



'Spirit Week' encourages students to dress up, cheer, compete, enjoy friends

By Kaitlyn Dattoria, senior high student council corresponding secretary

If you happened to be around the school during the week of October 10 through 14, you probably noticed some weirdly dressed, extra loud Harpursville-loving students.

The student council kicked off Spirit Week with four "dress-up" days. This year's themes included Formal/Informal Tuesday, Favorite Character Wednesday, Past or Future Self 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 banner incorporating

Kayleigh Cluck



their grade and an assigned board game, and by showing their school spirit by saying the cheer at the pep rally. Board game choices were: 12th grade – Life; 11th grade – Clue; 10th grade – Monopoly; 9th grade – Trouble; 8th grade – Guess Who?; and 7th grade – RISK.

Throughout the week, the 7th-graders maintained a steady lead over the 8th-graders and took home the win for the spirit week dress up days, class banner, and the Spirit Stick.

There were individual awards given out to one student from every grade who showed the most school spirit through the week. They were each given a free pass to the Homecoming Dance on

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Mackenzie Whidden (left) and Vanessa Groover have plenty of school spirit



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Letter from the superintendent

Dear residents,

As we enter the month of November, there is no better time of year than now to express my gratitude and appreciation for all of the wonderful things that happen here in our schools.

It takes the cooperation and support of so many people to help make our school district the best place it can be for our students. So on behalf of everyone here at the school, THANK YOU! Furthermore, I hope that you are enjoying what has been a beautiful fall season. We are fortunate in our community that we get to experience the amazing fall foliage and the vibrant colors of our hillsides. As much as I enjoy this time of the year, my two favorite colors of fall are still the blue and gold of our Harpursville Hornets.

As you peruse this newsletter, I trust you'll agree that we truly have a great many things about which we can be proud. Please allow me to highlight and celebrate a few examples of the outstanding things happening in our district.

First, we recently had a great homecoming week, during which time our Hornet Pride was alive and well. There was good-natured, healthy competition among the classes, celebration of the athletic teams that represent the Hornets in interscholastic

competition, and a tremendous amount of support shown by and for our students. Our athletic teams had very competitive seasons this fall, some of them going into sectional and state-level competition. The elementary school recently had a Grandparents/Special Persons Day and a Fall Festival. These were outstanding events, and the smiles that could be seen on the participants' faces were infectious. Opportunities such as these for coming together to celebrate and build a sense of community are so important.

Speaking of coming together, there is no better way to build community than through sharing a great meal together, and our upcoming annual Thanksgiving Luncheon with members of the Eastern Broome Senior Center will do just that. Our Student Council and National Honor Society students will be serving our lunch guests. This is always a wonderful time.

Last, I want to highlight and congratulate a student who is most deserving of our praise and admiration. Furthermore, this young man serves as an excellent example of the quality and character of so many of our students. Senior Charles Huizinga was recently selected as one of state Sen. Fred Akshar's "All-Stars." This is a new program started by the senator to recognize the outstanding students

in the schools within his senatorial district. Chuck received a special visit by the senator on October 23, during which time he was presented with a commemorative coin, certificate of achievement and a "Team Akshar" T-shirt. Akshar not only took time to talk with Chuck, he also met with the students in our Participation in Government class, where the senator made his surprise visit. Like so many of our students, Chuck is top-notch, and we are proud of him.

In closing, I'd like to extend warm wishes to each of you as we approach the holiday season. I hope you have a wonderful Thanksgiving and that you are able to enjoy some time with your family, friends and all of those who are important to you. I know I will certainly be giving thanks for my life as a Harpursville Hornet, and I hope you'll do the same.

Yours in education,

Michael J. Rullo

Go Hornets!



Michael Rullo,
superintendent

Alumni Profile: Shawn Hawkins - Harpursville Class of 2012, BA in theatre and drama 2015

"I love being able to say that I am a working actor, trudging through Los Angeles and living my dreams. The past two years here in LA have proven to be the most influential and memorable experiences of my life. I am growing, improving and pushing the boundaries of my art and my knowledge. This wouldn't have been possible without the friends, wisdom and training that I received at Belmont. I owe my heart and soul to the theatre department and the people who continue to believe in and

support me. Currently I am reading a feature script that I have been cast in as lead actor for this fall. I booked and shot a worldwide Toyota commercial this past weekend, have booked another industrial this upcoming week, and an episode of "My Crazy Ex" that I starred in aired on Lifetime this week. It continues to be a whirlwind of exciting projects, but the work continues and we all have to keep pushing onward and upward.

Much love ... and dream big my friends!"





Jr. Sr. High School calendar

NOVEMBER

- 9** 11:30 a.m. dismissal, 10-week grade reporting
- 10** NO SCHOOL, Veterans Day
- 14** District newsletter deadline for December issue
- 17** NO SCHOOL, superintendent's conference day
- 17** Theatre Club visits Walters Theatre
- 22-24** NO SCHOOL, Thanksgiving recess

DECEMBER

- 12-14** School play auditions, 3-5 p.m.

