

Hopkins Public Schools

Hopkins Middle School Newsletter

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

ATTENTION CLASS OF 2022

There will be a 9th Grade Student Parent Transition Meeting on Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 6:00 pm or choose to come on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at 1:30pm.

All 8th grade students and parents/guardians are encouraged to attend and hear about High School Planning and Class Scheduling. There will be more information available soon!

HOPKINS PUBLIC SCHOOLS PRESENTS-



- APRIL 26 6:30PM
- APRIL 27 7PM
- APRIL 28 2 & 7PM

TICKETS \$10/\$8
ON SALE 3/19 IN MS
OFFICE

LET'S CELEBRATE FEBRUARY'S STUDENTS AND CITIZENS OF THE MONTH!

Students of the Month

Nolan Wood
Abby Zalis
Nick Hoffman
Zoey Marshall
Bryce Kuhn
Sarah Ball



Citizens of the Month

Kate Cleypool
Grant DeHaan
Mason Tomes
Jenna Hightower
Zach Wissner
Preston Rillema

Spring Picture Day is Coming!

Middle School Picture Day will be Thursday, March 22



The 6th grade is currently reading the novel "Under the Blood Red Sun" by Graham Salisbury. It is a historical fiction account of how the Japanese Americans were treated during WWII. Each chapter has required assignments and vocabulary to do. Please check with your child that he/she is keeping up with the novel. I feel that I am going at a very fair pace for students. The novel is on my Google Classroom page. Students who do not have internet access have been told to download chapters at school to the desk top of their net book. They can then access them at home without needing internet. All of my classes have been informed many times about the importance of keeping up on the chapters, especially if they are absent. The other issue that I have noticed when checking students' work on the chapters, is not answering in complete sentences. This is something that should not even have to be thought about at this grade level. I am holding students accountable for doing this, so it could have a negative effect on grades. Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Patricia Weick
6th grade ELA



The 7th grade class will be going on their second trimester trip on March 9th. Students have earned this trip by avoiding suspensions and by having fewer than three SRC's for this trimester. The bowling alley also put together a "kid friendly" menu for our students and everything on the menu will cost \$5. Sending money for food is optional, but it is available. We look forward to having fun with our students at the lanes!

MIDDLE SCHOOL TRACK AND FIELD STARTS IN THREE WEEKS!!!

All grade levels may run track this season, and we are looking to improve even more on last year's record-breaking team. Sign-up sheets are in the office. Practices will start on Wednesday, March 21, and your son or daughter will need to have his/her physical form completed before practicing.

Mr. Moerdyke and Mr. Barry will be coaching the teams and have some new techniques to improve performance for a successful season. If you have any questions, please email Mr. Barry: josebarr@hpsvikings.org or Mr. Moerdyke: philmoer@hpsvikings.org



Hopkins HYSO Summer Ball Registration is now open for the 2018 summer ball season. T-ball, Softball, and Baseball Registration forms are available on Facebook at: [HOPKINS HYSO SUMMERBALL](https://www.facebook.com/HOPKINS-HYSO-SUMMERBALL) (a form is also attached to this newsletter for you to print).

Email questions to: hopkinssummerball@gmail.com



DONATIONS NEEDED!!!

The Culture Committee needs donations of **frosting and sprinkles** by **March 16th**. Students will be decorating their own **St. Patrick's Day cookie!** 

Thanks in advance for your help!!! 

Hopkins Grad Night 2018 Needs Your Support!

There will be a Corn Hole Tournament on March 10 @12:00 pm at the Dorr Moose Lodge. Teams are still needed! Any age welcome. The cost is \$50.00 for a team of 2. Cash prizes awarded!!! If interested email: klahaie@magicsteel.com

Painting Party at The Barn at Monterey on Tuesday, April 17 @ 6:00pm. Painting options will be available March 5 for your choosing. Cost is \$35.00 per person. If interested email: rhonsapp@hpsvikings.org

There is still time to purchase Lenger Travel raffle tickets. \$10.00 for your chance to win a \$7500 travel voucher with no expiration. Contact a senior to get yours today. The drawing takes place at the May Grillin in the Grass Event.



