

H. B. Thompson Middle School

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2026-2027



Dear HBT Families,

On behalf of the entire staff at Harry B. Thompson Middle School, welcome to the 2026-2027 school year! Whether you are returning to familiar hallways or joining the HBT family for the very first time, we are excited to embark on this journey together. After a restful summer, our campus is getting ready to come alive with learning, exploration, and new achievements. We look forward to working closely with our families to create an environment where every student feels supported, inspired, and ready to succeed. We look forward to seeing them on September 1st!

Warm regards,
Kevin Bonanno, Principal, H.B. Thompson Middle School

Meet Your Administrative Team:

Principal, Kevin Bonanno - 364-5760
Assistant Principal, Christian Harrigan - 364-5760
Assistant Principal, Paul Naraine - 364-5775
Assistant Principal, Joey Waters - 364-5767

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HBT Middle School Bell Schedule

[Click here for
the R/W
Calendar
Rotation](#)

Period 1	8:04 AM - 8:44 AM
Period 2	8:48 AM - 9:29 AM
Period 3	9:33 AM - 10:13 AM
Period 4	10:17 AM - 10:57 AM
Period 5	11:01 AM - 11:41 AM
Period 6	11:45 AM - 12:25 PM
Advisory	12:29 PM - 12:39 PM
Period 7	12:42 PM - 1:23 PM
Period 8	1:26 PM - 2:06 PM
Period 9	2:10 PM - 2:50 PM

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HBT ARRIVAL and DISMISSAL

We are an all-transportation district, and we encourage all students to take the bus daily. Please remember to use caution and drive slowly as you drive through all areas of the parking lot and the surrounding neighborhood. Our faculty, custodial staff and security team will be assisting students upon arrival and dismissal.

Arrival

- **Important:** Due to construction, the HBT front circle is closed for student drop-offs. All cars will now drop off students at the side entrance of the HBT main parking lot under the awning.
- Students attending clubs and extra help in the morning may arrive at 7:00 a.m. and will be directed to the cafeteria until 7:15 a.m.
- All other students should arrive no earlier than 7:40 a.m.
- The rear of the building is only for the arrival and dismissal of our buses. Approximate arrival time is 7:45 a.m.

Dismissal

- All buses will dismiss from the back of the building. Buses begin departing HBT at 2:57 p.m. Locations for each bus will be marked at the back of the building and HBT staff will assist students in finding their bus location.
- **Important:** Due to construction at HBT, student pick-ups or students walking home will be exit the building at 3:05 pm after the buses have left the campus.
- [Please click here](#) for a detailed explanation of our Arrival and Dismissal Procedure.

Early Dismissal

- Any student leaving early must have a note signed by a parent or guardian with the stated reason. This note should be given to our attendance office.
- If a situation arises while your child is in school and you must pick them up, please call ahead to the attendance office. We will arrange for your child to meet you at the security desk. Please have identification ready.
- **Important:** Students will not be able to be picked up between 2:30 and 2:50 p.m. as it interferes with regular dismissal and disrupts 9th period classes. The area will be closed for buses beginning at 2:35.
- If your child needs to be picked up due to illness, they will be signed out by the nurse's office. Students cannot be dismissed for sickness other than through the nurse's office.

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LUNCH AT HBT

Syosset Central School District offers healthy meals to students every school day. Students have the option to bring their own lunch or receive the lunch provided by the Syosset Central School District. New York State will continue to offer a universal free meals program providing one free breakfast and one free lunch meal to all students in the district. Please be aware that this program does not include snacks, second meals or any other a-la carte items. Please refer to the Food Services website for more information and to establish a "My School bucks" account for your child. [Click here](#) for more information.

Important: Since students have access to free lunch and breakfast, lunch drop-offs will not be accepted.

Student Lunch Periods

Grade 6 Period 5 11:01 AM - 11:41 AM

Grade 7 Period 6 11:45 AM - 12:25 PM

Grade 8 Period 7 12:42 PM - 1:23 PM

There is no delivery of food or drink permitted whether by families or by outside entities (Uber Eats, Door Dash, etc.). as we are able to provide every student with lunch. No group food is permitted as well.