Tools for Schools = Free supplies

Please register your Price Chopper AdvantEDGE card and/or verify your enrollment status at www.pricechopper.com and click on 'Tools for Schools' under the 'Savings' tab if you would like to help our school earn FREE classroom supplies.

Our school code is **17047**. For questions or assistance, call the Jr. Sr. High School office at 693-8105. As always, thank you for your continued support.



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	

Harpursville Central School District directory

District Office 693-8112

Board of Education
Michael Rullo, Superintendent
Darlene Noyes, Admin. Asst./District Clerk

Business Office 693-8120

Joseph McLaughlin, Business Official
Cheryl Hamilton, Payroll

Special Education 693-8104

Joshua Quick, CSE/CPSE Chairperson
Audrey Warner, Admin. Asst.

Athletics 693-8133

Joshua Quick, Athletic Director

Jr./Sr. High School 693-8105

Kristine Conrow, Principal
Tabatha Rhodes, Admin. Assistant
James DiMaria, Assistant Principal

Guidance Office 693-8108

Karen Slesinsky, J/SHS Counselor
Sara Bomysoad, J/SHS Counselor
Sheryl Kosturock, WAO Counselor
Jill Andrews, Secretary/Attendance Clerk

W.A. Olmsted Elementary 693-8115

Pamela Horton, Principal
Bobbi Jo Hatton, Asst. Principal
Katie Ives, Administrative Asst.

Health Offices

Brianna Shultes (Jr Sr HS) 693-8118
Shaina Hinman (Elm) 693-8119

Food Services 693-8126

Norene Tasber, Director of Food Services

Transportation 693-8100

Danielle Maxim, Head Bus Driver
Joseph McLaughlin, Business Official
Sandy Schnurbusch, Admin. Assist.

Buildings & Grounds 693-8121

David Johnson, Director of Facilities



New senate program recognizes outstanding students - Huizinga is 'Akshar All-Star'

State Sen. Fred Akshar recently launched a new program designed to recognize outstanding students in the schools within his Senate District 52.

On October 23, the senator paid a surprise visit to Charles Huizinga to recognize him for his outstanding achievements. Here is some of what was said:

"Chuck is a well-rounded, awesome kid. He is a leader in the Criminal Justice program at Broome-Tioga BOCES. Last year he did a ride-along program with the Binghamton Police Department. He has worked at our local Visions branch for two years as well as throughout the summer, and, most recently, he has been spending his study halls at the elementary school playing tag/gaga ball with the students during recess. At a luncheon with the Visions representatives last year, they continuously complimented him as an outstanding young man and an excellent employee. Along with all of this, he is also a football player and is well-liked amongst his teammates and peers. Last, one of his biggest strengths is his personality. He is always smiling, respectful, and friendly. Chuck is truly one-of-a-kind. He has



State Sen. Fred Akshar (right) presents Charles Huizinga with a "#teamAkshar" T-shirt

been a positive influence on so many and has represented Harpursville so well in many situations."

Charles Huizinga is an outstanding example of what it means to be a Harpursville Hornet. We are proud of him.

Hands-on experience offered at Construction Career Day *By Paul Peterson, bus driver*

Eight Harpursville High School students traveled to the Broome County Highway Department on October 4 for the annual Construction Career Day.

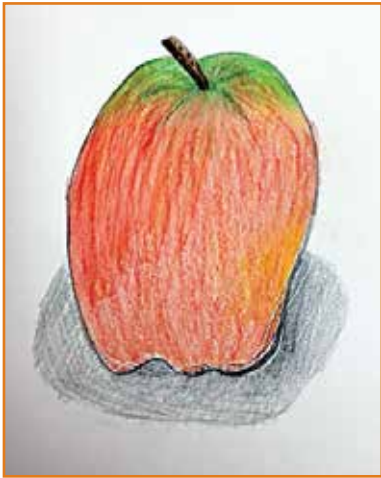
After arriving, the students were given opportunities to weld, operate heavy machinery and explore the several trades that work on or near our roadways. Much time was also spent looking into trade schools and organizations that had information about post-secondary training opportunities.

With no reported loss of life or limb, a great day was had by all and I look forward to taking another enthusiastic group of students next year.

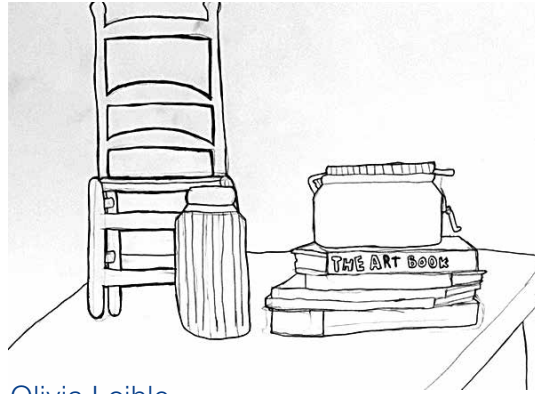


Pictured (l-r): Paul Peterson, Aaron Davis, Parker Bixby, Andre Birt, Brandon Hoover, Hayden Lewis, Braydon Pedley, James Wayman and Brandon Riegel.





