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## KEY DATES

Dec. 1 | ASVAB Test for Juniors | 8am-12pm  
 Dec. 6 | **NO SCHOOL (grades K-4 ONLY)**  
 Dec. 6 | High School Band Concert  
 Dec. 7 & 9 | Elementary Conferences  
 Dec. 7-14 | Elementary Book Fair  
 Dec. 13 | School Board Meeting  
 Dec. 13 | High School Choir Concert  
 Dec. 23-31 | **NO SCHOOL - Winter Break**



## SCHOOL CLOSURES DUE TO WEATHER

When the weather gets frightful, what do you need to know?

Get information on procedures for school closures/delays due to weather or other emergencies here:

<https://5il.co/rxgy>



## SUPERINTENDENT UPDATE

by Wayne Whitwam

Staff are working diligently to make sure this school year is as normal as possible for our students. Outside of a pause with 5th and 6th grade, we have been able to keep students in-person learning as a whole. However, the year has presented challenges with staffing shortages. Staff have been great about covering for each other, but that is not an ideal solution.

Right now, we do not have any substitute bus drivers, so if you know anyone who may be interested please have them apply online. Currently, if a bus driver calls in sick we will send a bus back out as soon as students are dropped off. This will cause buses to run late.







We also need a janitor, maintenance person and substitutes in every area.

Click here for a list of our current openings: [Hermantown Postings](#)

We want to wish you all a warm and happy holiday season!

## ELEMENTARY DECEMBER DRESS UP DAYS

Fun way to celebrate winter!

- 12.03 Hat Day** wear your favorite hat 
- 12.10 Festive Friday** wear a holiday outfit or flannel 
- 12.17 Frozen Friday** wear white & blue 
- 12.20 Candy Cane Day** wear red & white 
- 12.21 Holiday Sweater Day** wear a holiday shirt or sweater 
- 12.22 Long Winters Nap Day** wear pajamas 



## Spread the Cheer

SPONSOR A HERMANTOWN FAMILY  
THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.



*Forms are due December 3*

If your family is in need of a sponsor this holiday season or you would like to sponsor a family, please complete the appropriate Google form below:

[Holiday Request Form](#)  
[Holiday Sponsor Form](#)

## ELEMENTARY CONFERENCE INFORMATION

*What you need to know...*

### Hermantown Elementary School Parent-Teacher Conferences

- Tuesday, Dec. 7, Thursday, Dec. 9
- 4:00 - 7:30 p.m. (Tues.)
- 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. (Thurs.)
- Sign up through [signupgenius.com](https://signupgenius.com)



**Elementary Scholastic Book Fair**  
December 7-14 | Elementary Library

## HS HOLIDAY CONCERTS

*Both band and choir are scheduled to be held in-person.*

### High School Band

Monday, December 6th | 7:00pm  
High School Auditorium

### High School Choir

Monday, December 13th | 7:00pm  
High School Auditorium

- Attendees will be asked to sit in "pods" with those they come with and social distance where possible.
- Masks will be encouraged, but not required.
- If there are any changes, more information will be shared out prior to the concert dates.

## MS HOLIDAY CONCERTS

*Both band and choir will be held virtually this year.*

The Middle School will hold its holiday concerts virtually this year. The in-person concerts scheduled for December 6th (band) and December 10th (choir) have been cancelled.

Please watch your email on December 22nd for a link(s) to the virtual choir and band concerts to enjoy with your families over winter break.



## STEMPATHY CAREER FAIR

*38 Community Members Participated*

Hermantown High School recently hosted third and fourth graders from Hermantown Elementary School to a career fair themed, "STEMPATHY."

STEM professionals from the Hermantown community presented hands-on and engaging information to our students about their careers.

The goal of the career fair was to plant seeds of interest for students by showing them application of skills in the real world.

## STARBASE MINNESOTA

*Fifth graders will visit STARBASE Minnesota in January.*

Hermantown fifth grade students will be going on a field trip to [STARBASE Minnesota](#) in January at the Minnesota Air National Guard 148th Fighter Wing. Each fifth grade science class will spend five hours a day for five-consecutive days at STARBASE. They will learn about different STEM careers, and use math, science and technology to solve challenges.



*The JV Knowledge Bowl team finished first among 24 teams in a tournament in November.*



FALL ALL-CONFERENCE HONOREES

## MS HOLIDAY SPIRIT WEEK

December 13-17

### Dress Up Days

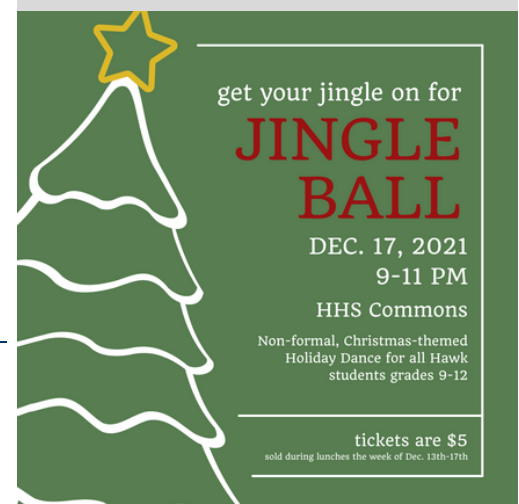
- 12.13 PJ / Christmas PJ Day
- 12.14 Red & Green Day
- 12.15 Wacky Wednesday
- 12.16 Flannel / