



HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT Viking View

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Hopkins Preschool Field Trip to Fat Blossom Farms



In early October the GSRP (Great Start Readiness) Preschool class went on a field trip to Fat Blossom Farms. As a class, they went on a hike through the woods to look for fairy houses. Then, the preschoolers had an opportunity to work with natural, raw materials to build their own fairy houses. The GSRP preschool class takes at least 2 field trips throughout the school year that enhance their hands-on approach to learning in the classroom.

Learning To Be Vikes



Each Thursday the kindergarten and young fives classes at Hopkins Elementary get together in our common area to work on character traits. In September they studied wisdom, October was how to be a problem solver, and November we will be talking about gratitude and how to have "an attitude of gratitude". We role play, watch short clips, discuss, sing songs, share good news, and practice what we learn in our own rooms!



From the Superintendent...



Gary Wood

This time of year it is always nice to write something for the district newsletter. The positive feelings surrounding the holiday season cause us to focus a little bit more on others and a little bit less on ourselves. The willingness of the Hopkins school community to reach out and help others exists throughout the year and is a positive trait to have in the business of educating children. Examples of these traits can be found throughout this edition of the Viking View. Fundraisers to support our families in need and the volunteers who assist our schools in so many ways are kindnesses found within our communities. These traits are important to instill in our children as they grow and learn. Without doubt I know you will enjoy the articles found in this Viking View.



Counseling & Career Guidance

I wonder how many other schools ensure that time is taken to systematically meet with each individual student several times each year in order to set goals, review progress and develop relationships that support growth. All of our counselors and administrators in our middle school and high school are involved in this process. Our counseling departments schedule Career Day (more details are in this issue); work with students on scheduling, post-secondary planning, college visitations; provide scholarship information and offer a myriad of other services to our students. Let us not overlook their important contribution to our schools.



National Principals Month

October was National Principals Month. Hopkins Public Schools Board of Education gave recognition to our principals during an October Board meeting. Pictured l-r are Jeff Gilder (Board President), Scott Stockwell (Middle School Assistant Principal), Amy Mielke (Sycamore Elementary Principal), Jessica Robrahn (High School Assistant Principal), Ken Szczepanski (Secondary Schools Principal), Scott VanBonn (Hopkins Elementary Principal) and Gary Wood (Superintendent).



Mr. Mark Fisher
Middle School Math and
Science Teacher

Mr. Mark Fisher is our new part-time 8th Grade Math and Science Teacher. Mr. Fisher grew up and still currently lives in the Kalamazoo area. He attended Miller College where he earned his Bachelor's Degree in Education. For the past two years Mr. Fisher was a Math Interventionist at Gull Lake Kellogg Elementary. Prior to teaching Mr. Fisher had a career as an Engineer. Outside of school Mr. Fisher likes to play golf, ski/snowboard and woodwork.



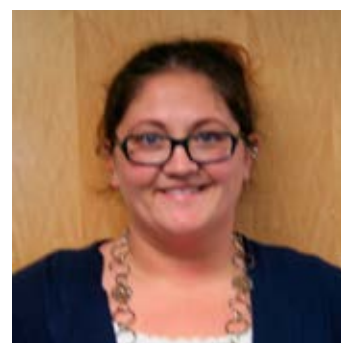
Keith Thompson
Hopkins Elementary First
Grade Teacher

I am a 2008 graduate of Hope College and currently working on a Masters from Western Michigan University. This is my 5th year teaching, and second year in the 1st grade. My family consists of my wife Ashley, whom is also a first grade teacher at Kentwood Public Schools, and our 9 month old daughter Madelyn. I love to stay active by going to the gym and running. I also enjoy cheering on the Detroit Lions, Michigan Wolverines, Detroit Red Wings, Detroit Tigers, and now, the Hopkins Vikings.



Mack Scudder
Middle School 8th Grade
Social Studies/History
Teacher

I grew up in Whitehall and then went on to Grand Valley State University where I earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education, majoring in History and Social Studies and a minor in Biology. I come with experience from the East Kentwood School District where I worked with At-Risk students. Teaching is my second career, having changed my career path after working as a district manager for a national retail company in the Detroit area. When I'm not in the classroom, I enjoy time with my wife and six month old twin sons Beck and Jude. My hobbies include playing guitar, golf, running and reading.



Mrs. Krystal Dykstra
Middle School ELA and
History Teacher

Mrs. Krystal Dykstra is our new part-time U.S. History and ELA teacher for eighth grade at HMS. Mrs. Dykstra grew up in Dorr and attended Grand Valley State University where she earned her degree in English and social studies as well as her teaching certificate. Previously, Mrs. Dykstra taught at East Martin Christian School in the middle school. When she isn't teaching, Mrs. Dykstra enjoys spending time with her husband and two children. In her "free time" Mrs. Dykstra enjoys reading and helping out on her parents family farm.



Samantha Norg
Hopkins Elementary
Young 5 Teacher

I received my Bachelor's Degree at Western Michigan University and am currently working on a Masters in Leadership at Grand Valley State University. I have taught for 3 years prior to this, one year in first grade and two years in young 5's. I live in Dorr with my husband, Kyle and two dogs, Norah and Zoey. I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, being outside, crafting and photography.



