.

Family is very important to me, I have a one-year old daughter and two dogs. I enjoy watching football and reading in my spare time.

I am thrilled to have found a new "home" in the district and cannot wait to make connections and grow with my students. I look forward to an adventurous school year and meeting many new people!



MaryOlevia Clark-Byrnes

Hello! My name is MaryOlevia Clark-Byrnes, LMSW (the kids call me Ms. Byrnes). I am very excited to introduce myself as the first school social worker at W. A. Olmsted Elementary School.

I have provided social work services to area schools, including Whitney Point Central School District, using a community schools model and Maine-Endwell Middle School providing direct school social work interventions.

I am a lifelong resident of Broome County and graduated from Union-Endicott in 2005. I am the proud mother of three boys. I enjoy spending time with my children outdoors hiking and exploring.

I am eager to begin serving the wonderful students and families in the Harpursville Central School District. Please do not hesitate to reach out to me at mclarkbyrnes@hcs.stier.org if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child(ren).



Laura Berkeley

Hello Harpursville Hornet families! My name is Laura Berkeley and I am very excited to start this school year as the new W.A. Olmsted Elementary nurse. I have over six years of experience as an RN in the hospital setting working on several different units at the local hospitals. I am an Afton Central School graduate and am very familiar with our local small towns. I have two

young children of my own and I am looking forward to taking care of our students here at Harpursville. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns you may have. If I am not sure of the answer to your question(s), I can certainly find out and get those answers for you. Here's to a great 2019-20 school year!



Mark Muller

Hello, my name is Mark Muller. I am so excited to be here at Harpursville Central School. I worked across multiple disciplines in both large and small communities and look forward to working with the students and community here at Harpursville. Before coming to Harpursville, I worked 10 years at Oxford Central Schools teaching science and worked with the Work

Based Learning program. I have spent several years working at the University of New Mexico and continuing my work at Los Alamos National Lab in the science technology based programs. I started my career here at Harpursville teaching 6th grade and coaching JV softball for one year in 1988.



Paige Thomas-LaVine

Hi, my name is Paige Thomas-LaVine and I am so happy to be working in the Harpursville Central School District. My parents met each other while teaching here at Harpursville in 1966 and have been married ever since. I look forward

to making connections with the students and community and, hopefully, playing a small part in creating lifelong learners.



Jacqueline Buckler

Hi! My name is Jacqueline (Jacquie) Buckler and I am excited to be a new part of the staff in the Junior-Senior High School. This year, in addition to helping with the STEAM class in the junior high, my schedule includes Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Statistics, Calculus II, and Calculus II. Many of these classes are offered through our partnership with the SUNY Broome FastForward program and provide Harpursville students with unique opportunities to earn college credits prior to graduation.

I am a life-long resident of Harpursville, so my transition here has been a fairly easy one. The hallways of our buildings remain the same, as do many of the faces! After graduating from Harpursville in 1997, I went off to college and earned my Bachelor of Science in Education from SUNY Cortland. With this degree, I began teaching at Afton Central School and continued to travel to Cortland to earn my Master of

Science in Adolescent Mathematics Education. I completed my eighteenth year of teaching at Afton in June and made the decision to begin teaching in my hometown.

Outside of school, I spend a couple of evenings a week teaching as an Adjunct Mathematics Instructor at SUNY Broome. This has allowed me to be sure that my FastForward classes maintain the same level of rigor as those taken on campus. I also spend a great deal of time as volunteer with the Harpursville Fire Department. I became a member of the department twenty-three years ago when I was in high school and it has been one of the most rewarding experiences in my life; not only do I get to help people in our community, I have gained a close-knit extended family.

Everyone has been so welcoming at HCS, I am looking forward to a wonderful year!!



Emily Markham

Hello, my name is Emily Markham. I am a recent graduate from Binghamton University, where I received my masters in teaching: childhood, early childhood, and special education. I grew up in Binghamton and I am excited to now

be working in the Harpursville Central School District as a kindergarten teacher. I am looking forward to meeting everyone and working with the students.



Caroline Snow

My name is Caroline Snow and I am a new member of the support staff. I have lived in Harpursville most of my life. I have three daughters, two of them are students at W.A. Olmsted. I am very excited to be a part of the

school and hope to have a positive impact on all the students who I interact with. I look forward to a fun and productive year and, hopefully, many more years to come.