Girls- dress up your dads and come dance the night away!

Seventh Annual Elementary
Daddy-Daughter Dance

Friday, May 11, 2018

Hopkins Middle School
Cafeteria
6:00-8:00

\$10.00 Admission/
Couple



Concessions available:
CD's Pizza, soda, juice,
water, popcorn, candy

Proceeds go to help fund 6th
Grade Camp.
Photo booth available for
photo ops!

Hopkins' Bands Present Spring Fling 2018 Dinner & Show

Saturday, March 24th doors at 5:15pm dinner at 6 PM
Hopkins Middle School Cafetorium
Roasted Chicken Dinner, Show & Silent Auction

Opening Acts Showcases

The Allegan Brass Collective &
Hopkins High School Quintets and Jazz Band
Headliner

Western Michigan University's
Jazz Collective

Tickets : \$20 or \$125 for a table
Available at Band room or Middle School Office
Limited Seating Available

For More Information: jcaewill@hpsvikings.org

“Grillin’ in the Grass”

Fundraiser Dinner

Presented by the Hopkins Vocal Music Boosters



THURSDAY, May 17th

From: 4:30-7:00pm

(Prior to the Choir & Art Collage Concerts
in the M.S. Cafetorium)



LOCATION: Hopkins High School's Front Patio/Lawn

(If poor weather, the dinner will be held inside the H.S. Cafeteria)

333 Clark Street

Hopkins, MI 49328

(269) 793-7407 (x 3109)

PRICE: \$7 per person at the Patio Entrance Table

*Family Special –4 Dinners for \$24

MORE DETAILS:

Bring the Whole Family!

*If you can't stay for the Dinner, Take Out will be available!



TWO Menu CHOICES:

Hamburger Meal

or

2 Hot Dogs Meal

Baked Beans

Baked Beans

Chips

Chips

Pop

Pop

Brownie

Brownie



**Proceeds from this event go toward Hopkins
Vocal Music Student Scholarships and Trips.**



To help prepare your 8th grade Middle School student, please take a moment to look over the following information regarding the upcoming PSAT. Testing will take place on March 14.

You may find additional information at: collegeboard.org

Some Key Facts

- The PSAT™ 8/9 is designed for **8th-** and **9th-grade students**.
- The PSAT 8/9 is a test that will help educators and students figure out **what students need to work on most** so that they are ready for college when they graduate from high school.
- Scores for the SAT® Suite of Assessments (SAT, PSAT/NMSQT®, PSAT™ 10, and PSAT 8/9) are reported on a common vertical scale, allowing educators and students to **measure progress**.
- Test length: 2 hours and 25 minutes.
- There's **no penalty for guessing** or blank responses, also known as "rights-only scoring."

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Benefits of the PSAT 8/9



The PSAT 8/9 establishes a baseline measurement of college and career readiness.



The PSAT 8/9 tests the same skills and knowledge as the SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, and PSAT 10—in a way that makes sense for each grade level.



Personalized practice on Khan Academy® gives students the opportunity to upload their test results to receive targeted learning plans that students can use to learn more about and practice the skills they need to improve.



The score reports will give students comprehensive, personalized feedback on test performance, allowing students to see which questions were answered incorrectly and which academic skills they should work to improve.



Information on college majors and career exploration are offered by the College Board and Roadtrip Nation.

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Skills Tested



Reading Test



Writing and Language Test



Math Test

- Each test assesses the academic skills that students developed over the years, primarily through coursework.
- These skills are considered essential for success in high school, college, and career.

Reading Test



- 42 passage-based questions;
55 minutes
- 4 single passages and
1 pair of passages

Quick Facts

- All questions are multiple choice and based on passages.
- Some passages are paired with other passages or informational graphics such as charts, graphs, and tables.
- No mathematical computation is required.
- Prior topic-specific knowledge is never tested.