Ian Parker
Technology Support
Technician

We would like to welcome Ian Parker as our new part time technology support technician. Ian is a Wayland graduate and a GRCC student studying IT. He will be working part time in the afternoons. Be sure to remind him how awesome Hopkins is!



Linsay Mitchell
Secondary Special Education

I grew up in a small town in the thumb of Michigan called Marlette. I ventured to the west side of the state to attend Western Michigan University in pursuit of a teaching degree. Before joining the Staff at Hopkins Middle and High School, I taught in Grand Rapids Public School and at Wyoming High School for four years. Sports and coaching are my passions and I am not a stranger to Hopkins, having coached the girls' freshman basketball team at Hopkins last winter. When asked about her feelings on joining HHS, Mrs. Mitchell responded, "I am excited for the school year and proud to call myself a Viking!" Outside of the classroom and off the court, I enjoy spending time with my husband and my dog, Charlie.

4 YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNITION



25 Year Pin - Freida Kraft (L)
Jackie Ball (R)



10 Year Pin - (L-R) William Spoelhof, Jon Tew, Judy Pitsch, Anne Galligan, Kimberly Peuler, Chris Francomb, Don Stampfler, (Not Pictured) Lori Castello



20 Year Pin - (L-R) Kathleen Aleman, Richard Reszka, Marcia Stein, Elisa Reed, Not Pictured- Mary Mudget



15 Year Pin - (L-R) Kelly Talsma, Loretta Henry, Todd Crook, Bev Schrotenboer, Jessica Robrahn, Jessica Couch, Lisa Washburn, Deb Tew, TJ Rynsburger, Kim Bollone, Kim Siebers (Not Pictured) Matthew Oeverman

HOPKINS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Fall Fun for Hopkins Elementary Kindergarten & Young 5's Students

Hopkins Elementary Kindergarten and Young Five classes went on a field trip in early October. They spent the morning visiting the Hopkins Public Library, Hopkins Fire Barn, and listening to a presentation by Future Farmers of America members from Hopkins High School. Later the group traveled to Post Family Farm where they went on a hay ride to the pumpkin patch, fed goats, and enjoyed fresh doughnuts and cider among several other activities. The picture below shows Mrs. VanDerMeulen's Kindergarten class using props to participate in a story about how a pumpkin grows from a seed!



Hopkins Elementary Vike Hike



On Thursday, October 8th, the students and staff of Hopkins Elementary participated in the 4th Annual "Vike Hike". This walk-a-thon fundraiser is put on by the Hopkins Organization of Parents and Educators (HOPE). Throughout the day each grade level walked on the track for one hour, completing as many laps as possible. When the day was finished, the students and staff completed nearly 5,000 laps (1,250 miles) on the track and raised \$12,500.



2nd Graders at Hopkins Elementary Attend Children's Cultural Festival



Hopkins Elementary 2nd grade students had the opportunity to visit the Children's Cultural Festival in Saugatuck. Thanks to the Jijak Foundation for their financial help towards busing costs. Students were given the chance to learn about ash basket making, harvesting and foods, the significance of regalia, drum making, and traditional and contemporary art practices. Students were also taught Native American words for hello, thank you, and talk to you later.



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Hopkins Elementary 1st Grade Adventures



On Friday, October 23, Hopkins Elementary 1st graders had fun visiting Crane's Orchard. While they were there students were able to learn about apple orchards, ride a hayride, and go through the corn maze. Afterwards, they visited the L.M Wise Preserve to collect leaves.



SYCAMORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Fire Prevention at Sycamore Elementary



Students at Sycamore Elementary participated in Fire Prevention week. Dorr Fire Department brought two trucks to the school to present to the preschool through 2nd graders. They learned how to "Stop, Drop, and Roll." Everyone climbed through the cab and every grade posed for pictures.



(left) The Walk-a-thon total that put Mrs. Mielke on the roof was \$12,232.51! AMAZING! Way to go!

6th Grade Camp



Hopkins Middle School 6th Graders had the privilege of spending some time at the Outdoor Education Center located on Clear Lake in Dowling, MI.

While there, students worked on skills like problem solving, cooperation, teamwork, and respect through close interactions with their peers, teachers, and instructors.



Please save your Box Tops and Campbell Soup Labels for the Middle School Media Center.



Middle School Robotics

Hopkins Middle School students are busy working on the 2015 FIRST Robotics Tech Challenge. This year's challenge is to build a robot to climb a "mountain" and rescue climbers after an avalanche. The team has been working since September to concept/prototype and build a robot that can successfully do all of the game elements.



In the process they are learning teamwork, CAD design, machining, welding, wiring and programming. They are doing this all while having a lot of fun. Climbing the mountain proved to be very difficult. To accomplish the task the team modified a tank drive to include lugs made from surgical tubing and castrating rings. Now that is a bunch of creative farm kids.



The team will compete at Allendale Middle school on Dec. 5th. The event is free and very exciting. Come out and cheer on the Tech Vikings.

