



# HAVERHILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

## "Home of the Hillies"

### SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

A Message from the Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Margaret Marotta

Dear HPS Families,

We are excited to welcome returning families and new families to the school district. We are happy you will join us for the 2022-2023 school year. We have been busy this summer planning for the upcoming school year.

Over the summer, Haverhill teachers and administrators spent much time learning, rejuvenating, and acquiring new skills to share with our students. In July and August, our faculty and staff engaged in professional and curriculum development and several workshops and courses.

Many of our students took the time this summer to continue their knowledge. Approximately 1800 students took advantage of our Summer Extended Learning Programs.

We are fortunate at HPS to have dedicated teachers, administrators, and students committed to embracing continued educational growth.

We have also spent much time over the summer improving our schools. We did a deep clean of all the facilities at HPS as well as added extra security precautions.

We also have many new faces at HPS! We have been busy this summer interviewing candidates and filling positions. We look are happy they have joined our team!

Save the Dates! Visit our school websites and the Upcoming Calendar for important dates to save.

As we begin again, please accept my best wishes for a wonderful school year.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**August 29, 2022**

Open House - Pre-K - 12  
(except HHS)

**August 30, 2022**

First Day of School GR 1-12  
Kindergarten Screening

**August 31, 2022**

Kindergarten Screening

**September 1, 2022**

Kindergarten Screening

**September 2, 2022**

Early Release - Students

**September 5, 2022**

No School - Labor Day

**September 6, 2022**

No School - Elections

**September 7, 2022**

First Day of School Pre-K/K  
HHS Open House 6:30 - 8 PM

**September 26 , 2022**

No School - Pre-K Only

**September 27, 2022**

No School - Pre-K Only

**September 28, 2022**

Early Release - Students

**For Important School Calendar  
Information - Visit School  
Websites**

### Important Numbers

Bartlett School & Assessment Center  
978-469-8735

Bradford Elementary, K-4  
978-374-2443

Caleb Dustin Hunking, K-8  
978-374-5787

Consentino Middle School, 5-8  
978-374-5775

Gateway Academy, 7-12  
978-374-3473

Golden Hill, K-4  
978-374-5794

Greenleaf Academy, 5-12  
978-374-3487

Haverhill High School, 9-12  
978-374-5700

J.G. Whittier, 5-8  
978-374-5782

Moody PreSchool, Pre-K - K  
978-374-3459

Moody PreSchool Ext., Pre-K  
978-420-1901

Nettle Middle School, 5-8  
978-374-5792

Pentucket Lake Elementary, K-4  
978-374-2421

Silver Hill Elementary, K-5  
978-374-3448

Tilton Lower Elementary, K-3  
978-374-3475

Tilton Upper Elementary, 4-5  
978-374-3482

Walnut Square, K-2  
978-374-3471

## "September is "Attendance Awareness Month"

A Message from the Supervisor of Attendance  
Lorna Marchant, M.S., M.Ed

**Haverhill Public Schools** stands with the nation in recognizing September as "Attendance Awareness Month." We hereby commit to focusing on reducing absenteeism and addressing the factors that cause students to miss school to ensure all children an equitable opportunity to learn, grow and thrive academically, emotionally, and socially. We recognize that we must work together to engage students and families.

Specifically, we will:

1. Affirm the importance of showing up and reflect with students and families on what is needed to make showing up to school worthwhile, especially given the challenges experienced during the pandemic.
2. Make clear that improving student attendance, including taking daily attendance in a consistent manner and monitoring absenteeism, continues to be a top priority.
3. Engage students, families, educators, and the broader community - including civic and elected leaders, local businesses, clergy members and nonprofit organizations - in working together to identify and remove barriers to getting to school and develop meaningful solutions that ensure all children and youth keep learning despite the challenges of Covid-19.
4. Use chronic absence data, along with other indicators, to identify where the instructional losses are occurring, and invest additional resources in schools and school-related programs, including tutoring, expanded learning, community school strategies and health services.

Throughout the month of September our schools will be celebrating our students as they develop the habit of good attendance. Please join us this month and every month to ensure your child attends today so that they can achieve tomorrow.

## SUMMER EXTENDED LEARNING SNAPSHOT!

Summer Extended Learning has come to an end. Check out the fun experiences our students had during the summer. We are proud of these students; they worked and played hard during the hot summer heatwaves!



## Haverhill Public Schools

### Skills

Critical Thinking  
Literacy  
Time Management  
Organizational Management  
Working Memory  
Healthy Lifestyle  
Speaking/Listening  
Social Interactions  
Team Building  
Building Self-Esteem  
Executive Functioning  
Kitchen/Cooking Basics  
Retail Management  
Restaurant Management

### Locations

Haverhill High School  
Consentino Middle School  
Caleb Dustin Hunking School  
Dr. Paul Nettie School  
Woody School  
Burnham School  
Camp Trickle Falls  
WGA  
The Haverhill Mayor's Office  
HPS Technology  
Lawrence General Hospital  
Department of Public Works  
Haverhill Public Library  
The Hillie Store  
The Learning Cafe  
Salvation Army  
Swasey Splash Pad

### Field Trips

Project Adventure  
Museum of Science  
Haverhill Water Treatment Plant  
Kindall Farms  
Franconia Notch State Park  
Wingsheep Beach  
Profile Falls  
Zoo Crestone  
Hilldale Cemetery  
Hannah Dustin House  
Ironstone Farm Equine Therapy

### Activities

Boating  
Swimming  
STEM  
Rock Climbing  
Ocean Life Research  
Arts  
Ceramics  
Theater/Drama  
Local Ecology  
Nature Walks/Hiking  
Journaling  
Fitness  
Crime Investigation  
Horseback Riding  
Gymnastics

## CONSENTINO MIDDLE SCHOOL

Consentino Building Project is moving through the schematic design phase of the building project, inching closer to breaking ground!

