

April 12, 2024

Dear Lakes Families,

Spring appears to be here to stay! That being said, we have LOTS of winter gear in our lost and found...coats, gloves, hats, boots, etc. All items are out for students to go through so please encourage your student to check if they are missing anything. Any hats and gloves left after April 22 will be donated.

Our yearbook ordering link is now LIVE!!

Lakes Elementary School GO TO: [store.geskusphoto.com](https://store.geskusphoto.com) Use Code: YB399

National School Folders has been providing the take home school folder for multiple years at zero cost to our school. Due to ever increasing printing and shipping costs, we are asking for help from our parents in sponsoring ads for the 24-25 school year so that the folders will continue to be free. There are two ways to help sponsor our School Folder:

Business sponsorship: \$350.00 (a discounted ad price) which includes a business ad on your school folder for the 24-25 school year.

Personal sponsorship: \$75.00 which includes your name on the back of the folder as a sponsor.

For more information on how to sponsor an ad, please contact our National School Folders representative Bob Lundwall at: [lundwallbob@gmail.com](mailto:lundwallbob@gmail.com), 586-405-1144. Ad Sponsorship Deadline is Friday, June 7.

All students grades JK-4th will be participating in spring state assessments. You will get additional information in the coming weeks, but here are our testing dates:

April 23-24: 3rd grade MSTEP-English Language Arts

April 29 and May 3: 2nd grade Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments

April 30-May 1: 4th grade MSTEP-English Language Arts

May 6: 1st grade Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments

May 7-8: 3rd grade MSTEP-Math

May 9 and 13: 4th grade MSTEP-Math

May 14: JK/K Early Literacy and Mathematics Benchmark Assessments

Please also take a moment to read this letter from State Superintendent Dr. Michael Rice:

[Letter to Michigan Families](#)

Lakes Cub Scout Pack 285 is having a fundraiser on Saturday May 11th at Deneweth's greenhouse on M59. Please mention the Pack number and the greenhouse will set aside a portion of the proceeds of that purchase to give back to the pack.

## Kindness Club

Lakes Kindness Club was featured in an article by WHMI. Great job!!

<https://www.whmi.com/news/article/hartland-students-donate-cereal-bountiful-harvest>

For their final project of the year, the club will be supporting Livingston County Animal Shelter. Here are the details:



**WHAT:** Lakes Kindness Club will be collecting donations for the Livingston County Animal Shelter in Howell, MI

**WHEN:** **April 30th.** Please have all donations in by Friday, May 3rd.

### **SUGGESTED DONATIONS BY GRADE:**

**Junior Kindergarten/Kindergarten:** Dog, cat, or small animal food and/or treats.

**1st grade:** Dog, cat, or small animal food and/or treats

**2nd grade:** Collars, leashes, and/or toys

**3rd grade:** Cleaning supplies (e.g., pee pads, poop bags, or animal safe cleaning sprays)

**4th grade:** Dog or cat toys

*\*This is only a suggested list of donations by grade. Please feel free to bring any of the suggested donations or other donations that would benefit the shelter. Monetary donations are also welcomed.*

## Upcoming Dates:

4/22: Run Club begins

4/23-24: 3rd Grade MSTEP (ELA)

4/25: LOC Day

4/26: Popcorn Day, Family Fun Fest

4/29: 2nd Grade Early Literacy Benchmark Assessment

4/30-5/1: 4th Grade MSTEP (ELA)

## PTO News:

Staff Appreciation Week 2024 is May 6-10. We will be spoiling our staff, and we need your help! This year to simplify the process we are asking for monetary donations ONLY, so parents won't need to deliver items! This money will help pay for food, decorations, and fun gifts/prizes for our staff for the week. If you choose to make a monetary donation, PLEASE send via Venmo to @HartlandLakes-ElementaryPTO with the memo "TAW 2024". This is very important, so we know it's for our Staff Appreciation Week!

## PTO Board

Nominations for the 2024-2025 school year board are underway. Nomination forms were sent home via email on April 4 and will be accepted through **Friday, April 26th**. Nomination forms can be sent to: [lakeselementarypto@gmail.com](mailto:lakeselementarypto@gmail.com)

## Family Fun Fest

The Lakes Family Fun Fest is coming up April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024! This is one of our largest events of the year and it takes a HUGE amount of help from Lakes families. Below are the early sign-up links. These include the link to volunteer to help at the event and a link to donate items to our raffle and silent auction. Please consider signing up to support this fun event for Lakes families.

Raffle/ Silent Auction Donation Sign-up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849ABAD2BAAFC1-48450292-lakes>

Volunteer Sign-up

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090849ABAD2BAAFC1-48450320-lakes>

## Lakes PTO Spring Bulb Fundraiser!

Spring is finally here!!

Brighten up your yard with bulbs shipped direct to your door!

Dahlias, Lilies, Perennials, Seed Mats, and More!

April 8<sup>th</sup> through April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Place your order at: <http://LakesPTO.fundraising.com>.

Bulbs will ship direct to your house ready for planting.



## Other District News and Events:

### Youth Basketball Camp

Registration is open for the Hartland Summer Youth Basketball Camp for incoming 4th—8th grade students, which will be held June 3rd through June 6th at Hartland High School.

Please visit the link for more information.

<https://docs.google.com/.../1uBHDRKUxTpT6UfnX5bi.../edit...>

### Hartland Football Memorial Day 5K Run 3K Walk

Now that it's starting to look like Spring outside, Memorial Day will be here before you know it, which brings the tradition of the Hartland Memorial Day 5K Run/3K Walk.

The event helps support Hartland High School Football. Hartland Football would love to see you walk, run, or jog in this year's event.

You can find out more information and sign up here:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MI/Hartland/HartlandMemorialDayRun>



**Mackinac Island Grand Hotel and Golf Raffle**

**\$1500 Grand Hotel property gift card**  
**4 certificates for an 18-hole round at**  
**The Jewel**

Including cart and horse-drawn transportation between the Grand nine and Woods nine

**\$100 transportation gift card to the island**

**Ticket Price \$25 or 2 for \$40**

**Step 1. Send Venmo (QR code below)**  
**payment to @Hartland-Bands**  
**Include "Raffle," Name, and Phone Number**  
*Ex. Raffle, John Doe, 810-123-4567*

**Step 2. Take a picture of the payment in**  
**Venmo and**  
**text to 810-223-4513**

**Step 3. Within 24 hours you will receive a**  
**picture of your raffle ticket**



**Drawing will be held in May. License #C30693**



***Join us for a community event celebrating local art and artists at the annual hARTland Art Walk. Scroll down to learn more about the event and the artists participating.***

The kickoff event is September 21, 2024 from 12-4pm at Settlers Park!

Entries for the 2024 hARTland Art Walk are now being accepted! There are two categories for entry:

- Amateur and professional artists from Michigan—NO AGE LIMITS!  
– Prizes include a grand prize as selected by a panel of judges and two smaller prizes as selected by public vote.
- Hartland Consolidated Schools students in Grades K-12 and HCS Classrooms  
– \$250 scholarships to be awarded as selected by a panel of judges for the following grade categories: K-4, 5-6, 7-8, 9-12

Get the entry forms on the website here: <https://www.hartlandartwalk.com/>



Have a great weekend!

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Principal

Lakes Elementary