



Haslett Middle School

Newsletter

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Principals Update



Students and Families, we look forward to starting our Hybrid schedule on **Monday, February 8, 2021**. This brings many changes for us at HMS and we want to make sure everyone is ready! You should have received an email and resource board this morning. Please look it over as it contains many helpful resources to assist our students and families to make a smooth transition to

our Hybrid plan. Here are a couple other helpful hints:

- Put a copy of our Hybrid schedule in a visible place. We move to a 6 hour day, 5 days per week. Viking Time is Monday, Wednesday, Friday. Consider setting an alarm at home to serve as a reminder.
- Remember to charge your Chromebook every night. Blue and Gold Cohort need to bring Chromebooks to school for in-person instruction.
- Check your team's Weekly Learning Planner to see how instruction will be delivered. Students may be asked to Zoom in to their class while at home on asynchronous days. Your teacher will explain this to you.
- We are here for you. Please contact your child's teachers or the main office if we can help in any way.

Schedules are posted below. Have a good weekend, stay safe, and we will see you on Monday!

[Blue Cohort](#) (Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning)

[Gold Cohort](#) (Thursday afternoon, Friday morning)

[Viking \(online\) Cohort](#)

[HMS Hybrid Learning Schedule](#)

NWEA Testing



On **Wednesday, February 10th** and **Wednesday, February 17th**, all HMS students will be taking the NWEA reading and math tests with their Viking Time classes. Viking Time teachers will guide students through the log-in process and have them ready to independently take the test. This test is not graded. Students' results allow our teachers to tailor their instruction to meet whole-group as well as individual needs. Please have your student ready for testing on their school issued Chromebook at the following times:

- **7th grade testing 7:40 AM - 9:32 AM***
- **6th grade testing 9:37 AM -11:26 AM***
- **8th grade testing 12:28 PM - 2:20 PM***

*note this change from the normal Viking Time schedule.

Please use these [Student Testing Tips](#) to help your student be successful with the test administration.



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Count Day



Student Count Day is on **February 10th, 2021**. Students will need to make sure to log in and complete all the posted assignments for hours 1-6 that day.

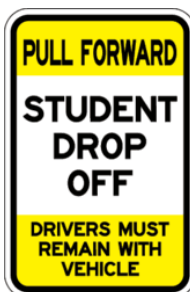
Students will also be taking the NWEA test with their Viking Time classes that day.

Bus Transportation

**ATTENTION:
BUS RIDERS**

Here is the [bus schedule](#) for elementary and secondary students. This schedule can also be found online under Departments/Transportation. If you plan to have your student ride the bus to school, please fill out this [Transportation Survey](#).

HMS Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up



In an effort to spread the students out, student drop-off will look a little different this year. The door students will enter through will depend on which “zone” their 1st hour of the day is (1st hour in the am and 4th hour in the pm). Please use [THIS MAP](#) to see which zone your student should enter through or watch this [helpful video](#).

If you are dropping your student off at school, please be sure to use the student drop off loop (entrance across from Ralya playground). The Bus loop is for busses ONLY. Please be sure to pull up as far as you can to drop off your student and make sure to remain in your vehicle. Students will be allowed to enter the building at **7:30 am**, please do not drop students off prior to 7:30 am to promote social distancing. Students will be release for pick-up at **2:20 pm**. Click [HERE](#) for the HMS drop-off/pick-up traffic pattern.

Picture Day



Haslett Middle School will be holding picture day on **Monday, February 22nd** and **Friday, February 26th**. Time slots have been designated based on which cohort your child is in.

- The **BLUE COHORT** will get their pictures taken on **Monday 1/22** while they are here for in-person instruction.
- The **GOLD COHORT** will get their pictures taken on **Friday 1/26** while they are here for in-person instruction.
- Students in the **VIKING COHORT** have been sent information on how to sign up for a time slot on either day.

Pictures can be ordered at Mylifetouch.com using the Picture Day ID: **EVT9H3S8M**.



