



Haslett Public Schools

February 19, 2021

Additional "In-Person" Learning Parent/Guardian Survey

Snow Days

Students and staff have experienced a snow day this past week. As a reminder to our families, if severe weather conditions occur, we will consider a school closure to ensure the safety of our students and staff. If school is canceled, ALL student cohorts (Viking, Blue, and Gold) will be affected.

Once the decision to close school is made (usually the morning of the closure), school families will immediately receive phone and email notifications based on contact information available in our Skyward student information system.

M-Step

M-Step, the State of Michigan standardized testing program, will begin on April 12, 2021. As of the printing of this publication, the State has requested a waiver from the Federal Government to exempt the District from this required mandate. Schools in Michigan were not required to assess students during the 2019-20 school year.

Dates to Remember....

- February 22 - Board of Education Meeting (7pm)
- April 2-9 - Spring Break
- April 10-14 - HS/MS PSAT/SAT (Grades 8-11)
M-Step Assessment (Grades 3-9)
- June 11 - Last Day of School (Partial Day)



If you are having trouble connecting your HPS-issued Chromebook to your wireless network or need help logging in, contact HPS Tech Help:

Email (preferred method for quickest response): support@haslett.k12.mi.us

Or Phone: 517.339.7400, option 1 (please allow up to two business days for a response)

Now that our students in grades K-5 have been back to school for three weeks, and students in grades 6-12 have completed their second week back in person, we are beginning to plan for the next steps in our "Return to School Plan." Haslett Public Schools believes it is important for ALL students to return to a more normal **full-time school schedule**, when it is safe.

The COVID-19 data in our geographic area has been trending down, and it has been determined safe by the Ingham County Health Department for children to return to school for "in-person" instruction. By the end of February, all district staff will have had the opportunity to be inoculated with their second vaccine.

Research suggests students learning remotely may face higher stress and exhaustion than students learning "in-person." It is in the interest of students, academically and for their social and emotional well-being, to return to school to begin recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. We understand that for some students, it is in their best interest to spend less time on screens and more time learning "in person."

Building safety protocols and mitigation procedures are in place at Haslett Public Schools and will remain in place with additional "in-person" instruction. These protocols include universal and correct mask wearing, handwashing and hand sanitizing, and physical distancing. Facilities have routine cleaning and sanitizing schedules, as well as improved ventilation.

Parent/Guardian Survey

As the district prepares for the next phase of our "Return to School" Learning Plan, we need feedback from parents if there is interest in **changing their choice for instruction** (virtual or face-to-face) for their children. The schedule for the next phase of the "Return to School" Learning Plan will be focused on **adding more "in-person" time**. Depending on the building, the additional time could be in the form of full days or additional half days.

Please click on the survey to the right and, if possible, complete no later than February 26. Your responses are necessary, important, and appreciated. After analyzing the results of the survey, planning will continue to determine transportation schedules, food service for full-time options, safety protocols, and staffing. As we move closer to implementation, we will provide our school families with updates.



As always, your support and confidence in Haslett Public Schools is recognized and appreciated. Providing your children with A+ opportunities to grow and learn continues to be our mission.



Students Welcomed at Murphy Elementary School



End of Instructional Day at Haslett Middle School