Student Council

The Hopkins Middle School Student Council has had a very busy start to the 2015-2016 school year! For Homecoming, they hosted spirit days and a pep assembly. During an assembly, a fundraiser was held for ALS. Students paid 25 cents for a strip of duct tape to tape their teachers to the wall. Mr. Rynsburger, Mr. Reszka, and Mr. Scudder were good sports as sixth, seventh, and eighth graders tried to raise the most money for their grade level! The seventh grade won, with students paying over \$45 to duct tape Mr. Reszka! HMS also had a Halloween spirit week with dress-up days and a "creepy" pink cupcake sale. \$147.50 was raised by middle schoolers and will be donated to the Breast Cancer Research Foundation.

Hopkins Career Fair 2015

Hopkins 8th and 11th grade students participated in the district's annual Career Fair on November 5th. Presenters representing more than 35 different career fields, from across all the various Career Pathways, spoke with students in classroom sessions that students selected based on their individual career interests. Presenters covered the day-to-day details of their jobs, as well as the education, training, and skills that were needed for success in their career areas. All students also participated in an open house session where they interacted with representatives from many Michigan colleges and universities, military branches, and area employment resources. Students from Martin Public Schools and St. Stanislaus were also invited to attend. The event was a great success, and we would like to send a big thank you to all the community members who volunteered as presenters. Your participation is essential in making this event so valuable for our students.



Hopkins FFA Earns 3 Star Recognition



Hopkins FFA Earns 3 Star Recognition and is Named Top 10 National Finalist in Community Development

The Hopkins FFA Chapter has been recognized in the 2015 National Chapter Award Program from the National FFA Organization as a three star chapter which is the highest award given. The program recognizes outstanding FFA chapters from throughout the country that successfully complete an annual set of required activities that encourage members to grow as individuals, work as a team and serve others in their communities. From over 600 applications submitted, only 1/3 of them were selected to receive this honor.

Chapters that received three star ratings were eligible to be selected to compete for the Model of Innovation Award. This award recognizes those chapters that demonstrate competency in doing new and innovative things or taking traditional concepts and applying a creative twist. Thirty chapters were selected to compete at the National FFA Convention through a presentation and interview process to highlight their chapters' activities in the student, chapter, and community development areas. Hopkins was selected as a top 10 national finalist in the community development division based on service projects completed within the community.

The chapter was recognized on stage at the National FFA Convention held October 28-31, 2015 in Louisville, KY. All winning chapters received honors made possible by corporate sponsor John Deere as a special project of the National FFA Foundation. "Feeding some 9 billion people by mid-century brings with it unprecedented challenges for today's farmers," said Amy Allen, Manager, national corporate contributions for John Deere. "The skills and experiences learned through the National Chapter Awards program will help meet the critical needs."

The Hopkins High School Marching Band concluded their season on Friday October 23rd with their final performance of "Beatlemania" featuring popular tunes by the Beatles. The band placed 5th at the Hastings and Grandville Invationals as well as receiving a first division rating at district band festival. Drum majors this season were Jade Burch and Nolan Pickett, Guard Captains were Julia Osterhouse and Kelcey Porter, Drumline Captain was Hosley Werner. Our senior band members are: Sara Brooks, Jade Burch, Madeline Henrickson, Daniel LaRoche, Katelyn Maddox, Ana Matvichuk, Julia Osterhouse, Kelcey Porter, Matthew Scheidel, Alex ten Haaf, and Caleb Tuinstra.

The National FFA Organization provides leadership, personal growth career success training through agricultural education to 610,240 student members in grades seven through 12 who belong to one of 7,665 local FFA chapters throughout the US, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Members who presented on behalf of the chapter were:
Ashley Rodanhisler, Chapter Secretary
MaKenna Davies, Chapter Reporter
Lexie Wilson, Chapter Vice President

National Bully Prevention Day!

The high school showed their support by wearing a sea of blue on October 5th.



The entire month of October high school students were showing their support to stand up to bullying with the theme, **“Make a Noise for an Unheard Voice.”**

Students were invited to sign a banner to commit to speaking up against bullying of any kind. Student Council members read daily facts on bullying and announcements for help resources were also shared with students. We are proud of all of the students who made the commitment to, **“Make a Noise for an Unheard Voice.”**



Excellence in Education

Mrs. Couch was recently awarded as an Outstanding Teacher by the Michigan State Lottery Excellence In Education Committee. She was interviewed at Michigan State University by basketball coach Tom Izzo, received \$500 in classroom supplies and \$500 for her personal use. She also has been entered for a chance to win a larger award. Pictured with Mrs. Couch is 2013 graduate Alan Green and Coach Tom Izzo.



What is Career Cruising?

Career Cruising is an Internet-based career exploration and planning tool used by your son or daughter to explore career and college options and develop a career plan. Career Cruising can be accessed from school, from home, or wherever your son or daughter has access to the Internet.

Our counselors are working with all of the Middle and High School grades to allow our students to use this amazing resource.