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Yearbook News



Yearbooks are ready to order!! There is a flyer attached with directions to order online.

We are still accepting 8th grade baby pictures for the yearbook. A list was given to Viking Time teachers of individuals that did not submit a picture. Please feel free to send them to hmsyearbook@haslett.k12.mi.us.

We also need pictures to fill some different pages this year. If you have pictures of your student(s) learning at home, please send them our way! We will be taking pictures of students in the building, but we want to see what ALL students did this year. When sending the pictures to the hmsyearbook@haslett.k12.mi.us email, please put in the subject line which one of the new pages the picture could go in (online learning, pets of online learning, creativity during Covid, virtual spirit week, sports pictures, clubs, back to Hybrid, birthday and celebrations during Covid.)

Lastly, we would like to make sure preferred names appear in the yearbook. In the past we have been able to do this through Viking Times. We are hoping that parents and or students could check out their names on Skyward. If you would like a different name to appear in the yearbook (i.e. Chris instead Christopher) please send an email to hmsyearbook@haslett.k12.mi.us so we can update the request.

Emails will be checked each week. If you send an email with any questions, please be patient for our response. Thank you for helping us make it another great yearbook!!

Middle School Play



Our Haslett Middle School students have been preparing for our production this year and are happy to share our final product on **February 19th** at **7:30pm!** Come check out what these crazy pirates and fairytale characters have been up to! The link to the play is coming soon! Donations are welcome in place of ticket sales. To donate, please use this link:

<https://www.paypal.com/paypalme/HaslettChoirBoosters>

Mask Contest Results



Thank you to everyone who participated and voted in the HMS Student Council Mask Design Contest. The winning mask design was inspired by 6th grade student, Victoria Lathrop. Congrats Victoria!

This mask is available to purchase until **2/13** by clicking [HERE](#). Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to the Sparrow Children's Center, so they can buy coloring books, crayons, etc. for the children currently receiving care from the hospital. We can't wait to see you rocking your new Haslett face mask in the community and at school, all while supporting a great cause. Go Vikings!



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MSU GATE



If you are interested in the MSU GATE (Gifted and Talented) program for next year, please sign up for the CogAT testing. Testing can be online or in-person at the MSU testing Center. Please use [this link](#) to sign up. If you would like more information about the program, please go to [this link](#).

Special Olympics Polar Plunge



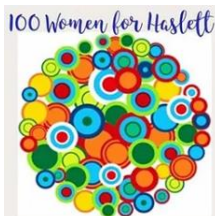
Haslett Middle School is participating in the virtual polar plunge to raise money for the Special Olympics on **February 16th at 3 pm**. Do you want to see the Haslett staff take the plunge!? Well, let's raise money for the Special Olympics! When our district raises \$1,000, the Haslett staff will have a water balloon fight in the snow! For each additional \$1,000 raised, a volunteered staff member will have a bucket of cold water dumped on them. Follow our team's fundraising journey by clicking this link: <https://www.classy.org/team/335408>

Meal Pick Up



HPS Food Services offers free meal pick up to any student under the age of 18. The student does not need to be present and meals do not need to be pre-ordered or requested. Meals can be picked up in the front loop of Haslett High School on **Monday and Thursday** afternoons from **3-6pm**.

100 Women for Haslett



The "100 Women for Haslett" invites you to join us for a virtual gathering on **Tuesday, February 9 at 6pm** on the Foundation for Haslett School's Facebook page. Come and "meet" The 100 Women for Haslett and learn about our mission to support Haslett students and staff through scholarships and grants. This video will last about 10 minutes and will share what things can be accomplished when 100 women donate \$100. Please "like" the Foundation for Haslett School's Facebook page. If you're not on Facebook, you can view the video on February 9th on the Haslett Media Production's YouTube channel at 6pm. For more information or to donate, please visit: <https://www.foundationforhaslettschools.org/viking-strong>

Attachments



- HMS Building Map
- Yearbook Order Form
- High School Football Flyer
- Growth Mindset Affirmations
- MSU Girls Math and Science Day Flyer