



Haslett Public Schools

Haslett Happenings Around the District

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February 9, 2024

MID-WINTER
BREAK

NO SCHOOL

February 16-19, 2024

Upcoming Calendar Events

February 12

Board of Education Meeting (7 PM)
HS Choir Pre-Festival Concert
(8 PM - PAC)

February 13

HS/7th Grade/8th Grade Pre-Festival
Band Concert (7 PM - PAC)

February 14

Count Day

February 16-19

Mid-Winter Break - NO SCHOOL

February 21

HS Student of the Month (7:15 AM)

February 22

MSVMA HS Choral Festival (Charlotte)
MS Spring Pictures (During Lunches)
Murphy Family Game Night
HS Conferences (5-8:15 PM - Virtual)

February 23

MSVMA HS Choral Festival (Charlotte)
MS Musical (7:30 - PAC)

February 24

MS Musical (2 PM - PAC)
Jazz Night (7 PM - High School)

Celebrating Black History Month

Schools across the district are celebrating Black History Month, which honors the triumphs and struggles of Black individuals throughout U.S. history. President Gerald Ford officially recognized Black History Month in 1976, although it had been celebrated by many for decades.

Haslett High School

Black History Month kicked off at the High School with the unveiling of posters of influential figures from Black History displayed around the school. These influential figures include authors, activists, entrepreneurs, musicians, and scientists researched by our Black Student Union. Also, the Media Center is featuring Black authors, particularly works that feature Black main characters. Our TV screens at "Four Corners" will continue to lift up contributions of Black figures throughout history.

Haslett Middle School

Students at Haslett Middle School are learning about influential people during Black History Month. Our 6th graders are doing research and creating presentations to share with their Viking Time class. Our 7th and 8th graders are researching Black Career Pioneers as part of the Career Exploration curriculum. They are also analyzing quotes from influential Black people in history and how the words connect to their lives. The quotes and people are showcased in our hallways.

Murphy Elementary School

Murphy Elementary School will hold school-wide morning meetings every Wednesday through the month of February to celebrate an influential person or event in Black History. Additionally, teachers will be providing lessons about Black History and have their students work on small projects to learn about the many famous individuals and their impact on our nation's history. These projects will be on display in the hallways of the school for all to see and learn from.

Ralya Elementary School

Throughout Black History Month, Ralya students will be learning about influential individuals from the past and present. This month in the library, books about notable people in Black History and books by Black authors will be featured. In 5th grade, an influential Black American will be highlighted in classroom morning meetings. In 4th grade, students have researched famous Black artists and have written about their lives, art, and impact on society. Students also created grid art about influential Black Americans, including Booker T. Washington and Barack Obama. In 3rd grade, students will incorporate facts about Black Americans into their morning meetings and work on writing biographical essays on heroic Black Americans. In 2nd grade, students are learning about a Black American who has made an impact in our world, spanning from historical figures to current influencers who have and who continue to make a difference.

Wilkshire Early Childhood Center

At Wilkshire, during Black History Month, we are honoring the past, celebrating the present, and educating and inspiring the future. Students are learning about inspirational Black Americans and sharing their understanding through a biography banner project. Each class has chosen an influential Black American to study, and information about them will be displayed in a central hallway from which other classes can view and learn. Our library also features books that represent diverse characters, as well as Black Americans who have made significant contributions to our society. At Wilkshire, we focus on providing lessons where children can learn from the experiences of others and can relate to the characters and families in the stories being read. During February and March, we are creating a display of books that incorporate diverse characters, diverse authors and illustrators, and highlight the important message of each book. We will continue this theme into March is Reading Month, highlighting our school's mission statement: *Wilkshire is an inclusive, child-centered community that provides a joyful beginning to lifelong learning.*

HASLETT BAND BOOSTERS
INVITE YOU TO THE 26th ANNUAL

Jazz Night

FEATURING

- Mason High School
- Okemos High School
- Williamston High School
- Haslett High School
- Dance Instruction by the Greater Lansing Academy of Dance

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24th,
HASLETT HIGH SCHOOL SOUTH GYM
DOORS OPEN AT 6:45PM

810 Adults | 820 Family | 85 Students/Seniors
Free - Children under 5
Tickets Available at the Door