Reading Test



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What to Expect

The Reading Test always includes:

- One passage from a classic or contemporary work of U.S. or world literature
- One passage or a pair of passages from either a U.S. founding document or a text in the great global conversation they inspired. The U.S. Constitution or a speech by Nelson Mandela, for example
- A selection about economics, psychology, sociology, or some other social science.
- Two science passages (or one passage and one passage pair) that examine foundational concepts and developments in Earth science, biology, chemistry, or physics

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Writing and Language Test



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- 40 passage-based questions;
30 minutes
 - 4 passages

Quick Facts

- All questions are multiple choice and based on passages.
- Some passages are paired with informational graphics such as charts, graphs, and tables.
- No mathematical computation is required.
- Prior topic-specific knowledge is never tested.
- The Writing and Language Test is part of the Evidence-Based Reading and Writing section.

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Writing and Language Test



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What to Expect

The Writing and Language Test puts students in the active role of an editor who is improving a written passage. Most questions ask students to decide which, if any, of the three alternatives to an underlined part of a passage most improves it.

Math Test

- 2 test sections; 60 minutes
- 38 questions
(31 multiple choice, 7 grid-ins)



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Quick Facts

- Most math questions will be multiple choice, but some will be student-produced responses (grid-ins).
- The Math Test is divided into two portions: Math Test – Calculator and Math Test – No Calculator.
- Some parts of the test will present a scenario and then ask several questions about it.

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Math Test

What to Expect

The Math Test focuses on the math that matters most for college and career readiness. To succeed on the Math Test, students will need to demonstrate mathematical practices, such as problem solving and using appropriate tools strategically.



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Math Section

Math Test – Calculator



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Students: Know Your Calculator

- A scientific or graphing calculator is recommended.
- Students should bring a familiar calculator. Test day is not the time to figure out how to use a new calculator.

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Math Section

Math Test – Calculator



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Additional Calculator Tips for Students

- Don't try to use the calculator on every question—no question requires one.
- Decide how to solve each problem; then decide whether to use a calculator.
- Make sure your calculator is in good working order and that batteries are fresh.
- Students will not be permitted to use laptops or other computers, tablets, cell phones, or smartphones, etc. Please reference the student guide for a complete list.

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Know How the PSAT 8/9 Is Scored

Rights-Only Scoring

- 1 point for each correct answer
- 0 points deducted for each incorrect or blank question

Math Grid-ins

- Enter answers as (reduced) fractions or decimals.
- If rounding a decimal, make sure to use every box.

Scale

- 120–720 for each test section
- 240–1440 for the total score

Summer Music Camp 2018

JUNE 25-27
9AM-3PM

AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS GOING INTO:
3RD-7TH GRADE
(FOR THE 2018/2019 SCHOOL YEAR)

What do we do?

Perform, sing, Dance, play instruments, hang out with friends and trained music counselors, prizes, pie your counselor!, music and art activities, games, sports and tons of fun!



2018 Music Camp Theme

"GENRES"

Students will learn and perform music from every genre! From Back to Broadway, Classical to Contemporary, and more!

Because our Broadway theme was so popular last year, we will be bringing some musical theater back to camp this summer!

However, we will explore rock, pop, jazz, rap and so much more as well!

More information on back! 



SYCAMORE SUMMER MUSIC CAMP 2018 REGISTRATION FORM

Please return this form with payment to your school office

Camper Name _____ Age _____ Grade for NEXT school yr _____

What school does your child attend? SYCAMORE HOPKINS ELEM ST. MARYS ST STANS OTHER _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Camper Shirt Size KIDS S M L XL ADULT..... S M L XL XXL

Parent Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Parent Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Other Phone _____

Who will be dropping off and picking up your camper? _____

Does your child have any food allergies? _____

In the event of an emergency, we will contact the numbers above first. Please provide a 2nd contact below

Emergency Contact Name _____ Relationship to Camper _____

Cell Phone _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Alternate Phone _____

Choose ONLY ONE other camper to be placed on a team with _____

Please fill in each space that applies to your camper.

