



ANNUAL VOTE : TUESDAY, MAY 20, 2025 2 – 8 P.M. -ELEM GYM

HARPURSVILLE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HORNETS NEWS

May 2025 BUDGET EDITION

Dear Harpursville Community,

I hope this message finds you safe, healthy, and enjoying the arrival of spring as we approach the final stretch of the school year. It has been truly inspiring to witness the many wonderful things happening across our district—from the incredible musical production and the energy of our spring athletic teams, to the excitement of our VEX Robotics program sending *both* middle and high school teams to the World Championships for the very first time.

We've also seen remarkable progress in our students' literacy development, thanks to the hard work and collaboration of our teachers, instructional aides, and Dr. Miller in implementing our new literacy program. These successes reflect just how deeply every employee in our district cares about creating a meaningful, enriching experience for all students.

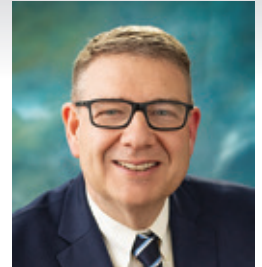
While academics remain a key focus, we continue to ensure that students enjoy a well-rounded educational experience—filled with opportunities to grow, create, and connect. At the same time, we remain committed to careful and responsible financial stewardship. With that in mind, I'm pleased to share details about the proposed budget for the 2025–2026 school year—a budget designed to sustain and strengthen student success while remaining fiscally responsible.

Our Board of Education continues to lead with dedication and foresight, ensuring that the district meets its goals while respecting the broader needs of the Harpursville community. I'm especially grateful to our Board, our administrative team, and Mr. McLaughlin for their hard work in developing a budget that is both balanced and focused on preserving the quality of educational programs and experiences.

At its April 16 meeting, the Board of Education approved a proposed budget of **\$24,609,296** for the 2025–2026 school year. As in previous years, we have worked diligently to manage expenses, and I'm proud to share that this budget remains **within the allowable tax levy limit of 2.67%**.

As you review the proposed budget, you'll find

that most line items reflect routine, year-to-year adjustments. If you have any questions or would like additional information, I encourage you to visit our website. All budget presentations and documents are available under the "District" tab by selecting "Budget & Tax Information." You're also welcome to reach out directly to me or to our School Business Administrator, Joseph McLaughlin, at 607-693-8120.



Please mark your calendars for the **annual budget vote on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, from 2 to 8 p.m. in the elementary gymnasium**. In addition to the budget vote, residents will also vote on transportation vehicle propositions and one Board of Education seat. Qualified voters who wish to vote by absentee ballot may request one by contacting our District Clerk, Tabby Rhodes, at 607-693-8112.

As we wrap up this school year, I'm filled with pride for all we've accomplished together—and excited for what lies ahead. Thank you for your continued support of our students, our schools, and our shared mission to build a bright and promising future.

Wishing you and your family a joyful and successful end to the school year!

Thank you,

Heath Georgia,
Superintendent

Budget Snapshot

	Total	Increase
Budget	\$24,609,296	4.54%
Tax Levy	\$4,972,659	2.67%
Tax Levy Limit	\$4,972,659	2.67%
Average Tax Rate*	\$12.96	\$0.34
Annual cost increase for home assessed at \$100K: \$33.87**		
*per \$1,000 assessed. **estimated using last year's equalization, tax rates, etc.		

News In The Schools

Congratulations to the following students on their college acceptances:



Jasper Heier
SUNY Fredonia



Jeanette Steele
SUNY Broome
Nursing



Kaylee Biriki
SUNY Ulster
Animal Science
Office Assistant



Board of Education calendar for the remainder of the 2024-2025 school year:

- **May 7**-budget hearing/board meeting 6 p.m.
- **May 20**-budget vote 1:30-8 p.m.
W.A. Olmsted Elementary gym
- **June 12**-board meeting, 6 p.m.

Meeting dates are subject to change.



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Capital outlay projects enable districts to improve with state aid support

The district continues to strive to ensure safe and sound facilities that enhance learning for our students. By completing yearly capital outlay projects, the district can get capital construction work completed and receive the state aid back on the project the following year. This year, the district will begin replacing High School exterior doors. As a reminder, the district receives approximately 93% of the costs via New York State Building Aid.

New Softball Field Is Complete!

We're thrilled to share that our new softball field is officially complete! The upgraded facility features modern dugouts and a new scoreboard, giving our athletes a high-quality space to train and compete.



District Communication

District Communication Guidelines

Frequently, parents and other community members request help in knowing the best way to communicate with the school. The chart below will serve as a helpful resource. By contacting the following people in the prescribed order, you can be assured that your questions will be answered.

For questions about	First contact	Second contact	Third contact	Fourth contact	Fifth contact
Academics	Teacher	Guidance Counselor	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent
Athletics	Coach	Athletic Director	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent
Behavior	Teacher	Guidance Counselor	Principal	Superintendent	
BOE Policies	District Clerk	Superintendent	Board of Education		
Budget	Business Admin	Superintendent			
Building Use	Admin Assistant	Principal	Superintendent		
Cafeteria	Director of Food Services	Business Admin	Superintendent		
Classroom Procedures	Teacher	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Bus Behavior	Bus Driver	Head Bus Driver	Principal	Superintendent	
Co-Curricular	Advisor	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Facilities	Director of Facilities	Business Admin	Superintendent		
Health Office	Nurse	Principal	Superintendent		
Scheduling	Guidance Office	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent	
Special Education	Teacher	CSE/CPSE Chairperson	Principal	Assistant Superintendent	Superintendent
Transportation	Head Bus Driver	Business Admin	Superintendent		

District Directory

District Office (607) 693-8112

Board of Education

Heath Georgia, Superintendent

Tabaitha Rhodes, Sec. to Superintendent/District Clerk

Assistant Superintendent..... (607) 693-5713

Sarah Miller, Asst. Supt. of Instruction,

Curriculum & Accountability

Melanie Allen, Admin. Assistant

Business Office (607) 693-8120

Joseph McLaughlin, Business Official

Amanda Loihle, Personnel Clerk (607) 693-8124

Special Education (607) 693-8104

Joshua Quick, CSE/CPSE Chairperson

Jennifer DeCamp, Admin. Assistant

Jr/Sr High School (607) 693-8105

Kristine Conrow, Principal

Amy Walker, Admin. Assistant

Guidance Office (607) 693-5734

Karen Slesinsky, Jr/Sr HS Counselor

Megan Harrington, Jr/Sr HS Counselor

Allena Rowe, Admin. Assistant

Attendance/Registration (607) 693-8108

Jill Andrews, Student Records

W.A. Olmsted Elementary (607) 693-8115

Kevin Walsh, Principal

Jessica Moore-Hovancik, Admin. Assistant

Phylcia Dunham-Fleming, Elementary

Guidance Counselor

Health Offices

Rebecca Adolf, RN, Jr/Sr High Nurse (607) 693-8118

Julia Peets, RN, WAO Elem. Nurse..... (607) 693-8119

Athletics (607) 693-8133

Joshua Quick, Athletic Director

Food Services (607) 693-8127

Norene Tasber, Director of Food Services

Transportation (607) 693-8100

Ken Starr, Supervisor of Transportation

Facilities (607) 765-4145

Ed Livermore, Director of Facilities

News In The Schools

Third Grade Visits Kopernik Observatory and Science Center

Third-grade students took an exciting field trip to the Kopernik Observatory and Science Center. They explored magnets, Lego Robotics, and our solar system through engaging, hands-on activities.

Students investigated magnetic forces and how they create motion, then applied that knowledge in an engineering challenge using Lego Spike Robotics to build a mini-golf course. They designed, constructed, and tested their courses while learning about motion and design.

The trip concluded with a visit to the digital planetarium and a look through a special solar telescope, offering a safe and fascinating view of the sun.

It was a fun and educational day that sparked curiosity and excitement for science!



After-School Clinic Boosts Student Literacy Skills

Our after-school Literacy Clinic offers students extra support in reading and writing with the help of trained tutors. Through fun, focused practice, students strengthen their literacy skills in a supportive and encouraging environment.



W.A. Olmsted Elementary

Character Strong Award Winners

During the month of March at W.A.O. Elementary our Character Strong trait of the month was responsibility. At our Character Strong assembly, we celebrated students who went above and beyond in showing responsibility in and out of the classroom.

These students demonstrated responsibility by taking care of classroom supplies and equipment, completing

their assignments on time (or making sure to seek extra time when needed), and being active, engaged listeners.

We also saw so many students step up to help their classmates in different ways, showing kindness, teamwork, and accountability.

Way to go, Hornets!



*Every day in school is a step toward success.
Keep showing up, and keep working hard
to achieve your goals!*

Jr/Sr High School

Harpursville CSD and In-Motion Arts Guild Present "Into the Woods"

From April 4–6, the Harpursville Central School District and the In-Motion Arts Guild, proudly presented its production of "Into the Woods." The cast and crew—composed of students who shine not only as musicians and actors but also as artists, athletes, and scholars—brought the stage to life with remarkable energy and talent.

Rehearsals began in January, under the dedicated direction of Mrs. Cole. Their hard work, perseverance,

and passion were evident in every scene, leaving audiences thoroughly impressed by their efforts.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Harpursville community, parents and guardians, and the district's staff and administration. Your unwavering support makes it possible for our theater and music programs to continue thriving.

Bravo on a job well done, to the cast and crew!



Jr/Sr High School

Broadway production of "Shucked "

French students and their HCS peers recently traveled to Cobleskill University and Schenectady to see the Broadway production of "Shucked."

While at Cobleskill, former HCS student Brayden Sakowsky generously offered a tour of the campus, providing insight into the various majors and activities available to students. After an excellent buffet lunch in the dining hall, the group made their

way to Proctors Theater.

The play featured an incredible cast that delivered in every way imaginable. From endless puns and outstanding singing to excellent lighting and creativity, it was an absolute delight for all.

This cultural and immersive experience created profound and memorable moments for our HCS students.



News In The Schools

Honor Roll – MP3

Grade 7

Carly Bagg
Matthew Boyer
Elijah Chapman
Brayden Hines
Maddox Juliussen
Brysiin Merritt
Chance Pruitt
Angelina Quaglia
Katarina Tracy
Kaitlin Vandermark
Izabella Whitman
Harley Zollbrecht

Grade 8

Kelsey Brewster
Isabella Brotzman
Colby Johnson
Gabriel Truman
Adaline Warren

Grade 9

Easton Bagg
Maxim DiRosa
Corrine Hine
Hiliana Mendoza
Kaelynn Oakley

Peyton Paff
Leah Sayman

Grade 10

Charles Closs
Ian Colsten
Roderick Dalmida Jr.
Julianna Hulbert
Amber Kolb
Nicolas McBride
Caleb Miller
Connor Rowe

Grade 11

Abbygayl Baburchak
Trenton Franklyn
Donald Hoover
Hope Kolb
Lukas McKnight
Ailish Munson
Jason Smith
Madison Stevens
Amber Tyler
Nathaniel Wright

Grade 12

Zavior Aurich
Karlee Gross
Jonathan Prince
Ephram Rowe
Jeanette Steele

Principal's List – MP3

Grade 7

Jeremiah Bailey
Aurora Connett
Riley Daly
Emmalynn Dunivant
Viviana Huston
Mackenzie Kolb
Levi Laven
Anastasia Merritt
Hayleigh Moorehead
Oshaona Neer
Caleb Robertson
Blake Rowe
Ethan Russell
Adaleigh Steinbrecher
Lainey Steinbrecher
Miley VanBarriger

Grade 8

Megan Cole
Kaitlyn Congdon
Liam Hawkins
Brayden Holden
Julianna Krenner
Kyan Kulas
Sophia Leak
Tamryn Roys
Emma Snow
Jordan Truman



Grade 9

Braedyn Barton
Morgan Crosby
DellaRae Dayton
Reina Kark
Kalen Kulas
Harmony Mosher
Gabrielle Piester
Hunter Prentice
Isabella Prince
Hannah Walker

Grade 10

Alexander Afify
Camryn Boyce
Eva DiRosa
Liem Donahue

Grade 11

Eric Biriki Jr
Vanessa Card
Lilyana Carpenter
Kate Crum
Jayden Deleon
Darren Nino
Fernandez
Emily Gillette
Adriana Hartman
Brianna Hopkins
Ella Humphrey
Emily Kane
Gabrielle Pawela
Abraham Pittsley
Jessalyn Powell
Aiden Quick


Charlotte Quick
Xander Quick
Peter Scalesci Jr.
Bianca Tuttle

Grade 12

Abigail Afify
Maxamus Allen
Lloyd Byers Jr.
Jasper Heier
Elizabeth Ives
Emily LaClair
Emma McWherter
Jonathan Prentice

HARPURSVILLE

May 2025 Menu

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Alternate Daily Choices: Ham & Cheese Sandwich OR Turkey & Cheese Sandwich OR Yogurt w/Cheese Stick & homemade Granola OR PB&J w/Cheese Stick & Cheez-its WAO Salad Option on Wednesdays MS/HS Daily WAO Offers Chips for sale on Wednesdays @ \$.75 & Ice Cream on Fridays @ \$1.25 there is no charging, send money or check with child or use the QR code on the website under food services for credit cards.			1 <i>Snack'n Waffle</i> <i>Fruit</i> Pasta w/NY meat sauce Garlic Breadstick Green Beans Juice/NY Apple/NY Milk	2 <i>Breakfast Breaks WAO</i> <i>Hornet Muffin HS</i> Nardone's Pizza Wedge Garden Salad w/ chickpeas Juice/Fruit NY Milk
5 <i>Mini Bagels w/Juice WAO</i> <i>Frudel w/Juice HS</i> Chicken Patty on a roll Sw. Potato Fries Peas Juice NY Apple NY Milk	6 <i>Breakfast Bread</i> <i>Fruit</i> Taco Salad w/toppings Taco Seasoned Rice Corn Juice Fruit/NY Milk	7 <i>Mini Pancakes</i> <i>Juice WAO</i> <i>Sausage Muffin</i> <i>Fruit HS</i> Mini Corn Dogs Mac & Cheese Veggie Cup Juice/NY Apple/NY Milk (Buffalo Chicken Salad)	8 <i>French Toast Sticks</i> <i>Fruit</i> Baked Ziti w/NY Meatballs Garlic Breadstick/NY Green Beans NY Juice/NY Apple Slices/NY Milk	9 <i>Hornet Muffin</i> <i>Juice</i> Homemade Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Juice Fruit/NY Milk
12 <i>Mini Cinni</i> <i>Juice</i> Popcorn Chicken w/ a roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Juice NY Apple/NY Milk	13 <i>Cereal</i> <i>Fruit WAO</i> <i>Smoothie & Muffin Top</i> <i>HS</i> Chicken Mac & Cheese Garlic Breadstick Broccoli Juice Fruit/NY Milk	14 <i>Breakfast Pizza</i> <i>Juice</i> French Toast Sticks Potato Tots Sausage Veggie Cup Juice Orange/NY Milk (Popcorn Chicken Salad)	15 <i>Snack'n Waffle</i> <i>Fruit</i> Breaded Mozzarella Sticks Garlic Buttered Noodles Cucumbers Juice NY Apple/NY Milk	16 <i>Breakfast Breaks</i> <i>Juice WAO</i> <i>Hornet Muffin HS</i> Stuffed Crust Pizza Garden Salad w/ chickpeas Juice Fruit/NY Milk
19 <i>Frudel</i> <i>Juice</i> Cheeseburger on a roll w/lettuce Sw. Potato Fries Green Beans Juice NY Apple NY Milk	20 <i>Cinnamon Roll</i> <i>Fruit</i> Soft Shell Taco's w/ toppings Taco Seasoned Rice Corn Fruit Juice/NY Milk	21 <i>Snack'n Waffle</i> <i>Juice WAO</i> <i>Sausage Muffin</i> <i>Juice HS</i> Lupo's Chicken Spiedie Sub Fries Veggie Cup Banana/Juice NY Milk (Chicken Spiedie Salad)	22 <i>Breakfast Break WAO</i> <i>Hornet Muffin</i> <i>Fruit HS</i> Homemade Pizza Garden Salad w/ chickpeas Juice Fruit/NY Milk	23 No School
26 No School	27 <i>Cereal</i> <i>Fruit WAO</i> <i>Breakfast Bread</i> <i>Fruit HS</i> Chicken Nuggets with a roll Mashed Potatoes Glazed Carrots Juice NY Apple/NY Milk	28 <i>Sausage Muffin</i> <i>Juice</i> Grilled Cheese Sandwich Tomato Soup Veggie Cup Banana Juice/NY Milk (Chef Salad)	29 <i>Snack'n Waffle</i> <i>Fruit</i> Pasta w/NY meat sauce Garlic Breadstick Green Beans Juice NY Apple NY Milk	30 <i>Hornet Muffin</i> <i>Juice</i> French Bread Pizza Garden Salad w/chickpeas Juice Fruit NY Milk