Extending art into the garden makes for summer fun, creativity, learning

Summer is a time of warmth and sunshine, playing in the grass and enjoying the outdoors.

During Ann McDonald's summer enrichment program, students brought art into the garden.

Students in grades 4-6 made wonderful concrete stepping stones adorned with hand-painted stones, "gems" and imbedded letters. Wooden bird feeders were assembled and painted. Whimsical clay bird baths were creatively sculpted and glazed. All ready to strategically placed in their respective yards.

Kara Webster's students were so inspired by the birdbaths that they wrote poems. The poems and birdbaths were displayed along with all the other wonderful projects at the student showcase on our last day of summer enrichment.

Once again, we had a successful fun-filled summer program. We extend a big thankyou to "Mrs. G" for coordinating and running this program.



(l-r) Jessica Fowler, Scarlett Taylor



Alex Afify



Emilie Gillette



Davin Warren



(l-r) Todd Ingraham, Clayton Ives, Aiden Oleniacz



(l-r) Aiden and Aubrey Oleniacz



Hope Kolb



Cooper Warren



Letter from the elementary school principal

Happy new school year to all Harpursville families,

We are off and running to a great start to the 2019-2020 school year at W.A. Olmsted Elementary School.

As a school principal, I am sincerely enthusiastic with the appointment of several new exceptional teachers to our school and the welcoming of a school social worker. As a school we are always keeping not only the academic needs of our students in mind, but the social emotional needs as well.

On a school safety note, please adhere to the following regulations surrounding transportation and parent pick-up. These regulations have been established to keep our students as safe as possible. If you have questions please call me at 693-8115.

1. A student can be picked up only by a parent/guardian or an approved person. If there is a permanent or temporary change to the regularly scheduled form of transport, a written note from the parent/guardian must be provided to the school prior to or on the day the change is effective. Transportation changes without written notification are by emergency only, and the transportation department will not accommodate changes made after 1:45 p.m.
2. After 2:25 p.m., all student pick-ups from school will have to go through the parent pick-up process through the cafeteria.

3. Students cannot be dropped at school until 7:30 a.m. There is no supervision until that time.

4. Parents are not permitted to walk students to their classroom or leave the window area of the main lobby while in the building for school related business.



Jim DiMaria,
elementary Principal

Another extremely important message that as a school community we must teach our students is the importance of attendance and being on time. WE MUST REDUCE CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM to meet our state goal, according to our school improvement plan. A chronically absent student is defined as one who misses 10% of school days or more, meaning 17 or more days per school year. There are many statistics regarding the importance of regular school attendance and child development at the following webpage: https://attendanceworks.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/10/Attendance_ESP1PG_English_062614.pdf

Jim DiMaria

Principal
WA Olmsted Elementary School

Summer gym time stresses team building, problem solving, sportsmanship

Over the course of the summer enrichment program, students in grades first through third grade took part in a variety of gym games. The focus was team building and sportsmanship. Each session started with a specific activity that promoted working together and solving problems, followed by games to continue building those skills. By the end of each week you could see the progress in each student. We had a fantastic time over the four weeks and continue to look forward to building these skills with deeper understandings of why and how they are important.



Melody VanGorder and Kasydhe Peterson working together to make it safely to the other side.



Jordan Truman helps guide Emma Snow through the minefield.



Monitoring endangered, invasive fish provides critical environmental data

Harpursville Real World Science students are involved in the FishTracker program, which is a student-oriented citizen science project based at Cornell University and funded by the USDA National Institute of Food and Agriculture.

The program records and maps the presence of several species of fish, both endangered and invasive, in New York State.



Harpursville students play a critical role in monitoring the range of fish species using materials and protocols supplied by the program. Students collect environmental DNA (eDNA) from water samples from nearby lakes, streams or ponds using GPS coordinates to identify each site surveyed.

eDNA samples are then sent to Cornell University for analysis using a process known as quantitative PCR (qPCR). Although individual species are often difficult to detect, current qPCR technology shows great promise for determining the presence of even very low numbers of a wide range of species by monitoring for the presence of specific kinds of eDNA.

We then incorporate the information from the qPCR analysis into a fish species database identifying the presence or absence of any of the species we monitor. We also evaluate the results from the water samples for classroom analysis and discussion.