\$ _____ Tuition- \$65.00 . Please drop off registration and payment TOGETHER in YOUR school office.

\$ _____ (optional) Contribution to scholarship fund helping a camper with a financial hardship go to camp!
Any dollar amount helps! Every year we have at least 5 students who cannot attend because of financial hardships. We are thankful for any amount you can give!

\$ _____ I have a financial hardship and can only pay _____. If scholarship funds are available I would like to use those to help my child come to camp. (Please note...scholarships are first come first serve and there is a limited amount, Please include partial payment with this form. You will be contacted if you do NOT receive a scholarship.

\$ _____ TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED... MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MEGAN VOS

PAYMENT INFORMATION: Cash or Check. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO MEGAN VOS If you need to cancel your registration, please do so by June 1. There will be no refunds after June 1. All forms and payment are also due June 1.



Annual
 "Outstanding People for Education" Award



(Sponsored by the Allegan County School Boards Association)

Do you know someone who has "made a difference" to a student in your district?

The purpose of the "Outstanding People for Education" recognition is to honor and recognize people in education who are excelling in their field and/or making an impact in the quality of public education in Allegan County.

Examples of whom you might nominate:

- a teacher or classroom aide
- an administrator, secretary or board of education member
- a bus driver, custodian, or other school support staff
- social worker, therapist, or consultant
- a volunteer or community member who supports education

OR Anyone else who has made an impact!

Things to consider when submitting a nomination:

1. **Someone involved in education who has made a difference in the overall quality of public education in Allegan County by:**
 - demonstrating knowledge and skill in his/her area of responsibility.
 - developing unique programs that have enhanced the classroom learning experience.
 - playing a leadership role in education.
 - being a true "team player" in a school setting.
 - providing support for a program, service, or event that significantly impacts education.
 - exhibiting an attitude that promotes a positive working and learning environment and reflects positively on your school district.
2. **Someone who has made an impact on the quality of an individual student's educational experience by:**
 - demonstrating sensitivity to the needs of individual students.
 - providing service "above and beyond" (over and above their job description).

Deadline for nomination: April 1st

I would like to nominate:

 Nominee School District and Building/Department

 Home Address or Phone (if known) Position (teacher, volunteer, bus driver, etc.)

Person Submitting (Your Name): **If you wish to remain anonymous, please check this box.*

 Name and Address Phone

 Email Relationship to Nominee(co-worker, parent of student, etc.)

Please explain how this person has impacted the quality of education in your school and/or tell why this person has made a difference in your (or another child's) individual education. Feel free to use the criteria mentioned above as you write, give examples from your own experience, and speak from your heart! ***Attach another sheet, if necessary.***

***Please send nomination form to: Kim Bollone, Hopkins Public Schools
 400 Clark Street, Hopkins MI 49328
 or email the requested information to: kimbboll@hpsvikings.org***

HOPKINS SUMMER BALL REGISTRATION FORM

FULL NAME		<input type="checkbox"/> M	<input type="checkbox"/> F
ADDRESS			
PHONE #		EMAIL	
DATE OF BIRTH		AGE ON 4/30/18	YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

I hereby give my child permission to play, accept responsibility for transporting him/her to and from games and practices, and take full responsibility for any injury/casualty from my child's involvement with the HYSO Summer Ball League. I release all responsibility of any association, business, coach, or person associated with the HYSO Summer Ball League.