School Budget

2025-2026 three-part budget proposal

Administrative	\$2,443,606	9.93%
Program	\$17,276,273	70.20%
Capital	\$4,889,417	19.87%
Total	\$24,609,296	

Administrative Component

	Description	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	Change
Board of Education	School board association memberships and conferences, election supplies and services and other board of education related expenses	\$38,250	\$40,500	\$2,250
Chief School Officer	Superintendent's and clerical salaries, supplies and contracted service costs	\$225,288	\$236,823	\$11,535
Finance	Business office salaries and services, BOCES services	\$318,783	\$335,756	\$16,973
Staff	Legal costs, personnel office, supplies and services, public information supplies and services	\$114,529	\$156,134	\$41,605
Special Items	Insurance costs, BOCES administrative costs, labor alliance	\$246,217	\$265,693	\$19,476
Administration-Instruction	Salaries of principals, director of instruction, special education director and associated clerical salaries and supplies.	\$696,637	\$736,939	\$40,302
Employee Benefits	Related benefits for administrative employees (FICA, health insurance, retirement costs, workers compensation)	\$633,452	\$671,761	\$38,309
TOTALS		\$2,273,156	\$2,443,606	\$170,450

Program Component

	Description	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	Change
Teaching	Teacher salaries, textbooks, supplies, equipment, contracted services (BOCES), support staff costs and substitute costs for general education and special education	\$9,173,990	\$9,210,972	\$36,982
Library & Audiovisual	Library and A-V salaries, library books, supplies and services	\$105,015	\$106,878	\$1,863
Computer Assisted Instruction	Computer equipment and software, BOCES instructional programs, technology services	\$767,424	\$794,416	\$26,992
Guidance	Salaries, supplies, and contracted services for the guidance department	\$154,582	\$100,548	\$(54,034)
Educational Related Support Services	Nurses office, psychologist, speech pathologist salaries, supplies and contractual expenses	\$332,340	\$401,361	\$69,021
Co-Curricular Activities	Salaries, supplies and services to support student clubs and activities	\$67,734	\$73,212	\$5,478
Interscholastic Athletics	Salaries, supplies and services to support girls and boys athletic teams	\$296,405	\$300,938	\$4,533
Transportation	Bus driver and support staff salaries, supplies and services for transporting students.	\$1,255,249	\$1,347,086	\$91,837
Employee Benefits	Related benefits for program employees (FICA, health insurance, retirement costs, workers compensation)	\$4,611,463	\$4,905,762	\$294,299
Interfund Transfers		\$35,100	\$35,100	\$-
TOTALS		\$16,799,302	\$17,276,273	\$476,971

Capital Component

	Description	2024-25 Budget	2025-26 Budget	Change
Operation and Plant Maintenance	Custodial and maintenance salaries and supplies, contract services, plant utilities (heat, electric etc.)	\$1,312,837	\$1,346,939	\$34,102
Buses	Cost associated with purchasing buses	\$-	\$-	\$-
Employee Benefits	Related benefits for capital component employees (FICA, health insurance, retirement costs, workers compensation)	\$365,820	\$388,380	\$22,560
Debt Service	Costs for short- and long-term debt of the district	\$2,688,740	\$3,054,098	\$365,358
Other Transfers		\$100,000	\$100,000	\$-
TOTALS		\$4,467,397	\$4,889,417	\$422,020
GRAND TOTALS		\$23,539,855	\$24,609,296	\$1,069,441

School Budget

Revenue

	2024-25 Current Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget	Percent change	Dollar change
Tax Levy	\$4,843,345	\$4,972,659	2.67%	\$129,314
Other Revenue	\$562,426	\$758,402	34.84%	\$195,976
State Aid	\$17,228,502	\$17,985,307	4.39%	\$756,805
Appropriated Reserves	\$155,582	\$142,928	-8.13%	\$(12,654.00)
Appropriated Fund Balance	\$750,000	\$750,000	0.00%	\$-
TOTAL	\$23,539,855	\$24,609,296	4.54%	\$1,069,441

Expenditures

	2024-25 Current Budget	2025-26 Proposed Budget	Percent change	Dollar change
Instructional Salaries	\$5,107,665	\$5,150,732	0.84%	\$43,067
Non-Instructional Salaries	\$2,425,464	\$2,597,868	7.11%	\$172,404
Equipment**	\$70,000	\$65,000	-7.14%	\$(5,000)
Contractual Expenses	\$2,051,750	\$2,195,500	7.01%	\$143,750
Materials and Supplies	\$508,750	\$525,000	3.19%	\$16,250
BOCES	\$4,941,651	\$4,920,095	-0.44%	\$(21,556)
Debt Service	\$2,688,740	\$3,054,098	13.59%	\$365,358
Benefits	\$5,610,735	\$5,965,903	6.33%	\$355,168
Transfers	\$135,100	\$135,100	0.00%	\$-
TOTALS	\$23,539,855	\$24,609,296	4.54%	\$1,069,441

Summary of property tax history

Six-year tax levy review

Year	Tax levy	Increase
2025-26	\$4,972,659	2.67%
2024-25	\$4,843,345	3.04%
2023-24	\$4,700,324	2.42%
2022-23	\$4,589,159	2.87%
2021-22	\$4,480,868	2.87%
2020-21	\$4,355,877	2.32%

School Board Election

One seat on the Harpursville Central School District Board of Education will be up for election on May 20, 2025. This is a five-year term beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2030. This seat was formerly held by Michael Rhodes.

Samantha McCluskey

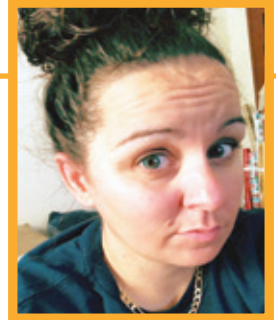
My name is Samantha McCluskey, I moved to Harpursville school District 5 1/2 years ago.

I have children that attend Harpursville school district. I also homeschool two children.

I'm a full-time home health aid for my adult daughter. I would like the opportunity to bring the children's opinion of our community to our board. So they can be heard as well.

I feel I could bring new ideas and have input on other topics already on the table. I think it's important to set policies and follow them. I believe our children should be treated equally and fairly. And those that break these policies should be held accountable. Also I would like to find ways to achieve a higher graduation rate than what we currently have. I look forward to being apart of the school board.