Tori Johnson

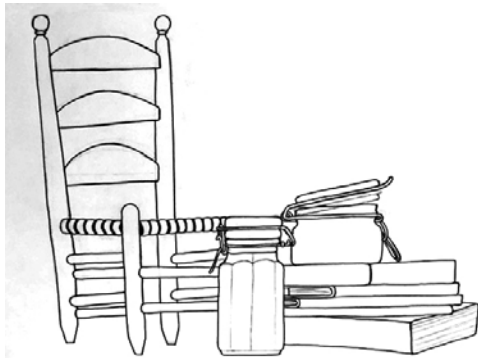


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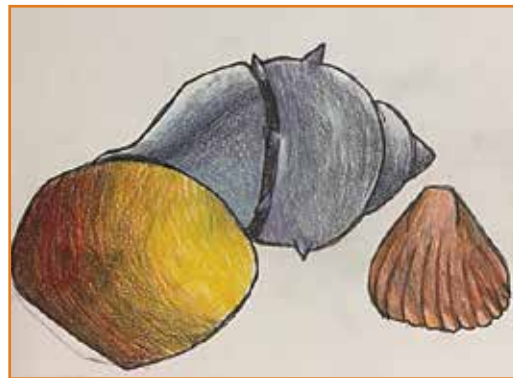


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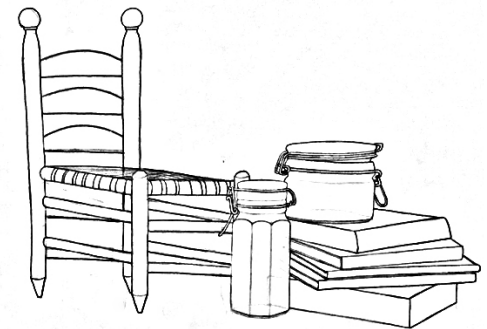
In college-level drawing, students use the concepts they learned about contour lines. They developed their skills and added color and value to contour drawings of sea shells.



Tori Johnson



Olivia Loihle



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In sculpture class, students used balloons, plaster wrap, cardboard and model magic to create exciting sea creatures.



Austin Knapp



Payton Villeco



Allen Brozonis



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Olivia Loihle



L-r: Kyle Colsten, Jesse LaDue, Justin Fargo and Josh Powell

Spirit, from the cover

Saturday. These students were 7th-grader Allena Rowe, 8th-grader Ben Williams, 9th-grader Taylor Rutherford, 10th-grader Mackenzie Whidden, 11th-grader Lily Mauzy, and 12th-grader Bethany Niles.

As for the high school competition, the 10th-graders had the most points toward dress-up days and won the class banner with the "Monopoly" style poster. During the pep rally, the 9th-graders dominated the fall sports relay game while the 10th- and 12th-graders won the "minute-to-win-it" relay.

This year, instead of holding a powder puff football game, the juniors faced the seniors in a kickball game. The seniors wore blue tie-dye shirts while the juniors wore green T-shirts. The seniors had a steady lead over the juniors for most of the game, but in the last few innings the juniors stepped it up and took home a win.

Friday evening the junior class and National Jr/Sr Honor Societies hosted a dodgeball tournament. There were four teams in the 9-12th grade bracket. The winning team consisted of Michael



Kyler Meisner and Paige Smith

Wilmot, Shane Hoover, Brock Weist, Greg Akulis, and Josh Wilson. Thirteen teams competed in the 5-8th grade bracket. Those on the winning team for this bracket were Luke Merrill, Adam Kappauf, James Craig, Ryan Akulis, and Joey Florance. They pulled off a win in



Megan Cole and Liam Hawkins



WEEK



Future field hockey stars

Lexi Hosmer & Ryan Akulis

Trevor Hanson & Madison Baker



Senior High Homecoming Court (See Student Council article)

the championship game with one second left on the clock when Luke caught the last ball of the game putting his team up 2-1 and taking 1st place. Everyone really enjoyed this activity and the NHS and junior class will be looking forward to running another tournament in the future.

On Saturday morning the graduating class hosted the senior breakfast. As tradition continues, members of the senior class and the district administrators served the community families a tasty, hot breakfast. The senior Class of 2018 would like to

thank the community for supporting them at the Homecoming breakfast. The class raised about \$1,700 to put toward their senior 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, the Homecoming Court was announced and the prince and princess were crowned.