KNOWN MEDICAL PROBLEMS OR ALLERGIES (i.e. epilepsy, asthma, etc.) _____

SHIRT SIZE (PLEASE CHECK BOX)					
YOUTH SIZES			ADULT SIZES		
<input type="checkbox"/> YS (6-8)	<input type="checkbox"/> YM (10-12)	<input type="checkbox"/> YL(14-16)	<input type="checkbox"/> SM	<input type="checkbox"/> MED	<input type="checkbox"/> LG <input type="checkbox"/> XL <input type="checkbox"/> 2XL

AGE AS OF 4/30/18	LEAGUE BOYS/GIRLS	FEE	LATE FEE AFTER 3/10		
5-6	TEE BALL (CO-ED)	\$25.00	\$50.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>***IMPORTANT NOTES*** THE DEADLINE TO SIGN UP IS 03/17/18 FOR TEE BALL THROUGH MAJORS. NO EXCEPTIONS!</p> <p>Group practices will start the week after spring break, weather permitting.</p> <p>The deadline to sign up for the Senior League is APRIL 14th.</p> <p>Tball Coaches will contact you with the exact start date for practice.</p>
7-8	YOUTH BOYS (COACH PITCH)	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
7-8	YOUTH GIRLS (COACH PITCH)	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9-10	MINOR LEAGUE- BOYS	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
9-10	MINOR LEAGUE- GIRLS	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11-12	MAJOR LEAGUE- BOYS	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11-12	MAJOR LEAGUE- GIRLS	\$45.00	\$70.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13-15	SENIOR LEAGUE- BOYS	\$50.00	\$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13-15	SENIOR LEAGUE- GIRLS	\$50.00	\$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	
FAMILY RATE: 3 OR MORE KIDS- \$100					

PAYMENT

CASH CHECK # _____ (Made Payable to Hopkins Summer Ball)

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Our program wouldn't be a success without the help of all our parent volunteers. Please take a minute to consider lending your help this season with the following: (Please check all that you are interested in.)

WORK CONCESSION STAND
 COACHING A TEAM
 SPONSOR A TEAM

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

Please keep bottom portion of sign-up with contact information:

For more information regarding sign-ups/team sponsorship, please email: hopkinssummerball@gmail.com or call Katy Price @ (269) 838-0420. Completed forms can be mailed to: Katy Price: 230 Baker Street, Hopkins, MI. 49328

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK: HOPKINS SUMMERBALL (All Caps)

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HMS Contact Information

ADMINISTRATION:

Scott Stockwell, *Principal*
Pat O'Dell, *Dean of Students*
Todd Crook, *Counselor*
Molly Khang, *Counselor*
Jennifer Hitchcock, *Secretary*

STAFF:

Aleman, Kathleen
Barry, Joseph
Byville, Suzanne
Caulder, Stephanie
Dana, Katie
Dykstra, Krystal
Fisher, Mark
Francis, Cody
Haverdink, Melissa
Hazen, Rick
Irwin, Julie
Johnson, Chris
Johnston, Jennifer
Kerber, Brian
Klumpp, Molly
Marckini, Katelyn
Oaster, Jacob
Postma, Carrie
Quist, Carrie
Reszka, Richard
Rynsburger, T.J.
Schoonveld, Missy
Scudder, Mack
Smith, Julie
Smith, Lesa
Stein, Karen
VerMerris, Steve
Weible, Alexis
Weick, Pat
Williams, Jessica

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION



Mar. 9 1/2 Day for all students
Mar. 14 PSAT testing
Mar. 30 1/2 Day for all students
Apr. 2-6 SPRING BREAK!



ATTENDANCE

Please call the Middle School office at (269) 793-7407 within 24 hours of your students absence. You may leave a message on our voicemail system day or night. When reporting illness, please inform the secretary of the 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 your student is absent only 1 day, homework may be picked up from their teachers the following day. You may also email absences to jennhitc@hpsvikings.org.

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 are able to keep our school records up to date. All new students and all 6th graders must be completely up to date on all immunizations. Contact the HMS office if you have any questions.

MEDICATION

ALL medications needing to be dispensed to 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 and on file in the office.

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 and successfully contact you if needed.