

Heritage Middle School

04/17/2025



Notes from the Principal

Panther Nation,

The highlight of my week was undoubtedly our Honors & Awards Ceremonies held yesterday. Watching our entire school come together to celebrate the achievements of their peers was truly special and a perfect example of what makes Heritage Middle School such an incredible community. Thank you to all the families who were able to attend, and **congratulations** again to all of our students who received honors recognition and special awards!

Looking ahead, next week marks our final round of State Testing. All students will take the Ohio State Test (OST) for Math on Tuesday and Wednesday. Testing has gone smoothly so far, and I've been proud of the focus and effort our students have shown. Let's finish strong! Thank you for continuing to make this a priority and conversation at home.

Have a great weekend and, as always — GO PANTHERS!

Joel Assenheimer
Principal



Daily Announcements

Mr. Woodford hosted a Middle School College Planning event this week. If you were unable to attend the meeting, a recording of it is linked below! If you have any questions or want to chat further, please reach out to Mr. Woodford (tom_woodford@hboe.org)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= lkvhnXMTe8>

Yearbook

ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK! Follow the link below to see all the options we have this year when ordering your yearbook:

<https://jostensyearbooks.com/?REF=A06447810>



PTO

Teacher Appreciation Week: Caffeinating our Teachers

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 5-9, and PTO is making it as easy as possible to show your appreciation for Heritage Middle School's amazing staff!

We are accepting donations, through PayPal, to purchase a new Keurig machine for the staff lounge. To make a contribution donate here: https://www.paypal.com/donate?hosted_button_id=YKDJCDWB958YC

We are also creating a coffee and snack bar for the teachers, and you can purchase those items (and have them delivered directly to the school!!!) by visiting the PTO's Amazon Wish

List: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/281T5PMPARQM7?ref=wl_lfu_nav_1

2025-2026 PTO Elections

Interested in joining the PTO? It's fun (we promise!). Please email current president, Amanda Wurst (amanda.wurst@gmail.com), for board and volunteer service opportunities.



Important Dates

April 18th	NO SCHOOL
April 22th	State Testing: Math Part 1 (7 th & 8 th grade)
April 23th	State Testing: Math Part 2 (7 th & 8 th grade)
May 5th	Archie Griffin Award Ceremony (8 th Grade ONLY)
May 9th	Civil War Day (8 th Grade Social Studies Classes)
May 16th	8 th Grade Formal - 6:30PM - 8:00PM
May 22nd	Find Your Grind Field Trip (7 th Grade ONLY)
May 26th	NO SCHOOL
May 30th	8 th Grade Clap Out & LAST DAY OF SCHOOL



District News

Aramark Student Viewpoint Survey

Parent and student feedback is valuable and will help improve the food service program offered at your child's school. Student health and well-being is our top priority! With your help, we will build a dining program that meets the needs of our students

and can be enjoyed by everyone.

To take the survey, click this link: [Student ViewPOINT Survey](#)

Updated Special Education Webpages Now Live

We're excited to share that our Special Education webpages have been redesigned with families in mind! The updated pages are now easier to navigate and filled with helpful resources for parents, guardians, and caregivers. Whether you're just beginning your journey in special education or are looking for specific support, you'll find:

- A clear **roadmap for families new to special education**
- Information on how students are **identified for special education services**
- **Videos from the State** to guide and inform
- Resources available in **multiple languages**

We invite you to [click here to explore](#) the new pages and bookmark them for future reference. Your partnership is important to us, and we're committed to making information as accessible and supportive as possible.

Registration for the 2025-26 School Year Now Open

Hilliard City Schools is now accepting new student registrations for grades K-12 for the upcoming school year! If you're new to the district or have an incoming kindergartener, or know someone moving in, now is the time to [click here and get started.](#)

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Community Subscribers: Please use [SchoolMessenger Subscriber Portal](#) to update your email and preferences.

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