

**Welcome to
Hoosac Valley Regional School District**

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ADAMS, MA 01220
(413) 743-2939**

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<u>School</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Telephone</u>	<u>Fax</u>
Hoosac Valley Elementary School 14 Commercial Street, Adams, MA (Principal Erin Beaulac)	Pre-K - 3	413-743-0876	413-743-8406
Hoosac Valley Middle School 125 Savoy Road, Cheshire, MA (Principal Lisa Lesser)	4-7	413-743-8404	413-743-8412
Hoosac Valley High School 125 Savoy Road, Cheshire, MA (Principal Colleen Byrd)	8-12	413-743-5200	413-743-8420

We look forward to your child entering Hoosac Valley Regional School District. Please take time to read carefully through the following information - it should answer many of your important questions. Should you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to call your school office.

Registration Documents: It is important that all documents, especially proof of residence, birth certificate and updated physicals and immunization records are on file in the school prior to your child's entrance. **Important: Only completed registration packets will be accepted.**

IMPORTANT: What You Will Need:

1. Registration Packet (attached)
2. A copy of your child's immunization record
3. Birth Certificate
4. Proof of residency
5. Release of School Records from prior school, if any.

School Hours of Operation:

Hoosac Valley Elementary School: Full Day: 8:50 am - 2:55 pm (early dismissal: 12:00 pm)

Hoosac Valley Middle School: Full Day: 8:05 am - 2:35 pm (early dismissal: 11:20 am)

Hoosac Valley High School: Full Day: 7:30 am - 2:00 pm (early dismissal: 10:50 am)

Before & After School Child Care Programs

The Before and After School Programs operate each day when Hoosac Valley Regional School District is in session. This program is offered to students in Kindergarten through Grade 6. The program **does not** operate on holidays or snow days. Participation is restricted to registered students; “drop-ins” are not allowed. The After School Program does offer services during system-wide early release days. On these days, the program begins once children have been dismissed from school. Please notify the After School Program staff if your child will not attend on early release days.

Hours for the before and after school are: Mornings: 6:45 - 8:45 for grades K - 3 and 6:45 - 7:45 for grades 4 - 6.

Afternoon: 3:00 - 5:00 for grades K - 3 and 2:45 - 5:00 for grades 4 - 6. Fees for the program are: \$5.00/hour for 1 child or \$35.00 for a full day; \$7.00/hour for 2nd child or \$55.00 for full day; and \$9.00/hour for 3 children or \$75.00 for a full day. Vouchers are accepted. For additional information, please contact the Program Director, Jen Mach at

JMach@hoosacvalley.org

Lunch Programs

Our district is part of CEP (Community Eligibility Provision), which provides each student a free breakfast and lunch daily. A la carte items may be purchased via a prepaid account (which is managed by schoolpaymentportal.com) or may be purchased by cash or check to be delivered to the cafeteria cashier or school office. Lunch Hours are as follows:

Kindergarten: 11:10 - 11:40; **Grade 1:** 11:40 - 12:10; **Grade 2:** 12:15 - 12:45; **Grade 3:** 12:45 - 1:15; **Grades 4 & 5:** 11:32 - 12:02; **Grades 6 & 7:** 12:20 - 12:50; **Grades 8 & 9:** 10:10 - 10:40; and **Grades 10, 11 & 12:** 11:00 - 11:30. If

you have any questions, please reach out to Rosanne Schutz, Director of Food and Nutrition at

RSchutz@Hoosacvalley.org or Betty-Jo Poulton, Food Service Administrative Assistant at BPoulton@hoosacvalley.org.

Late Busses:

Late Busses are provided to students at the middle and high school who are participating in afterschool activities or serving a detention. Late bus pickup for the high school is 3:00 pm. and 3:30 for the middle school.

Snow Days: Aaron Dean, Superintendent of Schools, will announce a snow day by 6:00 a.m. via all call, social media, and on our facebook page. If your telephone number changes, it is imperative that you contact your child’s school so that you will continue to receive these important updates.

Technology: Every student will be given a chromebook that is tied to them. The high school students are responsible to bring them to and from school each day. Elementary and middle school students' chromebooks will be housed in their homerooms. Every student will also be given a google education account to access such things as their laptops, classwork and software programs. To reach out for technology assistance, email support@hoosacvalley.org

Technology Department

Director of Technology, Geoff Kondel gkondel@hoosacvalley.org

Technology Facilities Specialist, David Scott dscott@hoosacvalley.org

Special Education:

Hoosac Valley Regional School District is committed to providing students with disabilities access to the curriculum and general education programs. With in-district resources and necessary consultative services, we are able to provide the instruction necessary to help students with disabilities close the gap between their skill abilities and their grade level expectations. Special education support and services should not be viewed as a separate model, but instead as a part of the continuum of supports, services and interventions created to ensure that the general education environment is responsive to the diverse learning needs of all students. Working together, general education staff and special education staff can ensure equal opportunity, full participation and increased outcomes for all learners, including students with disabilities.

If you have any questions regarding our Special Education Services, please contact:

Monica Zanin, Director of Students Services at 413-743-2939 or MZanin@hoosacvalley.org

Jacquelyn Daniels, Associate Director of Students Services at 413-743-2939 or JDaniels@hoosacvalley.org

Lisa Fortin, Administrative Assistant at 413-743-2939 or LFortin@hoosacvalley.org

Nurses:

Today's school nurse is an integral partner in each student's educational team. In addition to providing health services and nursing care for students in the office, school nurses are instrumental in identifying trends and issues that impact student health as well as promoting wellness in areas that affect academic success. HVRSD nurses are available during school hours for direct care services, case management and confidential consultation.

Please help the school nurse care for your child by informing the nurse if your child has:

- New diagnosis or change in health status
- New medications or a change in medication
- Serious illness, injury or hospitalization
- Fractures, sprains, casts or sutures
- Diagnosis of concussion
- Diagnosis of contagious disease- such as strep throat, pertussis, chicken pox, etc.
- A life-threatening or new allergy
- Changes within the family that may impact the student while in school

Please help the school nurse by:

- Updating the phone numbers on your child's school record so that the nurse can always reach you
- Notify the school if your child is going to be absent or tardy

Ashley Allard, R.N.

Phil Grover, R.N.

Traci Gelinas, R.N.

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PGrover@hoosacvalley.org

TGelinas@hoosacvalley.org

Hoosac Valley Elementary

Hoosac Valley Middle

Hoosac Valley High

Family & Community Engagement Coordinator:

If you require assistance in completing the registration process, or acquiring the proper required documents, please contact Erica Girgenti, Family & Community Engagement Coordinator at 413-281-0306 or EGirgenti@hoosacvalley.org

It is our goal to give you the tools to navigate the school system while strengthening home, school and community relationships to ensure student success. Our Family & Community Engagement Coordinator works with families providing necessary information, knowledge and skills to support their children's education.

Superintendent:

Aaron Dean, Superintendent - Adean@hoosacvalley.org

Lisa Bresett, Administrative Assistant to Superintendent - Lbresett@hoosacvalley.org

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today." – Malcolm X