



HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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Weekly Update

October 14, 2026

Homecoming 2026, This Friday!

Please see the information below. There will be a community event with food trucks at Spranger Field after the parade. Bring the family out to support the event.

**HARTLAND
HOMECOMING
PARADE**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16TH @ 5PM
**VILLAGE ELEMENTARY TO ORE CREEK
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**Road
Closures
Start at
4:30PM**

**Bring
Community
Together!**

**Support the
High School!**

Creekside Staff Inflatable Character Races

One of the rewards for raising money during the fun run fundraiser was an assembly featuring staff in inflatable outfits racing each other. Students enjoyed a quick assembly reaching a \$30,000 goal. Take a look at the fun they had at the [Creekside Staff Inflatable Character Races](#).

Middle School Artwork Sought

Your artwork could become a professionally printed holiday card! HMS Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) is looking for original student artwork for our Holiday Card Collection, a new fundraiser selling boxed cards featuring student artwork. Two themed card collections will be created, then offered for preorder, with proceeds benefiting HMS PAC. Open to all HMS 7th & 8th graders - you do not need to be an art student to enter! Students may submit up to two artworks for consideration in either card collection.

SELECTED ARTISTS RECEIVE

\$25 for each artwork selected. If the same artwork appears in both card collections, the artist receives an additional \$10. Selected artists will also receive a complimentary card box featuring their artwork if the collection is produced. Artist payments are guaranteed and are not dependent on fundraiser sales.

CHOOSE YOUR COLLECTION

ARTWORK REQUIREMENTS

- Artwork must be original, hand-created physical artwork made by the student.
- No digital artwork or generative AI, including AI-generated elements.
- No copyrighted characters, logos or protected designs (Disney, Pokémon, team logos, etc.).
- Portrait or landscape artwork is welcome. Follow the provided artwork template.
- Use the provided art paper or your own appropriate art paper/material.
- Drawing, colored pencil, marker, ink, paint, collage and mixed media are welcome. Keep artwork reasonably flat; glitter, reflective materials and heavy texture/3D elements may not scan well.
- The scanned artwork is what the jury will review, so choose materials that reproduce clearly.

SUBMIT YOUR ART

Turn in your original artwork and completed forms to the HMS office. The Contest Rules & Permission Form must be signed by both you AND a parent/guardian. See information here: [Student Art Contest information and entry packet](#)

SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, October 16,



Hartland High School Graduate Successful on the Voice:

Evan graduated a couple years ago, he goes by the stage name Evan James and became a finalist on The Voice. Congratulations Evan. [See his audition on YouTube.](#)

Annual Coat, Hat, Gloves, Boots, etc. Drive

With the start of fall, it's time for the Hartland Education Association's (HEA) annual winter coat drive. For the month of October, each Hartland building will have a box to collect winter gear. All items donated will be provided to residents at Bountiful Harvest in Brighton. We will be collecting new and gently used coats, gloves, hats, boots, etc. Please help us make this the best collection yet.



High School Highlights

[Football v. Howell](#)

[Volleyball v. Saline \(Senior Night\)](#)

[Volleyball v. Brighton \(Pink Out\)](#)

[Soccer v. Northville](#)

Bus Drivers Needed

Please contact 810-262-2175 if you or someone you know is interested in “the best job ever”!

Free Eye Exams Available

The 2nd Annual "I'm Fierce, Day of Caring" will be on Oct. 20, 2026 (planned for the 3rd Tuesday of October annually). Optometrists will be on hand to provide eye exams, and staff to fit glasses if needed. This event will be held at Design for Eyes located at 1794 N. Old US 23 from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. To reserve a spot contact 810-632-7444.

Hartland Optimist Club Seeks Help for Adopt-a-Family

What we are looking for:

100 of each: Pancake mix (add water only) and syrup
Spaghetti sauce and pasta
Peanut butter and jelly

Baked bag mixes (cookies, muffins)
Toilet paper and paper towel
Loaves of Bread
200 of each: Cereal
Mac and Cheese microwave cups
Any quantity: Toiletries (shampoo, soap, toothpaste, etc.)
Boxes of individual snacks (bags of chips, pretzels, goldfish, etc.)
Fruit snacks or cereal bars

If your family or business would like to help with Adopt-a-Family, without “adopting” a family, you can help by choosing one of the above options. Please contact 810-626-2150 to let the HCS staff (collection site) know what you would like to donate and the quantity. This way we can keep track of what will be coming in. Thank you

REMINDER Be Prepared with Plan B:

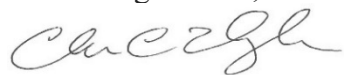
There are two situations that I want to encourage parents to have a Plan B for:

1. **Severe Weather Closure:** As winter arrives, parents need to be prepared for school closures. The district will always try to make the closure information available ahead of time, unfortunately this is not always possible. There will be early morning decisions made that parents must be prepared for when they occur.
2. **Transportation Pauses:** Currently, our transportation department is struggling to run routes. We need drivers which I believe you are aware of. Several of our regular drivers are not able to drive due to various situations. Regular drivers, substitute drivers, maintenance staff, mechanics, and available dispatchers are driving daily, which is not sustainable long-term. The driving staff is being stretched extremely thin as we try to hold off decisions about whether to pause routes. Why pause routes? Last year, we surveyed parents regarding options to use if this were to occur. Parents spoke out and indicated that the best option would be to pause routes as the fairest way to handle such a situation. Please know that the transportation team is dedicated to doing everything they can to get students to and from school each day. At this time, we are barely able to do this and may have to make the decision to pause routes soon. Please develop a Plan B in the event you are notified that transportation will not be available for any period. Thank you for your patience with this situation.

State of Community Address

The Hartland Township, Cromaine Library, Hartland Chamber and Hartland Schools State of the Community and Volunteer of the Year will be held on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at the Music Hall.

Where Eagles Soar,



Chuck Hughes

“Maturity is letting people keep whatever version of you they have created in their head and moving on in peace.”

Anonymous

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