

APRIL 2019 EDITION

Hampton Happenings

M-STEP IS COMING SOON!



Once again this year our 3rd - 5th grade students will be taking the M-STEP test online. The tests will include, ELA (3-5), Math (3-5), Science (grade 5) and Social Studies (grade 5). Testing begins the week of April 8th for **5th grade** and continues through April 26th. Testing for **3rd & 4th grades** begins the week of April 29th and continues through May 10th. Here are some helpful hints for testing:

- Make sure your child is in school to prevent make-up testing.
- Make sure that your child has a nutritious breakfast each morning
- If you talk about the test, please let your child know that we just want them to do their best and not get stressed out about it.
- Some changes have been made this year to make the test more student friendly.
- Check out the on-line training tools at: <https://wbts.drctdirect.com/MI/portals/mi/>



HAMPTON ELEMENTARY MISSION

The Hampton Elementary Staff is committed to fostering an environment where all children feel safe, respected, and valued. We provide the foundation for students to reach their maximum potential in their academics and encourage them to strive for personal excellence.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board of Ed. Meeting at Handy Middle School 7pm	April 8
Popcorn Day	April 12 & 26
No School	April 19
College Day	April 30
Special Someone & Son Bowling	May 3
Career Day	May 15
No School - Memorial Day weekend	May 24 & 27

CAREER DAY



Calling all Parents! Would you like to share your time and talent at our Annual Career Day in May? This year it is scheduled on May 15h. If you are interested in being a presenter this year, please contact Ms. Walsh, 5th Grade Teacher at walshl@bcschools.net

REMINDERS

There will be no school on Friday, April 19th due to Good Friday. Also, there will be no school on May 24th & 27th due to the Memorial Day weekend.



RAPTOR VISITOR MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The Bay City Public Schools is pleased to announce effective Monday, April 8, 2019, the implementation of Raptor, a formal visitor management system, which will strengthen our program of school safety for students and our entire school community. The Raptor system was purchased for all our school buildings with grant dollars. This new visitor management system will be used to help us track visitors, including volunteers and contractors.

Visitor Check-In / Out Process:

Upon entering a Bay City Public Schools elementary, middle, and high school building, all visitors will be asked to present a valid state-issued ID which will be entered into the Raptor system. Visitor information will be maintained by the district and not be sold or shared with any agency or authority.

The visitor will be issued a sticker badge which identifies the person, the date, and the purpose of the visit. This date-specific badge must be worn at all times during school hours. When the visit has concluded, the badge holder will check out through the building office using the Raptor system.

A visitor's badge is not needed:

- When someone is dropping an item off to the office or picking up paperwork,
- At after school events such as performances, games, ceremonies, or competitions,
- For a child being accompanied by an adult who has a Raptor issued badge.

If the identity of a visitor cannot be verified through an acceptable form of identification, they will not be allowed in a building or on district property.



School safety is a priority and the Raptor system provides a consistent way to track all visitors in our buildings. If you have questions about the new Raptor system, or the new procedure for entering our buildings, please contact Kim Offenbecker at (989) 893-1100 ext. 1502.

Thank you in advance for your support in enhancing school safety at Bay City Public Schools.

BOOSTER CLUB NEWS

Special candy sale on April 9 & 16. Special School store for Kdg.—5th on April 18th.

Spring Fundraiser starts on April 8-18. Money is due when orders are turned in. Product pick-up will be May 22, 3:30-5:30 pm in the cafeteria.

DRESS CODE

As the weather gets nicer, dress code questions always come up. Here are the general rules of thumb, or finger widths (we do this because 2" on a kindergarten student is much different than 2" on a 5th grader):

- Flip Flops ARE allowed but NOT recommended. We see many injuries during lunch due to lack of protective and supportive foot wear. Students may wear at their own risk.
- Tank tops - straps should not be thinner than two student fingers wide. NO spaghetti straps, nothing lower than two fingers below the collar bone.
- Shorts - cannot be higher than the ends of fingertips with arms at sides.
- Skirts - cannot be higher than two finger widths above the knee.

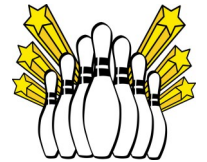
TEACHER REQUEST FORMS

Teacher Request Forms for the 2019-20 school year will be available in our office on April 8th. They must be completed and turned in by May 17th. Teachers and administrators will consider all requests, but there are no guarantees. Our primary goal is to develop balanced educational classrooms. You can pick up a request form from the office, indicate a first choice and second choice, and indicate your educationally based rationale for the request.

Please note that if a request is granted and the teacher leaves Hampton at the end of the school year or makes a grade level change, your child will have the replacement for the requested teacher.

SOMEONE SPECIAL & SON BOWLING

Join the boys for a special night of fun. Let's have a ball on Friday, May 3rd. Join us from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Monitor Lanes! Cost is \$10 per person which includes two games of bowling, shoe rental, pizza, and a soft drink. Please RSVP by April 17th. Advanced payment only. No ticket sales at the door. Space is limited to the first 150 people! Don't forget your socks!



Watch D.O.G.S. Special Someone & Son Bowling RSVP

Mom's Name _____

Son's Name _____ Teacher _____

Son's Name _____ Teacher _____

Total number attending x \$10 _____ (checks payable to Hampton Elementary)