Students learn the basics of reading and writing through summer program

In the Reading and Writing: Understanding Genres class, the students of fourth, fifth, and sixth grade learned the components of a variety of genres and created their own original work based on each genre of study. Students created their own original

stories, interviewed partners to create biographies, practiced using specific detail by

writing how-to instructions to create Lego sculptures, and wrote original poetry using imagery to accompany their art projects. Along with learning new writing techniques, the students also learned team-building and



Evan Chapman



Isabella Mathewson

social skills throughout the process of planning and revising and editing their stories. The students also were able to share their work with their family and friends and are proud of their hard work. The students were able to learn new and exciting ways to write descriptively, have fun, and work together!



Clayton Ives



Letter from the Director of Athletics

Hello families,

It is hard to believe that another school year has begun and we are already heading quickly into the winter season. Our fall 2019 high school seasons are underway and we hope that many of our teams and individuals will continue to strive for their personal bests with each practice and competition. For our athletes, participants and coaches, it is an honor to represent our school as a Hornet, whether the program is combined with another school or not, we hope that your family can be part of this tradition at some point throughout your time in the Junior / Senior High School. We are hoping for increased participation in our programs as we move forward this school year as well as in the future.

The National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) is an organization that began in 1920 to continually develop additional opportunities in sports and performing arts for interscholastic settings in our country. Since its inception, the NFHS has continued to research the benefits of students being involved in a sport or activity throughout their school careers. One recent article, "*The Case for High*

School Activities," can be found online and I encourage you to look through it:

<https://www.nfhs.org/articles/the-case-for-high-school-activities/>

This is a great read and highlights the benefits of being involved as a student in not just athletics but also in performing arts / club organizations. The article lists these areas as beneficial to students whose schools offer as part of a program:

1. Better educational outcomes
2. Enhanced school engagement and sense of belonging
3. Positive youth development / life skills
4. Healthier behaviors
5. Post high school positive results
6. Developing better citizens
7. School and community benefits

So, what does all this have to do with your student? It's simple, we want your child to participate in our programs, as many as possible. The benefits of being involved are numerous and will only serve to bolster the overall positive experience of being a Harpursville

Hornet. It does not matter if you have never participated or maybe you have just had a long break in participation we would like to see you involved in any of our programs. Through our Junior – Senior High School we offer many sports as well as other areas for involvement such as performing arts, service and leadership programs and many other clubs. We hope you will join us in representing our community as a Harpursville Hornet throughout the region this year.

If you have any questions about programs or other opportunities, please feel free to contact me directly, 693-8104.

Take Care –

Joshua M. Quick, CSE/CPSE
Chairperson and Director of Athletics



Joshua Quick, athletics director, CSE/CPSE chair

Staying 'physical' through summer enrichment program

This summer, 4th through 6th grade students from Harpursville and Afton participated in a health/physical education, where they learned about healthy choices, team work and sportsmanship while playing games such as basketball, soccer, dodgeball, wiffleball and volleyball.

All of the students had a great time learning and working together. Soccer was one of the most enjoyable units and the students really showed off their skills in our championship game.

Mrs. Webster came down and joined in the fun, scoring a goal and assisting on three others.

The summer program was a success and we look forward to working and learning together next summer.



(l - r)– Shelby Haines, Todd Ingraham, Gemma Chambers and Isabella Mathewson



Kinder skills: smiles, laughter and learning *By Lisa Grencer, prekindergarten teacher*

Kinder skills had a super fun summer learning about our emotions, how to work together to complete games or other tasks, taking part in fun sensory activities such as sand painting, and just learning how to socialize with one another in a positive manner.

We also had fun swimming and learning about pool and water safety. There were lots of smiles, laughter and friendships made this summer, and memories that we will cherish.



Student helper Mackenzie Whidden



Sofia Grencer



Alex Reynolds



Mackenzie Whidden & Carly LaVergne



(l-r) Carly LaVergne, Arabelle Juliussen, Liliana Hills, Alex Reynolds, Madeline Snow, and Cooper Wayman



Lorenzo Rivera



Mrs. Allen with students



(l-r) Liliana Hills and Nate Ingraham



(l-r) Mackenzie Whidden, Riley Conrow, Gabriel Romero, Carly LaVergne, and Kinley Strong

First Day Fun!





Welcoming new students

By Paige Smith, student council corresponding secretary

In August, the student council came together to discuss homecoming events, elect new officers, choose a design for our student council t-shirts, and plan the new student gathering.

