Haverford Middle School

Friday Family Message
February 27, 2026

Superintendent Meet & Greet

SUPERINTENDENT

MEET & GREET



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

FEBRUARY

WHEN: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 10:00-11:00 AM

WHERE: KELLY MUSIC CENTER 4 EAST EAGLE ROAD

MARCH

WHEN: TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 11:00-12:00 PM

WHERE: HAVERFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY 1601 DARBY ROAD

***NOTE: NEW DATE AND TIME FOR MARCH**

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

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

Administrative Team

- **Mrs. Julianne Hill**
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- **Dr. Daniel J. Horan**
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- **Dr. Abby Hollenbeck**
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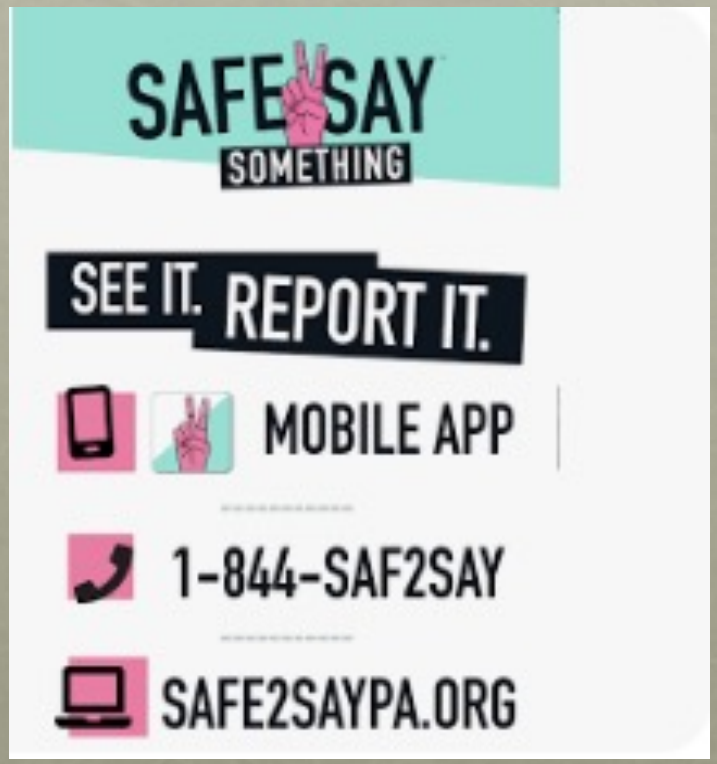
- **Mr. David Ford**
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School Safety

Our Relentless Focus on Student Safety

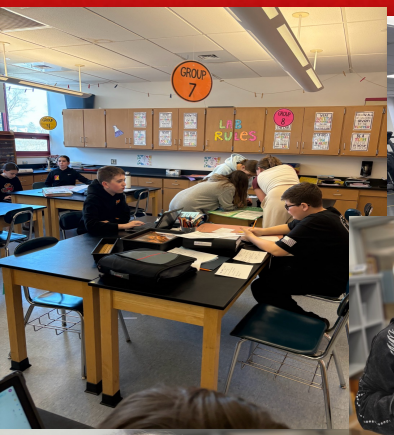
- Student safety remains our highest priority every day
- We review and strengthen procedures immediately after any incident
- Staff are trained in supervision, response protocols, and prevention
- We partner closely with families and local authorities when appropriate
- We encourage students and parents to report concerns promptly



