



THE HARTLEY HAWKS HEADLINES

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Wednesdays Early Release 1:45 pm

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From the Principal's Desk

It was great to meet our students and their families at the “Meet the Teacher” orientation activities recently! Last week was a very smooth beginning for our students and teachers. The children enjoyed seeing former classmates and making new friends.

Your children are the motivation for all of our efforts, the center of all we do. Our goal is for students to feel at home learning in an environment where they are loved as they are taught. With outstanding teachers who understand the way individual students learn, Hartley provides academic rigor in an environment that emphasizes thinking and creativity. As we begin the new school year, we rededicate ourselves to providing a culture of caring for our students. Students, teachers and parents are the “heart” of Hartley!

Safety is our #1 Priority

Safety is the #1 Priority at Hartley Elementary. I am pleased to announce that the following security initiatives were successfully completed during the summer months:

- Activation of a cell phone booster, ensuring on-campus cell phone coverage
- Installation of 32 digital security cameras
- Door access controls, including a buzzer system for the front office
- Driver's License Scanner for verifying parent, visitor and volunteer status
- New perimeter fencing around the entire school campus.

In addition, funding has been approved for attractive fencing to be fixed to the wall that surrounds the primary playground in front of the school. The seven-foot wall will function as a safety barrier and a deterrent to outsiders.

This year, everyone entering the school building will be admitted by the receptionist using an access control system at the door. Once admitted, all adults will be required to show photo identification. Your driver's license will be scanned and a badge will be printed for admittance. This is a new security procedure and everyone will be expected to participate in this safety measure. A fulltime police officer will be on campus during the school day as a security presence for our children and adults.

I appreciate your awareness and support for campus safety and your cooperation with these school procedures.

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From the Principal's Desk Continued...

The Importance of Reading in Our Lives

In elementary school, learning to read is fundamentally important. The ability to read with proficiency is strongly related to success in school. As parents, we prepare our children to read by encouraging them to connect with the people and objects around them. Before a child is able to read words, they "read" the world. Those experiences lead to new learning and a readiness to learn with others at school. When children begin their formal education, they bring an understanding of their experiences and the social world to school. These understandings are the foundations of reading.

As a parent, you are your child's first and best teacher. Before your son or daughter started school, you taught them how to walk, eat and socialize with others. You even taught them a language. Please continue to teach and model learning for your child this year by making a commitment to read to them. When children see their parents read, they understand that reading is important. When you read to your child or listen to them read to you, you affirm their confidence as readers and make memories together.

Studies indicate that students whose parents read to them and encourage them to read independently every day significantly increase their children's academic success.

Visit the library together and explore books that interest both of you. Discussing books is a great way to introduce your child to the world of possibility.

When children read, they enlarge their awareness of the world. Reading is an important skill because children acquire much of their knowledge about the world through the written word. Reading will be an area of special focus at Hartley Elementary School this year.

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School's Out Reminder:

Labor Day—Student/Teacher Holiday

September 2, 2019.

New School Hours for 2019-2020

8:25a.m. to 2:45pm.



**Students may enter the school after
7:55 am.**

**Any child arriving after 8:25 a.m. will
need to be signed in by their guardian
at the front office.**

Thank you for your assistance!

Hartley

PTO Meetings: 2019-2020

August 19	January 13
September 16	February 10
October 21	March 23
November 18	April 20
December 16	May 18

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

3pm in the Media Center

Continued From the Principal's Desk...

Goals for our Student Readers

The percentage of students who read with proficiency is one measure of an effective school reading program. Last year 72 percent of Hartley's third through fifth graders met high standards in reading, as evidenced by a score of Level 3 or higher on the FSA Reading Assessment. Our goal this year is to move our Level 3 proficient readers to the higher 4 and 5 levels, as we decrease the percentage of students who scored at the lower 1 and 2 levels.

Learning Gains, another measure of success, is an area of special focus at Hartley this year. We want all of our students to make learning gains during the school year. By promoting a school wide culture of caring, by being aware of our students' academic strengths and challenges and by providing differentiation through small group instruction, Hartley's teachers will encourage all students to reach their greatest potential in reading this year. All Hawks will rise!

Thank you in advance for the special commitment you make to your child's life at school this year.

How We Live with Our School Family

During the first week of school, Mrs. Baker and I met with students at each grade level to discuss school rules and expectations. Again this year, we are focusing on the importance of the "Five Ps": being polite, prompt, prepared, and productive and practicing safety. The following information will be shared in the grade-level assemblies:

Hartley students are:

Polite- show respect for others in manners, speech and behavior

Prompt- are always on time and ready

Prepared- are ready to listen and learn

Productive- give their best to whatever they do

Practice Safety- stay close to trusted teachers and friends

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Please Join Us...

