

Hopkins Public Schools



# Hopkins Middle School Newsletter

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*"Committed to Quality Education for our Children's Future"*

## *September Citizens of the Month*

*Josh Bieber  
Jesse Dykstra  
Savannah Emaus  
Valerie Nagengast  
Tyler Salmon  
Andrew Stallard*

***Congratulations!***



*Parent/Teacher Conference  
Thursday, October 17th  
4-8:00pm*

## *September Students of the Month*

*Olivia Barry  
Jason Battjes  
Haley Duimstra  
Raegan Kraft  
Colton Hooker  
Jonathan Ryan*

***Congratulations!***

### **Attention Students and Parents:**

October is Cyber Safety Month! As part of the 1 to 1 computer initiative, we have been doing some exciting things involving your student's education in the area of online/computer safety. All students will be receiving instruction in the following areas:  
Lesson 1: Proper care of the netbook (already presented week of Sept 17th)

Lesson 2: Online Etiquette (will be presented week of Oct 7th)

Lesson 3: Cyber-bullying and Sexting (will be presented week of Oct 14th)

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments!

### **Homecoming Spirit Week October 14-18**

**Monday 14th- No School!**

**Tuesday 15th- Favorite Sports Team**

**Wednesday 16th -Vacation Destination**

**Thursday 17th- Camo and Duck Dynasty Day**

**Friday 18th- Blue & White Day**

**Box tops for yearbook** are due no later than Wednesday, October 23rd. Put in bundles of 50's and make sure students name is with them

### **Homecoming DANCE**

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2013**



**3:00-5:00**

**HMS CAFETERIA- \$5.00**

**CD'S PIZZA/POP AVAILABLE:  
CHEESE/PEPPERONI PIZZA**

**\$1.50**

**Pop - \$.50**

## Eighth Grade History

We are beginning our study on the Revolutionary War. We will focus on its causes, looking at them from both the British side and the Americans' side. We will look at the Declaration of Independence carefully and the grievances against the king and Parliament and see how they apply to today. Also, we'll look at the Core Democratic Values put forth in the Declaration. We'll end our study with the Articles of Confederation as the interim government between the war and the Constitution.



Please, be sure to check your student's calendar on their netbook each week for the week's schedule of assignments and when they are due. They do not need the internet for this so it should be available to you at any time. We input the schedule each Monday so your student should have everything set for history.



## Good Test taking tips.

Study a couple of nights before the test.  
Get a good night sleep the day before the tests.  
Always have a good breakfast.  
Drink water to stay hydrated.  
Relax, don't worry about the test.

Think positive.

During the test read each question and answer carefully.

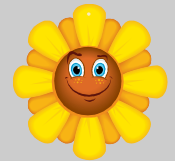
Answer each question completely, especially when writing an essay.

Parents make sure to encourage and support your student before and after the test.

Other Tips can be found at <http://pbskids.org/itsmylife/school/teststress/article10.html>

Todd Crook 10/1/13

## *Photo Retakes* *Monday October 21st*



## **Help our school by ....**

- *Saving your Village Market receipts*
- *Turning in your old printer cartridges and old cell phones for recycling*
- *Saving your Campbell's Labels for Education (UPC codes) and turning them into the office.*
- *Saving your Box Tops for Education*
- *Scanning your Meijer Community Rewards card every time you shop—applications are available in the office.*
- *Scanning your Hardings eScrip Community card every time you shop. Cards are available in the HMS office.*
- *Saving your Dick's Market receipts*
- *Using your Target RED card*



## NEXT STUDENT COUNCIL

MEETING:

THURSDAY

October 31

2:50-3:50



ROOM 1102

Bring a snack for yourself and  
come ready to work!

## **Attention parents and students:**

The High School NHS (National Honors Society) will be available to help tutor here in the middle school on Tuesdays and Thursdays right after school in the media center. All students are welcome to take advantage of this opportunity from 3:00-4:00. Please arrange for transportation home no later than 4:00.

# Sports

## Middle School Soccer

<b>10/11</b>	<b>Newhall (White)</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4:30pm</b>
M-10/14	Kent City	A	4:30pm W-
10/16	NorthPointe Christiain	A	4:30pm

## Middle School Volleyball

<b>M 10/14 Kelloggsville</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4:15pm</b>
W 10/16 Kent City MS	A	4:15pm
<b>M 10/21 NorthPointe Christian MS</b>	<b>H</b>	<b>4:15pm</b>

## Middle School Cross Country

Th 10/10	OK Silver Jamboree (@Long Lake Park)	A	5:30pm
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## Zumba For Mackinac

Monday & Thursday classes at Hopkins Elementary 3:30-4:30pm

Come join us and have some fun while you are burning calories.

Questions....Call Stephanie Caulder  
615-510-4992

stephieaalmor@hotmail.com

## Vocal Music Booster's Spaghetti Dinner

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00-6:45pm  
H.S. Cafeteria

M.S. and H.S. Choir and Art Departments'  
Fall Collage Showcase Concert  
Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm  
M.S. Cafetorium

## 6th Grade Camp October 23rd-25th



## Free and Reduced Meals- Did you know?

You may qualify for free and reduced lunch! Many of our students who may not have qualified in the past are now eligible for free or reduced meals. Here are a few facts you should know:

- Financial qualifications change slightly each year and are only part of the application process.
- If you are in any temporary living situation, you automatically qualify.
- All applications and results are kept confidential. Students who receive free or reduced meals use the same accounting system as those who pay, so they are not singled out or have any attention drawn to them in the cafeteria line.
- Free or reduced meals can take financial pressure off your family and ensure your child's healthy and tasty choices.
- Eating a nutritional breakfast each day improves student test scores and overall academic success.
- Many of the grants and special funding we receive is based in part on how many students receive free and reduced lunch.
- Applying is easy- just fill out the one page application and turn it in at any building office.

Free and Reduced Meal applications are available in each office and on our district website at:

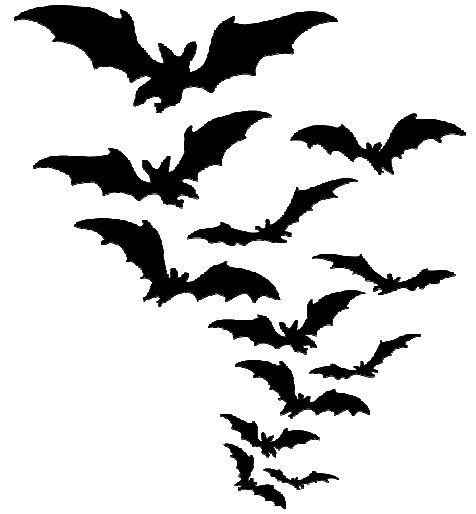
<http://www.hpsvikings.org/parent-resources/forms/>

## HOPKINS VOCAL MUSIC NEWS

**Hopkins Student Stage Tech Training  
Day Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> from 3:30-6:30pm**  
M.S. Cafetorium/Stage  
**Students in Grades 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

Free training for students on the basics of using/running Audio, Lighting, and Back Stage equipment. Students that attend and complete this day of training will qualify to help run Tech for any Hopkins Concerts and/or Musical Techie activities for the 2013-2014 season.





The Goblins are haunting.

The Monsters will mash.

Come to the Costume Halloween Bash!!

## COSTUME HALLOWEEN SKATING PARTY

### FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

ALL COSTUMES WILL BE ENTERED IN A CONTEST

DATE:

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2013

TIME:

6:00 P.M. – 8:00 P.M.

WHERE:

BYRON FUN SPOT



LOCATED AT:

3651 84TH ST. SW  
BYRON CENTER, MI 49315  
616-878-7100



Halloween  
skate

**ADMISSION:**

**\$5.00 – INCLUDES REGULAR SKATE RENTAL  
ADDITIONAL \$3.00 FOR ROLLER BLADE RENTAL**

**SPONSORED BY THE HMS PARTNERS GROUP**

# UCCELLO'S NIGHT!

Hopkins H.S.  
Grad Night  
2014

**Wednesday**

**10/23/13**

**Time: 6-9 pm**

You can have a night out, enjoy a great dinner at Uccello's and support the HHS Graduating Class of 2014! Wednesday, October 23rd, from 6 to 9 pm Uccello's will donate a percentage of their regularly priced food item sales to the 2014 Grad Night Fund!

