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**E.R. HUGHES
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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Our Mission:

E.R. Hughes Elementary is committed to providing parent, student and teacher support that leads to greater student learning, stronger families and successful communities. We welcome families and guardians to join us in preparing today's students to take charge of America's future.

From the Desk of the Principal

Dear E.R. Hughes Families,

The start of the school year serves as a time to celebrate our student's potential. Students will begin the academic year "fully remote" for the first 6 weeks of the school year. On behalf of the entire E.R Hughes staff and faculty, we welcome back our students, parents and school community members!

Welcome to our new staff- I would like to take a moment and give a warm welcome and introduce our new staff members for the 2020-2021 school year and their positions.

Tanya Brennen- School Nurse
Gina Antone- Library Aide
Cynthia McKenna- School Monitor
Karen Davis- Speech Pathologist

I would like to thank all the people involved in preparing for the opening of school.

E.R. Hughes PTA- I encourage parents to become involved in the PTA at E. R. Hughes. The PTA is such an integral part of our school community so please reach out to them today. *This year's first PTA*

meeting will be scheduled and shared at a later date.

As we continue as a school community to begin the year "full remote" for our learners, updates and information will be shared with parents and faculty members. We are working diligently as a building to prepare and provide our districts guaranteed curriculum for our students.

I am excited to build relationships and work towards excellence for your child's education. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact your child's homeroom teacher, the main office or myself at 315-738-9350.

Educationally yours,

Mr. Jason Stefanski

Principal- E.R. Hughes Elementary



Upcoming Events

- 9/2/20 Kindergarten Orientation – Virtual Presentation @ 6:00PM
- 9/7/20 Labor Day- No School
- 9/1/20 BOE Meeting @ 7:00PM
- 9/9/20 First Day of School
- 9/15/20 BOE Meeting @ 7:00 PM
- 9/23/20 Hughes Elementary Curriculum Night- Virtual Presentation @ 6:30PM
- TBD E.R. Hughes PTA Mtg.



Main Office Updates

UPDATES

Child Care Programs- A child care program provided by the Tri-Valley YMCA is available at Zion Lutheran Church, which is providing before and after school child care options. For more information on the program, please call the YMCA at 315-797-4787. Parent may also contact St. Johns the Evangelist child care program to review options that may be available at 315-724-4347.

Attendance - If your child will be absent from school for a period of time, please contact the main office at (315)38-9350 to communicate this change or need.

School Main Office Hours- 7:45 a.m. - 3:45 p.m. Please contact the main office at (315) 738-9350 for any needs during the start of the school year. Our staff will help assist parents with directing questions you may have at this time.

Curriculum Night- Wednesday, September 23rd

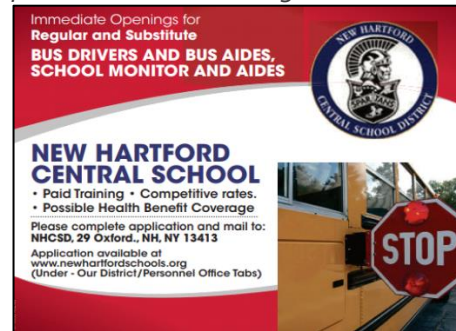
6:30-7:00 pm Grades K-3 Virtual Overview

7:00-7:30 pm Grades 4-6 Virtual Overview

More information will be provided regarding this year's Curriculum Night event.



We are looking for interested candidates to apply for substitute bus aides, drivers and school monitors at this time. Interested candidates can also request a job application at the E.R. Hughes Elementary Office.



Additional Information for the new School Year:

2020-2021 LUNCH SCHEDULES

Kindergarten 10:50- 11:15

1st Grade 11:20- 11:40

2nd Grade 11:45- 12:05

3rd Grade 12:10- 12:30

4th Grade 12:35- 12:55

5th Grade 1:00- 1:20

6th Grade 1:25-1:45

The cost of school lunches is \$2.75. You may send in a check made out to BOCES lunch program. Please be sure to include your child's name and school ID number.

Important Phone Numbers

- Main Office-Mrs. Cushman and Mrs. Butler-738-9350
- School Nurse-Mrs. Tanya Brennen-738-9357
- School Social Worker-Mrs. Vitaliano-738-6040
- School Psychologist-Mrs. Nelson-738-9350
- BOCES Food Service-Mrs. Dorr-738-0848
- Transportation Supervisor-Mr. Gaffney738-1239

Nurse's Notes: Parent Reminders

by Mrs. Brennen



WELCOME BACK! I would like to review some important health office information:

Students may not carry medication of any kind with them!

For students to receive medication (prescription or non-prescription, including cough drops and other “over-the-counter” drugs) during the school day, the following must be followed and renewed each year: The parent or legal guardian must submit a written request (signed Medication Authorization Form) together with the prescribing physician’s order with specific frequency and dosage. The medication must be brought to the school by a responsible adult, in the original container, labeled with the correct drug and dosage.

No medication will be administered in school unless these procedures are followed.

PHYSICALS

NYS Education Law requires each new student to the district, and students in grades K, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11th to a physical exam, either by the school doctor or family physician. Please call the health office at 315.738.9357 to let us know if your family physician will provide the physical exam. Physical forms are available in our school health office and have also been provided to you if you have a student in the mandated grades.

IMMUNIZATIONS

All kindergarten students must provide the health office with medical documentation of completed required immunizations to continue in school. Students entering 6th grade and eleven years of age and older must receive a TDAP immunization prior to the start of school. Students not in compliance will be excluded from school per NYS school law. Students entering 6th grade born after January 1, 1994, must be immunized for varicella (commonly known as chicken pox). Proof of immunity or medical documentation of disease history is acceptable.

COVID-19 & FLU SEASON

The New Hartford CSD continues to follow all CDC and NYS Department of Health procedures and Protocols. Please review the below helpful hints to follow in and out of school!

- Hand washing remains the number one defense against infection.
- Nothing can surpass the good old-fashioned routine of soap and running water.
- Good cough/sneeze etiquette is very important.
- Remind children not to touch their eyes, nose or mouth.
- Stay home if you are ill.



September 2020

E. R. Hughes Elementary

| Mon | Tues | Wed | Thurs | Fri |
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| 7 | 8 | 9 Day 1 First Day of School! | 10 Day 2 | 11 Day 3 |
| 14 Day 4 | 15 Day 5 Board of Education Meeting 7:00 PM | 16 Day 6 | 17 Day 1 | 18 Day 2 |
| 21 Day 3 | 22 Day 4 | 23 Day 5 Curriculum Night Virtual Presentation 6:30-7:30 PM | 24 Day 6 | 25 Day 1 |
| 28 Day 2 | 29 Day 3 | 30 Day 4 | October 1 Day 5 | October 2 Day 6 |