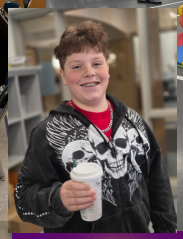
Strategic Plan Goals



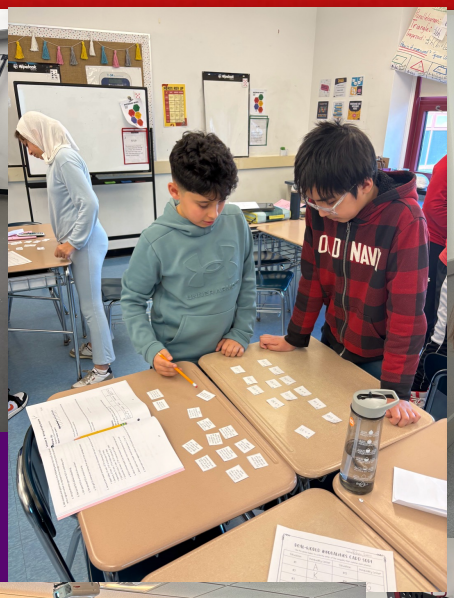
This Week At HMS!



























Making A Difference

14th Annual Making a Difference Awards

May 27, 2026 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Radnor High School

We are seeking nominations for exemplary examples of inclusion occurring in the 2025-2026 school year. Please enter your nomination information online by using the link or QR code below:

Visit dciu.org/MakingaDifference to submit your nomination.

You will receive confirmation of your nomination after it has been submitted.

All nominations must be submitted through the link above. No hard copy nominations will be accepted. **Winners will be notified by May 1, 2026**

Deadline to receive nominations is March 5, 2026 at 4pm

Inclusion-secures opportunities for students with disabilities to engage with and learn alongside their non-disabled peers in school and community settings.

When submitting a nomination please consider the definition of inclusion noted above to help you identify appropriate candidates.

The Making a Difference Award will recognize outstanding individuals who meet one of the following criteria:

- ❑ STUDENTS who have persevered and overcome challenges to be successful within an inclusive setting.
- ❑ STUDENTS who have demonstrated exceptional support, friendship, acceptance, and understanding to ensure the inclusion of classmates of all abilities.
- ❑ ADULTS who have demonstrated extraordinary efforts through their exceptional work to promote acceptance and understanding to ensure the inclusion of children of all abilities.

Nominees may include students, administrators, teachers, paraprofessionals, reading specialists, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, community members, etc.

Questions and special accommodations can be directed to: Nora Connell nconnell@dciu.org

- **The DCIU just shared this video about the Making A Difference Awards nominations.**
- **Making a Difference Nomination Video**
- **Nomination form**
- **Nominations due by March 5th**

PBIS Expectations

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	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
    - Please contact teachers to collect missing work before absence
  - 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**

