



HAMMONDSPORT CENTRAL SCHOOL

Laker Lines

August 2013

New Exterior Stairwell



New Interior Stairwell



Demolition of old restroom areas



In-progress photos of HCS getting some necessary updates.

HCS Mission

The mission of the Hammondspport Central School District, a high-performing unique learning community, is to provide a dynamic, quality education to a close-knit and diverse population, and to ensure that all students are prepared to compete in an ever changing global society by challenging each student through superior, innovative educational opportunities while promoting responsible citizenship through strong character and moral development.

District Objectives

100% of our students will meet their graduation requirements.

100% of school community members will contribute to a safe, secure, student centered environment.

100% of students will meet proficiency with the continued goal of achieving mastery.

100% of the school community will rate the internal/external communications of the district as satisfactory.

A message from...

**HCS Superintendent,
Kyle Bower**

As you can see by the pictures, the renovation project is in full swing. Although this type of work is always dirty, messy, and stressful, it is exciting to see changes taking place. Demolition and asbestos removal has been completed and work is proceeding on new walls, ceilings, and floors. The new spaces that are being created are well under way and should be completed on schedule in late August. New wiring for electric and data continues to be run. Old piping is being replaced by new and the crawlspace has been emptied of years and years of surplus parts and materials. The beginning of the roof work was delayed. However, roof work is now in full swing with hopes of being complete on schedule in early September. Let's hope for continued good weather and we'll be ready to roll for the first day of school on September 5th!



The following teachers (pictured at left) were granted tenure effective September 5, 2013:

Lindsay Orzel in the area of Science, Kim Voss in the area of Science, Kory Merritt in the area of K-12 art, Jeffrey Wisniewski in the area of Spanish, and Carrie Crane (not pictured) in the area of Health.

Congratulations!

Laker Lines is the official newsletter of the Hammondspport Central School District. It is distributed to all district residents. HCS Board of Education members include: James Zimar, President; Frank Curran, Vice President; Richard Drain, and Dennis Carlson.

The Board meets the third Wednesday of each month in the Library of the Main Street School.

For more school information, visit our school website at: hammondspportcsd.org

SCHOOL BUS STOP SECURITY

WHAT TO WATCH OUT FOR; WHAT TO DO

A STRANGER AT THE BUS STOP:

Tell your bus driver immediately.

Describe the person and activity as best as you can.

Note the day and the time and if you've seen the person there before.

A STRANGER TRYING TO TALK TO YOU:

Move away from the person.

Tell your bus driver or another adult.

DO NOT TALK WITH THE PERSON!

A STRANGER OFFERING YOU A RIDE:

Get away quickly.

Tell a trusted person or your school bus driver.

DO NOT GET IN THE STRANGER'S CAR!

BULLYING: (Students threatening, shoving, hitting, stealing lunches, etc.)

Tell the driver or your teacher.

A WEAPON: (on the bus or in a student's backpack)

*Quietly tell the bus driver **immediately**.*

The Transportation Department



Attention Taxpayers

This is a reminder that for both service and safety reasons, school taxes will **no longer** be collected at the Main Street School. If you wish to pay your school taxes in person, payment should be brought to the Five Star Bank on Shethar Street in the Village of Hammondsport. Five Star Bank is open Monday-Wednesday from 9 am - 4 pm, Thursday and Friday from 9 am - 5 pm, and Saturday from 9 am to 12 pm.

For taxpayers paying by mail, payments should be sent to: Five Star Bank, PO Box 14, Warsaw, NY 14569. School tax payment information and receipts can be printed by accessing the School Tax portal through the District website at www.hammondsportcsd.org.

The District Tax Collector, Mrs. Jerry Scott, will be in the District on Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 9 am - 3 pm if you have any questions or concerns. Her phone number is 569-5200 ext. 5243. All of the above information is also noted on all tax bills.

BoE Highlights July 2013

- ♦ Approved the 2013-2014 contract with BOCES for Cooperative Education Services
- ♦ Approved the 2013-2014 Guidance Plan
- ♦ Approved Fall coaching positions
- ♦ Approved the Revised Concussion Management Policy

*From the desk of
Michelle Sincerbox,
Pre-K-6th grade Principal*



September is right around the corner. As we prepare for school to begin, we anxiously anticipate and welcome the arrival of familiar as well as new smiling faces once again to our hallways. I hope everyone has had a restful and relaxing summer. Teachers are busy preparing for the upcoming year through trainings on the Common Core and assessments.

With the new school year upon us it is time to adjust to new routines. New for the 2013 school year, is the inclusion of our Pre-Kindergarten students under our administration. Hammondsport's littlest Lakers will now be receiving Art, Music, PE, Computer and library classes. We are excited to have them! We welcome Mrs. Jill Livingston as our Pre-K teacher.

We will be extending our use of technology for the 2013 school year as well. All students in grades 2-6 will have iPad carts for use during instruction. Our third and fourth graders will have one to one iPads that will follow them through the sixth grade. Policies and procedures for these will be forthcoming for those students and parents involved.

Please keep in mind that staff, parents, and students each have responsibilities that ensure a positive learning community. Teachers and staff have done all this in preparation for increasing student learning and preparing students for the ever changing world we live in today. We ask that parents work to ensure their child attends school each day well rested and ready to learn and that students be prepared and willing to participate in the learning process in a positive manner.

Enjoy the rest of your summer! I look forward to seeing all of our students in the fall.

Calendar Items



September:

- 2nd Labor Day
- 5th Opening Day
- 13th School Picture Day
- 18th BoE Meeting
- 19th Elementary Parent Advisory Mtg.

New! Follow KBowerHPort on Twitter!

In an effort to keep the school community updated and informed on District information, I have established a Twitter account under the name KBowerHport. I will use this account to 'tweet' on building project updates, District and school information, and to share pics of school activities as often as possible. I encourage you to follow me and stay current on Laker news!



Roads Travelled by Hammondsport Busses

Mr. Derr will be available **AT THE BUS GARAGE** on the following days to assist in student schedule changes:

August 26th & 27th from 8:30-1

Or email the guidance department at: jderr@hport.wnyric.org

- Chuck French-#114-** Winding Stairs, All roads off of Cty Rte 113, North Urbana road , Fleet to Ridge, Cty Rt. 96, Lovett Lane and Cty Rte 87 from Cty Rte 96 to Rt 54.
 - Don Mau-#115-** Reservoir Hill, Two Rod, Glenbrook, Cty Rt 77, Briglin, Middle Road and Greyton Taylor Drive.
 - Bill Fries-#124-** West side Waneta Lake, Sylvan Beach area, Back Street, Coryell Rd, Breezy Knob area and Back Valley.
 - Diane Davis- #125-** Cty Rt. 76, South Pulteney, Armstrong, Brown, Cty Rt 78, Stone Rd, Thomas Rd and Gallagher.
 - Greg Preston-#121-** East Lake Rd, Grove Springs Rd, Hyatt Hill, Silsbee, SR 230, East Waneta Lake, Olde Bath Rd.
 - Bob Perry-#122-** West Lake Rd, Chidsey Hill, Roff Hill, Cross Street, Pulteney Library area, Orsino's Day Care.
 - Kevin Hamilton-#123-** Most of Hammondsport Village, Pleasant Valley and Mitchellsville Hill area and South Valley Road.
- We are still adjusting the runs as they seem to change weekly. One thing is certain that all the buses will be full. We have at least 52 kids on each and every bus. Some as many as 60 kids, which means 2 and 3 students per seat.
- If you have any questions regarding transportation please stop in at the Bus Garage or give us a call.
Bill Fries 569-5200 X 6



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