

# HARTLAND CONSOLIDATED SCHOOLS

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## **Thanksgiving Holiday - School Closed**

Please mark your calendars all district schools will be closed for the Thanksgiving Holiday on Wednesday, November 26 through Friday, November 28. Enjoy time with your family and friends.



## **Robotics Recognized by FIRST Robotics:**

It was nice to see the following recognition by FIRST. Thank you, students, parents and coaches, for all that you do to inspire HCS students in STEM.

Hi Mark and Matt,

Thank you so much to you and everyone involved in hosting the Hartland FTC Qualifier! As always, your event was rock solid and set the gold standard for your hosted teams! Please pass along a huge FIRST in Michigan FTC "THANK YOU" to all of your event crew.

Thank you for giving me a tour of your magnificent Harland Robotics, robotics center! It is a credit to your program for inspiring the Hartland school district and community to make such a site possible. Hearing the testimony from parents, students, and area teams on the impact of your initiatives in making hands-on STEM education not just a priority, but a reality, is truly inspiring. But it is also forging a blueprint that others can emulate. Thank you for your hard work and dedication in fostering STEM interest, aptitudes, and passion among the next generation of STEM leaders in our state!

Thanks, Tammy Damrath FIRST in Michigan

### 2025-26 Farms Intermediate and Middle School Parent Perception Survey

Each year, the district endeavors to hear the voices of our parents. The Parent Perception Survey will be sent to you by your child's building principal. We ask that you only fill out one (1) survey per building, even if you have multiple children that attend the building. This year, the dates for completing this survey are November 17– November 25.

How is this information shared? The district reports the percentage of respondents who mark certain categories established in the survey. For instance, if the question is, do you feel your child's school is safe? The district will report the percentage of responses which indicate that parents feel the school is safe (2024-25 this was

92.1% of all respondents indicated that they Strongly Agreed or Agreed that their child's school was safe). This is a simple way to check on issues we feel need to be assessed annually. The intent is to identify any areas in the district that may need improvement.

#### **Reminder: Vaccinations or Vaccination Waivers**

The district has been notified that we are below the minimum threshold for students with up-to-date vaccinations or waivers on file. State law requires a 5% (\$2.5 million) deduction in foundation allowance for districts failing to meet the standard of 90% vaccination or waiver coverage in the fall and 95% by February. Under the law, districts may remove students from attending school without either up-to-date vaccinations or a waiver on file. We have no choice but to notify parents that we will be excluding their children starting the first week of the second semester if their vaccination records are not up to date and in compliance. This gives you plenty of notice and time to make all necessary arrangements with doctors or the Livingston County Health Department to obtain a waiver.

## **High School Hosting the Fall Blood Drive**

The Fall Blood Drive for the American Red Cross will be held on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at the High School, in the Auxiliary Gym. You can register to donate at: <a href="https://www.redcrossblood.org/">https://www.redcrossblood.org/</a>

## Hartland Optimist Club Adopt-a-Family Collections

Each year the Optimist Club asks for help in collecting items for families who could use a little help at the holidays. Below is the list of items being collected at each building. Any help is greatly appreciated.

**Creekside:** Granola bars, fruit snacks, pop tarts, breakfast bars, single serve apple sauce, boxed crackers (i.e. Cheez-its, Ritz, etc.)

Round: Canned pasta (Chef Boyardee Beefaroni, Ravioli, SpaghettiOs), Soup, Individual microwavable Mac &

Cheese

Lakes: Peanut butter & Jelly (Plastic Containers)

Village: Granola bars, fruit snacks, pop tarts, breakfast bars, single serve apple sauce, boxed crackers (i.e.

Cheez-its, Ritz, etc.)
Farms: Cereal

Middle School: Paper products

High School: Beef Jerky, Slim Jims, Trail mix, Individual microwavable Mac & Cheese, canned pasta, canned

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LEGACY: Instant mashed potatoes, boxed cake mixes and frosting

Early Learning Center: Pancake mix and syrup

**CO/CE:** Shampoo and Conditioner

## **Potential Future Bond Ideas**

If you have thoughts on this list, <a href="https://d16k74nzx9emoe.cloudfront.net/4e4d62b7-c4a3-43fe-a4e8-a4230c830313/2025-10-24%20-%20Potential%20Future%20Bond%20Ideas%20v2\_ada.pdf">https://d16k74nzx9emoe.cloudfront.net/4e4d62b7-c4a3-43fe-a4e8-a4230c830313/2025-10-24%20-%20Potential%20Future%20Bond%20Ideas%20v2\_ada.pdf</a> let me know. Please keep an eye out for the future community meetings that will be scheduled in the spring. You can also email me your thoughts for consideration at <a href="mailto:chuckhughes@hartlandschools.us">chuckhughes@hartlandschools.us</a>.

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Chuck Hughes

A thought that we can all consider sharing: Thank the few special people that check up on you from time to time. This means so much more than they know.

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