# A Message from Mr. Ross...

Our middle schoolers have been impressive this year in the classroom and across the extracurricular arena. We are proud of the academic success and growth of each student. Supporting our students in reaching their potential as a learner is our #1 goal.

We look forward to connecting with you next week at our parent-teacher conferences on February 27th and February 29th. Please know that parent-teacher conferences can take place outside of our designated conference dates. Simply call our office (616-896-1920), and we'll get you in touch with your child's respective teachers. Frequent, two-way communication with the educators who work with your child is most impactful.

The scheduling process for the 2024-25 school year is wrapping up for all students, regardless of gradelevel. If your current 6th or 7th grader has not yet turned in their course selection form to their teacher, please ask them to turn it in on Monday. We anticipate that our enrollment will be at or near 700 students again next year. The incoming 6th grade class from Forest Grove, South, and Jamestown projects to be slightly smaller than our outgoing 8th grade class. No significant changes in courses/course requirements are planned at this time.

Looking ahead, Hudsonville Public Schools is intending to offer a summer school program for designated students who have experienced significant learning loss over the past four years. Our staff will be in contact with parents by mid May with more specifics.

The middle school years can be very challenging both academically and socially. Let's continue to work together, encouraging our kids at Riley Street Middle School to be the best student/person/learner they can be.

# Riley Street Reminder

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM RILEY STREET MIDDLE SCHOOL

Riley Street Middle School 2745 Riley Street, Hudsonville, MI 49426 Phone: 616-896-1920



# Parent-Teacher Conferences

Details regarding our upcoming Parent-Teacher Conferences were emailed to parents on February 13. If you have not already signed up via SchoolBookings, there are limited appointments still available.

Winter Parent/Teacher Conferences will be held *in-person* on the following days in our gymnasium:

Tuesday, February 27th (3:30 PM - 7:30 PM) Thursday, February 29th (3:30 PM - 7:00 PM)

Below are the details about using SchoolBookings to schedule your child's Parent/Teacher Conferences:

- You will need to know your child's schedule and his/her teachers for each class
- 2. Go online and book your child's conferences by clicking the following link: <a href="https://www.schoolbookings.net/code/s8nc2">https://www.schoolbookings.net/code/s8nc2</a>
- 3. Booking code = s8nc2

#### Helpful tips/reminders:

- Conference sessions will be 5-minutes in length. 15-minutes for conferences with special education staff.
- All conferences will take place in the gymnasium.
- Do NOT delete the confirmation email you receive after booking your conferences. You will need to use the link in the email to make changes if necessary.
- If you find that a teacher is not available, please contact them directly to set up an alternate time to meet with you. Teacher contact information can be found in the following link <a href="http://www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org/rileystreet/riley-ms-staff">http://www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org/rileystreet/riley-ms-staff</a>

If you are having trouble scheduling conferences through SchoolBookings, please contact the office (616-896-1920) and we'll be happy to help.

# Mark your calendars for the Riley Street Middle School Business Showcase!

Thanks to an amazingly supportive local business community, Riley Street Middle School sixth-grade ELA students have had the opportunity to extend their learning beyond the classroom (by practicing reading, writing, and speaking skills) while partnering with Hudsonville-area businesses.

On Wednesday, March 6, from 9:00-10:30 a.m. in the RMS gym, our students will be presenting to the community about their partner businesses in a trade show-style format, and we would love for you to join us!

We hope that you will save the date and join us to give our students some authentic feedback and celebrate our Hudsonville community!



Parent/Teacher Conference Dinner Fund ~ We would love to provide our teachers with dinner during the upcoming parent/teacher conferences. We need your help to do so. If you are willing and able to provide funds, please click on this link to donate using a credit card. If you prefer, you can drop off cash or a check in the RMS office. Thank you in advance for your generosity. We know our teachers will greatly appreciate it!

**Lost and Found** ~ Missing something? Please encourage your child to check the lost and found located in the cafeteria. Any Lost and Found Items left after March 27 will be donated to a local charity.





# HUDSONVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOLS PRESENT...

# Wizard of Oz Youth Edition

The musical is off to a great start with both cast and crew! Choreography just started and it's wonderful to see all of the students' hard work coming together!

Showtimes are:

April 19th at 7 PM April 20th at 2 PM



Ticket Details will be Communicated soon!

If you are a great painter, we are looking for someone who can confidently choose paint colors and teach kids painting techniques while they work on sets! If that is you, please contact Jessica Jenema at jjenema@hpseagles.net

#### HOMEWORK HELP

Homework Help will be offered to 6th grade students on Monday-Friday mornings from 7:20AM-7:45AM in Room 203.

