



Haverford Middle School Newsletter

Week of March 15, 2021

Administration

HMS Principal

[Mr. Daniel Horan](#)

Secretary

[Mrs. Michelle](#)

[D'Avella](#)

6th Grade Assistant

Principal

[Mr. Matthew Crater](#)

6th Grade Counselor

[Mrs. Lindsey Hughes](#)

6th Grade Secretary

[Mrs. Sharon Cianci](#)

7th Grade Assistant

Principal

[Mr. Randy Taylor](#)

7th Grade Counselor

[Ms. Ricki White](#)

7th Grade Secretary

[Mrs. Patty Lazer](#)

Please look for Dr. Reusche's regular "Community Communication" Emails. The Emails communicate essential information and detailed plans for our school and district. Stay informed by connecting with the guiding documents and resources we refer to keep our school community safe and healthy.

We need your child to self-screen themselves before coming to school. Notify the school nurse, Mrs. Marianne Hooper-Capuzzi at mhooper-capuzzi@haverfordsd.net, if your child has any symptoms before coming to school.

Please review the Family Meeting PPT shared on Friday, March 12th. There is essential information regarding returning to school on Fridays in April, Spring Conferences, and information about a proposal to return to five days of in-person learning in April. Feel free to reach out to an administrator if you have any questions.

We hope that you support us in asking your child to have their camera on during instruction. We have higher engagement and understanding from the students when they have their cameras on during teaching.

8th Grade Assistant

Principal

[Mrs. Erika Harvey](#)

8th Grade Counselor

[Mrs. Colleen](#)

[Malczynski](#)

8th Grade Secretary

[TBD](#)

MS Coordinator

Technology

[Mr. Andrew Zitelli](#)

We will host the next weekly ZOOM meeting on Friday, March 19th, from 6:00-6:30 PM. We will discuss the proposal to return to five days of in-person learning in April.

Important dates as we move forward with examining and preparing to consider moving to five days of in-person learning:

- March 18th - Board of School Directors meeting @ 7:30 PM. Discussion on returning to five days of in-person learning at the secondary schools.
- April 6th - Potential Return to five days of in-person learning at the secondary schools.

Midpoint of the Marking Period

Friday, March 19th, is the midpoint of the 3rd marking period. Please review PowerSchool and communicate with your child's teachers if you have a question to discuss. Think about making a plan for the upcoming spring break to catch up or address a need if it works for your child and family.

The end of the 3rd marking period is April 16th. It is over a month from now, but we have spring break between now and then, and that date will surely sneak upon us.

6th Grade Teams

6th-Grade Webpage

[Beluga Whales](#)

[Polar Bears](#)

[Sea Lions](#)

[Arctic Fox](#)

[Sea Otters](#)

7th Grade Teams

7th-grade Webpage

[Giant Pandas](#)

[Iberian Lynx](#)

[Peregrine Falcons](#)

[Komodo Dragons](#)

[Maui Dolphins](#)

[8th Grade Teams](#)

[8th-Grade Webpage](#)

[Asiatic Cheetahs](#)

[Bengal Tigers](#)

[Gray Wolves](#)

[Snow Leopards](#)

[Parma Wallabies](#)

**Important School
Information:**

[Athletics Information](#)

Back to school on Fridays!

The School Board approved bringing alternating cohorts into the building on Fridays. Please see the schedule we will follow:

March

Cohort A – March 19th

Cohort B – March 12th & 26th

Women's History Month

We will celebrate the study, observance, and celebration of women's vital role in American history in March!

Spring Conferences

Spring conferences are scheduled for March 17th, 18th, and 19th. Students will be dismissed at 10:50 AM on conference days, and there will be no band, chorus, or orchestra classes held at Haverford High School on these days.

We will be reaching out to families with whom we need to schedule a conference. If you would like to meet with a particular teacher or team, then please contact them directly. Teachers are available at any time during the school year to support you and your child.

Spring Family Meeting

Grade-level teaching teams and Unified Arts content areas will be hosting a virtual ZOOM meeting for families on the following dates and times:

6th, 7th, and 8th Grade Core Teaching teams:

- Thursday, March 18th – 7:10 – 7:30 PM

Quarter Class Teachers:

- Wednesday, March 17th at 3:00 PM
- Friday, March 19th at 2:10 PM
- Pick the date and time that works for you
- The Art, Technology, Health, World Language (6th & 7th grade), and Family Consumer Science (8th grade) teachers will present together

Day Cycle classes:

- Physical Education
- Wednesday, March 17th at 2:30 PM
- Friday, March 19th at 1:30 PM
- Pick the date and time that works for you
- The Physical Education teachers will have a separate 6th, 7th, and 8th grade presentation for families

- General Music, Band, Chorus, and Orchestra
- Wednesday, March 17th at 2:00 PM
- Friday, March 19th at 2:00 PM
- Pick the date and time that works for you
- The General Music, Band, Chorus, and Orchestra teachers will present together

We will celebrate how well the kids are doing, discuss what we notice about in-person and virtual learning, offer support and suggestions for families

and students, and answer questions shared in the chat during the presentation. ZOOM links will be shared with families on Monday, March 15th.

PSSAs

PSSAs will most likely begin on May 13th. We will be taking the assessment online this year. Kids that come into the building will take the assessments at 8:00 AM, and kids that are participating virtually or are in the Haverford Online Program will take the assessment in the building at 1:00 PM. Please see the Family Meeting PPT from March 12th for more information.

PowerSchool

Please check PowerSchool on Fridays with your child. A quick 5-minute check and conversation are always helpful. Review the week's assignments - praise your child and have a conversation about an action plan if they need support. Send an email to the teacher, team, school counselor, or administrator if you need their help.

Daily Protocols For Staff & Students

Please be vigilant and help us protect our school community. We need your help and support to ensure that your child understands what is expected of them. If we protect our school community, then the likelihood of remaining in

school will be more of a realization than a hope.

Please be aware of and practice:

- Daily home symptoms screening
- Wearing an approved mask in school
- Social distancing - 6 feet
- Good hand hygiene

School Safety

Please be alert and patient when driving around the school. We will have increased foot traffic around the building soon and we need your help in keeping everyone safe.

The bus lane is reserved for school busses. Feel free to use the streets that border the school to drop-off and pick up.

Lunch & Breakfast Bags

Our new food provider will be changed up the menu offerings, and the kids chowed down! Check out the Family Meeting PPT from Friday for a menu. The breakfast & lunch bags are free to all students for the 2020-2021 school year.

Attendance

We start our day at 7:50 AM, where students attend a Morning meeting with the administrative and school counseling teams and a student representative.

Please expect your child to get to class on time. We understand that there may be technology/technical, time management, or other issues. Please reach out to us, and we can help. If students come to class more than a few minutes late and cannot enter, then they should email their teacher and work on the lesson for the day in Canvas.

If your child has an appointment to attend during the school day, please email Sharon Cianci at scianci@haverfordsd.net. Mrs. Cianci is our attendance secretary. Please provide her with your child's name, grade, the reason for appointment (ex: medical, dentist, etc.), time leaving, and time returning.

Please do not have your child email, Mrs. Cianci. Attendance emails must come from an adult.

Administrative & Counseling Support

Relationships / Social & Emotional Support

Our administrative and counseling teams are available to support you and your family. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you or your child should need support.

- Principal - Daniel J. Horan
 - dhoran@haverfordsd.net
- 6th Grade Administrator - Matthew Crater
 - mcrater@haverfordsd.net
- 7th Grade Administrator - Randy Taylor
 - rtaylor@haverfordsd.net
- 8th Grade Administrator - Erika Harvey
 - eharvey@haverfordsd.net

Counseling Team

Please feel free to reach out to our counseling team if you need support:

- **6th Grade - School Counselor**
 - Lindsey Hughes - lhughes@haverfordsd.net
- **7th Grade - School Counselor**
 - Ricki White - rwhite@haverfordsd.net
- **8th Grade - School Counselor**
 - Colleen Malczynski - cmalczynski@haverfordsd.net
- **6th, 7th, and 8th Grade - School Counselor**
 - Kevin Murphy - kmurphy@haverfordsd.net
- **Social Worker**
 - Jocelyn Durcis - jdurcis@haverfordsd.net
 - Please contact if you and your family need housing or food insecurity support

Technical Help

Please send all requests for technical support for your child's Chromebook, Canvas, PowerSchool, Zoom, Canvas, or other district supported technology to the Technology Help Desk at the following email: ITHelpDesk@haverfordsd.net

PIAA Sports - 7th & 8th Grade

Please contact the Athletic Director, Ms. Stephanie Viola, if you have any questions about SPRING SPORTS at sviola@haverfordsd.net

Clubs & Activities for All Students

Please take the time to check out the [HMS Clubs/Activities 2020/2021](#) google folder to receive information on each activity/club. Reach out to the club sponsors if you have any questions!