On September 9, we hosted the new student gathering in Mrs. Cole's room, welcoming the new students to our school. We enticed them with goodies such as chips, apples, cookies, etc. We introduced our administration and guidance counselors while making sure they knew where to find all their classes in the school. Hopefully this time together gave them a new face to recognize in the hallway, and made them feel welcome.

With Homecoming approaching rapidly, we made plans for Spirit Week, pep rallies and the Homecoming Dance.



(-r): Makenna Lowe, Ben Williams, Sarah Young

Look for our article in the next newsletter for a list of all of the Homecoming Court, Spirit Week winners and other exciting news.

All of us are more than willing to help with any concerns or suggestions just please come speak with one of us, we are more than willing to bring it up at one of our meetings.



(l-r): Elizabeth Ives, Lily Barriger, Jonathan Prince, Linasia Spinelli



(l-r): Saleen Medovich, Jonathan Prince (red shirt), Anthony Escalera, MacKenzie Whidden

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The elementary field days in July were a huge success

The day began with a pep rally hosted by DJ Andy Papaleo, with a special surprise appearance made by Rumble Ponies mascot, Rowdy. Among the many activities, students enjoyed an inflatable obstacle course, a DJ for a dance party, relay races, snow cones, picnic lunch, popcorn and movie, and team building activities. The day concluded with a "hose-down" by the Harpurville Fire Department to help the kids cool off.

The field days committee would like to say a special thanks to the following businesses/people for their donations in helping to make this special day such a success: Don Snow Trucking, Sundown Golf Course, Husted Trucking, The Pantheon, PTO, Harpurville Fire Department, and Mary Cuthbert.







Another successful Spirit Week filled with zany dress, competition, fun

Submitted by: Student Council

If you happened to be around the school during the week of September 16 through 20, you probably noticed some weirdly dressed, extra loud Harpursville loving students.

The Student Council kicked-off Spirit Week with five "dress-up" days. This year's themes included Who are you Monday (Choose your favorite Pixar movie character to dress up as), Crazy Hair Tuesday, Wacky Fashion Wednesday, Formal Wear Thursday and Blue and Gold Friday.

Every year there is a battle to win the infamous "Spirit Stick." Grades earn points by having students dress up for each theme, win pep rally games, decorate a class poster incorporating their grade and an assigned a Pixar Movie, and by showing their school spirit by saying the cheer at the pep rally. Pixar movies chosen were: The Incredibles (12th grade), Up (11th grade), Monsters Inc. (10th grade), Brave (9th grade), Toy Story (8th grade) and Wall E (7th grade).

Throughout the week, the 7th and 8th graders went back and forth for the lead. In the end, the 8th graders won the Dress-up days, the class poster and the Spirit Stick.

As for the high school competition, the 12th graders had the most points toward four of the five dress up days and won the class banner with the "Incredibles" style poster. The 9th grade won the Blue and Gold Dress-Up Day.

During the pep rally, the 10th graders dominated the Balloon Pop Game while the 12th graders won the Musical Chairs and Hungry, Hungry Hippo. On Wednesday, the annual juniors vs. seniors kick ball game was held. The seniors were victorious with a score of 9 to 4.

On Saturday morning the graduating class hosted the senior



(l-r) Rachael Snow (queen) and Louis Backus (king)

breakfast. As tradition continues, members of the senior class and district administrators served community families a tasty, hot breakfast. The Class of 2020 would like to thank the community for supporting them at the Homecoming breakfast as it was another successful year.

Saturday evening the Student Council hosted two homecoming dances. The first began at 6 p.m. for the 7th and 8th graders. Around 7:15 p.m., the Homecoming Court was announced and the Duke and Duchess were crowned.

Duke and Duchess Homecoming Court for 2019 (Grade 8): Aubree Eberly- Robinson, Gracie Bomboy, Kandyce Sophie, Ethan Hendrickson, Braydon Sakowsky and Tristin Daniels.

Duke- Tristin Daniels Duchess- Aubree Eberly-Robinson

At 8 p.m. all of the Senior High Students arrived to the school and had a blast dancing the night away and making memories. At 9:45 p.m. the Homecoming Court was announced and the King and Queen were crowned.

King and Queen Homecoming Court for 2019 (Grade 12): Aylisia Dunaway, Rachael Snow, Sara Williams, Eva Mae Rychlicki, Louis Backus, Derryk Bradkte, Eric Wilkinson, Riley Livermore.