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Junior High Homecoming Court (See Student Council article)



Prince and Princess Homecoming Court for 2017 (Grade 8): Kayleigh Cluck, Kyle Colsten, Caidence Ryder, James Craig and Adam Kappauf.

Prince: Ryan Akulis.
Princess: Lexi Hosmer

At 8 p.m. all of the senior high students arrived 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 2017: (Grade 12) Greg Akulis, Saige Collins, Morgan Crocker, Brock Weist, Talon Rezucha, Manuella Diluzio,

Makenna Hagerman and Joshua Wilson.
King: Trevor Hanson.
Queen: Madison Bake

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!







Super heroes



CHARBAG

Sandy from the
movie "Grease"
(aka Morgan Crocker)



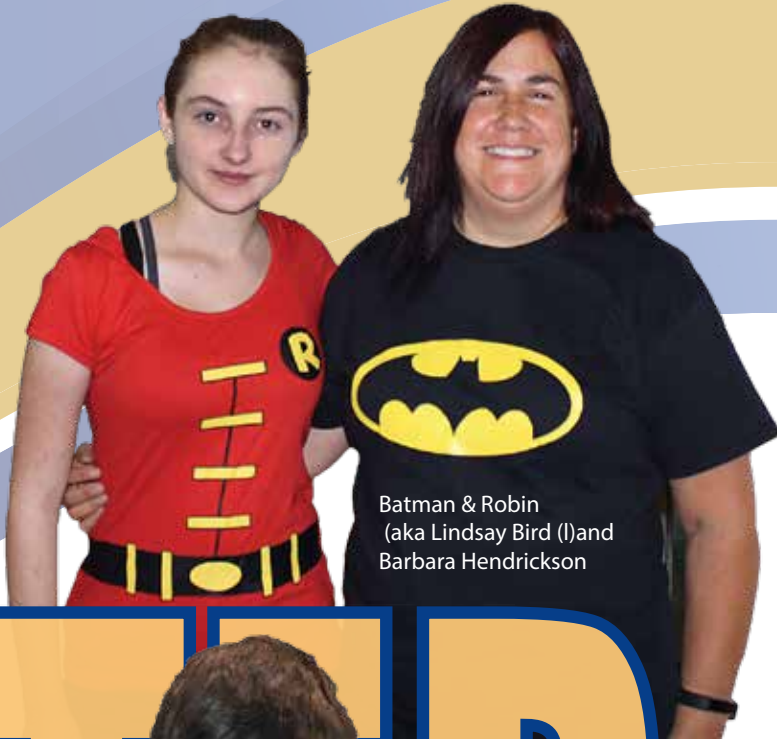
Sherriff Callie
(Disney Show)



Wonder Woman



Minions Payton Graham & Cassie Knickerbocker



Batman & Robin
(aka Lindsay Bird (I) and
Barbara Hendrickson)



Minnie Mouse
(aka Amber Birt)



Harry Potter
(aka Zachary Turck)



Rainbow Dash





Three-year football starter Wilson sets new school rushing record

By Tim Petras, social studies teacher and varsity coach

On Saturday, October 14, senior Josh Wilson of the varsity football team broke the Harpurville school record for most career rushing yards with a total of 2,741 yards. The previous record had been held by Todd Terpstra, class of 2008.

Wilson is widely considered one of Section IV's elite athletes. One of his most impressive individual achievements came last season when he broke the Harpurville school record for rushing yards in a season with 1,086 yards. Also in 2016, Josh was selected as a member of the All-NYS football team as a junior by the New York State Sports Writers Association.

Wilson is a captain of the 2017 Hornets and a three-year starter on varsity. The Hornets concluded the season with a 6-3 record, having competed in Sectionals for a sixth consecutive season. Wilson's contributions as halfback, cornerback, and kick returner were a driving force behind the team's success.



Josh Wilson adding to his rushing yards record

Important classroom skills include getting along, respecting one another

By Sheryl Kosturock, elementary school counselor

This is a busy time for children who are learning many new skills in school. Another area of learning that requires specific skills is social-emotional learning. These important skills are often overlooked. This is the realm where children learn how to understand and manage their feelings, how to make friends and be a friend, and how to solve social problems. Learning takes place throughout the day in the classroom, on the playground and at home. Children learn by watching and listening to how teachers, family members and friends interact with one another.

A school counselor needs assessment was completed by several parents after our open house in September. One area of interest was bully prevention. This is a great topic to start, especially since October was National Bullying Prevention month.

I will be meeting with several grades to complete classroom guidance lessons to understand how to prevent bullying. Skills that will be worked on to assist with this are empathy building, problem solving, learning how to cope, and showing kindness toward one another. We will be watching some videos to gain empathy and understand what is bullying vs. mean vs. rude behavior. We also will be learning about the difference between tattling and telling.

