Haverford Middle School

Friday Family Message
November 14, 2025

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Superintendent Meet & Greet

SUPERINTENDENT

MEET & GREET



We invite community members to attend and connect with our new Superintendent, Dr. Matthew C. Hayes

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 6:30–7:30 PM
WHERE: CHATHAM PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 10:15 – 11:15 AM
WHERE: KELLY MUSIC CENTER, 4 E. EAGLE ROAD

Kindly RSVP, indicating your topics of interest and how many guests will attend.

adeacon@haverfordsd.net or 610-853-5900 x7300

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HAVERFORD HAPPENINGS

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Beyond the Bell: Conversations with Students and the Superintendent

WHHS, **the nation's oldest student-run high school radio station,** debuted the first episode of a new podcast series, Beyond the Bell, featuring Superintendent Dr. Matthew C. Hayes.

Broadcast live from the WHHS studio, the conversation brought district leadership and student broadcasters together to discuss topics related to education, life in Haverford, and the evolving role of student voices in shaping the district's future. The superintendent and students shared valuable insights on a range of subjects, from current school initiatives to the creative impact of student media.

This collaborative project underscores the district's commitment to genuine student engagement and real-world learning experiences. By connecting leadership with the next generation of communicators, the podcast bridges the gap between classroom learning and community storytelling, all from the historic WHHS studio.

Listeners can catch a replay of the episode on WHHS and the district's YouTube channel, with new episodes scheduled throughout the year.

- **Check out the November issue of Haverford Happenings!**

Strategic Plan Goals



Fist Bump Friday



Pickle Day











PBIS Expectations

FORDS REV UP

	READY	RESPECTFUL	RESPONSIBLE
HALLWAYS & STAIRWELLS	• Walk on the right • Go directly to class • Keep moving	• Keep hands & feet to self • Use kind words & inside voice • Put trash in trash cans	• Help others • Use locker before/after lunch and gym; or with a classroom pass • Use lock & keep combo private • Report problems to an adult
BATHROOM	• Technology-free zone • Have a pass	• Clean up • Wait patiently • Maintain personal space & privacy	• Wash your hands • Return to class promptly • Report problems to an adult
CLASSROOM	• Be on time with your materials • Follow directions • Try your best	• Be open to different perspectives • Collaborate with others • Use technology as directed	• Take care of all materials • Participate • Do your own work • Turn in work on time • Use your technology safely & report issues
CAFETERIA	• Only bring your lunch with you • Go through lunch line one time • Enter/Exit lines appropriately	• Eat & put trash in trash cans • Be patient • Use kind words & inside voice	• Eat at your assigned table • Clean up your area • Raise your hand to leave your seat • Keep food in appropriate locations
BUSES	• Be on time	• Use kind words & inside voice • Listen to adults on the bus	• Remain seated • Keep track of belongings



Absences / Early Dismissal

- **For our full attendance policy please review policy 204 and its accompanying administrative regulations.**

- **Late arrivals**
  - Students must report to the main office if they arriving after 7:50 AM
  - Students will provide a note to the main office when they enter school
  - Students need a late pass from the main office to enter your homeroom after 7:50 AM

- **Absences**
  - Email Mrs. Sharon Cianci (scianci@haverfordsd.net) or Mrs. Mary Kate Lane (mlane@haverfordsd.net).
  - Please detail the name of your child, grade, date of absence, and reason for absence
  - Excused absences include illness, bereavement, medical or dental appointments, pre-approved religious instruction, pre approved educational travel, and others.
    - Please be mindful for the 5 day maximum for pre approved educational travel
  - Students may be excused from school when observing a religious holiday observed by a bona fide religious group, upon prior written notice from the parent/guardian.