Features of the program include:

ASSESSMENTS World-renowned assessment tools to help students identify his or her career interests, skills, abilities, and learning styles

CAREER PROFILES Thorough and up-to-date information about hundreds of different occupations, including direct links between careers and related college programs

MULTIMEDIA INTERVIEWS Interviews with real people in each occupation, which add depth and realism to career profiles

COLLEGE AND FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION Comprehensive college and financial aid information, with a number of useful search tools to help your student find the right college and the right scholarships

EMPLOYMENT GUIDE Advice for all stages of the job search process, including developing a job search plan, networking, writing resumes and cover letters, preparing for interviews, and adjusting to a new job

EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT PLAN (EDP) An online portfolio where your student can develop and reflect on his or her academic, personal, and career exploration activities, and make plans for the future

RESUME BUILDER Integrated with the EDP to help your student create, format, and print professional-looking resumes quickly and easily

PARENT PORTAL Allows you to view the information your student has stored in his or her EDP, and learn more about the careers and schools that your child is interested in

Contact Case Schipper, High School Counselor, or Jocelyn Wright-Newman, Middle School Counselor, for information on how to access Career Cruising at home with your student.



NHS Hosts Successful Blood Drive

Hopkins NHS and the Red Cross would like to thank all of our blood donors. Together our goal was a total of 41 units of blood donated. This means that there is a potential of saving 123 lives. Thank you for all of your help. The next blood drive is scheduled for December 15th at Hopkins High School.



ATHLETICS



Gridiron Giving Game

When Vikings hear a call for help they roll out in force and meet challenges head on! Recently such a call was heard by the high school's Student Council and in grand style your Mighty Vikings answered.

Winning 2015 Powderpuff Sophomore/Junior team. Partnered with our Friends from Wendy's, and Helen Devos, the Vikings held the Gridiron Giving Game in September. Donations were gathered at the home football game, along with "Hat Day" at the High School, and the proceeds of the 2015 Powderpuff game. In addition, the high school finished up a penny war last week. The Vikings raised over \$698.56 to benefit the Helen Devos Children's Hospital. 100% of those funds go directly to assist patients and families currently receiving care and treatment at the hospital.

Thank you Vikings one and all!



Hopkins High School has added a softball practice field. Thank you to Green Farms, Todd Green, Jim Bala, Orly Delao, Joel Eding for donating your time and hard work on this project."



Lady Vikes Cross Country Compete At State

The girls competed at MIS in the MHSAA State Finals on Saturday November 7. The Lady Vikes finished 16th out of 28 teams competing in the Division 3 race. Freshman Laura Velderman finished 10th out of 250 runners earning All-State honors for Division 3. Congratulations to Laura Velderman, Jasmine Fisher, Megan Heft, Madison Snoeyink, Taryn Kilbane, Emma Helder and Sammy Myers for earning their spot at the State Finals! This is the fourth consecutive year that the Lady Vikes have competed at the Cross Country State Finals.

2015-2016 WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULE

HOPKINS



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BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

Tu-12/08	Wayland	H	7:15PM
F-12/11	Hamilton	A	7:30PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	H	7:00PM
F-12/18	Allendale	A	7:15PM
Tu-1/05	Forest Hills Eastern	H	7:00PM
F-1/08	Lee	A	7:30PM
Tu-1/12	Kent City	A	7:00PM
F-1/15	Calvin Christian	H	7:30PM
F-1/22	Godwin Heights	A	7:30PM
Tu-1/26	NorthPointe Christian	A	7:00PM
F-1/29	Kelloggsville (Winter Follies)	H	7:30PM
Tu-2/02	Belding	H	7:00PM
F-2/05	Lee	H	7:30PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	A	7:00PM
F-2/12	Calvin Christian	A	7:30PM
Tu-2/16	Tri-Unity	A	7:00PM
F-2/19	Godwin Heights	H	7:30PM
Tu-2/23	NorthPointe Christian	H	7:00PM
F-2/26	Kelloggsville	A	7:30PM
Th-3/03	Maple Valley	H	7:00PM
M-3/07	OPEN DATE (District Quarterfinal)	H	TBA
W-3/09	OPEN DATE (District Semi-Final)	H	TBA
F-3/11	OPEN DATE (District Final)	H	7:00PM

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL

Tu-12/01	Fennville	A	7:00PM
F-12/04	Covenant Christian	A	7:00PM
Tu-12/11	Hamilton	A	6:00PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	A	7:00PM
F-12/18	Allendale	H	7:15PM
F-1/08	Lee	A	6:00PM
Tu-1/12	Kent City	H	7:00PM
F-1/15	Calvin Christian	H	6:00PM
Tu-1/19	G.R.-West Catholic	H	7:15PM
F-1/22	Godwin Heights	A	6:00PM
Tu-1/26	NorthPointe Christian	H	7:00PM
F-1/29	Kelloggsville	H	6:00PM
Tu-2/02	Belding	A	7:00PM
F-2/05	Lee (Pop Band)	H	6:00PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	H	7:00PM
F-2/12	Calvin Christian	A	6:00PM
Tu-2/16	Tri-Unity	H	7:00PM
Tu-2/23	Godwin Heights	H	6:00PM
Tu-2/23	NorthPointe Christian	A	7:00PM
F-2/26	Kelloggsville	A	6:00PM
M-2/29	OPEN DATE (District Round 1)	A	TBA
W-3/02	OPEN DATE (District Semi-Finals)	H	TBA
F-3/04	@ OPEN DATE (District Finals)	A	TBA

