

The Villager

Village Elementary School

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February Calendar

February 9 ■ PTO Meeting – 4pm
February 14 ■ Valentine's Day Spirit Day
February 14 ■ BOE Meeting – Village Presents
February 21 ■ No School for Students
February 28 ■ Book Review Drawing – 7pm FB Live

School Hours

Monday-Thursday

8:50-3:50pm

Fridays

8:50 – 2:50 pm

Please note that students are only permitted to enter the building at 8:40 for breakfast. All other students may enter the building at 8:45. We begin supervision at 8:40.

My Love Letter to Village

I think that it is only fitting that my last monthly newsletter as principal of Village Elementary be delivered during the month of February. In this month we celebrate Valentine's Day. A day, regardless of the commercialized aspects, where you are supposed to share kind sentiments with those you love. As I depart, I would like to share what I love about Village and our amazing community.

When I took the position as leader, I instantly fell in love with the staff. Whether it's the warmth of front office staff or the tenacity of classroom educators, or the diligence of the LESA staff; Village employs some of the greatest people in the field of education. Not great because of their credentials or their accolades, but great because of the passion they have for supporting students.

What can I say about our students? They are wonderful. It is such a gift to watch them grow into leaders. When they show off their writing, or want their artwork displayed, or share how they overcame a challenging math problem, I am grateful.

To the families of our Villagers, I say thank you. I know how challenging it can be to sit on the sidelines while your student is at school in the game. You believe in what we do here and support our approach to educating students and for that I say thank you. Your kindness and generosity over the years have helped me grow as a leader.

Each day I stood in the presence of greatness. The individuals that work in Hartland Consolidated Schools and those specifically at Village are remarkable. As I move forward on my journey, I will remember every laugh, every water balloon thrown at me, all the helpful suggestions, and the incredible love that emanates from Village Elementary each day.

I know that you will welcome Mr. Reck with open arms and support him through this transition as you supported me. He is a fierce advocate for students and will work tirelessly to support our educators and create the best conditions to support students.

I have loved every moment here at Village Elementary. Thank you, Hartland Consolidated Schools and Village community, for your support and well wishes.

Be Well – Principal, Mrs. Angelina Kreger

Winter is Coming – LABEL YOUR STUDENT’S CLOTHES

Our building usually has a very robust Lost and Found, and unfortunately, we cannot house that this year. Please make sure that you label **ALL** your students’ items so that they can be returned. This is especially important as the winter months set in. Also, our refillable water stations are **UP AND RUNNING!** Send your refillable water bottles in with your kiddos and make sure they are labeled.

Cromaine Winter Reading Challenge – Accepted!

Our neighborhood Cromaine Library kicked off their winter reading challenge on December 1. We are excited for our Villagers to get a chance to participate in this exciting event. Please see below for the winter reading challenge documents based on your student’s grade-level.

Pre-K - <https://sites.google.com/cromaine.org/winterreading2021/home#h.snr6jwvy32qh>

Grade K-2 <https://sites.google.com/cromaine.org/winterreading2021/home#h.a6xvfhpewgqk>

Grade 3-4 <https://sites.google.com/cromaine.org/winterreading2021/home#h.gn6rupyx0k9r>

Adult <https://sites.google.com/cromaine.org/winterreading2021/home#h.8elts8ov3ra0>

The library also put together a wonderful list of books that are great for each age-level.

<https://sites.google.com/cromaine.org/winterreading2021/home#h.h3hvhfepd9as>

Also, you can always reach out to the library to assist you in any way. They are wonderful and happy to help.

Absences & Dismissal Changes? – Let the Office Know

Have a last-minute dismissal change or planning to be absent? Email or call the main office and let us know your plans. For dismissal changes, we cannot ensure changes will be honored if you do not contact the school **prior to 3pm**. We need to make sure that teachers have enough time to check their messages. Email your dismissal changes or student absence information to kaloolahfelver@hartlandschools.us and gayleroberts@hartlandschools.us or call 810-626-2850.

Saturday, February 5th from 10–11:30 AM
Location: HESSC
(former high school
on M-59).

WE ARE
HIRING
HCS JOB FAIR

Work and serve the children of Hartland Consolidated Schools. Meet current HCS personnel and learn more about employment opportunities in the following departments:

- Transportation (bus drivers)
- Secretarial
- Paraeducator
- Student Nutrition
- Maintenance/Custodial
- EduStaff
(sub teacher contractor)
- Aquatic Center
- Child Care Center
- Preschool



Please contact Scott VanEpps, Assistant Superintendent of Personnel at 810-626-2111 or scottvanepps@hartlandschools.us.

Hartland Winterfest

Hartland WINTERFEST is the perfect excuse to experience Hartland's outdoor living at its finest. Plan to join your friends, family, and Hartland community on February 12 for a FREE spirit-warming day in the middle of our cold Michigan Winter.

Find more info on our website : <https://www.hartlandtwp.com/community/page/winterfest-2022>



Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Enrollment

I cannot believe that it is already time to begin thinking about the 2022-2023 school year, but alas here we are. This year Kindergarten enrollment for the 22/23 school year will open on February 1 and will take place online. You can access our online learning platform at [Hartland Enrollment](#). If your student is a current junior kindergarten student, you can simply login and recertify your information through MiStar. This is the same process that you will go through at the end of every year here on out.