Families play a crucial role in the success of prevention programs. You will be receiving letters about what your child is learning at school and what you can do at home to help him or her understand and practice the new skills. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (607) 693-8116 or skosturock@hcs.stier.org.

Colesville Community Pantry dates for November.

The Colesville Community Pantry, located in the Colesville volunteer ambulance building at 28 King Road, is open to all Town of Colesville residents with proof of address and everyone residing in the household. The mobile food truck has no restrictions and is open to anyone. The only time the pantry is closed on its designated days is when school is closed due to inclement weather or all after school activities have been canceled. Then, the afternoon pantry will also be closed.

No one should go hungry

Monday	6	Pantry	10 a.m. - 12 p.m. 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.
Thursday	16	Mobile Food Pantry	12 - 1 p.m.
Tuesday	19	Pantry	10 a.m. - 12 p.m. 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.



Modified players support community with volunteer work at library

By Jason Lyon, math teacher and coach

Members of the Harpursville/Afton modified football team showed their Hornet pride on Sunday, October 15, helping the Nineveh Public Library prepare for its upcoming renovations.

Players gave up their afternoon to move boxes of packed books and furniture into a rental truck so the library could have new carpeting and bookshelves installed. This community service project also served as a team-bonding opportunity for teammates who attend separate schools, enabling them to get together outside of school and sports, enjoy pizza and chips (provided by the library) and have some fun. This was an excellent way for the boys to give back to the community that has supported them in so many ways.

We are proud of our young athletes and the example they have set for others.



Pictured (l-r): Jacob Stiner, Michael Johnson, George Palmetier, Jesse Hart, Colton Sakowsky, Braden Sadlemire, Dylan Weeks, Joey Florance, Michael Roach, Dominik Franklin, Jaeden Barriger, Cooper East, Caden Hurlburt, Rocco Arduini, James Craig, Scott Turock, Elijah Rogers, **Coach Jason Lyon**, Brady Buttice, Nolan Wallace, Stephen McKnight, Anthony Paoletti and Eddie Barber.

College Day at the Broome County Arena *By Karen Slesinsky, high school guidance counselor*

Students in grades 10, 11 and 12 had the opportunity to participate in College Day on October 18 at the Broome County Veteran's Memorial Arena.

This annual event brings together representatives from more than 100 post-secondary institutions

from across the Northeast and allows students to connect with admissions representatives as they begin or continue their college search.

Seniors should be well into completing their FAFSA (federal financial aid application) at this time. In addition, college applications should be submitted by now as schools will begin announcing early actions and early admission decisions very soon.

Please stop into the guidance office if you need help with your applications, and be sure to share your acceptance letter(s) when they arrive.



Madison Baker, Trevor Hansen and Hunter Sakowsky at this year's College Day at the arena in Binghamton



Matt Lyon fills out a form at College Day



Greater Binghamton
College Day



PEAK PACK

GREEK PEAK MOUNTAIN RESORT

Program Information:

School: Harpursville Ski Club

Day: Sundays

Time: 2:00pm-5:00pm

*Leaving school at 12:00p

Greek Peaks Peak Pack Program runs for 6 weeks beginning in January 7 and ends February 11. 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 17-18 ski season.

Sign up before **10/15/17** to get the early discounted rate.

Program Pass: \$180

Rental: \$63

Helmet: \$43.00

Meal Plan: \$63.00+

Contact:

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Program Sales Director
844-846-9575
programsales@greekpeak.net

SKI & RIDE CLUB at Greek Peak Mountain Resort

Learn to ski & ride with us this winter! Your pass will include 2 weeks of lessons in our new Terrain Based Learning Center™.

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.

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!