6th Grade Camp Canadensis







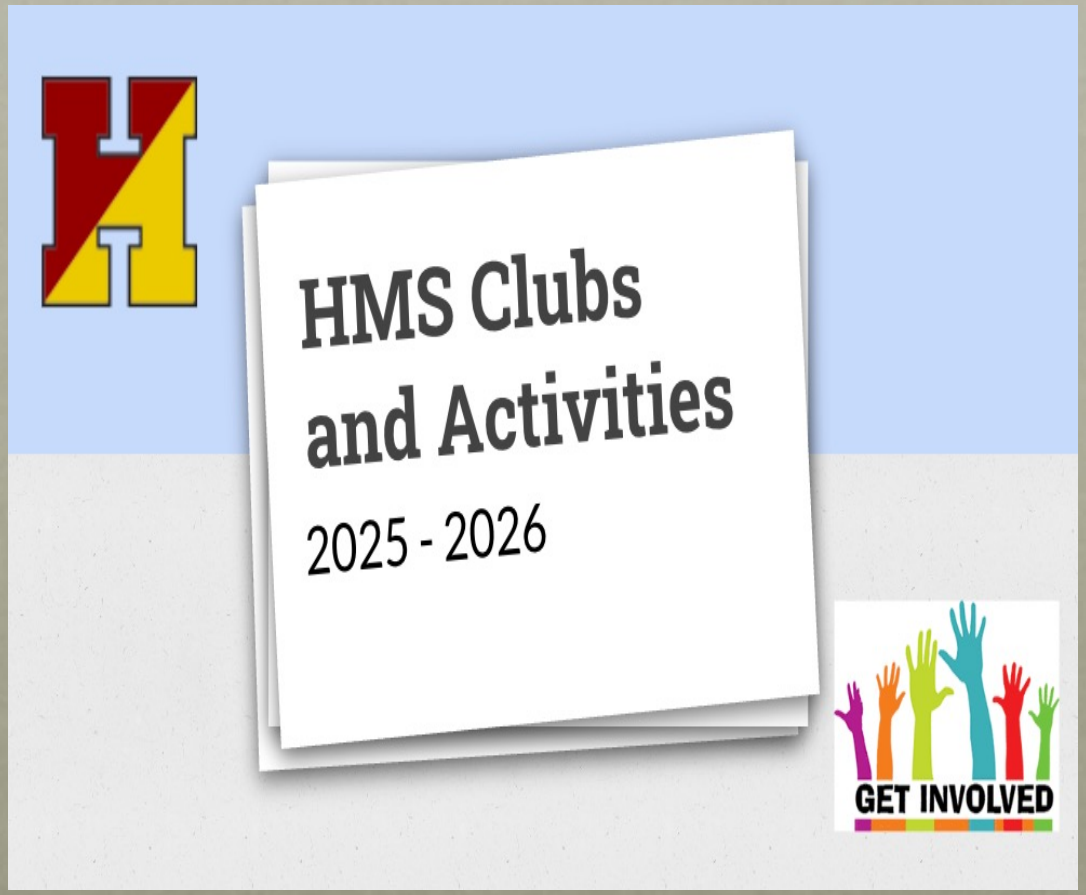




- The cost of camp is $198
- **Payment due today**
- If you chose the online payment option, then look for an email regarding payment from myschoolbucks.com
- If you chose to pay by cash or check, then please pay at the main office before February 27th
- Chaperones were notified today by email

Clubs & Activities

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



Project Lit


Project Lit Presents
PURIM
March 9, 2026 2:45-3:30
HMS Library
All are welcome to join in!
COME LEARN ABOUT THE STORY OF PURIM, MAKE HAMANTASHEN, AND CELEBRATE AS A COMMUNITY!
See Mrs. Ford with questions!

7th & 8th Grade PIAA Athletics



- ATHLETICS
- Athletics Manual
- Eligibility
- Family ID **is open for Spring sports**
- **Support staff**
  - Stephanie Viola, Athletic Supervisor
    - Spring sports information
  - Lindsey Smith, Athletic & Afterschool Activities Advisor

2nd Quarter Grades & Student-Led Conferences



- **2nd quarter Grades**
  - Grades viewable on PowerSchool
  - IEP Progress Monitoring notes
  - Distinguished Honor Roll – All As
  - Honor Roll – As & Bs

- Student Led Conference sign up link
  - HMS Student-Led Conference Sign up email sent today at 5:00 PM
  - Student, family, and teacher roles and responsibilities
  - 10:50 AM dismissal on SLC days
  - Days / Times
    - March 18th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM
    - March 19th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM
      - 6:00 - 7:30 PM
    - March 20th
      - 12:00 - 2:45 PM

- **Sign up link will be available until March 6th**

HMS Musical

Ben & Audrey



Gabe Bianchi as Prince Ben

Charlotte Smith as Audrey

Link for Tickets

HMS THEATER DEPARTMENT
proudly presents...

Disney DESCENDANTS THE MUSICAL

Will goodness always win? or will evil take hold?

Buy tickets to come find out!

2/26 @ 5 pm Sensory Friendly Performance	2/27 @ 7 pm	2/28 @ 2 pm
2/28 @ 7 pm	3/6 @ 7 pm	3/7 @ 2 pm