GIRLS JV BASKETBALL

Tu-12/01	Fennville	A	5:30PM
F-12/04	Covenant Christian	A	5:30PM
Tu-12/10	Hamilton	H	6:30PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	A	5:45PM
F-12/18	Allendale	H	5:45PM
Th-1/07	Lee	A	7:00PM
Tu-1/12	Kent City	H	5:45PM
Th-1/14	Calvin Christian	H	4:15PM
Tu-1/19	G.R.-West Catholic	H	5:45PM
Th-1/21	Godwin Heights	A	4:15PM
Tu-1/26	NorthPointe Christian	H	5:45PM
Th-1/28	Kelloggsville	H	4:15PM
Tu-2/02	Belding	A	5:30PM
Th-2/04	Lee	H	7:00PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	H	5:30PM
Tu-2/11	Calvin Christian	A	4:15PM
Tu-2/16	Tri-Unity	H	5:45PM
Th-2/18	Godwin Heights	H	4:15PM
Tu-2/23	NorthPointe Christian	A	5:45PM
Th-2/25	Kelloggsville	A	4:15PM

GIRLS 9TH BASKETBALL

F-12/04	Covenant Christian	A	4:00PM
Tu-12/10	Hamilton	H	5:00PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	A	4:15PM
F-12/18	Allendale	A	4:15PM
Tu-12/29	Paw Paw	(@ Plainwell)	10:00AM
W-12/30	Plainwell	A	10:00AM
Tu-1/05	Hastings	A	4:00PM
Th-1/07	Allendale	A	4:00PM
Tue-1/12	Kent City	H	4:15PM
F-1/15	Calvin Christian	H	4:15PM
M-1/18	Greenville	H	4:15PM
Tu-1/19	G.R.-West Catholic	H	4:15PM
Tu-1/26	Hackett	A	4:30PM
F-1/29	Covenant Christian	H	4:15PM
Tu-2/02	Wayland H.S.	H	4:15PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	H	4:00PM
F-2/12	Calvin Christian	A	4:15PM
Tu-2/16	Hackett	H	4:15PM
Tu-2/23	Otsego	A	5:00PM

VARSITY BOWLING

Sa-12/05	Pre-Conf Tour.	@ Park Center Lanes	TBA
Tu-12/08	Wayland	A	3:30PM
Sa-12/12	Allendale Falcon Invite	A	9:00AM
M-12/14	Byron Center	@ Spectrum Lanes	3:30PM
Th-12/17	Allendale	H	3:30PM
Sa-12/19	Cedar Springs Invite	@ Westgate Lanes	3:30PM
W-12/23	OK Silver Tour.	A	12:00PM
M-1/11	Godwin Heights	A	3:30PM
W-1/13	Kelloggsville	A	3:30PM
M-1/18	Lee	A	3:30PM
W-1/20	NorthPointe Christian	H	3:30PM
Th-1/21	Wayland	H	3:30PM
M-1/25	Calvin Christian	H	3:30PM
W-1/27	Godwin Heights	H	3:30PM
M-2/01	Kelloggsville	H	3:30PM
W-2/03	Lee	H	3:30PM
M-2/08	North Pointe Christian	A	3:30PM
W-2/10	Calvin Christian	A	3:30PM
M-2/22	Forest Hills Eastern	A	3:30PM

VARSITY CHEERLEADING

W-12/16	Wayland	A	6:00PM
W-1/06	OK Silver Meet	H	6:00PM
Sa-1/09	Wyoming Invite	A	12:00PM
W-1/13	OK Silver Meet	A	6:00PM
Sa-1/16	Falcon Cheer Invite	A	10:00AM
F-1/22	Comstock Stampede	A	6:00PM
W-1/27	OK Silver Meet	@ Godwin	6:00PM
Sa-1/30	Gobles Bulldog Classic	A	9:00AM
W-2/03	OK Silver Meet	A	6:00PM
W-2/10	OK Silver Conference	@ Lee	6:00PM

MS CHEERLEADING

Tu-11/24	OK Silver Jamboree	@ Lee	6:00PM
W-12/02	OK Silver Jamboree	@ Kelloggsville	6:00PM
M-12/07	Maple Valley Invite	A	6:00PM
W-12/09	OK Silver Jamboree	@ Godwin	6:00PM
W-12/16	OK Silver Jamboree	@ NorthPointe	6:00PM
Sa-1/09	Wyoming Invite	A	9:00AM

8TH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Th-2/04	Kelloggsville	H	5:30PM
M-2/08	Godwin Heights	H	5:30PM
Th-2/11	NorthPointe Christian	H	5:30PM
M-2/15	Lee	A	5:30PM
M-2/22	Kelloggsville	A	5:30PM
Th-2/25	Godwin Heights	A	5:30PM
M-2/29	NorthPointe Christian	A	5:30PM
Th-3/03	Lee	H	6:00PM
Sa-3/05	Comstock Tournament	A	TBA