REGISTER NOW!
www.GreekPeakMtnResort.com

November 2017 MS/HS Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		1	2	3
		Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fruit / Milk Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Fresh Broccoli w/Dip Fresh Banana / Milk	French Toast Sticks w/Syrup Assorted Fruit / Milk Pasta w/Meat Sauce Garlic Bread Stick Sliced Cucumbers & Tomatoes w/Dip & Hummus Chilled Applesauce / Milk	Hornet Muffin Assorted Fruit / Milk Homemade Pizza Garden Salad w/Chickpeas Assorted Fresh Fruit / Milk
6	7	8	9	10
Frudel Assorted Fruit Milk Chicken Filet on a Bun Sweet Potato Cross Trax Green Beans Fresh Apple / Milk	Choice of Two: Cinn. Bun, Cereal or Yogurt Assorted Fruit / Milk Meatball Sub Oven Baked Potato Wedges Veggie Cruncher Cup Chilled Peaches / Milk	Bagel Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fruit / Milk Brunch at Lunch! French Toast Sticks Sausage Potato Puffs Fresh Orange / Milk	Hornet Muffin Assorted Fruit / Milk Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Salad w/Chickpeas Assorted Fresh Fruit / Milk	
13	14	15	16	17
Mini Pancakes Assorted Fruit /Milk Popcorn Chicken Wheat Dinner Roll Oven Baked Fries Baby Carrots w/Hummus & Dip Fresh Apple / Milk	Choice of Two: Cinn. Bun, Cereal or Yogurt Assorted Fruit / Milk Tangerine Asian Chicken Seasoned Rice Fresh Broccoli Chilled Pears / Milk	Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fruit / Milk Pulled Pork Sandwich Sweet Potato Crinkle Fries Cabbage Slaw Fresh Broccoli Fresh Banana / Milk	French Toast Sticks w/Syrup Assorted Fruit / Milk Thanksgiving Lunch! Turkey/Gravy Stuffing Mashed Potatoes Corn/ Cranberry Sauce Chilled Peaches Fruit Crisp / Milk	SUPERINTENDENT'S <i>Conference</i> <i>Day</i> No School
20	21	22	23	24
Frudel Assorted Fruit / Milk Cheeseburger on a Bun w/Lettuce & Tomato Seasoned Potato Wedges Baby Carrots w/Dip Fresh Apple / Milk	Assorted Mini Items Assorted Fruit / Milk School's Choice Pizza Assorted Veggies Assorted Fruit / Milk			
27	28	29	30	
Mini Pancakes Assorted Fruit / Milk Chicken Nuggets Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Fresh Apple / Milk	Choice of Two: Cinn. Bun, Cereal or Yogurt Assorted Fruit / Milk Tacos on a Shell w/Assorted toppings Seasoned Rice Corn Chilled Mixed Fruit / Milk	Bagel Breakfast Pizza Assorted Fruit / Milk Breaded Mozz. Sticks w/ Dipping Sauce Side of Pasta w/Sauce Cucumbers w/Dip & Hummus Fresh Banana / Milk	Mini Cinnis Assorted Fruit / Milk Cheeseburger Meatloaf Sandwich Oven Roasted Potatoes Baby Carrots w/Dip Chilled Peaches / 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-6 - \$2.10 / 7-12 - \$2.30
Breakfast
 K-6 FREE 7-12 - \$1.30
 Cereal & fruit offered daily



Jr. Sr. High School - September Student of the Month

Student Name	Subject
Adam Kappauf.....	French 1A
Jamie Gilmore.....	French 1B
Makenna Lowe	Jr. High Girls PE
Destinee Thompson	Sr. High Girls PE
Madison Fleming.....	ELA 7
Koltyn Green	ELA 11
Lily-Anne Mauzy	Honors ELA 11
Talon Rezucha.....	ELA 12
Riley Livermore.....	Career & Financial Mgmt
Ryan Akulis.....	Computers 8
Andrew Rucky.....	Business Law
Chris Dattoria.....	Accounting
Allena Rowe.....	7th grade Music
Thomas VanVorce.....	8th grade Music
Shaelynn Beard	Jr. Chorus
Victoria Whidden	Piano Class
Annamarie Goosley	Sr. Chorus
Riley Livermore.....	Global 10
Neveah Tierney.....	Science 7
Eddie Barber	Living Environment
Katelyn Rooker	Real World Science
Justin Fargo & Kyle Colsten...	Living Environment
Abigail Lyon.....	Social Studies 8
Bethany Niles	Foundations of College Math
Noah Fletcher	College Algebra & Trig
Ritajane Silfee	Foundations of Algebra 2
Karina Seeley.....	Algebra 2
Owen Ellsworth.....	Art 7
Kyler Meisner.....	Global 9
Audrey Locke	Algebra 1
Majesti Brown	Algebra Lab
Eddie Barber	Algebra 1A
Tara Liddle.....	Algebra 1A
Zach Huizinga.....	Algebra 1B
Brandon Hoover.....	Foundations of Geometry
Jacob Stiner	Math 7
Autumn Bolster	Honors Math 7
Josh Wolbert.....	Algebra 1
Hunter Scott	Sculpture

Student Name	Subject
Tori Johnson	CL Drawing
Mackenzie Whidden	Drawing
Taylor Rutherford.....	Sculpture
Sarah Peterson.....	Ceramics
Emma Kelley.....	Art 8
Bryce Friends.....	Resource Room
Madison Nesbit	Technology 7
Krysta Thomas	Technology 8
Dugan Dann	World of Technology
Brad Wilson.....	Construction
Colton Sakowsky	DDP
Brock Weist.....	Principles of Engineering
Sophia Konidis.....	Social Studies 7
Charles Huizinga.....	Participation in Government
Ashlyn Link.....	Geometry CC Regents
Emily Russell.....	College Statistics
Amber Birt.....	College Calculus
Abby Kelley.....	French III
Dawson Williams.....	French I
Dylan Faiella	French II
Annamarie Goosley	College US History & Govt
Kyle Rooker.....	US History & Govt
Brian Brookes	Great Films
Lexi Hosmer.....	English Language Arts 8
Andrew Rucky.....	College Biology
Hunter Sakowsky.....	Chemistry
Dylan Willumson.....	Jr. High Boys PE
Aidan Ellsworth	Sr. High Boys PE
Krysta Thomas	Science 8
Nathaniel Steel	Science 7/8
Alexus Roys.....	Physics
Colton Sakowsky	Earth Science
Idaiah Campbell.....	English 9
Trevor Hanson.....	Academic Writing II
Bethany Niles	English 12
Karina Seeley.....	English 10
Abigail Lyon.....	Math 8
Justin Fargo	Algebra 1

