

# Lyman C. Hunt Middle School Family Newsletter

**December 9, 2022** 

# Principal's Corner



It's hard to believe that Thanksgiving has come and gone and we are now less than two weeks until the December break.

Please read through this newsletter to find out about

Engineering Day, ways to become more involved in Hunt and the Winter Concerts to come.

Jim Kelley, Principal

# **Advisory Group**

The parent Advisory group has started meeting. If you would like to be a part of this group, please fill out the <u>application form</u> or contact me at <u>idkelley@bsdvt.org</u> or call 802-846-8469.

The purpose is to better engage families, I am forming two advisory groups with whom I wish to meet monthly to give feedback to me and our school staff around what is happening at our school and what is being planned and to help shape the school's work alongside me I want to engage families and students as true partners in the educational process, to make sure that the needs of a broad range of people are included as decisions are made in our school. All of you play an important and integral role in promoting the social, emotional and academic success of all students, and I want to hear from you.

For a more complete description of the Advisory Group, please click this link.

# **Agency of Education Family Engagement Council**

There is an opportunity to participate in an AOE Family Engagement Council. Here is the application link: <u>Application for Appointment</u>

Here is a link to a more detailed explanation of this opportunity: "Agency of Education announced the formation of a Family Engagement Council to advise the secretary on education policy and topics of interest to parents in Vermont."

#### **Athletics**

#### **December Basketball Games:**

#### **HUNT BOYS-BBALL-A VS ADL at Home**

Wednesday, December 14th, 2022 4:00pm

#### **HUNT BOYS-BBALL-B VS ADL at Home**

Wednesday, December 14th, 2022 5:00pm

#### **HUNT GIRLS-BBALL-A at ADL**

Wednesday, December 14th, 2022 4:00pm

#### **HUNT GIRLS-BBALL-B at ADL**

Wednesday, December 14th, 2022 5:00pm

#### **COVID Booster Shot**

**This is our shot, Vermont!** Everyone age 12 and older is now eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine. Sign up for your shot today at <a href="healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine">healthvermont.gov/MyVaccine</a> or follow @healthvermont on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a> and <a href="mailto:Twitter">Twitter</a> for walk-in opportunities. **#OurShotVT** 

## **Fall Student Led Conferences**

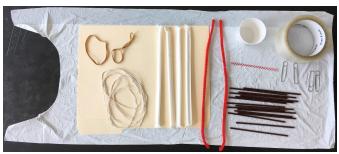
If you haven't completed the survey to give feedback on Student-Led conferences in November, please take a few minutes to complete the following survey: <a href="mailto:Family Feedback\_BSD\_Student">Family Feedback\_BSD\_Student</a> Led Conferences

# **Half Day Engineering Water Drop Challenge**

On Wednesday, 12/7 students were assigned to teams and given a challenge. They were tasked with designing and building a device that could prevent water from spilling out of a cup that is dropped from 180 cm.

Groups were given materials and then tasked with building a prototype.







### **Homework Guidelines**

Complete <u>Homework Guidelines</u> with a short summary below:

Students should expect to spend the following amount of time on homework nightly:

	6th	7th	8th
Team Assigned (Math, Science, ELA, Social Studies)	15-25 minutes each night from Monday through Thursday.	25-30 minutes each night from Monday through Thursday.	25-30 minutes each night from Monday through Thursday.
Unified Arts Assigned	Occasional assignments, practice sessions, or rehearsals.	Occasional assignments, practice sessions, or rehearsals.	Occasional assignments, practice sessions, or rehearsals.
Advanced Mathematics Assigned	none	none	Up to 30 additional minutes per day if enrolled in an advanced math course.

# Title 1 Meeting 12/12/22 6-7 PM

- This is an invitation to come to a Title I informational meeting Monday, December
   12 from 6:00-7:00 PM in Hunt Library
- Hunt Middle School is a Title I school which means that all students are eligible for Title I services.
- The purpose of the meeting is to review how Hunt participates in Title I, Hunt Middle School's requirements under Title I and your rights as parents.
- Here is a link to participate virtually: meet.google.com/fjm-ydwh-xph

# Virtual Workshops from the Office of Equity -

BSD Office of Equity is pleased to sponsor a 3rd year of <u>virtual workshops</u> that are free and open to the public! This series tackles contemporary and challenging topics that affect our youth, our school systems, and the greater community. The workshops are a

place to learn and to engage in cross-generational dialogue around issues that matter. Mark your calendars! All are welcome! The next workshop will be:

# "Addressing the Elephant in the Classroom; Mental Health" Wednesday, January 11, 2023 6-7:00 pm Join on Google Meet

This workshop will discuss how the Covid-19 pandemic has adversely affected the mental health of students and staff. Join us with community partners from Spectrum and the Howard Center for this informational session to discuss how schools are addressing current and pressing mental health needs and to find out more about services available to students and families. This workshop will culminate in a restorative circle about decreasing stigma around mental health.

#### **PTO**

Join us for the December PTO meeting: Monday, December 19th, 6:30-7:45pm, In person at the HMS Library and/or via Google Meets:

http://meet.google.com/cug-acuf-qyg

All are welcome. Stay in touch in the meantime via the PTO Listserv: Follow this link <a href="https://groups.google.com/g/hunt-middle-school-community">https://groups.google.com/g/hunt-middle-school-community</a> to sign up for the listserv by clicking on "Ask to Join this Group".

# The HMS Music Department announces <u>rescheduled</u> Winter Concerts

Chorus & Orchestra = Wednesday, January 18, 2023 @ 7pm Band = Wednesday, January 25, 2023 @ 7pm

We are excited to present the excellent work of our student musicians from our band, chorus and orchestra ensembles. We are rescheduling the concerts to allow for the

HMS auditorium seats to be replaced with the seats from the old BHS auditorium. This very intensive work will be conducted during the first weeks of December.

We are enjoying making music with our students and can't wait to share all we have been learning in January after our auditorium has received its "makeover". More specific information about the performances will be shared as we get closer. Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks for your support!

Sincerely,
The HMS Music Department
Rachael Sherman (Chorus)
Michael Hakim (Orchestra)
Edward Owens (Band)



Please check regularly for updates; updated 11/add in day/22

#### BSD 2022-23 Calendar

#### Some Key dates coming up:

#### December

12/12 - Title 1 Meeting 6-7:00PM

12/19 - PTO Meeting 6:30-7:45PM

12/22 - Early Release Day 11:30AM

## January

- 1/11 Office of Equity Workshop 6:00-7:00PM
- 1/18 Chorus & Orchestra Concert 7:00PM
- 1/25 Band Concert 7:00PM

#### **WE ARE HUNT**

Use Appropriate Language and Volume

Move Responsibly

Respond Appropriately to Each Other

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