8TH BOYS BASKETBALL

Th-11/12	Kelloggsville	A	5:30PM
M-11/16	Godwin Heights	H	5:30PM
Th-11/19	NorthPointe Christian	H	5:30PM
M-11/23	Lee	A	5:30PM
Th-12/03	Kelloggsville	H	5:30PM
Sa-12/05	Comstock Tournament	A	TBA
M-12/07	Godwin Heights	A	5:30PM
Th-12/10	NorthPointe Christian	A	5:30PM
M-12/14	Lee	H	6:00PM

7TH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Th-2/04	Kelloggsville	H	4:15PM
M-2/08	Godwin Heights	H	4:15PM
Th-2/11	NorthPointe Christian	H	4:15PM
M-2/15	Lee	A	4:15PM
M-2/22	Kelloggsville	A	4:15PM
Th-2/25	Godwin Heights	A	4:15PM
M-2/29	NorthPointe Christian	A	4:15PM
Th-3/03	Lee	H	4:45PM
Sa-3/05	Comstock Tournament	A	TBA

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M-11/23	Lee	A	4:15PM
Th-12/03	Kelloggsville	H	4:15PM
Sa-12/05	Comstock Tournament	A	TBA
M-12/07	Godwin Heights	A	4:15PM
Th-12/10	NorthPointe Christian	A	4:15PM
Mo-12/14	Lee	H	4:45PM

VARSITY WRESTLING

W-12/09	Gobles H.S. (Tn)	A	6:00PM
Sa-12/12	Cardinal Invite	A	9:00AM
Sa-12/19	Jesse Snow Invite	@ Maple Valley	9:00AM
W-12/23	Clipper Classic	TBA	9:00AM
Sa-1/02	Falcon Invite	A	9:30AM
W-1/06	Plainwell Quad	A	5:30PM
Sa-1/16	Hopkins Viking Invite	H	9:30AM
W-1/20	OK Silver Quad	@ Kelloggsville	5:30PM
Sa-1/23	Marcellus	A	TBA
W-1/27	Tri (NorthPointe & Hastings B)	H	5:30PM
F-1/29	Comstock	A	4:00PM
W-2/03	OK Silver Quad	A	5:30PM
Sa-2/06	OK Silver Conference	A	TBA

MS WRESTLING

Tu-2/02	NorthPointe Christian	H	4:15PM
Th-2/04	Lee	A	4:15PM
Tu-2/09	Calvin Christian	H	4:15PM
Th-2/11	Kelloggsville	A	4:15PM
Tu-2/16	Godwin Heights	H	4:15PM
Th-2/18	NorthPointe Christian	H	4:15PM
F-2/19	Godwin Heights Invite	A	4:30PM
Tu-2/23	Lee	H	4:45PM
Th-2/25	Calvin Christian	A	4:15PM
Tu-3/01	Kelloggsville	H	4:15PM
W-3/02	Godwin Heights	A	4:15PM
Sa-3/05	Allendale Invite	A	9:00AM

BOYS JV BASKETBALL

Tu-12/08	Wayland	H	5:45PM
Th-12/10	Hamilton	A	6:30PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	H	5:45PM
F-12/18	Allendale	A	5:45PM
Tu-1/05	Forest Hills Eastern	H	5:45PM
Th-1/07	Lee	A	5:30PM
Tu-1/12	Kent City	A	5:30PM
Th-1/14	Calvin Christian	H	7:15PM
Th-1/21	Godwin Heights	A	5:45PM
Tu-1/26	NorthPointe Christian	A	5:45PM
Th-1/28	Kelloggsville	H	7:00PM
Tu-2/02	Belding	H	5:45PM
Th-2/04	Lee	H	5:30PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	A	5:30PM
Th-2/11	Calvin Christian	A	7:00PM
Tu-2/16	Tri-Unity	A	5:45PM
Th-2/18	Godwin Heights	H	7:00PM
Tu-2/23	NorthPointe Christian	H	5:45PM
Th-2/25	Kelloggsville	A	7:15PM
Th-3/03	Maple Valley	H	5:45PM

BOYS 9TH BASKETBALL

Tu-12/08	Wayland	H	4:15PM
Th-12/10	Hamilton	A	5:00PM
Tu-12/15	Thornapple Kellogg	H	4:15PM
F-12/18	Allendale	A	4:15PM
Tu-1/05	Forest Hills Eastern	H	4:15PM
Tu-1/12	Kent City	A	4:00PM
Th-1/14	Calvin Christian	H	5:45PM
Th-1/21	Godwin Heights	A	7:00PM
Tu-1/26	NorthPointe Christian	A	4:15PM
Th-1/28	Kelloggsville	H	5:45PM
Tu-2/09	Comstock Park	A	4:00PM
Th-2/11	Calvin Christian	A	5:45PM
Tu-2/16	Tri-Unity	A	4:15PM
Th-2/18	Godwin Heights	H	5:45PM
Tu-2/23	NorthPointe Christian	H	4:15PM
Th-2/25	Kelloggsville	A	5:45PM
Th-3/03	Maple Valley	H	4:15PM

Fall Athletic Awards

SPORT	PLAYER	AC/HM
Boys Cross Country	Ethan Nagel	AC
Boys Cross Country	Dan Rausch	AC
Boys Cross Country	James Wubben	HM
Girls Cross Country	Laura Velderman	AC
Girls Cross Country	Jasmine Fisher	AC
Girls Cross Country	Megan Heft	AC
Girls Cross Country	Madison Snoeyink	HM
Girls Cross Country	Taryn Kilbane	HM
Soccer	Cole Bergman	AC
Soccer	Jesse Oosterhouse	AC
Soccer	Brad Lowery	HM
Soccer	Gabriel Pedrino	HM
Volleyball	Lexi Merren	AC
Volleyball	Hannah Van de Roovaart	AC
Volleyball	Josie Freybler	AC
Volleyball	Makayla Mickam	HM
Football – Offense	Zach Blank	AC
Football – Offense	Clayton Frank	AC
Football – Defense	Devin Smit	AC

Punch Passes

Punch pass cards are available for home athletic events. Passes cost \$25 for adults pass and \$15 for students for 10 home games. The cards will not expire at the end of the year so if you have any punches left, you can use them next year. Please remember that, as with season passes, punch passes may not be used for tournament play.

Goldenage Lifetime Pass

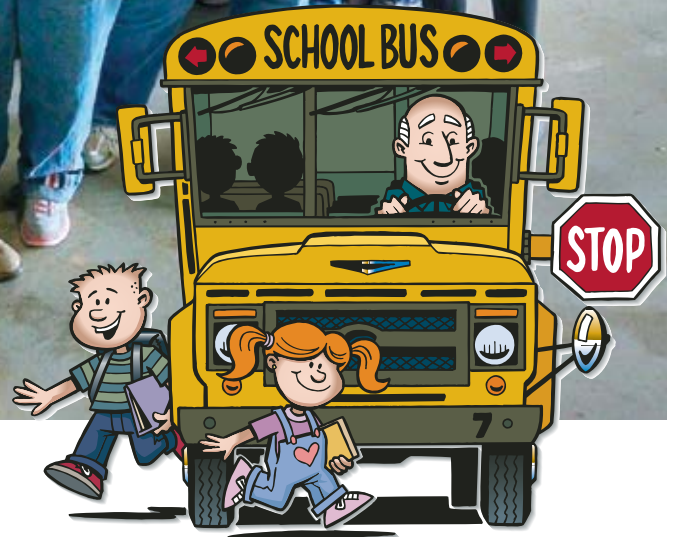
If you are 60 years of age or older you are eligible for a Hopkins Public Schools Goldenage Pass. This is good for admission to all “home” Hopkins School activities. Stop by the administration office (located at the north end of Hopkins Elementary) to get yours today.

Thank You To Our Transportation Department You Are "Out Of This World!"



THANK YOU!

Many thanks to DeYoung Chiropractic (400 68th Street SW and Wayland location) for providing the Hopkins Bus Drivers with a "stress free lunch". Drivers were provided free lunch and neck and shoulder massage!



Viking Volunteer Recognition

Cindy Lowman is an outstanding Viking Volunteer. She has been presenting lessons and activities sponsored by Junior Achievement in the Hopkins High School for more than two decades. As an influential and successful member of the Hopkins Public Schools community, she has stepped up to the challenge to help fulfill a vital need in the high school economics program that is intended for entrepreneurs and business people to share their perspectives in the class to bolster student interest in, and focus on, creating business. Cindy is a dynamic person, often involved in activities that to the uninitiated might appear to be chaos. But it is organized chaos with great learning points that the students later explore further in the classroom. Cindy Lowman continues to be an irreplaceable treasure to the students at Hopkins High School.

NEW

EASY-TO-ACCESS SCHOOL MENUS

presented by  

SCHOOL MENUS THAT ARE INNOVATIVE, VIBRANT, AND ACCESSIBLE!

The way you access school menus is changing, and we are sure you will love it! Hopkins Public Schools, in partnership with Chartwells K12, is now using Nutrislice to publish the school menus to a new interactive website and a free smartphone app! Now you can access your menus anywhere, anytime!

get started!

Locate the website by typing in the URL above.
If you prefer to use the smartphone app, download School Lunch by Nutrislice from Google Play for Androids or the App Store for iPhones.



HHS Students Get in the Kitchen

The High School kitchen would like to give a shout out to our 1st trimester student helpers. For helping 10-15 minutes during their lunch break, they receive a free meal for the day!

Our helpers were Connor Brookhouse, Drew Osborn, and Tyler McDaniel.



Free & Reduced Lunch Information

Federal and state funded programs (Title I, etc) often use complicated formulas to calculate annual allocations to local school districts. Occasionally, the funds are tied to the percentage of students in a school district that receive free and/or reduced lunch. Even if you are unsure if your family would qualify, please take a few minutes and complete the application; it could provide your family with financial assistance for breakfast and/or lunch for your child AND it could impact the support that Hopkins would receive from the state in regards to federal/state funded programs.

Find instructions for "How to Apply 2015-16" on our Food Service website. The entire application is also available at this website: <http://www.hpsvikings.org/our-district/departments/food-service/>

USING THE WEBSITE

1. Select the grade level of your school.
2. Select the school menu you wish to view.
3. Once within the site, you will see the menu is interactive. If you hover over a food, you will be able to see an image and a description.

