



# **WELCOME TO HAMMARSKJOLD UPPER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

**H**onest

**U**nited

**E**mpathetic

**S**afe



# ADMIN



**Mr. Petronko**

*Principal*

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**Mr. Husar**

*Assistant Principal*

*5th Grade*

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**Mr. Nyamekye**

*Assistant Principal*

*6th Grade*



# TEAM

# Administrative Welcome Message

- What a start to the evening!
  - Thank you, Dr. Gopal and the EBHS Chamber Orchestra.
- Who is leading your students?
- Our Vision
- This place is big! That just means there are more opportunities for students to thrive.

# HUES Support Team

## School Counselors

- Ms. Samantha Best
- Ms. Elizabeth Stankiewicz
- Ms. Stephanie Schweighardt

## Student Assistance Specialists

- Ms. Jessica Orapallo - 5th grade
- Ms. Lexie Diez - 6th grade
- Ms. Jaclyn Headlam - EBSETS

## Child Study Team

- Dr. Sherriese Anderson
- Ms. Alison Krzywdzinski
- Ms. Alix Ullrich
- Ms. Crystal Williams

## **Social-Emotional Supports:**

- *Managing Feelings*
  - *Stress/Anxiety Management*
  - *Organizational/Study Skills*
  - *Relationship Skills*
  - *Conflict Resolution Skills*
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## **Group Counseling:**

- *New Student*
- *Changing Families*
- *Stress Management*
- *Study Skills*
- *Friendship Group*



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# HUES:

## The Choices We Make

Honest • United • Empathetic • Safe



### Honest

Tell the truth  
Be trustworthy

### ✗ Dishonest

Lying, cheating,  
hiding the truth



### United

Work together  
Include others

### ✗ Divided

Excluding, drama,  
working against  
others



### Empathetic

Caring • Kind  
Understanding

### Selfish/Uncaring

Ignoring, teasing,  
hurting feelings



### Safe

Protect yourself  
& others  
Follow rules

### ✗ Unsafe

Reckless, risky,  
dangerous choices

**BE  
PAWSitive**

# Clubs and Activities

-Academic  
Challengers

-Art

-Band

-Buddy Sports

-Care Club

-Cheerful Creations

-Chorus

-Coding

-Drama

-Hues Got Talent

-Jazz Band

-Orchestra

-Student Council

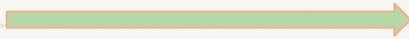
-Video  
Newsmaker

- Yearbook Club



# Courses at HUES

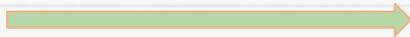
## CORE CONTENT COURSES



Language Arts  
Social Studies  
Science  
Math → Math Prime (6th Grade)

Students who receive a final course grade of at least 95 % in Math 5 will be eligible for Math Prime

## A/B DAY COURSES



Cycle  
Elective  
World Language  
Physical Education/Health



# 5th Grade Cycles

ART



MUSIC AND  
MOVEMENT



COMPUTERS  
IN THE  
CLASSROOM



STEM



**Students take one cycle course each marking period.**

# 5th Grade Elective Options

- Students will rank their top **five** elective choices.
- Band/Orchestra is a guaranteed elective choice for eligible students.
- Only students currently enrolled in Band/Orchestra may select it in 5th grade.
- Students not enrolled in Band/Orchestra will receive one of their five ranked choices.
- **Students are not guaranteed their first choice elective.**

## Performing Arts

Chorus

Piano

Stage Explorers!

Band (Prerequisite)\*\*

Orchestra (Prerequisite)\*\*

## Visual Arts

Art Exploration

## Physical Education

Introduction to Dance

## Practical Arts

STEM

Coding With Robotics

Family Consumer Science



\*\*Guaranteed Elective

Refer to the Course Guide on <https://www.ebnet.org/academics/courseguide/hues2627> for more information



# World Language Options

- Students will begin the study of a World Language and its culture.
- They will take **Level 1A in 5th grade** and continue **Level IB in 6th Grade**.
- Students will **rank all five** World Language options in order of interest.
- Students are **not guaranteed placement in their first choice World Language**.

French

German

Italian

Mandarin

Spanish



**HUES Counselors will visit your child's school to discuss scheduling.**

## Elementary School Presentations

|                       |            |
|-----------------------|------------|
| <b>Bowne</b>          | January 21 |
| <b>Warnsdorfer</b>    | January 22 |
| <b>Chittick</b>       | January 23 |
| <b>Central</b>        | January 26 |
| <b>Frost</b>          | January 27 |
| <b>Memorial</b>       | January 28 |
| <b>Lawrence Brook</b> | January 29 |
| <b>Irwin</b>          | January 30 |

# SAVE THE DATE

## PARENT ACCESS

Parent Access opens to select  
courses:

**February 2, 2026**

Parent Access Closes:

**February 20, 2026**

## STUDENTS VISIT HUES

Elementary students will be  
visiting HUES :

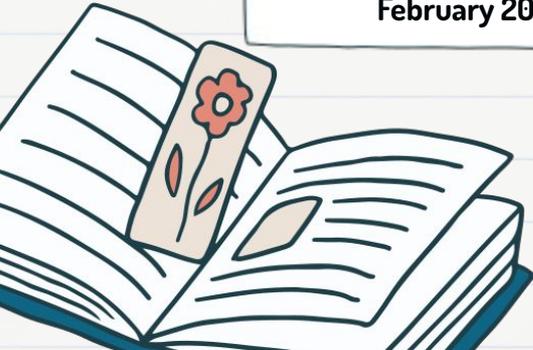
**June 3, 2026**

## STUDENT ORIENTATION

Incoming 5th Grade Student

Orientation:

**August 2026**



# Administrative Closing Message

- We hope you leave excited!
- Student Orientation opportunities
  - Spring Orientation - June 3rd.
  - Summer Orientation - Week of Aug. 24th.
  - First days of 2026-27 school year - Orientation week.
- The rest of the evening, philosophy of this event.

# Administrative Closing Message

## Thank You, Team!

- The EBEA and our teachers and Support Staff, Security, Facilities, Aramark
- Sources of Strength students and advisors: Liz Stankiewicz & Christina Richards
- HUES PTA
- Parent Volunteers
- The East Brunswick Principals and Supervisors Association
- The East Brunswick Education Foundation
- The East Brunswick Board of Education



## Q&A Sessions and Locations

- **JMPAC** - *Administrator Meet & Greet*
- **Dance Room** - *Parent Perspectives - Guidance Counselors*
- **Theater Room** - *Support Services - Special Education, Social/Emotional Supports*
- **Cafeteria** - *Academics*
- **Main Hallway Entrance** - *School Tours led by Sources of Strength students*

***Please refer to the handout you were provided for additional info.***