



September 8, 2023

# Haslett Public Schools

**Haslett Happenings** Around the District  
featuring **Bridget Booth's 8th Grade Student Leadership Team** at Haslett Middle School

## HMS Courtyard Going Strong!

In the spring of 2021, plans to renovate the Haslett Middle School courtyard into an outdoor classroom began with a Green Infrastructure Grant from the Environmental Commission of Meridian Township. Since the student-led project began, the native plant rain garden has grown, students are learning about sustainability, and teachers are finding new ways to use the space to teach outside.

Bridget Booth (Courtyard Coordinator) takes her EcoAction students out to the courtyard regularly for environmental lessons and opportunities to manage the garden. With help from the Builder's Club, the Conservation Club members assist with continued design and maintenance.

As Haslett Middle School staff utilize the courtyard for reading, math lessons, meditation and more, they offer valuable insight into how the outdoor classroom can improve for future use. In the months ahead, Bridget will work with this year's students to research additional seating and shade options, as well as other design elements that will make the area more usable throughout the school year. This effort will include opportunities for students to learn about grant writing and community partnerships to find the resources necessary for these improvements.

If Haslett community members are interested in helping with this project, please contact Bridget Booth at [boothbk@haslett.k12.mi.us](mailto:boothbk@haslett.k12.mi.us).



### September 8

Football at St. Johns

### September 11

Board of Education Meeting (7 PM)

### September 13

Choir Boosters (7 PM - Viking Room)

### September 14

Band Boosters (6 PM - HS Media Center)

### September 15

Murphy/Ralya Mobile Dentist

Grade 8 Marching Band Invitational

Football vs. Eastern High School

### September 21

Ralya Picture Day

### September 22

WECC Picture Day

Football at Mason

### September 25

NO SCHOOL - Professional Development

Board of Education Meeting (7 PM)

### September 26

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

Murphy Picture Day

Ralya PTO Annual Report (6-7 PM)

### September 27

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

### September 28

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

Middle School Picture Retakes

### September 29

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

Murphy Fun Run

Ralya Cravings Fundraiser Begins

Football at Fowlerville

### October 2

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

HS Conferences (5-8:15 PM - Virtual)

### October 3

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

Murphy Book Fair

HS Conferences (3-5:30 PM - In person)

### October 4 (Count Day)

Murphy/Ralya/WECC Conferences

Murphy Book Fair

Grand Ledge Marching Band Invite