USING THE APP

1. Select your state, followed by your school district.
2. Select the grade level, school and then the school menu you wish to view.
3. Once within the menu, you will be defaulted to the current day. You can select a food to find its description.

QUESTIONS?

Contact Katherine Borovsky, Director of Dining Services
kathboro@hpsvikings.org - 269-793-7082 x 4530

NOW YOU CAN ALSO:

- **see** more information about menu items, including a photo and description
- **filter** common food allergens like nuts, wheat and dairy
- **translate** your menus into a number of different languages
- **access** nutrition information like carb counts and calories with just a few clicks!
- **print** a PDF version of the menus directly from the website, if you prefer



Spaghetti Dinner Benefitting The Winchester Family



Stand With Us

Mark Your Calendar for
Tuesday,
December 8, 2015
5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.



Minimum Donation \$7 per Person
Additional Donations for the Winchesters
Will Be Gladly Accepted
Purchase Tickets in the High School
Office Or at the Door

Hopkins High School Cafeteria

Menu
Spaghetti and Sauce
Salad, Breadsticks, Dessert,
and Coffee or Juice

Silent
Auction
for
Great
Items!

Great Start Families Group

for children birth to 5 years

Join us each month for learning opportunities disguised as play, socialization, parent (or caregiver)-child interaction, access to services, networking, a take-home book, story time, and a snack.

All children, five years and younger, and their caregivers are encouraged to attend.

Please contact Ashley Swainston, Hopkins Family Coach at ashlswai@hpsvikings.org

Hopkins Elementary
9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

December 4th
January 8th
February 5th
March 4th
April 1st
May 6th
June 3rd



Michigan Child
Protection
Registry

Are your children safe while online?

Michigan families, especially minors, are becoming inundated with advertisements from alcohol, tobacco, pornography and gambling marketers through different internet and cell phone inboxes. Texting their advertisements is the newest marketing effort that many of these companies are using. Thankfully, the State of Michigan offers a free program to stop adult advertisements from reaching e-mails, mobile phones (text messaging ads) and instant messenger IDs. The Michigan Child Protection Registry, like the federal Do Not Call List, is a free do-not-contact service for Michigan's families and schools and can be located at www.Protect-MIChild.com.

MISSING OUT???

If you know of someone who is not receiving this publication and would like to, please call 269-793-7261 to add their name to our mailing list.

WHO TO CALL

If you have questions about specific school operations, policies, or activities, please refer to this handy list.

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HOPKINS HIGH SCHOOL

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Assistant Principal – Jessica Robrahn

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Principal – Amy Mielke

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Transportation/Operations Supervisor – Jon Tew

SPECIAL EDUCATION

400 Clark Street,
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Special Education Director – Mary Gordon

ZUMBA IN HOPKINS



Come Zumba in Hopkins! Michelle Hazen and Anne Galligan will keep you moving this winter. Join them for an hour of aerobic exercise on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Michelle will be leading the Tuesday and Thursday class from 7-8pm in the Hopkins Elementary gym.

Anne will be leading the Thursday 3:15-4:15pm class and the Saturday morning class from 9-10am in the Hopkins Elementary cafeteria.

Class fees are \$5. Punch cards are available. Your first class is free! A dollar from each participant per class will go to benefit HOPE.

Students 12 and under are free and students 13 and over are \$2.

Join Us For The 4th Annual No One Fights Alone Zumbathon & Silent Auction

March 26, 2016 • 6:00PM-9:00PM
Hopkins Middle School Cafeteria

The Hopkins Public School District Board of Education complies with all federal and state laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or ancestry, age, sex, marital status, height, weight, or disability in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Superintendent of Schools, Hopkins Public Schools, 400 Clark Street, Hopkins, MI 49328 – 269 793-7261

Upon request to the Superintendent, the District shall make reasonable accommodation for a disabled person to be able to participate in activities.

POSTAL PATRON
BOXHOLDER
RURAL ROUTE

Substitute Positions

Hopkins Public Schools utilizes EDUStaff to facilitate substitute teaching positions. You must have an account registered with EDUStaff to be considered for a substitute position at Hopkins Public Schools. In order to get an account setup, please follow the directions below:

- Go to www.EDUStaff.org
- Top left hand corner, click on "Start Application"
- Complete the online application (process will take about 30 minutes to two hours depending on employee type)
- Call EDUStaff with any questions or concerns at 877.974.6338
- Monthly \$25/per building gift card drawings.

HOPKINS BOARD OF EDUCATION

Members of the Board of Education would like to keep lines of communications open with the community they serve. Please feel free to call with your comments and concerns.

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Hopkins Public Schools District Calendar 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR

Nov. 24	1st Trimester Ends ½ day for Students ½ DPPD Day – Teachers Only PM
Nov. 25-27	Thanksgiving Break - No School
Dec. 21-Jan. 1	Christmas Break
Feb. 22	Midwinter Break – No School
Mar. 4	2nd Trimester Ends ½ day for Students ½ DPPD Day – Teachers Only PM
Apr. 4-8	Spring Break
May 30	Memorial Day – No School
Jun. 8	½ day for students DPPD Day – Teachers Only PM
Jun. 9	3rd Trimester Ends ½ day for students Last Student Day

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