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# NIGHTHAWK NEWS



## Our Mission

The Hanover Public School District is committed to excellence in education by nurturing, challenging, and inspiring all students to achieve their full potential and to become productive citizens in a global community.

## On The Move

### A Message From Superintendent Dr. John A. Scola

The Hanover Public School District is proud of the positive impact it provided through in-person learning for students during the 2020-2021 school year. Last year brought us challenges, but it also brought us together. We are so proud of the district's efforts when students and families needed us the most. This year has brought us another set of challenges, however, we are determined to have the students remain in school for in-person instruction.

The district remained "On the Move" despite the COVID-19 pandemic. There are several facility upgrades that have occurred district-wide during the summer months and are currently in the planning stages. The addition at Washington Elementary is being utilized by the fourth grade classes, and Clearview Elementary will be getting HVAC upgrades. Hanover Street Elementary received a minor face-lift with protective coverings throughout the building for the lower sections of the hallways. The Middle School lighting throughout the entire building has been upgraded to LED quality, and



the school store was refurbished. The signage on the outside of the Middle School building is now completed along with a 3-D Nighthawk proudly displayed by the front entrance. Lastly, the High School continues its facility upgrades including a fitness park, an outdoor classroom in the courtyard, an outdoor performing arts amphitheater, and newly renovated administrative offices. Lastly, Sheppard and Myers' grass field will begin the transition to a turf field. This will expand opportunities for use by our athletic teams as well as the marching band. The new playing surface will be ready for fall competition, 2022.

This forward thinking progress is a testament to our ability to push through adversity, respond to the circumstances that surround us, and use every means at our disposal to meet the needs of the students and the community. It is the goal of the district to remain in a continuous improvement approach as we remain "Committed to Excellence." The district is thankful for the continued support of all stakeholders.

## HPSD Recognized For Music Education

Hanover Public School District has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from The NAMM Foundation for its outstanding commitment to music education. This distinction was awarded to 686 Districts in the United States. Now in its



22nd year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students. Congratulations to the HPSD Music Department!

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# Welcome Our New Staff!



**Lindsay Edwards**  
High School and Middle School Music



**Jamie Eshleman**  
Washington Elementary



**Kendyll Fissel**  
Middle School Health and PE



**Rebecca Glusco**  
High School Math



**Mary Peterson**  
Clearview Nurse



**Emma Rikas**  
High School English




**Erin Taylor**  
Middle School Math



**Cody Waltmyer**  
High School Social Studies



## **Hanover High School Alumni Association**

Please support the Golden Scholarship Endowment with annual and estate contributions. Contact Phyllis Egger (EHS Class of 1961) at  717.632.0548 or send contributions to P.O. Box 620, Hanover, PA 17331. Checks should be made out to Hanover High School Alumni Association, Golden Scholarship Fund.

# Model Schools Training at The Middle School

Hanover Middle School teachers and administrators are excited to have the opportunity to work closely this school year with Mr. Eric Sheninger. Mr. Sheninger, an associate partner with the International Center for Leadership in Education, is a well known author and an award-winning educator. Mr. Sheninger will visit Hanover Middle School several times throughout the year to provide professional development for teachers in an effort to improve instructional practices. Under the guidance of Mr. Sheninger, teachers and administrators will closely examine instructional practices through the nationally recognized Rigor and Relevance Framework. Use of this framework will support teachers by providing strategies and resources to facilitate deeper learning and incorporate active, real-world experiences into their lessons.



opportunities for personalized learning in classrooms.

In addition to meeting with Mr. Sheninger this year, all middle school teachers have been provided with a copy of his most recent book, *Disruptive Thinking*. The focus of this book is to challenge teachers to disrupt their own thinking as they work to prepare all students to be innovators and problem solvers. Teachers and administrators will work collaboratively with Mr. Sheninger throughout the year to re-evaluate current teaching strategies and actively engage students in the learning process. We are looking forward to developing a strong partnership with Mr. Sheninger as we strive to make improvements to best meet the needs of our middle school students.



## Let's Party Like It's 1922

Join the fun and drama as Hanover High School will party like it's 1922 with F. Scott Fitzgerald's *The Great Gatsby* on the HHS Nighthawk Stage December 3 and 4 at 7 PM and December 5 at 2 PM. The play with music will feature dance, music and a lot of drama as Fitzgerald's classic novel is brought to life. Witness the grandeur of the 20's, filled with lavish Art Deco set design, glitzy flapper attire and a full-size replica of Gatsby's infamous yellow car.