Orders being taken for high school yearbook, ads

Yearbook orders are now being taken for the 2017/18 school year. The cost is \$50 and new this year you may pay for the yearbook online. To order online go to ybpay.lifetouch.com, enter the code 9919618 and pay

with your credit card. Deadline for ordering online is April 15, 2018. See Barbara Hendrickson to order one. A limited amount is being ordered, so order early to guarantee you receive one in June. Make checks payable to

Harpursville Yearbook. Senior parent ads and yearbook orders are due by November 30 in order to have your child's name imprinted on the yearbook. If you need a new parent ad order form, please call 607-693-8105.



New, exotic 'sandbox' helps bring science to life *By Tim Strantz, science teacher*

Harpursville is now among the elite few high schools in the country to have an augmented reality sandbox (ARS).

Although these are typically found in universities and museums, our ARS is the product of our own hard work and the help we received from friends. We owe a special thanks to the technology department at Broome-Tioga BOCES for the computer and projector they donated, to our maintenance department for the cart, to our business office and administration for help procuring supplies, and to our principal for approving the purchase of parts and offering encouragement. Without all of this generous support it could not have happened.

So what is an ARS? At first glance, it looks like a wheeled sandbox with a projector and camera mounted overhead. Once turned on, however, the sand is augmented in real time with contour lines, topographical color coding and simulated water.

In the sandbox, projected light creates different colors. This permits students to manipulate the sand to create various landscapes.



Contour lines represent elevation changes in the landscape, and the color blue shows where water might either accumulate or flow. In the case of the latter, the simplest shadow cast by a hand hovering over the landscape is enough to make cascades of digital water flow.

The ARS enables students to have a bit of fun getting their hands dirty while examining some of the Earth's abstract processes. Providing them the opportunity to create 3D models of mountains, valleys, streams, volcanoes and various other landforms stirs excitement in the classroom and serves as a novel, engaging way of bringing science to life.

The ARS certainly adds a new dimension to learning.



Pictured (from bottom): Colton Sakowsky, Victoria Whidden, Stefanie Allen, teacher Tim Strantz



Pictured (l-r): Emily White, Justin Sayman, Dylan Hagerman, Brock Merrell, Taylor Rutherford



Dear parents/guardians,

The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) has indicated that influenza is widespread at this time of year. While a shift in the strain of flu this year has resulted in more vaccinated people than usual developing flu, vaccination still has been shown to lessen the risk for serious illness and hospitalization should one develop the flu. Each year, otherwise healthy children who are not vaccinated die from influenza. Very young children and those with chronic illness are at highest risk. Vaccinating others who care for vulnerable children can lessen the risk of illness. Of importance, especially in the very young, the very old, and people with chronic medical conditions, if the flu strikes it is best to check with your health care provider early to assess whether anti-viral medications will be useful to reduce the risk of severe complications from the flu.

This is also to remind you of the continued availability of the influenza vaccine that you can get through your health care provider or at flu clinics and pharmacies this year. As you are aware, influenza remains an annual illness that is generally preventable by yearly vaccination. One year's vaccine does not give lasting protection for the coming year's flu viruses.

Flu season generally runs between November and May each year, but most cases of flu illness occur in January, February, and less so March. It takes about two weeks to develop protection following the flu vaccine. The recommendation

from the CDC is that all people who do not have allergies to components of the vaccine get the vaccine early in the fall when it becomes available, but if you missed it then, please consider it now.

The district wants to encourage you also to have plans in place should you have need for extended childcare in the event your child is ill and cannot attend school. As always, please remind your children of the importance of frequent and good hand washing, good respiratory hygiene to cover coughs and sneezes and prompt disposal of used tissues, and of not sharing personal items with others. Please keep ill children home from school until they are well enough to attend a full day of school without fever reducing medicines, and do remember to call in your child's absence with the reason for absence. Thank you for your cooperation and stay healthy.

Shaina Hinman & Brianna Shultes, school nurses

P.S. Have you had a chance to visit the updated Health Services portion of the school website? It is packed full of information for parents/guardians on topics ranging from immunization and screening requirements to tips on keeping your child healthy during flu season.

We encourage you to call our offices with any questions or concerns.

