



Haslett Public Schools

Haslett Happenings Around the District

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Upcoming Calendar Events

December 11

Murphy Holiday Shop

Board of Education Meeting (7 PM)

December 12

Murphy Holiday Shop

HS Band Concert (7:30 PM - PAC)

December 13

Murphy Holiday Shop

Ralya 2nd Grade Concert (6:30 PM)

Choir Boosters (7 PM - Viking Room)

December 14

Murphy Holiday Shop

MS Choir Concert (7:30 PM - PAC)

December 15

Murphy Holiday Shop

HS Band at CMU Instrumental Workshop

December 18

HS Choir Concert (8 PM - PAC)

December 20

HS Student of the Month (7:15 AM)

December 22 - January 5

Winter Break - NO SCHOOL



Mental Health and Security Initiatives

The district is required to solicit feedback from the community about its mental health and security initiatives as part of state grant funding. Please click on this [Survey Link](#) to participate in the survey.

Math Olympiad at Murphy Elementary

For a number of years, Murphy Elementary School has offered Math Olympiad, a school club, for students who love mathematics in grades four and five. This year, Murphy has 58 fourth and fifth graders participating. Math Olympiad is taught by Kristina Booms and Hayley Brennan, 4th grade teachers. Students meet twice a month for practice sessions and official contests.

Math Olympiad gives students a chance to challenge themselves in math concepts above their normal grade level curriculum. Student team members are expected to do their best to learn as much as they can to support themselves and their teammates. Math Olympiad contests foster an interest in math and improve the mathematical skills of participants through team-based competitions. Contests are held once a month.

Math Olympiad Goals

- To stimulate enthusiasm and a love for mathematics
- To introduce mathematical concepts
- To teach strategies for problem solving
- To develop mathematical flexibility
- To strengthen mathematical intuition
- To foster mathematical creativity and ingenuity
- To provide for the satisfaction, joy, and thrill of meeting a challenge
- To develop an appreciation of mathematics

The Math Olympiads

Founded in 1977, the Math Olympiads program (moems.org) centers on monthly contests in which teams of students in grades four through eight compete remotely. The Math Olympiads is typically used by math clubs in elementary and middle schools. The program features five contests during the academic school year. The teacher or team leader receives solutions for the contests along with other teaching materials (moems.org).