All performances will be held in the Haverford Middle School Auditorium

Evil Kids



Grady Wickersham as Carlos

Cecie Milo as Mal

Javier Cordoba as Jay

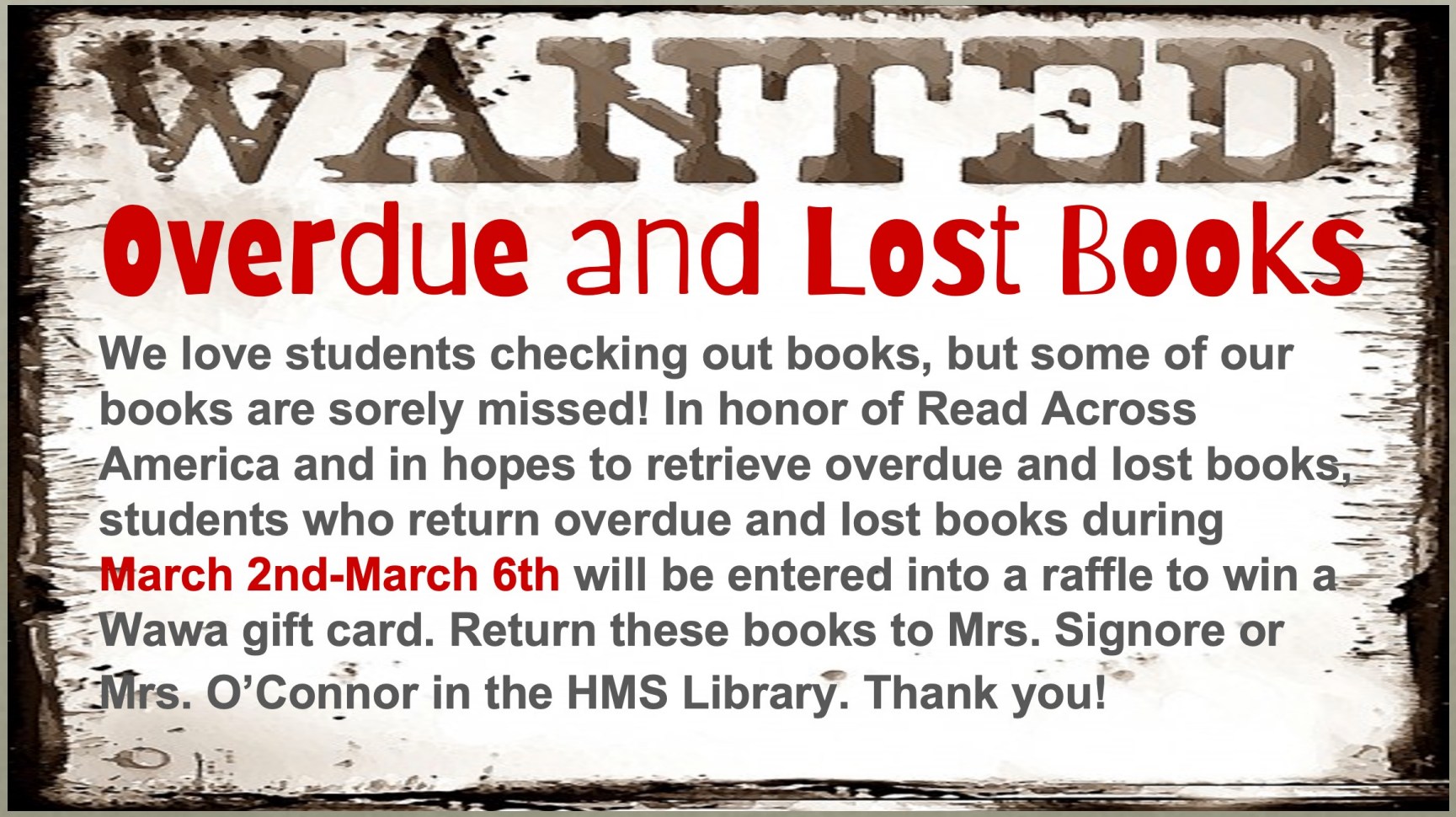
Adelle Singson as Evie

Read Across America Week

- **Design a bookmark to earn a Barnes & Noble gift certificate, bragging rights, and a mass printing of your bookmark to be distributed at the HMS Library.**
- **To enter, pick up the template at the HMS Library or print out the bookmark template here and start designing.**
- **Submission Requirements:**
  - Draw, sketch, paint, or collage a design with H-Pride!
  - Use the template.
  - Digital or Internet images used in submissions will NOT be accepted.
  - All submissions should be literary or HMS themed
- **Submit your design to Mrs. Signore in the library by Friday, March 6th**
- **Selected submissions will be numbered (names withheld) and on display at the library throughout March. Students and staff will vote on best design.**
- **Winner will be announced on Monday, March 23rd**