Tips for Parents/Guardians from the School Health Office

A child who is sick will not be able to perform well in school and is likely to spread illness to other children and staff. We suggest making a plan for child care ahead of time so you will not be caught without a comforting place for your child to stay if they are ill.

Many parents ask: "When is my child sick enough to stay home from school?" This is not always an easy question to answer and we hope these tips will help.

Our school policy states that you should not send your child to school if they have:

- **Fever in the last 24 hours**
- **Vomiting in the last 24 hours**
- **Diarrhea in the last 24 hours**

- **Chills**
- **Sore throat**
- **Strep throat (must be on an antibiotic for a full 24 hours before returning to school)**
- **Bad cold, with a very runny nose or bad cough, especially if it has kept the child awake at night**
- **Head lice – until your child has been treated – bring child in to the health office to be checked when returning to school**
- **Conjunctivitis (pink eye) child must be on medication for a full 24 hours before returning to the school setting**

If your child has been injured or recently been ill and needs to be excused from gym, a doctor's note is required. Note that if your child is excused from gym, he/she is also

excused from recess and sports, and will require another note from the doctor in order to be cleared to participate once ready to do so.

If your child becomes ill at school and their teacher or the school nurse feels they are too sick to benefit from school or are contagious to others, you will be called to come and take them home. It is essential that we have a phone number(s) where you can be contacted during the day and an emergency number in case you cannot be reached. Please be sure that arrangements can be made to transport your child and that child care is available in case of illness. If your daytime or emergency phone numbers change during the school year, please be sure to notify the school immediately.



Keep your kids safe. Get their flu shots every year.

The Flu: A Guide for Parents

Is the flu more serious for kids?	Infants and young children are at greater risk for getting seriously ill from the flu. That's why the New York State Department of Health recommends that all children 6 months and older get the flu vaccine.
Flu vaccine may save your child's life.	Most people with the flu are sick for about a week, and then they feel better. But, some people, especially young children, pregnant women, older people, and people with chronic health problems can get very sick. Some can even die. An annual vaccine is the best way to protect your child from the flu. The vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months and older every year.
What is the flu?	The flu, or influenza, is an infection of the nose, throat and lungs. The flu can spread from person to person.
Who needs the flu shot?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flu shots can be given to children 6 months and older. - Children younger than 9 years old who get a vaccine for the first time need two doses.
How else can I protect my child?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Get the flu vaccine yourself. - Encourage your child's close contacts to get the flu vaccine, too. This is very important if your child is younger than 5, or if he or she has chronic health problems such as asthma (breathing issues) or diabetes (high blood sugar levels). Because children under 6 months can't be vaccinated, they rely on those around them to get an annual flu vaccine. - Wash your hands often and cover your coughs and sneezes. It's best to use a tissue and quickly throw it away. If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands. This will prevent the spread of germs. - Tell your children to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay away from people who are sick; Clean their hands often; Keep their hands away from their face; and Cover coughs and sneezes to protect others.
What are signs of the flu?	The flu comes on suddenly. Most people with the flu feel very tired and have a high fever, headache, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, and sore muscles. Some people, especially children, may also have stomach problems and diarrhea. The cough can last two or more weeks.
How does the flu spread?	People who have the flu usually cough, sneeze and have a runny nose. The droplets in a cough, sneeze or runny nose contain the flu virus. Other people can get the flu by breathing these droplets or by getting them in their nose or mouth.
How long can a sick person spread the flu to others?	Most healthy adults may be able to spread the flu from one day before getting sick to up to 5 days after getting sick. This can be longer in children and in people who don't fight disease as well (people with weaker immune systems).
What should I use to clean hands?	Wash your children's hands with soap and water. Wash them for as long as it takes to sing the "Happy Birthday" song twice. If soap and water are not handy, use a hand sanitizer. It should be rubbed into hands until the hands are dry.
What can I do if my child gets sick?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make sure your child gets plenty of rest and drinks lots of fluids. - Talk with your child's health care provider before giving your child over-the-counter medicine. - Never give your child or teen aspirin, or medicine that has aspirin in it. It can cause serious problems. - Call your child's health care provider if your child develops flu symptoms and is younger than 5 or has a chronic medical condition like asthma, diabetes, or heart or lung disease. - If you are worried about your child's illness, call your health care provider.
Can my child go to school or day care with the flu?	No. If your child has the flu, he or she should stay home to rest. This helps avoid giving the flu to other children.
When can my child go back to school or day care after having the flu?	Children with the flu should be isolated in the home, away from other people. They should also stay home until they have no fever without the use of fever-control medicines and they feel well for 24 hours. Remind your child to protect others by covering his or her mouth when coughing or sneezing. You may want to send your child to school with some tissues, and a hand sanitizer, if allowed by the school.

For more information on the flu, visit health.ny.gov/flu or www.cdc.gov/flu Centers for Disease Control and Prevention



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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 and have your son or daughter return this form to the guidance office by **December 1, 2017**. 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

Signature