King- Louis Backus Queen- Rachael Snow

A great weekend was celebrated by all. We enjoyed visiting with all of the alumni, and making memories that will last a lifetime. Happy Homecoming Hornets!



(l-r): Aubree Eberly-Robinson (duchess) and Tristin Daniels (duke)



PIXAR DAY





Spirit week begins!







HOCO 2019





Homecoming dance a big success



Learning the 'four Cs' of engineering process *by Sabrina Smith, education aide*

Our first, second and third graders in the summer STEM program followed an engineering process - ask, imagine, plan, create, improve and communicate - to help them with their projects, inventions, creations and activity stations around the classroom.

In addition, we used the four C's of engineering design - critical thinking, communication, collaboration and creativity - to help guide us.

The students were very engaged and enjoyed hands-on learning in a variety of ways, including Jenga, cheers, Connect Four, card games, magnetic play bins, weighing and measuring objects, Cublete robot building, tower cup building with different block and cup sizes, boats that float (how much weight can their boat hold), marble tube mazes, painting, Lego challenges, putting objects together and

taking them apart to see how they function, play dough creation play, catapults, egg-drop challenge, and creative art station.

The students' independence, team work, and science, technology, engineering, mathematics and creativity skills were enhanced throughout these activities.



(l-r) Emma Snow & Maisie Rutherford



Izzy Stevens working on her boat



(l-r) Gabe Truman & Lexie Kolb with cublete robot



Colby Johnson performs marble maze challenge



Hayleigh Collins with project plans



Adaline Warren building cublete robot



Front: Maddox Juliussen assembles a cup structure



Dodgeball fever a big hit with homecoming celebrants

By Kim Rusnak, social studies teacher

Homecoming may have been early this year but the students were ready for DODGEBALL!

Gym class heroes formed teams and played in the annual Homecoming Dodgeball Tournament sponsored by the national honor societies and the junior class.

In a packed gym on September 20, Pugszilla finally realized

their four-year goal of winning the 5th-8th grade bracket. Once again, the first-place teams were defeated in the finals, resulting in exciting rematches as per the double elimination rules.

Congrats to the winners of the 2019 HOCO Dodgeball tournament. A huge shout out of thanks to all of the event's volunteers. We look forward to seeing you all next year.



9th-12th Grade Bracket: Benchwarmers (l-r): Tyler Backus, Hunter Scott, Justin Fleming, Braydon Pedley, and Jaime Gilmore



5th-8th Grade Bracket: Pugszilla (l-r): Makai Wilkinson, Darren Florence, Casey Lusk, Brayden Sakowsky, Brendan Pike and Jake Wolbert

Long-time Colesville resident helps students explore their family roots

By Kim Rusnak, social studies teacher

Former Harpursville High School librarian and long-time Colesville resident Pat Dalpiaz shared her genealogical expertise with our Colesville History students at the start of the 2019-2020 school year.

Using online databases, Dalpiaz helped the class uncover new information about their families. She assisted the students in searching through census records, newspaper articles, and even postcards to unearth evidence about their ancestry.

Dalpiaz is truly a genealogical gem, and the Colesville History class appreciates all of her help.



Pat Dalpiaz helps Matt Lyon (center) dig deeper into his roots.



A welcome back message from the high school principal

Hopefully, everyone had a relaxing and wonderful summer. Our first month back has been filled with lots of events and excitement.

Throughout September, we held several athletic contests and various Homecoming activities. During Homecoming week, our students were offered the opportunity to participate or attend a dodge ball tournament, pep rallies, dances, multiple athletic contests and a Homecoming breakfast. Additionally, our juniors and seniors competed against one another in the annual kickball competition. We have had a great start to the year. I am optimistic the energy, engagement and enthusiasm will continue.

Please remember that the school day begins at 7:45 a.m. The first bell rings at 7:42 a.m. First period begins promptly at 7:50 a.m. Therefore, anyone who arrives after 7:45 a.m. will need to check-in with Mrs. Andrews in attendance and obtain a late pass. Any student who is late or tardy should bring an excuse to the attendance office upon arrival. If students do not bring a note with a legitimate reason, their absence is considered unexcused.

