HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL 4911 136TH AVE (269) 751-5185

Homecoming 2023 Rainy & cold, but having

the time of our lives!!

"I said, 'Remember this moment' in the back of my mind." Long Live ~ Taylor Swift

GRATITUDE FOR YOUR CONTINUOUS SUPPORT

Hello Hamilton High School Families!

As we come to the end of the trimester, I hope you are preparing for a welldeserved break and a transition to our midyear activities. It's been a great start to the school year so far, and I want to extend my gratitude for your continuous support and involvement in your child's academic and extracurricular pursuits. The break provides an excellent opportunity for everyone to recharge, spend quality time with family, and return refreshed and energized for the start of our second trimester.

We are starting to transition from colorful leaves to winter snowflakes, pumpkin carving to snowman building, and the activities around our school are doing the same. From basketball and wrestling to robotics and science olympiad, there's something for every interest and passion. These extracurricular opportunities not only foster teamwork, creativity, and skill development but also serve as platforms for our students to explore their interests and build lasting friendships. These relationships not only help in the doldrums of winter but are also some of the best parts of the high school experience.

If you or your students have any interest or want to be better connected, please let us know. We are here and happy to help. Thank you for your time and have a great Thanksgiving Break!

Mitch Bosch, Hamilton High School Principal





SRO Deputy Joe Knapp



Drive Slow on Ice & Snow

DON'T BLAME THE WEATHER

Most winter driving crashes are caused by drivers going too fast for the roadway conditions. Follow these tips to stay safe on winter roads.

- It can take up to ten times longer to stop your vehicle on snowy and/or icy roads. Slow down and allow more room between your vehicle and the one ahead of you. This gives you more time to react and brake, reducing your crash risk.
- **Put your turn signal on sooner** than you would in warm weather months. Remember, it takes longer for the cars behind you to react and stop, too.
- Avoid distractions now more than ever. Taking your eyes off the road for even a few seconds robs you of your precious reaction time. Put your phone away and don't try to multitask (eating, putting on makeup, etc.).
- Watch for black ice. Black ice, a very thin and nearly invisible layer of ice that makes the road look wet, is another reason to slow down this winter. Stay alert for black ice on bridges, ramps and overpasses, after sudden drops in temperature, and in shaded areas.
- **Avoid a ticket.** Michigan laws require drivers to move at a speed that is "reasonable and proper" for the road conditions. Even if you are driving at or below the speed limit, you could get a speeding ticket if the road conditions make that speed unreasonable for safe driving.



<u>Click here for staff listing</u>

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Attendance Line (269) 751-7219

February 1 JOB SHADOW DAY

9TH AND 10TH GRADE STUDENTS

Hamil<mark>ton Community Schools is committed to providing experiences for students related to Work Based Learning. As part of this commitment, all 9th and 10th grade students will be participating in a Work Based Learning Experience on</mark>

Thursday, February 1, 2024

9th and 10th grade students have 2 options to choose from:

Job Shadow

A job shadow is when a student goes to a place of employment to shadow someone who has a career in the student's field of interest.

Business Tours

Students going on the Business Tours will go to various businesses for tours and discussions related to the world of work. Transportation is provided by Hamilton Community Schools.

Student meeting during Summit on Nov. 29 for more details

High School Attendance

Please report all absences within 24 hours (269) 751-5185 for attendance press 1 direct #(269) 751-7219 hsattendance@hamiltonschools.us



Mr. Bob Hippey

Click on link for High School Attendance Codes for 2023-2024

Parent & Student Resources

Hamilton Community Schools

Parent Request for Assistance

If you feel that your student is struggling, you can always reach out to your child's school counselor for guidance; however, there may also be other resources and supports available.



Hamilton Community Schools Student Request for Assistance

Students now have the ability to report and/or request assistance with social, academic, or emotional concerns.