- **Early dismissal**
  - Early dismissal notes (not emails) should be delivered by the student to the main office before they go to homeroom
    - Please review your early dismissal plan with your child before they come to school
    - Communicate in your note if your child has permission to leave school on their own
    - We will give your child a note to check in at the main office before being picked-up or leaving school on their own

Regular Schedule

Homeroom Students are admitted to the building at 7:30 AM, go directly to their locker, and then report to homeroom Students are required to be in homeroom at 7:50 AM for attendance Students should log onto CANVAS and their Email in homeroom before 7:50 AM Students should watch the Morning Meeting, which begins at 7:50 AM	**7:50 - 8:00**
1st Period	**8:03 - 8:50**
2nd Period	**8:53-9:40**
3rd Period	**9:43-10:30**
4th period (6th grade Lunch/Advisory)	**10:33-11:20**
5th Period (7th grade lunch/Advisory)	**11:23-12:10**
6th Period (7th & 8th grade lunch/Advisory)	**12:13-1:00**
7th Period (8th grade lunch/Advisory)	**1:03-1:50**
8th Period	**1:53-2:40**

1st Quarter Feedback



- **1st quarter Grades**
  - grades viewable on PowerSchool on November 18th
  - IEP Progress Monitoring notes due to families November 21st
  - Distinguished Honor Roll – Achieving an A grade in every class
  - Honor Roll – Achieving an A or B grade in every class

- **Student-Led Conferences**
  - **The sign up link to schedule a SLC closes today**
  - **10:50 AM dismissal on SLC days**
  - **Days / Times**
    - November 24th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM
    - November 25th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM
      - 5:45 - 7:30 PM
    - November 26th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM

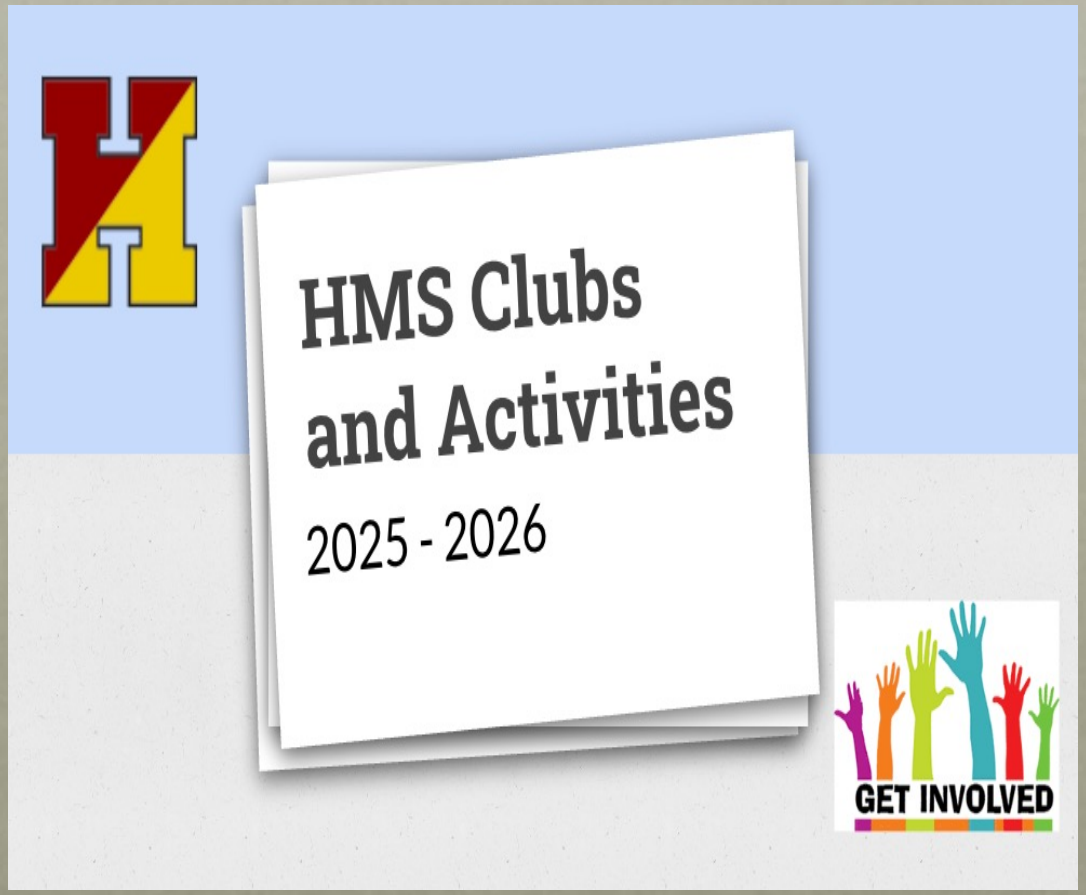
2nd Quarter Started On Monday



- **New Quarter 2 planner**
- **Started new Quarter class**
- **Reset**
  - PBIS infractions - quarterly
  - Attendance - monthly