Jay Gatsby, a self-made millionaire, passionately pursues the elusive Daisy Buchanan. Nick Carraway, a young newcomer to Long Island, is drawn into their world of obsession, greed and danger. The breathtaking glamour and decadent excess of the Jazz Age comes to the stage with F. Scott Fitzgerald's classic novel.

Tickets are \$9 for students and \$10 for adults. Purchase your tickets in advance starting November 8 at the High School office during school hours and get \$2 off each ticket! As Jay Gatsby said... "Can't repeat the past? - Why of course you can."

Let's go back 100 years and party like it's 1922!



**December 3rd @ 7 PM**  
**December 4th @ 7 PM**  
**December 5th @ 2 PM**

**Advance tickets:**  
**\$7 students • \$8 adults**  
**AT THE DOOR \$2 MORE**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT [HANOVERPUBLIC.ORG](http://HANOVERPUBLIC.ORG)  
 FOLLOW US ON TWITTER [@HANOVERPUBLIC](https://twitter.com/HANOVERPUBLIC)



## Taking The Classroom Outdoors

Hanover High School is excited to offer our students a new outdoor learning space donated by Hanover Architectural Products. This outdoor classroom is used by students and staff throughout the school day to engage in a variety of lessons and activities. This authentic learning space provides students a place to socialize with their peers and work collaboratively on tasks and projects in an open-air atmosphere. Without the generous donation of materials from Hanover Architectural Products, this opportunity would not be possible. It is through these school and community partnerships that the Hanover Public School District is able to provide numerous unique and experiential learning opportunities. The new outdoor classroom is just one of the many district enhancements and upgrades provided for our students.

## Online Payment

Hanover Public School District now offers a convenient way to make online payments! This service is available to purchase musical tickets. Use the search in the upper right hand corner of the district web page and enter RevTrak to gain access.

## We're Proud of Our Educators



*Pictured (L to R): Jennifer Gomulka (Math Teacher at High School), Olivia Quynn (Language Teacher at High School), Sara Myers (Learning Support Teacher at Middle School).*

*Ms. Gomulka was recognized as Chamber Educator of the Year. Ms. Quynn and Mrs. Myers were recognized as Shippensburg Outstanding Teachers.*



## Holiday Smiles

Students in Miss Garland's Hanover Street class craft reindeer ornaments which will decorate Christmas trees during the holiday tree tours at the Warehime-Myers Mansion.


## Support The Foundation

The Hanover Public School District Foundation for Excellence in Education supports numerous academic initiatives in the community and in the schools. Also, the foundation supports the Metal Lab,



the Construction Technology Lab, and the STEAM Academy initiatives. If you would like to make a tax-deductible donation, please forward the donation to The

Hanover Public School District Foundation, c/o Lois Dubbs, 403 Moul Avenue, Hanover, PA 17331.

If you have any questions, contact Lois Dubbs at  717.630.4601. Please note that you may earmark the funds for a particular use. On behalf of the students, thank you for your continued support of the Hanover Public School District.

## 2021-22 York County Millage Rates

York	35.8561
Northeastern	26.69
Eastern	24.69
Dallastown	24.58
West York	24.2238
York Suburban	24.0967
Spring Grove	24.0922
Dover	23.715
<b>HANOVER</b>	<b>23.06</b>
Red Lion	22.2791
South Eastern	22.2503
South Western	21.09
Central	20.33
Southern York	19.91

The millage rate has remained stable since the district had a 0% tax increase for the past two years.

Source: York County Assessment & Tax Claim Office

## Emergency School Closings

If the district cancels or delays the opening of school, or dismisses early because of inclement weather or any other reason, the announcement will be broadcast on Blackboard as well as over these radio and television stations:

- WYCR 98.5 FM
- WHVR 1280 AM
- WGET 1320 AM
- WSBA 910 AM
- WGTY 107.7 FM
- Warm 103.3 FM
- WGAL-TV Channel 8
- WHTM-TV Channel 27
- WPMT FOX43
- WHP-TV Channel 21

The district will also post cancellations, delays, and early dismissals at

[hanoverpublic.org](https://www.hanoverpublic.org) and Twitter [@HanoverPublic](https://twitter.com/HanoverPublic).



## EYE ON

### HPSD Gifted Program

Students exhibiting outstanding intellectual and creative ability are supported through the Hanover Public School District's Gifted Programming. With assistance from our Gifted Support Teachers, school wide screenings are conducted several times a year. Referrals for screening may be initiated by educators, parents, or students themselves.