I'm proud and excited to be a candidate. Thank you for taking your time and considering me. I look forward to being apart of the community and our children's voices.



Kristy McWherter

My name is Kristy McWherter, and I have decided to run for the open 5-year seat on the Harpursville School Board of Education. I am a proud Harpursville CSD alumna and parent. I have coached, been a member, and an officer of our youth programs and PTSA. As a PTSA member, I chaired the committee for the Sweetheart dance and the after-prom event. As a business owner, I am always willing to help with the school and community programs. One of my favorites is being a part of sponsoring our athlete of the month. As an involved community member, I ask for your support in allowing me to be part of a school board team.

My husband and I wanted to raise our children in the same school district we went to. We purchased our home in the Harpursville School District. We value our family and community; we want our children to have the same fond memories we had. I have enjoyed watching our children grow up in a tight-knit community, I am so grateful to be part of it. As our youngest child is graduating, I have decided it's the right time to give back to our community and run for the school board. I want to stay involved and support our district. My experience as a business owner and my involvement in helping many of our organizations over the years have given me the experience and

knowledge to make informed decisions with fiscal choices. I am confident that my passion for education and desire to help students, with my studies in early childhood education, will allow me to understand New York State's public school system. My experiences will provide a different perspective to the Board of Education while supporting our students, teachers, and the community.



School Board Election

Kelly Nabinger

Hello Harpursville Community.

My name is Kelly Nabinger and I would like to announce my candidacy for Harpursville School Board.

I am a 2006 graduate of Harpursville Central School. It is where I met my husband and where we started our family. I am the mom of 2, a 7 year old currently in 2nd grade and a 3 year old future student.

I am a 2010 graduate of SUNY College at Oneonta with a Bachelors Degree in Psychology. I have spent the last 12 years working

for New York State- 9 years spent in the Office of Mental Health working with adults and children and the last 3 working as an Analyst.

As a parent, graduate and member of this community, I believe in the potential of every student and the importance of an inclusive educational system. I have a commitment to ensuring that every child, including those in special education, has access to the resources and positive experiences they deserve. It is important to provide equitable opportunities to all.

I believe in teaching children to think critically, be creative and navigate a world that is ever changing.

I am truly grateful for my experience as a graduate of Harpursville Central School and as a mom of kids in the district. I can only hope to bring a unique perspective to the Board of Education.

Thank you for your support!



An unforgettable trip to New York City

Students from the Broadway and Holocaust classes recently took an unforgettable trip to New York City.

Their first stop was the Museum of Jewish Heritage, where they attended a workshop on how hate fueled the Holocaust and learned about the courageous acts of the Danish Resistance Movement.

Afterward, they traveled by subway to the theater district, where they had lunch and experienced the incredible Broadway production of Hadestown.

It was a meaningful and educational experience for all.



Art Room Happenings



Rylan Steinbrecher and Harmony Mosher with their unique pieces in Ceramics.



Alexis Babcock explores the concept of value in her Drawing and Painting class.



Seventh grade student Mackenzie Kolb with her Oaxacan inspired sculpture of a giraffe.