Clubs & Activities

- Clubs & Activities
- **Clubs and activities started this week!**



7th & 8th Grade PIAA Athletics



- ATHLETICS
- **Fall 2025 Family ID is open for fall sports**
- **Stephanie Viola, Athletic Supervisor**
- **Lindsey Smith, Athletic & Afterschool Activities Advisor**
  - Available to help students and families that may need extra support

Winter Sports Coaches & Tryouts

- **Girls 7th & 8th Grade Basketball: Mrs. Sandra Johnston & Miss Becca O'Donnell**
  - SJohnston@haverfordsd.net
  - RODonnell@haverfordsd.net
  - 7th & 8th Grade basketball: December 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 (GYM AB)
- **Boys 7th Grade Basketball: Mr. Chris Gallagher & Dr. Silvino Alexander**
  - CGallagher@haverfordsd.net
  - SAlexander@haverfordsd.net
  - 7th Grade basketball: November 17, 18, 19 (GYM D)
- **Boys 8th Grade Basketball: Mr. Matthew Cohen & Dr. Jason Finn**
  - MCohen@haverfordsd.net
  - JFinn@haverfordsd.net
  - 8th Grade basketball: November 19, 20, 21 (GYM AB)
- **7th & 8th Garde Coed Wrestling: Mr. Joe Hoban and Mr. Andrew Jones**
  - JHoban@haverfordsd.net
  - andrewjones@haverfordsd.net
- **7th & 8th Grade Coed Cheerleading: Miss. Jenna Gaasche**
  - JGaasche@haverfordsd.net







HHS GIRLS HAV LAX

- **Want to see what Haverford High School Girls Lacrosse is all about?**
- **Want to sharpen your skills before lacrosse season?**
- **Join us for the high school off-season practices every Monday on the turf out back. All 8th grade girls are welcome. We will practice unless there is rain or snow!**
- **Starting December 1 from 2:45-4:15 PM**
- **Reach out to the coaches if you have any questions!**
  - Coach MG - nmcgoldrick@haverfordsd.net
  - Coach Shontz- dshontz@haverfordsd.net
  - Coach Sheehe- ksheehe@haverfordsd.net





Turkey Bowl 2025

- November 24th, 25th, or 26th
- Grade-level REWARD DAY!
- Blitz Week - PBIS Card - Moment in time during the day
- Turkey Calling Contest
- Staff vs. Students Football game
- Pie eating contest
- Turkey Trot



Winter SWAG Sale

- BSN Swag link
- Open until 11/24
- Delivery by the holidays
- Shop Here



American Education Week

- American Education Week celebrates public education and honors individuals who are making a difference in ensuring that children receive a quality education
- We will be celebrating American Education Week on Friday, November 21st
- Parents/Guardians will be invited to visit their child's classroom(s) during the hours of 8:10 AM to 2:30 PM
- Families will not be attending lunch in the cafeteria with students
- To ensure an appropriate environment, children will not be admitted to this event
- To help us prepare for a safe and smooth event, please complete the Classroom Visit Form before Thursday, November 20.
- Feel free to come to school to pre-scan your ID for a visitor pass
  - November 5th & 12th - 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
  - November 19th - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm



Chromebooks

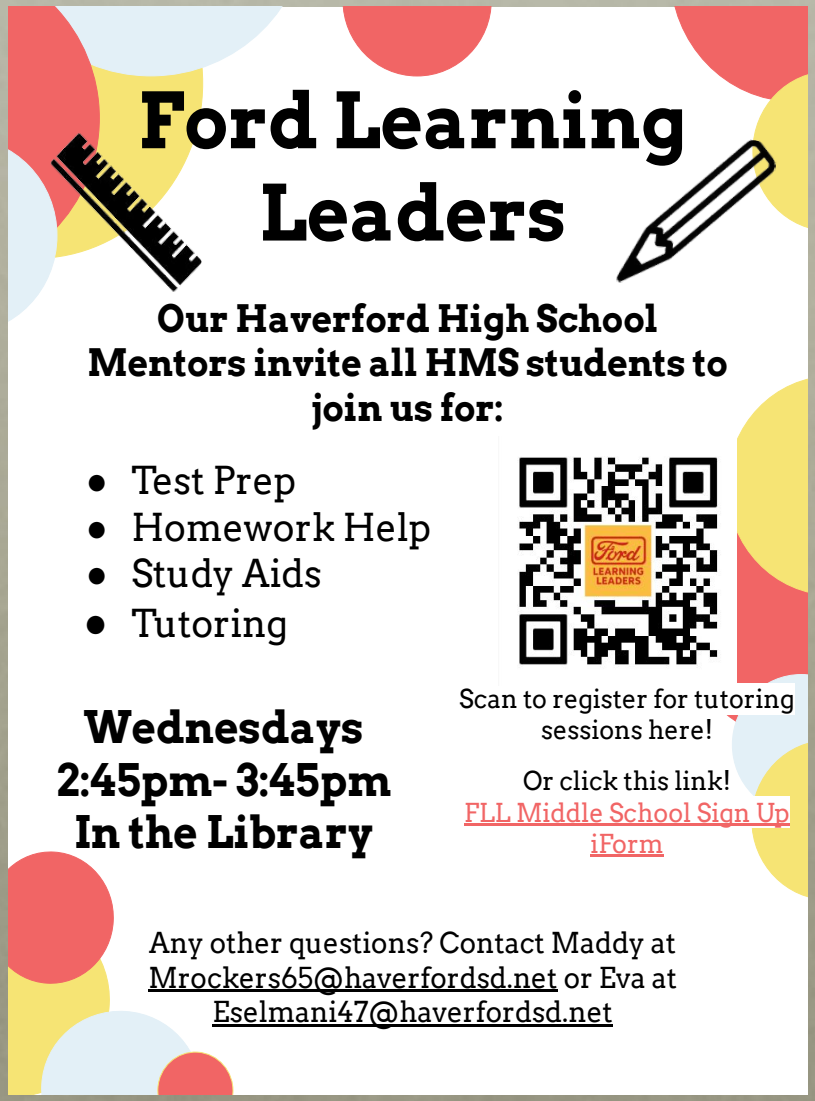
- **Expectations**
  - Bring daily
  - Fully charged
  - No damage
- **Chromebook issues**
  - Forgot to bring to school
  - Not charged
  - Damage
  - Lost



Important November Dates

- November 17th – 21st…….....American Education Week
- November 21st……..…….Parent visitation for AEW
- November 19th……..…..Superintendent Meet & Greet
- November 24th – 26th……10:50 AM dismissal / Turkey Day / Student-Led Conferences
- November 27th & 28th……..No school for staff & students