**Wayland Uccello's**

700 West Superior  
Wayland MI, 49348



*Thank you for supporting  
The Class of 2014  
Grad Night!*

# UCCELLO'S

*Ristorante*

**PIZZERIA & SPORTS LOUNGE**

*Where Great Food & Sports Come Together!*

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## HMS Contact Information

### ADMINISTRATION:

Ken Szczepanski, *Principal*  
Scott Stockwell, *CQO 6/7*  
Crook, Todd, *Counselor*  
Jocelyn Wright Newman, *Counselor*  
Jan Lodenstein, *Secretary*

### EXT:

3509  
3507  
3508  
3510  
3500

### STAFF:

Aleman, Kathleen  
Arndt, Ronna  
Barry, Joseph  
Byville, Suzanne  
Crook, Todd  
Francis, Cody  
Francomb, Christopher  
Hazen, Rick  
Haverdink, Melissa  
Bub Brainard  
Johnston, Jennifer  
Marckini Katelyn  
Oaster, Jacob  
Orme, Timothy  
Pitsch, Judy  
Quist, Carrie  
Reszka, Richard  
Rose, Lindsay  
Rynsburger, T.J.  
Smith, Julie  
Snoeyink, Susan  
Stein, Karen  
VerMerris, Steve  
Weible, Alexis  
Weick, Pat  
Williams, Jessica

### EXT:

3002  
3550  
3001  
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## Important Dates to Remember:

Oct. 11	<i>Data Day, no school for students</i>
Oct. 14	<i>Fall break,. No school</i>
Oct. 17	<i>Parent/Teachers Conference 4-8:00pm</i>
Oct. 21	<i>Photo Retakes</i>
Nov. 5	<i>Partners Meeting 7:00pm Hopkins MS</i>
Nov. 12	<i>Vocal Music Boosters Spaghetti Dinner HS 5-6:45pm</i>
Nov.12	<i>MS/HS Choir/Art Showcase Concert MS 7:00pm</i>
Nov. 19	<i>1st Trimester Ends</i>
Nov. 20	<i>Data Day, No School for Students</i>
Nov. 28 & 29	<i>Thanksgiving Break</i>
Dec. 3	<i>Partners Meeting 7:00pm Hopkins MS</i>
Dec. 23-Jan.3	<i>Christmas Break</i>
Jan. 7	<i>Partners Meeting 7:00pm Hopkins MS</i>
Jan. 23	<i>Parent/Teacher Conference 4-7:00pm</i>
Feb. 4	<i>Partners Meeting 7:00pm Hopkins MS</i>
Feb. 17	<i>Midwinter Break</i>
Feb. 27	<i>2nd Trimester Ends</i>
Feb. 28	<i>Data Day—No School for Students</i>

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### ATTENDANCE

Please call the Middle School office within 24 hours of your students absence. You may leave a message on our voicemail system day or night. When reporting illness, please inform Secretary of what type of symptoms your child is experiencing.

Fever, sore throat, ect. If your child is absent 2 days or more, you may request homework. If absent only 1 day, homework can be picked up from their Teacher the next day.

### PHONE CALLS

Telephones in the office are to be used for illness and emergencies only. Thank you for your cooperation.

### IMMUNIZATIONS

Please report all immunizations that your child has had so we can keep our school records up to date. All new students and all 6th graders must be completely up to date on all immunizations. Please contact the HMS office if you have any questions.

### MEDICATION

ALL medications dispensed to the students must be supplied from home. The school does not provide any type of medication. All prescription medication must be provided in a pharmacy labeled bottle. Tylenol/Aspirin must be brought to the office in an unopened bottle. All students requiring any type of medication must have a medication form completed by their parents.

### CHANGES in Phone Numbers, Home Address & E-Mail

**Please inform the office any time there are changes in your address or phone numbers.** We need to have this information so we can update our records.