

The HUGHES TIMES



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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,

Happy New Year! I hope everyone was able to enjoy some quality time during the holiday season with your families. As the district and our surrounding community continues to overcome challenges this pandemic presents our families, please know our school and staff are here to provide support!

PTA is hosting the next open, general PTA meeting on Wednesday, January 12, 2022 at 6:30PM. A meeting reminder and link will be provided as this meeting will be held via Zoom.

Kindergarten Registration (Virtual)-Registration packets can be downloaded from the District's website www.newhartfordschools.org (**District home page, click on For Parents tab, and click on Enrollment and Registration drop down, click on Registration Packet on left-hand side, click on Elementary (K-6) Registration Packet**) or by accessing the following link: [Kindergarten Registration Packet 2022-2023](#) Please call the main office if you have any questions at 315-738-9350 regarding packet information. **Please mail packets to the school or send them electronically by email to pcushman@nhart.org. Packets can also be dropped off in the main entrance drop box at our school.**

Supporting Literacy is one of the best ways to help support your child's education and building a love of reading. We encourage students to read every day! Take a trip to the local library to check out a book or visit their New Hartford Public Library website for upcoming events: [Public Library](#).

Your continued support for our students, teachers, and staff is greatly appreciated

Mr. Jason W. Stefanski
Principal, E.R. Hughes Elementary



January

- 1/3/22 Return to School
- 1/4/22 Board of Ed. Mtg. @ 6:30PM
- 1/12/22 PTA Mtg. @ 6:30PM
- 1/13/22 6th Grade PTA Committee Mtg. @ 6:30 PM
- 1/11/22 Kindergarten Registration
- 1/17/22 No School- MLK Day
- 1/28/22 Spirit Day: Jersey Day

February

- 2/1/22 Board of Ed. Mtg. @ 6:30PM
- 2/4/22 Elementary Report Cards Sent Home
- 2/21/22- 2/25/22
Mid-Winter Recess- No School

Main Office

UPDATES

No School- January 17th

In Observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Packets will be accepted beginning January 11, 2022 for the 2022-2023 school year!

Registration packets are available by download on line at the New Hartford Schools website.

Click & Print Here: [Kindergarten Registration Packet 2022-2023](#)

Please provide copies: Original Birth Certificate, Immunization Records, Proof of Residency

Please register your child at the school that he or she will attend. Please call the Main Office at 315-738-9350 if you have any questions or would like a registration packet mailed to you.

Employment Opportunities

If anyone is interested in becoming a Bus Driver, Bus Aide and/or a Substitute School Monitor, Teacher Aid, Cleaner, Substitute Teacher- Please stop by the district office to pick up an application.



NEW HARTFORD CSD HAS THE FOLLOWING IMMEDIATE OPENINGS

**Regular and Substitute:
Bus Drivers and Bus Aides**

**Substitute:
School Monitors, Teacher Aides, Cleaners, Teachers**

Paid Training • Competitive Pay • Possible Health Benefit Coverage

Please complete application and mail to:
NHCS, Personnel Office, 29 Oxford Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413
Application available at: www.newhartfordschools.org/page/2555

SNOW DAY Reminders

If we use a snow day, please remember to adjust your school calendar regarding the DAY of instruction. The snow day will not be counted in our 6 day cycle.



SCHOOL DELAYS AND CLOSURES

1-Hour Delay: School Hours 9:50 AM – 3:00 PM

2-Hour Delay: School Hours 10:50-AM – 3:00 PM



2021-2022 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

At this time, there is no cost for school lunches do to a federal/ state program option for all students.

Cold Weather Reminders

As we move into the colder months, please remember to send the appropriate outdoor recess clothing. It is important that students are dressed to play outside in the elements this time of year. Students enjoy going outside during the winter months but need to be dressed warmly as it can be cold and windy on the playground.

If the temperature or wind chill goes below 20 degrees, students will remain inside for recess. Also, the season is upon us when childhood illness is more prevalent. Please remember that your child must be fever free for 24 hours (without medicine) before returning to school.

Important Phone Numbers

- Main Office-Mrs. Cushman and Mrs. Butler-738-9350
- School Nurse-Mrs. Clark-738-1357
- School Social Worker- Mrs. Vitagliano- 624-1364
- School Psychologist- Mrs. Abounader-738-9350
- BOCES Food Service- Mrs. Dorr-738-0848
- Transportation Supervisor- Mr. Gaffney-624-1239

Reporting an Absence

If your child is going to be late or absent from school, you must notify the office. Please call the office, 315.738.9350 or email Mrs. Butler at dbutler@nhart.org to report an absence. Upon your child's return, a written note is required.

ARRIVAL REMINDERS

Students are not allowed to enter the building before 8:40 AM

Please remember to sign your child in at the office if he or she arrives after 9:00 AM. Our office staff will greet you at the main doorways to assist with this process.

If you are going to drop your child off by car, please use the drop off lane on the cafeteria side of the building .

Nurse's Notes: Parent Reminders

by Mrs. Clark



Kindergarten Registration

Please remember to submit required information for Kindergarten Registration which will be held virtually beginning on Tuesday, January 11th. The Health Office needs your child's immunization records as well as your most recent physical exam from his or her doctor, along with their original birth certificate and proof of residency to certify the registration for the 2022-2023 school year.

Keep your Germs To Yourself

We will all feel better. Coughing and sneezing spreads flu germs to everyone around you. Cover up to stop the flu virus. "Respiratory etiquette" made simple:

- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.
- If you Don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into the bend of your elbow, not your hands!
- Put all used tissues in a waste basket.
- Stay home if you think you have any symptoms.
- Remember that hand-washing remains our number one defense against germs.

Tdap Immunization

All students who will be entering 6th grade and are 11 years of age for the 2022-2023 school year are required to have Tdap in order to enter school in September. Please contact your physician early to schedule an appointment. This is a New York State Department of Health requirement.

Student Physicals

Students entering grades 1,3 and 5 at the elementary level are required to have a current physical performed within one year of the start of that school year. Additionally, 6th graders interested in playing any sport in the 7th grade will need a current exam which will count toward their required 7th grade physical.

Cold Weather Clothing

Please have your child dress warmly and appropriately for the weather. Occasionally, our children require a change of clothing unexpectedly. It is always a good idea to have a change of clothes stored at school, especially socks and underwear. Student go outside weather permitting and during the winter as long as the wind chill temperature is above 20 degrees.

School-wide Activities

4th & 5th Grade science unit lessons & experiments- Smithsonian Science Kits



Holiday Activity Pictures & STEM December 2021



2nd & 3rd Grade Students enjoyed thinking about what brought them JOY in December and adding it to our "Wall of Joy."



6th Grade Art Club is now underway!


January 2022

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Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3 Day 6 Band	4 Day 1	5 Day 2	6 Day 3 Band	7 Day 4 Art Club-Group A 3-3:45 PM
10 Day 5	11 Day 6 Band	12 Day 1 Orchestra Computer Club 3-3:45 PM PTA Meeting 6:30 PM	13 Day 2 Choir	14 Day 3 Band
17 Martin Luther King Day  NO SCHOOL	18 Day 4 Orchestra Art Club-Group B 3-3:45 PM	19 Day 5 Choir	20 Day 6 Band	21 Day 1 Orchestra
24 Day 2 Choir	25 Day 3 Band	26 Day 4 Orchestra Art Club-Group A Computer Club 3-3:45 PM	27 Day 5 Choir	28 Day 6 Band Spirit Day: 
31 Day 1 Orchestra	February 1 Day 2 Choir	February 2 Day 3 Band	February 3 Day 4 Orchestra	February 4 Day 5 Choir