We encourage you to please share this information with any other local families that you believe would love to attend Hartland Schools. Our School of Choice enrollment opens on February 1st as well for anyone not currently an HCS resident.

Kindergarten Orientation

Please join us at the HESSC on February 5 from 10-11:30 for Kindergarten orientation.

Our panel will include the four elementary principals, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services, Transportation Director and the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction.

We will answer common questions regarding Kindergarten programming, curriculum, and how you can help your student prepare to start school. Information about our Junior Kindergarten program will also be shared at that time.

If you have any questions that you would like addressed, please send them to jasonreck@hartlandschools.us.

Please see the attached flyers for more details regarding immunization opportunities and vision screening times from the LCHD. We look forward to welcoming our future Hedgehogs at Village.

PTO Book Review Basket Winners

Village PTO is proud to announce the start of the Monthly Book Review Contests. The contest gets kids excited to READ and share their thoughts and ideas about their books. Here's how it works:

- Has your child completed the Book Review Template – written, video or both?
- Email your completed review to welovevillage@gmail.com
- There is NO LIMIT to the number of entries – monthly or yearly!
- Keep reading for more chances to WIN!

Drawings to WIN a fun book basket occurs at the end of every month. At least 3 baskets per month will be raffled off. All entries carry over throughout the year, so the more you read the more chances you have to win!

October's Book Baskets are fun and spooky so get reading and send in those book reviews! **Whose name will Mrs. Kreger call as the next winners?!**

Valentine's Day Excitement

Our school will celebrate Valentine's Day on February 11th or February 14th, please see your teacher newsletter for details. .

February 14th will be a spirit day on our calendar. We encourage our Villagers to wear red, pink or anything that symbolizes love and kindness. If you plan to send in valentines for your student to pass out, please have them to the school by February 8th. This Please remember when choosing your valentines that if they contain food items that they must be individually wrapped and avoid anything with peanut butter. We look forward to our student's participating. Also, homemade food treats are not allowed. We look forward to our student's participating.



Student Placement Information 22/23

Parent input forms for the 2022/23 school year are due by March 11, 2022. We look forward to reviewing your input as we begin to make decisions on placement. **Use the link below to provide your information and please fill a separate form out for each of your students.**

[Parent Input Form](#)

No Outside Visitors or Parents Allowed in the Building

To keep our building as clean as possible, NO outside visitors will be allowed in. This means that parents that need to drop things off will need to ring the buzzer and leave the items outside by the door. No parents will walk their children to class or come into the building to pick them up. They will need to ring the buzzer and your student will be brought to you outside. We will have no parent volunteers in the classrooms, and if you are asked to attend a meeting, we may ask that it be held virtually.

Snack Pantry Donations

As you can imagine our snack pantry is a BIG hit. Students often forget to bring snacks to school, are not full after eating their snack, or just need a little energy boost to make it through learning. In response, our snack pantry is a bit bare. If you have extra snack donations, we would love them. Please make sure that they are peanut-free. Some of our student favorites are listed below:

- Goldfish
- Cheeze-Its
- Fruit Snacks
- Applesauce
- Fruit and Grain Bars
- Cheese and Crackers
- Raisins
- Fruit Cups

Yearbook Updates

Farewell Messages – 4th grade families ONLY

Are you looking for a fun way to wish your student well as they finish their last year at Village? Please consider purchasing Yearbook space for a “Farewell Memo” and/or a “Picture” of your 4th student(s)!

The cost is \$10.00 each, you can do one or both! There are guidelines that must be met for the Memos and/or Pictures to be published. If interested, please review the attached.

Please note, submissions and payments are due by end of day, February 7th, 2022. If you have any questions after reviewing the attached guidelines please contact the office, or send an email to: hartlandvillage.yearbook@gmail.com.

Yearbook Ordering

Interested in Ordering a Yearbook for 21/22? **Order Deadline is MARCH 1.**

Order Here: www.geskusphoto.com/?YB=1147

Spring HAYAA Flag football registration is NOW OPEN!

This is a FUN based flag football league that is designed to teach, introduce, and get moving playing a team sport. We have divisions that go K-8 and no experience is needed! Here are a few of the benefits of HAYAA Flag football.

1. Small time Commitment- games are played on Sunday afternoons, one-hour practice followed by a football by a one-hour game.
2. Kids at any skill level are welcome, this a great sport to introduce your child to team sports
3. Great opportunity to coach! If you want to try coaching a sport with your child, this is a great opportunity to get your feet wet.

Please click the link below to register, if you are new you will need to create an account.

Registration ends February 28, 2022.

<https://hayaa-football.sportngin.com/home>

Looking for the Latest and Greatest Village Updates

Join our Facebook group: We Love Village Elementary

Add us on Twitter: @Villageelem

Want to send us pictures to include in our Village Yearbook?

Email hartlandvillage.yearbook@gmail.com

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Have a tip that the school should be made aware of?

OK2Say <https://www.michigan.gov/ok2say>



Discover the wonderful things happening in the community of Hartland by visiting the Hartland Living resources:

www.hartlandliving.com

facebook.com/HartlandLiving

twitter.com/HartlandLiving