As always, I would like to greatly encourage all our students to take advantage of the numerous extra-curricular activities available here at the school. We have found that students benefit in several ways when they are involved with the school's extra-curricular activities. There are a wide variety of opportunities that allow students to get involved and be a part of the extended school community. At Harpursville, junior/senior high students can participate in theatre club,

art honor society, Yorkers, tech club, chorus, yearbook, numerous athletics, French club, and many others. As a participant, students learn how to work collaboratively, be a team player, compromise, troubleshoot and manage time, along with many other beneficial lifelong skills. If anyone would like more information regarding these opportunities please do not hesitate to reach out to the main office, school counselors or athletic department.



Kristine Conrow,
high school principal

Also, I would like to encourage you to reach out to your student's teachers, counselors, coaches, aides or myself with any questions or concerns. We all want to work collaboratively with each student to ensure they have the best chance at being successful. Please do not hesitate to contact any of us throughout the year with questions or concerns.

We are looking forward to an awesome year, as we welcome the Class of 2020 as seniors and the Class of 2025 as 7th graders. I can't believe this is the Class of 2020. Can you believe it? I'm still completely shocked by how quickly the years go, as I'm sure many of you are, too.

RECRUITING OPT-OUT FOR JUNIORS AND SENIORS

The United States Congress has passed two major pieces of legislation that require local schools to give military recruiters the same access to high school students as we provide to colleges and employers.

These same pieces of legislation allow parents to "opt out" of having this information disclosed to military and college recruiters upon request. We **will not** provide recruiters with the personal information of your son or daughter if you notify us that is your preference. Therefore, in order for us to exclude your child from the list we need your consent on the form below.

Please fill out the information below if applicable and have your son or daughter return this form to the guidance office by **October 1, 2019**. If we do not receive the form by that time **we will** release your son or daughter's contact information to the recruiters of the United States Armed Forces and institutions of higher education upon their request.

I hereby request that my son/daughter _____, a junior/senior at Harpursville Sr. High School, be left off the contact information list that will be provided to the recruiters of the United States Armed Forces and institutions of higher education. I understand that I am exercising the right to opt my child out of this requirement.

Parent/Guardian

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You can also rent equipment needed and add on a meal plan for each of the six visits with the program.

Transportation will be provided by the school. Students must ride the bus for the first six weeks of the program.

Sign up a friend! If you participated last year and know someone interested in signing up that hasn't participated in the past, you can get 7% off of your pass and your friend will receive 5% off their pass. It's a win, win!

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Pick: Your Pass

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Update: Information from last season

Check Out!



Program Information:

School: Harpursville Ski & Ride Club

Dates: January 6 thru February 10, 2019

Days/Times: Sundays
2 - 5 p.m.

After the completion of the program the pass will still be valid for the days and time of the program until March 14th. Your program pass will then convert to a season pass. You may come any day, at any time, for the remainder of the 18-19 ski season.

Sign up online before 10/15/2019 to get the early discounted rate.

Questions:

Contact Kim Rusnak –
kimrusnak@gmail.com or Nick Pianella
npianella@hcs.stier.org

Program Pass:	\$180
Rental:	\$ 63
Helmet:	\$ 43
Meal Plan:	\$ 63
Transportation:	N/A

Contact:

Kimberly Thayer

School Programs Director,

844-846-9575

ProgramSales@GreekPeak.net

GreekPeakMtnResort.com

October 2019 MS/HS Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	1 <i>Cinnamon Roll & Yogurt</i> <i>Assorted Fruit Low Fat Milk</i> Tacos on a Shell w/ assorted Toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Applesauce Low Fat Milk	2 <i>Mini Pancakes</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Marinated Chicken Sandwich w/Lettuce & Tomato Seasoned Potato Wedges Baby Carrots Fresh Apple Low Fat Milk	3 <i>French Toast Sticks w/</i> <i>Syrup</i> <i>Assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Chicken Mac & Cheese Garlic Bread Stick Steamed Broccoli Chilled Mixed Fruit Low Fat Milk	4 <i>Breakfast Croissant</i> <i>Sandwich Assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Salad w/Chickpeas assorted Fruit Low Fat Milk
7 <i>Apple Frudel</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Popcorn Chicken Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Fresh Apple Low Fat Milk	8 <i>Banana Breakfast Bread</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Tangerine Breaded Chicken NY Veggie Egg Roll Seasoned Brown Rice Steamed Broccoli Chilled Peaches Low Fat Milk	9 <i>Bagel Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> French Toast Sticks Sausage Patty Potato Puffs Fresh Orange Low Fat Milk	10 <i>Ultimate Breakfast</i> <i>Round & Yogurt</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Pasta w/Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Stick Steamed Broccoli Chilled Applesauce Low Fat Milk	11 NO SCHOOL
14 	15 <i>Cinnamon Roll & Yogurt</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Cheeseburger on a Kaiser Roll w/Lettuce & Tomato Sweet Potato Fries Green Beans Fresh Apple Low Fat Milk	16 <i>Bacon Scramble</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Lupo's Chicken Spiedie Sub Harvest Cheddar Sun Chips Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus & Dip Fresh NY Pear Low Fat Milk	17 <i>French Toast Sticks w/Syrup</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> NY Thursday! Chicken Burrito Bowl w/Pinto Beans & Peppers/Onions NY Rainbow Cabbage Salad Fresh NY Pear Low Fat Milk	18 <i>Breakfast Croissant</i> <i>Sandwich</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Breaded Mozz Sticks Side Pasta Garden Salad w/Chickpeas assorted Fresh Fruit Low Fat Milk
21 <i>Cherry Frudel</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Chicken Nuggets w/ Dipping Sauce Wheat Dinner Roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Fresh Apple Low Fat Milk	22 <i>Cinnamon Breakfast Bread</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Hot Dog on a Bun Baked Crinkle Cut Fries Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus & Dip Chilled Pears Low Fat Milk	23 <i>Bagel Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Fresh Cucumbers w/Dip Fresh Orange Low Fat Milk	24 <i>Ultimate Breakfast</i> <i>Round & Yogurt</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Cheese Lasagna w/Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Stick Harvest Apple Kale Salad Steamed Broccoli Chilled Peaches Low Fat Milk	25 <i>Breakfast Sandwich on</i> <i>English Muffin Assorted</i> <i>Fruit Low Fat Milk</i> Homemade Pizza Garden Salad w/Chickpeas assorted Fresh Fruit Low Fat Milk
28 <i>Mini Pancakes</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Chicken Patty on a Kaiser Roll Sweet Potato Crinkle Fries Mixed Vegetables Fresh Apple Low Fat Milk	29 <i>Cinnamon Roll & Yogurt</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Tacos on a Shell w/assorted Toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Applesauce Low Fat Milk	30 <i>Bacon Scramble</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Marinated Chicken Sandwich w/Lettuce & Tomato Oven Roasted Potatoes Veggie Cruncher Cup w/ Hummus & Dip Fresh Banana Low Fat Milk	31 <i>French Toast Sticks w/Syrup</i> <i>assorted Fruit</i> <i>Low Fat Milk</i> Chicken Mac & Cheese Garlic Bread Stick Steamed Broccoli Chilled Mixed Fruit Low Fat Milk	

Sandwich choices:

Mon: Turkey/Cheese Tue: Ham/Cheese
Wed: Turkey/Cheese Thurs: Ham/Cheese
Fri: Turkey/Cheese
P.B. & jelly offered daily

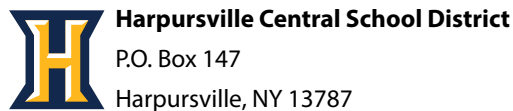
Served Daily:

PB & J Sandwich
Yogurt Meal w/Cheese Stick
M,T & W—Pretzel
Thurs—UBR
Fri—Granola

All meals served with
1% or less milk
Cereal is available daily
for breakfast.
Menu subject to change

Lunch prices:

K-5 - \$2.10/ 6-12 - \$2.30
Breakfast all schools - \$1.30
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Make someone's winter a little warmer

The National Honor Society at Harpursville is conducting its annual **COAT DRIVE** through the end of October. Donated items will be distributed to children in our school district as well as through the Colesville Ambulance Squad's Food Pantry. Please look through your closets for any gently worn coats, hats or mittens that could help make a community member's winter a warmer one.

Clean donations may be delivered to the school.

Please contact Kim Rusnak at 693-8105 or krusnak@hcs.stier.org with any questions.



PARENT REMINDERS

After School Enrichment Program "ASEP"

**Closing dates throughout
2019 - 2020**

No ASEP on Fridays

NO ASEP

October 14, 2019

October 31, 2019 - Halloween

November 5, 11, 25 - 29, 2019

December 23 - 31, 2019

January 1, 20, 2020

February 17, 2020

March 12, 2020

April 6 - 13, 2020

Last day for ASEP May 20, 2020