NOVEMBER

11/21 Last day of first trimester
11/22 No School - Records Day
11/23 & 24 No School - Thanksgiving Break
11/27 First day of second trimester (T2)
11/30 HS Theatre presents Mousetrap 7pm

DECEMBER

- 12/1 HS Theatre presents Mousetrap 7pm
- 12/2 HS Theatre presents Mousetrap 2pm & 7pm
- 12/14 HS Christmas Coffee Choir Concert 7pm
- 12/25 1/5 No School Holiday Break

JANUARY

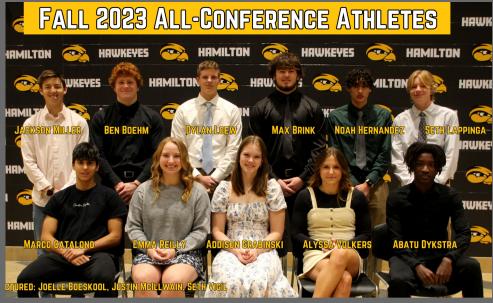
- 1/08 First day back to school
- 1/12 Academic Awards Night
- 1/15 Parent Teacher Conferences 5:30-8:30pm
- 1/22 Parent Teacher Conferences 5:30-8:30pm
- 1/25 & 1/26 No School Winter Break

FEBRUARY

- $2/1 \quad 9 \text{th} \& 10 \text{th} \text{ grade Job Shadow Day}$
- 2/6 HS Pre-Festival Choir Concert 7pm
- 2/12 & 2/13 No School Winter Break
- 2/14 Spring Count Day
- 2/22 & 2/23 HS MTC Performance

MARCH

- 3/7 Last day of second trimester (T2)
- 3/8 Records Day No School
- 3/11 First day of third trimester (T3)
- 3/21 HS Theatre presents Into the Woods 7pm
- 3/22 HS Theatre presents Into the Woods 7pm
- 3/23 HS Theatre presents Into the Woods 2pm & 7pm
- 3/29 4/5 No School Spring Break



Front row (seated) Left to Right Marco Catalono - Tennis Emma Reilly - Swim Addison Grabinski - Swim Alvssa Volkers - Swim

Back row (standing) Left to Right Jackson Miller - Tennis Ben Boehm - Football **Dylan Loew - Tennis** Max Brink - Football Abatu Dykstra - Cross Country Noah Hernandez - Cross Country

(not pictured) Joelle Boeskool - Vollevball Justin McIIIwain - Football Seth Vigil - Soccer

All transportation is

picked up from their

Lunch and snacks are

Deadline to Sign up:

provided (students

home)

provided

February 15

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Seth Lappinga - Tennis

Hamilton Summer PBL: June 17-21

WHO: Hamilton students going into 9th and 10th grade

WHAT: Students work in a small group at a local business to solve a problem given by the business.

WHEN: June 17-21, 2024 M-TH 8am-3pm Fri: 8am-10am

WHY: To satisfy a WBL graduation requirement for the training category and to practice employability

Sign up by emailing Ashley Meyer (ameyer@hamiltonschools.us)

🔁 FALL HOME **SPORTS SCHEDULE** Click here for full schedule

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

- 11/28 Holland HS
- 12/5 Zeeland East HS
- 1/5 West Catholic HS
- Coopersville HS 1/12
- 1/16 Unity Christian HS
- 1/23 Spring Lake HS
 - 1/26 Fruitport HS
 - 2/6 Allendale HS
- 2/16 Holland Christian HS

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

- 12/15 Zeeland West HS
- 12/19 Wavland Union HS
- 1/5West Catholic HS
- 1/9Allendale HS
- 1/12 Coopersville HS
- Fruitport HS 1/26
- 1/30 Jenison HS
- 2/3 **Covenant Christian HS**
- 2/13 Unity Christian HS
- 2/16 Holland Christian HS
- 2/20 Spring Lake HS

VARSITY COMPETITIVE CHEER

1/24 OK Blue Jamboree

VARSITY SWIMMING

- 12/2 Opening Season Dual
- 1/9 Thornapple Kellogg HS & Ludington HS
- Holland Christian HS 1/23
- 1/30 Mona Shores HS
- 2/13 Spring Lake HS

VARSITY WRESTLING

- 12/2 Scrimmage
- 12/20 Spring Lake HS & Mona Shores HS
- 1/17 West Catholic HS & Zeeland West HS