HHS Ford Learning Leaders



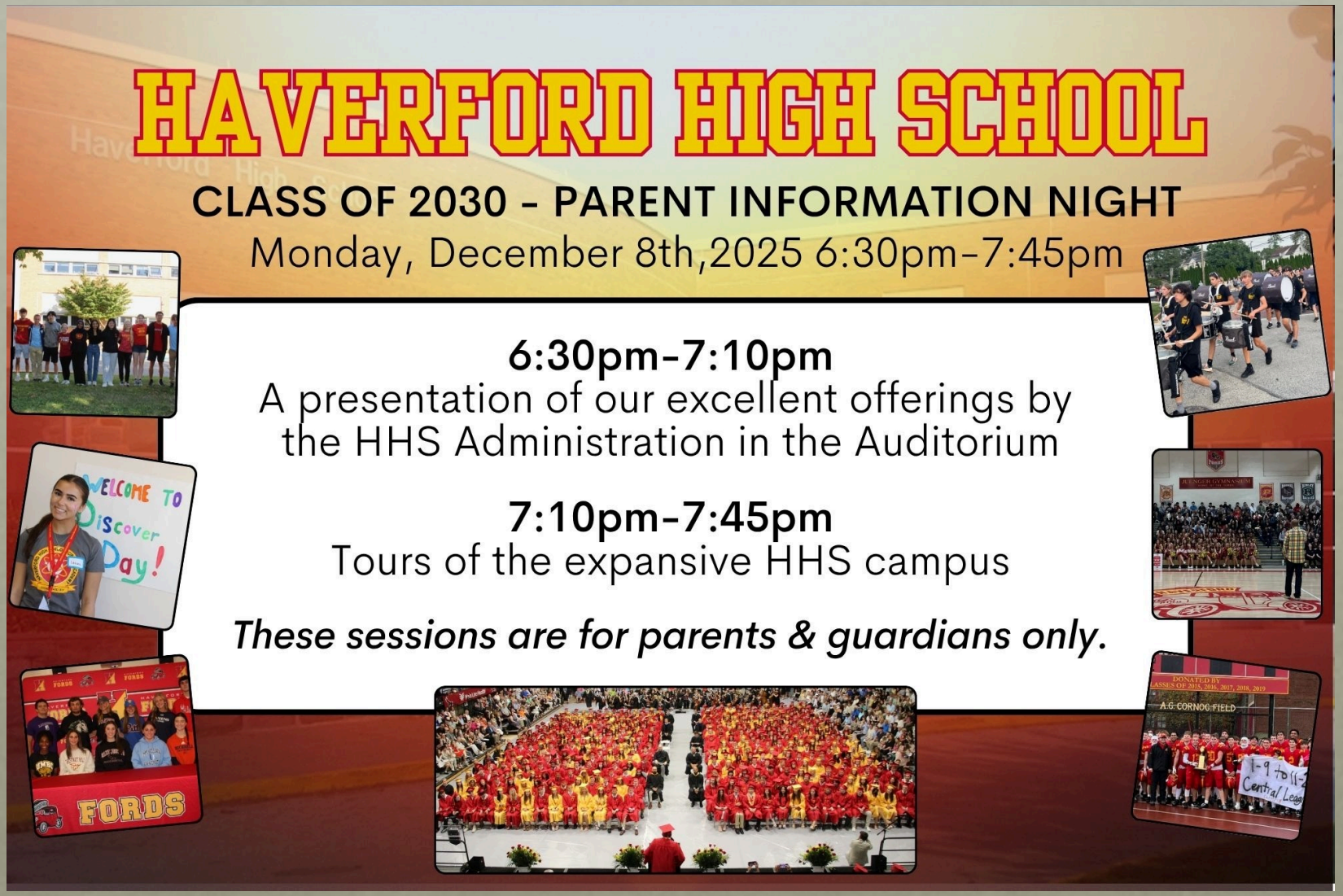
- Link for sign up

Best Buddies Club



- **Toys for Tots**
  - Week of December 1st
  - Toys for toddlers
  - Collecting new unwrapped toys
- **CHOP Pajama Day**
  - December 23rd
  - Wear pajamas to school
  - Donations made to Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

HHS Parent Night



EAT MUCH? Some Don't



- Neighbors Helping Neighbors
- Food Collection Service Project

Food Drive


HAVERFORD
Grands Stepping Up's
Denis' Pantry
Thanksgiving
Food Drive
SATURDAY NOVEMBER 15TH
9 AM - 12 PM
@ HAVERFORD MIDDLE SCHOOL
What a better way to celebrate the Thanksgiving season than by helping our Haverford and Delco families in need! Please join Grands Stepping Up at the Haverford Middle School Bus Lane as we collect needed items for GSU's Denis' Pantry.
ITEMS NEEDED:
• Thanksgiving Food Items: cranberry sauce, canned green beans & corn, cream of mushroom soup, crispy fried onions, canned yams, brown sugar, marshmallows, gravy, stuffing, mashed potatoes, cornbread mix, mac and cheese, etc.
• Non-Perishable Food Items: kid-friendly individual snacks, juices, waters, breakfast foods, mac and cheese boxes/cups, pasta & sauce, rice cups & boxes, canned tuna fish & chicken, soup, canned veggies/fruits. pasta & rice, stuffing, mashed potatoes, etc.
• Household Supplies: paper products, cleaning wipes/sprays, dish soap, laundry detergent, etc.
• Personal Care Items: deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoo/conditioner, body wash/soap, diapers, baby wipes, baby foods & formula, baby snacks, diaper rash cream, pet foods, etc.
HMS Bus Lane • 1701 Darby Road, Havertown, PA
grandssteppingupinfo.com



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