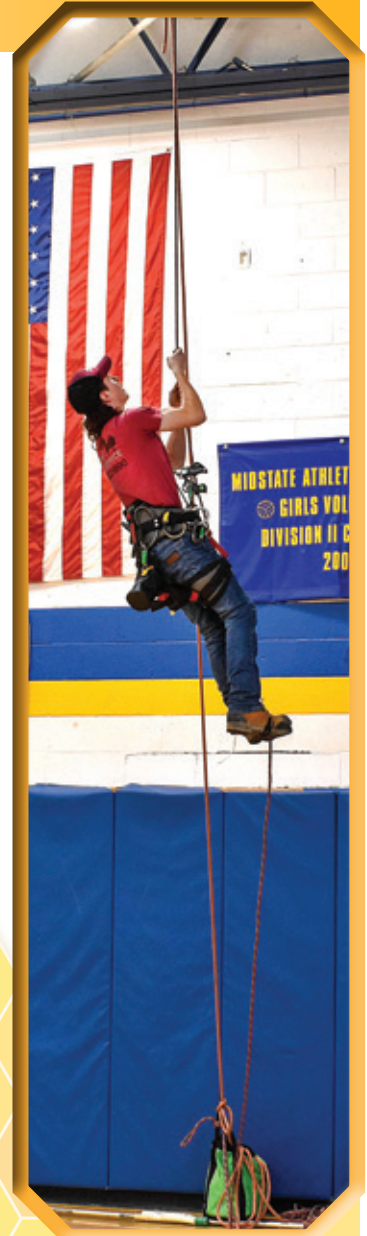
Hiliana Mendoza, Peyton Paff, and DellaRae Dayton have their handmade baskets from Studio Art ready for Spring!

2025 Career Expo

Students at the Jr./Sr. High School had the amazing opportunity to hear from community members — including several proud Harpursville alumni — at our Annual Career Expo!

From social work and career coaching to biology and research, daycare, insurance, firefighting, criminal justice, and so much more, our students got a firsthand look at a wide range of potential career paths after high school.

A huge thank you to all of the professionals who took time out of their day to inspire and inform our students!



Thank you to the following presenters:

Katie Bowers

Allison Chantry '06

Jan Cower '06

Matt Cower '96

Cindy Edwards

Morgan Fleming '19

Jeff Gates '95

Kara Harrington '06

Madonna Hine

Brendan Ives '97

Chris Lake '08

Robert O'Donnell '06

Alec Peterson '16

Ed Sakowsky

Brandon Shea '19

Robin Wright

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Heath Georgia

Postal Patron

ECRWSS

SUMMER 2025 PROGRAMS: Around the World in Sixteen Days!

Summer Enrichment Program for Elementary Students

Who: All HCS students entering grades K-6 in the Fall of 2025 are eligible.

What: STEM Activities, Wellness (Swimming, Activities, Games), Art, Crafts, Games, Cooking, Language (grades 3-6), Cultural Experiences and more!

Dates: Monday - Thursday from July 7 - 31, 2025

Times: 7:45 a.m. (drop off) - 1:45 p.m. (departure)- busing is available for **BOTH** trips.

Summer Zone for Junior/Senior High Students

Who: All HCS students entering grades 7-9 in the Fall of 2025 are eligible.

What: Activities that include STEAM activities, crafts, games, field trips, physical and emotional well-being activities.

Dates: Monday - Thursday from July 7 - 31, 2025

Times: 7:45 a.m. (drop off) - 1:45 p.m. (departure) - busing is available for **BOTH** trips (students may also do the Summer Fitness Program in the morning.)



Summer Fitness Program for Junior/Senior High Students

Who: All HCS students entering grades 7-12 in the Fall of 2025 are eligible (students in grades 7-9 in the Fall of 2025 may also do Summer Zone.)

What: Activities that include both cardiovascular fitness and strength training

Dates: Monday - Thursday from July 7-31, 2025

Times: 7:45 a.m. (drop off) - 11 a.m. (parent/guardian pick up) - **busing is available only for the trip TO school unless the child is also in the Summer Zone (grades 7-9 in the Fall of 2025 only.)**

Breakfast and lunch will be provided for all program participants! **Bus routes and pick up/drop off locations (the Late Bus format) are located in the registration portion of the packet.** Please refer to this for the sign-up form. Any questions regarding transportation should be directed to Kenneth Starr, the Director of Transportation, at (607) 693-8100 or kstarr@hcs.stier.org.

Enrollment is open NOW and will CLOSE on Friday, May 16, 2025

Students will be notified of their acceptance status after the close of the enrollment period. Additional communication will follow. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Kim Rusnak (Coordinator of the Summer Enrichment Program) at krusnak@hcs.stier.org or (607) 201-9356.