Homework Help will be offered for 7th & 8th grade students Tuesday-Friday from 7:20AM-7:45AM in Room 319.

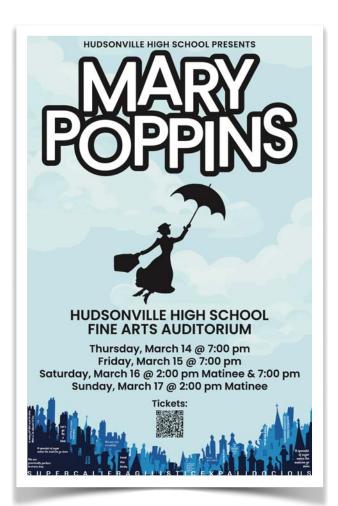
These are quiet environments where students will receive academic support, if needed, from instructional para professionals, study quietly on their own, read, etc.

Additionally, Lunch and Learn is offered Monday-Thursday in Room 319. Students may get their lunch, sign in, and complete homework, study, or take (or retake) tests or quizzes (with teacher permission). This quiet environment allows students to receive academic support or complete missing work from absences. This room is staffed by one RMS staff member as well as volunteer parents.

**Chromebooks** ~ The Media Center has a limited number of loaner devices available for students who forget their Chromebooks or need a loaner while their unit is being repaired. Often times, we don't have enough loaners to go around. Encouraging your child to bring their Chromebooks to school every day would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

East Coast Trip Parents ~ Mark your calendar for the Mandatory Meeting with Countryside Tour Company on Tuesday, April 30 at 7:30 pm in the Riley Street cafeteria. You and your child The East ( are required to attend to finalize documents for the trip and hear essential information including a conversation with your child's chaperone. Contact Mrs. Atkins with any questions or concerns.





# Hudsonville High School Presents:

# **Disney's Mary Poppins!**

Join us for the magical musical journey of Mary Poppins! This "practically perfect" production has a combined cast of 77 HPS high school and elementary students.

This family-friendly show is fun for all ages. We are expected to sell out all 5 shows, including two matinees (perfect for little ones).

5 Practically Perfect Performances: Thursday, March 14 @7pm Friday, March 15 @7pm Saturday, March 16 @2pm Matinee & 7pm Sunday, March 17 @2pm

Tickets are now on sale at: <a href="https://hudsonvillepublicschools.ludus.com/200448257">https://hudsonvillepublicschools.ludus.com/200448257</a>
Or use this QR code



# Mary Poppins Tea Party

We are hosting a "practically perfect" high tea luncheon on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>March 9th</u> at the high school. This is the only fundraiser we do for the musical, and this one is so special!

Fun for ALL ages. You'll get a sneak peek of the show with songs and dances from all 77 cast members, take pictures with Mary Poppins & Bert, and be served a gorgeous luncheon/high tea by our fabulous cast!

We can only serve 150 guests and tickets are going fast.

This special event will truly be magical!

The last day to purchase tickets is March 5.

Tickets are now on sale **HERE** 

We hope to see you there!





The Spring sports season will start the <u>week of March 18</u>. If your 7th or 8th grade child is interested in Spring Sports, including Girls Soccer, Boys Tennis, and Co-ed Track and Field, they will sign-up by following a link that was emailed to them (only students can sign themselves up).

Informational flyers regarding tryout and practice times will be made available in the coming weeks in the RMS office and will be posted on the <u>Hudsonville Athletics Website</u>.

If this is the first school sport your child is participating in for this school year, the forms linked below must be printed, signed, and brought into either the BMS or RMS office by March 15th. (Forms are also available in the middle school office) When all forms are signed and the pay-to-participate fee has been turned in, athletes will receive an entry ticket that must be brought to their coach on the first day of tryouts.

1. Pay to Participate and Athletic Code: <a href="https://hudsonville.recdesk.com/Community/Home">https://hudsonville.recdesk.com/Community/Home</a>

#### 2. Physical Form

If you have already paid the \$75 fee and turned in the forms this school year, you do not have to pay or resubmit the forms; but your student will still need to stop into the office to get a ticket before their first day of tryouts/ practices the week of March 18th.