A request to the building principal will begin the information gathering process, which includes the most recent performances of the student for the educational team. Students are required to have strong academic performance in the classroom. Student performances are then examined at the district level, the state level, and finally, at the national level in the areas of achievement and intellectual ability. A parent meeting will be held to further discuss the student's strong academic and intellectual performance and to determine the best educational plan for continued academic growth.

Data that is compiled during school-wide screenings include:

- Consistent report card grades in the Advanced range.
- Consistent performances on district assessments in the top 10% at the district level.



- PSSA performances in the top 10% at the state level.
  - High performances on standardized cognitive assessments.
- For Information regarding your child's gifted programming, please contact Dr. Susan Seiple at [sseiple@hanoverpublic.org](mailto:sseiple@hanoverpublic.org)
- For Information regarding gifted screening and assessment, please contact the building principal or Mrs. Lisa Jackson, Director of Special Education, [ljackson@hanoverpublic.org](mailto:ljackson@hanoverpublic.org)

### ESSER Funds Information

Federal Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) Funds were allocated to schools in Pennsylvania during COVID-19. After stakeholder engagement and submission of grants, the Hanover Public School district utilizes ESSR Funds for the following initiatives:

- Technology and access for students such as Chromebooks and Hotspots, remote learning options, and streaming capabilities
- COVID mitigation measures such as cleaners, bottle fillers, glass partitions, outdoor classrooms, enhanced custodial staffing and cleaning equipment
- Upgrades to ventilation systems
- Staffing for class size reduction, including expanding English Second Language staffing
- Summer School, including staffing, supplies, and transportation
- After school tutoring
- Mental Health services, including social work and onsite counseling for students
- Support for students experiencing homelessness to facilitate access to education

Parents may contact their school's guidance counselor if their students are in need of mental health services. Summer school and after school tutoring is available for all students and can be requested via the building principal.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

November 24 - 29  
Thanksgiving Holiday Vacation

November 26, 9 AM  
Hanover Holiday Parade

December 1  
Midpoint of 2nd Marking Period

December 3-5  
The Great Gatsby Play Weekend

December 6, 6 PM  
School Board Meeting

December 23 - January 2, 2022  
Winter Vacation - No School for  
Students ☺ Teachers

January 10, 2022, 6 PM  
School Board Planning Mtg. (tentative)

January 12, 2022  
End of 2nd Marking Period

January 17, 2022  
Act 80 Day - No School for Students

January 19, 2022  
Report Cards Issued

January 24, 2022, 6 PM  
School Board Meeting (tentative)

February 2, 2022  
2-Hour Delay - Teacher Data  
Collaboration

February 14, 2022  
Mid-Point of 3rd Marking Period

February 14, 2022, 6 PM  
School Board Planning Mtg. (tentative)

February 18, 2022  
No School for Students ☺ Teachers

February 21, 2022  
Presidents' Day - District Closed

February 28, 2022  
School Board Meeting (tentative)

March 9, 2022  
Act 80 Day - No School for Students

March 13, 2022  
Daylight Saving Time Starts

March 14, 2022, 6 PM  
School Board Planning Mtg.  
(tentative)



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# **Holiday Concerts**

**Elementary Concert:** December 9, 7 PM (High School Auditorium)

**Middle School Concerts:** Choir Concert, December 6, 7 PM  
(High School Auditorium)


**Instrumental Concert, December 15, 7 PM**  
(High School Auditorium)

**High School Concerts:** Choir Concert, December 7, 7 PM  
(High School Auditorium)

**Instrumental Concert, December 16, 7 PM**  
(High School Auditorium)

## **Strike Gold With This Card!**



The district offers a Gold Key Card to all district residents aged 60 years and older. This card will allow the Gold Key person free admission to district-sponsored events including sporting events, as well as one free pass to one performance of both the fall and spring musicals. The pass is also honored by the South Western School District. It is a lifetime pass as long as you are a resident of Hanover Borough. Please contact Kathy Poist at  717-637-9000 for more information.

The Hanover Public School District prohibits discrimination, including sexual harassment, on the basis of race, color, age, creed, religion, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, national origin, marital status, parenting status, pregnancy or handicap/disability in its activities, programs or employment practices, as required by Title VI, Title IX, and Section 504. The lack of English skills shall not be a barrier to admission or participation in the district's activities and programs. For information regarding civil rights or grievance procedure or for more information regarding the complaint process and complaint forms please contact Title IX Coordinator Dr. Susan Seiple, [sseiple@hanoverpublic.org](mailto:sseiple@hanoverpublic.org) or 717.637.9000.