Read Across America Week



Student Government



This week's lunch menu:



















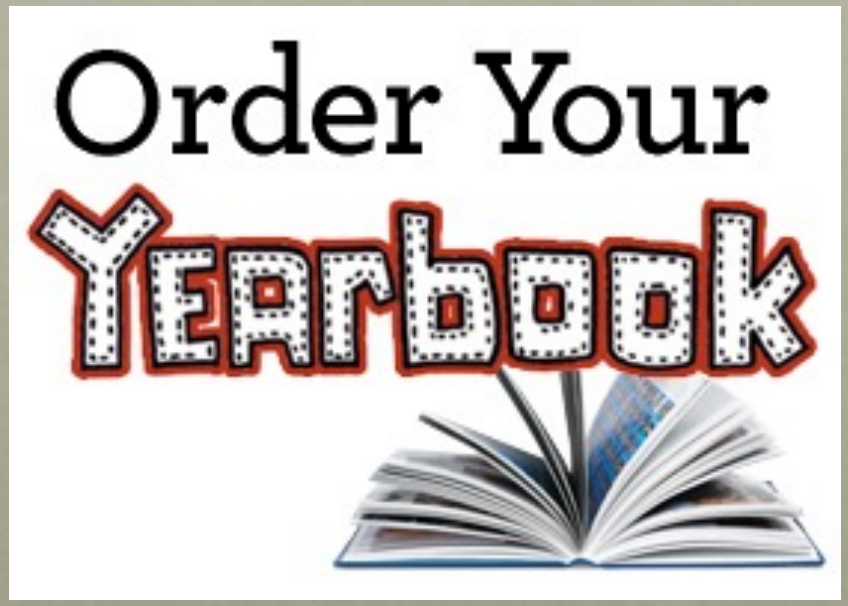
All of March, we will be celebrating the following heritage month(s):

Irish & Middle Eastern Heritage Months

Look for samples celebrating delicacies from these heritages on Tasty Tuesdays in the cafeteria!



Yearbook



- Link to order yearbook
- $35.00
- Last day to order yearbook is April 3rd

Bringing Hope Home









- **Gold Team Event**
- **Amazingness**
  - 10th year
  - Approaching $1,000,000
- **Coin Bank Homeroom Collection begins on Tuesday**
- **Olympics**
  - 8th grade – March 18
  - 7th grade – March 19
  - 6th grade – March 20

8th Grade Promotion



March Dates

- March 2nd – 6th……School Social Worker Week
  Read across America Week
- March 6th……Maintenance Worker Appreciation Day
- March 8th……Daylight Savings Time
- March 13th…..Midpoint of 3rd Quarter / Strath Haven Jazz Festival
- March 18th-20th……ELA Benchmark / BHH Olympics /
  Student-Led Conferences / 10:50 AM dismissal
- March 30th – April 3rd……Spring Break – No School (end of 3rd quarter April 10th)

HTSDEF Twilight Run

2026 Twilight Run

Join us to support the students of Haverford Township!

Sign up to Volunteer

Saturday April 18, 2026 at 4:30pm
Lynnewood Elementary School
1400 Lawrence Road, Havertown, PA

Register to Walk or Run

Register @ HaverfordTwilightRun.org



Register to run, volunteer, or become a sponsor

- 1-mile elementary challenge
- 5K run/walk
- Kids fun zone

Questions?
info@haverfordedfoundation.org

The Twilight Run benefits the Haverford Township School District Education Foundation a nonprofit providing grants to students and educators in our district for innovative educational projects.

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