For questions, please contact: Josh Magley (<u>imagley@hpseagles.net</u>) or Karen Hill (<u>Khill@hpseagles.net</u>)





#### **UPCOMING DATES**

Feb. 23	Early Release (Classes dismiss at 11:15)
Feb. 27	Parent Teacher Conferences
Feb. 29	Parent Teacher Conferences
Mar. 15	Early Release (Classes dismiss at 11:15)
Mar. 27	End of Quarter 3
Mar. 28	Spring Break Begins
April 8	Classes Resume
April 19 & 20	MS Musical
May 3	Early Release (Classes dismiss at 11:15)
May 24	*No School (unless snow day make-up is needed)
May 27	Memorial Day Break
June 4	8th grade Recognition at 7:00 PM

Last Day-Early Release (dismiss at 11:15)



June 5

# Food Service Menu https://jenhudfood.nutrislice.com/menu/hudsonville-public-schools/riley-street-middle https://hudsonvilleathletics.com/ Community Ed Information http://www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org/communityed/ http://www.hudsonvillepublicschools.org/rileystreet/community-bulletin-board

# **RENAISSANCE NEWS**

### GOLD LEVEL MEMBERS

Our February Business of the Month is Vitale's of Hudsonville. They are offering a free order of breadsticks and sauce to go! Thanks to Vitale's of Hudsonville for being a proud supporter of the program. We appreciate their efforts in honoring our Renaissance Gold kids. It's businesses like this that make our community great!





# **RILEY RENAISSANCE STUDENTS OF THE MONTH**

Riley Street Middle School prides itself in having students that do what is right, do their best and treat others as they want to be treated. Earlier this month, the staff had the opportunity to nominate four students from each grade to showcase as our Riley Renaissance Students of the Month. The criteria is broad and we left it very open ended to our teachers. After considering a number of nominations, we are pleased and honored to announce the following students as February Students of the Month.

# STUDENT OF THE MONTH-FEBRUARY 6th Grade

Evelynn Wilson & Ben Nichols

7th Grade

Lily Minnear & Ethan Miller

8th Grade

Emma Van Hill & Kasen Martin

# **MONTHLY FUN**

-ASK YOU STUDENT ABOUT HIGH 5 FRIDAYS TO SEE HOW MANY HIGH 5'S THEY GOT IN THE HALLWAY!

-THIS MONTH THEY HAVE BEEN PLAYING MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES AT LUNCHES. CHECK IN TO SEE IF YOUR CHILD WAS A WINNER!

# CHECK OUT OUR EAGLE RENAISSANCE WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION!



# WHAT IS EAGLE RENAISSANCE

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#### EAGLE RENAISSANCE IS A PROGRAM BUILT TO ENCOURAGE:

- **\*** ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
- **★** IMPROVEMENT
- **★ INVOLVEMENT IN SCHOOL ACTIVITIES**
- **★ INCREASED ATTENDANCE**
- **★ POSITIVE BEHAVIOR** 
  - .... THROUGH CREATIVE RECOGNITION AND REWARDS.



## THERE ARE TWO LEVELS OF INCENTIVE FOR STUDENTS: BLUE LEVEL AND GOLD LEVEL.

#### BLUE LEVEL IS BASED ON THE PREVIOUS QUARTER'S ACHIEVEMENTS

1. 3.5 G.P.A., NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, NO TARDY DETENTIONS, NO SUSPENSIONS, NO IN-HOUSE SUSPENSIONS, AND LIFE SKILLS PROFICIENT OR BETTER

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2. .5 G.P.A. INCREASE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER, NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, NO TARDY DETENTIONS, NO SUSPENSIONS, NO IN-HOUSE SUSPENSIONS, AND LIFE SKILLS PROFICIENT OR BETTER

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3. PERFECT ATTENDANCE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER, NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, NO TARDY DETENTIONS, NO SUSPENSIONS, NO IN-HOUSE SUSPENSIONS, AND LIFE SKILLS PROFICIENT OR BETTER

#### GOLD LEVEL IS BASED ON CUMULATIVE ACHIEVEMENT ON THE PREVIOUS SCHOOL YEAR

1. CUMULATIVE G.P.A. OF 3.75 OR ABOVE, NO UNEXCUSED ABSENCES, NO TARDY DETENTIONS, NO SUSPENSIONS, NO INHOUSE SUSPENSIONS, AND LIFE SKILLS PROFICIENT OR BETTER

EAGLE RENAISSANCE/STUDENT COUNCIL <u>Crew</u> is for <u>any student</u> interested in improving school climate. We sponsor spirit days, Students of the month, locker signs, teacher appreciation, as well as celebrate student achievements in areas inside and outside of the classroom. Meetings take place in room 217 after school or during Win! Please encourage your student to get involved in the student council crew!