This year we're welcoming many new staff members, including several additional counseling assets for our students.

While we hope everyone can join us for Open House on Monday, August 29th, 2022, we'll be hosting our 3rd Annual Back to School BBQ on September 15th.

*let's get all fired up  
for the*

## BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ!

Join us at A. B. Consentino for our **complimentary** Back to School BBQ and Title 1 information night!

Thursday, September 15 from 5pm-7pm

Expect food, drinks, and music!

Kona Ice will be for sale to support the 8th grade Washington D.C. trip.

Participate in our Fill-A-Truck Food Drive!  
Bring canned goods and other non-perishable items or personal hygiene items.

Bring your own  
blankets/lawn chairs

Event parking will be at  
Silver Hill

## EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

*We are Hiring!*

*For a complete list of current employment opportunities, visit:*

[Haverhill Public Schools](#)



## CALEB DUSTIN HUNKING SCHOOL

New Hunking Principal Tim Betty has been out in the community this summer!

"As the new Principal, I have been grateful that many Hunking families have welcomed me into their homes for home visits. I have visited over 50 Hunking families" - Tim Betty, Principal.

We are also looking forward to our 1st Annual Hunking Block Party scheduled for Thursday, September 8th, from 5:00-7:30 pm.

## HHS Fine Arts Academy featured on Haverhill Journal LIVE!

HPS has a lot of hidden talent! HCMedia featured Haverhill High Schools Fine Arts Program in Haverhill Journal LIVE! with Lindsay Paris. Check out what our Fine Arts Program is all about. Visit <https://youtu.be/T7HgM0jvKB4> to watch the program.



## DR. PAUL NETTLE SCHOOL

Great news from Nettle! Lauren Bergeron who spearheaded the African Library Project at Nettle received a \$500 Grant. The Grant was made possible by America's Government Teacher and will be used to add more books to the Nettle Library.



## SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

Bus Routes for the 2022/2023 School Year have been Posted! If you have any questions, please call the Transportation Department at (978) 420-1921. [Bus Routes](#)



## HPS Student Device Insurance Plan

Haverhill Public Schools has chosen School Device Coverage (SDC) to insure the devices that will be given to your student as part of this year's 1:1 device program. For only \$20 per student, this insurance program will protect you and your student(s) in the event that your device is lost, stolen, or damaged accidentally over the course of the school year. Please follow this link for more information and to sign up. [Haverhill Student Device Insurance](#)

This information is also posted on the [Parent and Student Resources](#) page, Our [Technology](#) page, and the [HPS Student Technology Device Policy \(Spanish Version\)](#) document.



## POPSICLES WITH THE PRINCIPAL

Bradford Elementary PTO hosted a "Popsicles with the Principal" event. Students were able to enjoy some fun and popsicles before the first day of school. Some new students (kindergarten) received L.L.Bean backpacks Courtesy of Children's HealthCare.



## NEWS FROM OUR REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT!

The Registration Department has been busy out in the community this summer. To read more about their adventures, visit [Merrimack Valley Life](https://www.merrimackvalleylife.com/).



## COVID - 19 UPDATE

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is not recommending universal mask requirements, surveillance testing of asymptomatic individuals, contact tracing, or test-to-stay testing in schools. To read the new guidelines on DESE, visit [here](https://www.dese.state.ma.us/News/2021/07/2021-07-20-DESE-Updates-on-COVID-19-Guidelines). While we look forward to returning to a more normal learning environment at HPS, we will also take the precautions necessary to keep our students, staff, and families safe. Testing kits will be available at schools as needed, and masks are encouraged for those feeling mildly under the weather. Those that are ill are encouraged to stay home, and information regarding vaccine clinics will follow for interested families.



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### **Children's Healthcare Celebrates 50th Anniversary Giving Back**

This summer, 660 L.L. Bean backpacks will be given out to the incoming kindergarten class at Haverhill Public Schools. During many back-to-school events being held as the K-12 school year approaches, incoming kindergarten students will receive their backpacks courtesy of Children's Healthcare of Haverhill and Newburyport.

Children's Healthcare of Haverhill and Newburyport (CHC) is celebrating their 50th Anniversary by donating Haverhill Public Schools 660 L.L. Bean Backpacks to the incoming kindergarten class. CHC is a pediatric team of board-certified physicians, nurse practitioners, pediatric nutrition specialists, social workers, and a special needs expert. Children's Healthcare's mission is a full circle of care approach; they work closely as a team to collaborate for the benefit of each child, enabling them to reach their full potential during the developmental stage. For their 50th Anniversary, CHC wanted to give back to the community in which they serve. CHC partnered with L.L. Bean and acquired 660 L.L. Bean backpacks which will be distributed.

On September 2, 2022, CHC providers will join Haverhill Public Schools at Pentucket Lake Elementary Meet and Greet in participating with the backpack distribution. Haverhill Public Schools is appreciative of Children's Healthcare and their generous donation.



