

Haverford Middle School Newsletter

Administration

HMS Principal

Mr. Daniel Horan

<u>Secretary</u>

<u>Mrs. Michelle</u>

D'Avella

6th Grade Assistant
Principal

Mr. Matthew Crater

6th Grade Counselor

Mrs. Lindsey Hughes

6th Grade Secretary

<u>Mrs. Sharon Cianci</u>

7th Grade Assistant
Principal

Mr. Randy Taylor

7th Grade Counselor

Ms. Ricki White

7th Grade Secretary

Mrs. Patty Lazer

Week of February 22, 2021

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.

Please remember to have your child self-screen themself 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 slides from the Family Meeting PPT shared on Friday, February 19th. There is essential information regarding returning to school on Fridays and Spring Conferences. 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

<u>Malczynski</u>

8th Grade Secretary

<u>TBD</u>

MS Coordinator
Technology

Mr. Andrew Zitelli

6th Grade Teams
6th-Grade Webpage
Beluga Whales
Polar Bears

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<u>Sea Lions</u>

Arctic Fox

Sea Otters

7th Grade Teams

7th-grade Webpage

Giant Pandas

Iberian Lynx

We will host the next weekly ZOOM meeting on Friday, February 26th, from 6:00-6:30 PM. We will review the week, communicate expectations that need to be discussed, share new information to be aware of, and incorporate questions submitted to the live chat into the presentation the best we can. The Zoom link for the meeting will be sent out on the day of the meeting.

Back to school on Fridays!

The School Board approved bringing alternating cohorts into the building on Fridays beginning on Friday, March 5, 2021. Please see the following schedule:

March

Cohort A - March 5th & 19th

Cohort B - March 12th & 26th

April

Cohort A – April 9th & 23rd

Cohort B - April 16th & 30th

May

Cohort A - May 7th & 21st

Cohort B - May 14th & 28th

June

Cohort A – June 4th

Cohort B - June 11th

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

Black History Month

We will be celebrating Black History Month this month! The Black History Month 2021 theme, "Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity," explores the African diaspora and the spread of Black families across the United States.

Spring Conferences

Spring conferences are scheduled for March 16th, 17th, and 18th. We will be reaching out to families whom we need to schedule a meeting with. If you would like to meet with a particular teacher or team, then please contact them. They are available at any point 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:

Core Teaching teams

March 18th – 7:10 – 7:30 PM

Quarter Class Teachers

March 17th at 3:00 PM & March 19th at 2:10 PM

Day Cycle classes

- Gym March 17th at 2:30 PM & March 19th at 1:30
 PM
- Music March 17th at 2:00 PM & March 19th at 2:00 PM

We will be celebrating how well the kids are doing, discussing what we notice about in-person and virtual learning, offering support and suggestions for families and students, and answering questions shared in the chat connected to the presentation.

Women's History Month

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

PowerSchool Pow Wow

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.

A Few Other Things

See Haverford High's Singing Valentines at --->

https://drive.google.com/drive/u/0/folders/16LqZQ9I BVP5GtVULzh9ir0XNGYblxpJq

Check out the Quaran-Talent Show at --->
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=24lv5FzZZAo&f
eature=youtu.be

Order an Autism Awareness T-shirt at --->

https://hmsautismawareness2021.itemorder.com/

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 have many kids and staff moving around tight corners, and sightlines are not always ideal.

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 changing up the menu offerings beginning this week! The breakfast & lunch bags are free to all students for the 2020-2021 school year. This week's menu will offer a cheesesteak one day and a cheeseburger on the other day for lunch. Fruit, 1% milk, carrots, and a breakfast muffin or cereal bar are some of the accompanying items included in the lunch & breakfast bags. A more detailed menu will be provided soon.

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
 - o 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 -<u>Ihughes@haverfordsd.net</u>
- 7th Grade School Counselor
 - Ricki White <u>rswhite@haverfordsd.net</u>
- 8th Grade School Counselor
 - Colleen Malczynski <u>cmalczynski@haverfordsd.net</u>
- 6th, 7th, and 8th Grade School Counselor
 - Kevin Murphy <u>kmurphy@haverfordsd.net</u>

Social Worker

- Jocelyn Durcis jdrucis@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 at sviola@haverfordsd.net

Clubs & Activities for All Students

Please take the time to check out the <u>HMS</u>
<u>Clubs/Activities 2020/2021</u> google folder to receive information on each activity/club. Reach out to the club sponsors if you have any questions!