Weather permitting, students are encouraged to go outside during recess. The location may change as our construction projects progress. Students may also go to the nook, the library or a workshop, if offered, during lunch.



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THINGS TO KNOW @ HBT

Advisory: Advisory is a place to foster relationships, facilitate communication and build a positive school culture. Advisory is multi-grade and takes place daily after period 6. Extended advisory days take place 1-2 times per month. A different bell schedule is followed on those days.

School Counseling and Wellness Centers: Our Mental Health Team is here to support students as they navigate all elements of middle school life. The best place to start is with our Guidance Office. You can reach them at (516) 364-5767. Our psychologists and social worker are available for more acute situations.

No Place for Hate: We are designated a No Place for Hate school by the Anti-Defamation League. We embrace diversity and inclusivity for all of our students and work to live up to this designation on a daily basis.

DASA (Dignity Act): Our DASA Coordinators are Mrs. Mills Carroll and Dr. Baglivo-Rypl. [Click here to review the district's DASA Information and reporting procedures.](#)

Code of Character, Conduct and Support: The Code and other community expectations will be reviewed with students on the first day of school. [Click here to review the full code of conduct.](#)

Attendance - To report a student's absence, please call the Attendance Office at (516)364-5771 or email: hbtattendance@syosetschools.org. Students who are late to school must obtain a late pass at the security desk. Multiple instances of lateness will result in administrative intervention and consequences.

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MORE THINGS TO KNOW @ HBT

Cell Phones: New York State's "[Distraction-Free Schools](#)" legislation will be in effect at all of our school buildings. Students will not be permitted to use personal internet-enabled devices during the school day and are encouraged to leave these devices at home.

Middle School students who bring devices to school must turn it off and store it in their locker upon arrival. Devices must remain off and in lockers until the school day ends at 2:50 p.m.

If you need to reach your child during the day, please call the Main Office at 516-364-5760. Office staff will make sure students are contacted in a timely and appropriate way. Please ensure your child memorizes or writes down any important phone numbers.

Should a student violate the policy, we will work together to reinforce expectations and promote accountability in a supportive and educational manner. Consequences include one or more of the following: Phone confiscated and stored securely in the main office; Parents/guardian notification of the violation; and/or Parent/guardian required to pick up the device phone from school.

We hope that this policy will help students stay present, build stronger peer connections, and remain engaged in their learning.

Lockers: All students will be issued a locker on the first day of the school year. The most important items for students to bring on a daily basis are a charged Chromebook, a pen, and the necessary binder(s).

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Student IDs/Lanyards: For the 26-27 school year, all HBT students will be given and expected to wear, student identification badges. These badges will be used daily to check in to the building. Eventually, they will also be used throughout the day for attendance, transportation, library materials, etc... Students should visit the Library Media Center for lost or missing badges.

School Supplies: Click [here](#) for the suggested grade-level supply lists for the school year 2026-2027.

Clubs: A list of clubs with the meeting date and time will be created and posted throughout the building and on our website. Students will be able to attend a club fair to learn about our different clubs.

Chromebooks: Students are expected to bring their Chromebooks to school daily. All students must follow the District's Code of Character, Conduct and Support as well as the Acceptable Use Policy. Please make sure you have completed an electronic copy of the User Agreement online. Any problems can be reported to our Library Media Center, (516) 364-5778.

Photo Objections: Please review the Photo Objection Form (on our district website, Back to School Mailing) and submit the form electronically, if you DO NOT want your child's photo used in any publications.

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COMMUNICATION with HBT

Communication is key to building a strong student/family/school connection. We welcome you to reach out to your child's teachers, counselor or the administrative team with any questions or concerns you may have.

Reach us through:

Google Classroom

via Phone

via Email through ParentSquare

Stay informed with HBT News through:

Weekly Email Updates with our [Harry B Happenings](#) Newsletter

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