Volunteer Breakfast

August 28th
9am

Multi-Purpose Room

Please RSVP to
hartleyvolunteers@gmail.com

**We are so happy
to have you as a
part of our
Hartley Family!**

Continued From the Principal's Desk...

In hallways, students:

Walk facing forward in single file, on the right side of the hall.
Are silent, respecting the classrooms around them.
Keep their hands and feet away from others and the walls.

In the cafeteria, students:

Walk when entering, keeping hands, feet and lunch boxes to themselves.
Say, "please" and "thank you" to those who help you.
Always stay seated and raise their hands for help.
Do not touch others or their food.
Do not play with food or bottles
Do not share food with others.
Who accidentally drop food, pick it up.
Wait for their teacher's arrival before leaving the table.
Immediately stop talking when you hear, "Hawks Rise"

On playground, students:

Stay in assigned areas
Follow adult directions
Use equipment appropriately
Play cooperatively, following game rules
Ask their teachers for permission to use bathrooms
Gather all class and personal belongings before leaving

During assemblies, students:

Walk when entering, keeping hands, feet to themselves.
Show respect to the speaker or performer by sitting quietly.
Keep eyes on the speaker and use "listening" ears.
Show appreciation with applause.
Immediately stop talking when you hear, "Hawks Rise"

During emergency drills, students:

Remain quiet and listen closely for their teacher's direction
Walk and maintain silence during fire and evacuation drills

On the bus, students:

Remain seated while the bus is moving
Move safely to their seat or exit
Use a quiet voice and kind words
Keep hands, feet, and all objects to themselves
Follow the directions of the bus driver
Remember to take all your belongings when exiting the bus
Report problem behavior to the bus driver or a trusted adult
Remind others to follow the rules

Continued From the Principal's Desk...

The Importance of Modeling Good Character during School Arrival and Dismissal

Parents, thank you for modeling good character and safe behavior as you wait in the parent pickup line. By demonstrating patience and a respect for the rules, our students will grow to understand that a community's safety depends upon everyone's voluntary compliance with the rules. Parents of Bus Riders, if you have questions or concerns regarding transportation, please phone the SJCS D Transportation office at 547-7810. Thank you for making any changes in your child's routine route home no later than 2:15 p.m.

Free and Reduced Price School Meal Applications

Free and Reduced Price School Meals family applications are available and may be submitted online (<http://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/food/free/>) through the Hartley school website and/or the district website. Paper applications are available at Hartley, (you will receive a much quicker response if the application is submitted online). Every school year a new application must be submitted. If you child received free/reduced meals last school year, a 2019-20 application still must be submitted.

Allergy Alert: No Fast Food or Restaurant Meals in Cafeteria this Year

Parents are always welcome to join their child for lunch at school. Thank you for remembering to arrive on time because our lunch period is a short 30 minutes. Due to a growing number of students with serious allergies, parents will no longer be permitted to drop off food fast food/restaurant meals. This DOES NOT include home-made lunches that students may have left at home. Again, we encourage parents to join their child for lunch at school, but please plan to either buy a school lunch or bring a homemade lunch with you. Thank you for participating in your child's life at school!

Dr. Paul Goricki

School Advisory Council News

Parents, are you interested in getting more involved at school?

If so, perhaps you would be interested in joining Hartley's School Advisory Council (SAC). The SAC committee is a group of parents, staff and community members who meet eight times each school year to discuss school goals and happenings and make decisions that are in the best interest of the Hartley School Community. As always, the meetings are open to the public, but we are also looking for a few new voting members on the committee. The SAC meetings are held at Hartley on the first Tuesday of each month, starting Tuesday, September 3rd and childcare is provided during the meeting.

If you are interested in being a part of this committee, please contact our SAC Chair, Amber Kerly, at Amber.Kerly@stjohns.k12.fl.us or join us on September 3rd.

I hope you will consider joining at us as a SAC member this year!

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In order to enter our school (past the front office), you will need to do the following:

- Have completed your online application on our district website: Keepin'Track.
- **Have your DRIVERS LICENSE.** Your license must be scanned for an ID tag to be made. Parents/Visitors may not visit classrooms without prior approval from the teacher.
- Our front office staff cannot make any exceptions to these rules.

Thank you for helping keep our children safe!



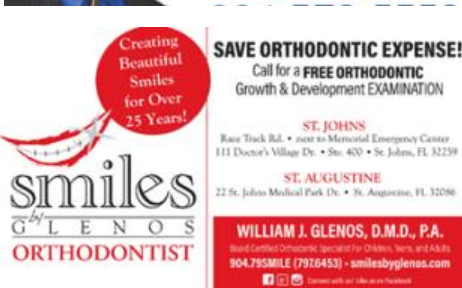
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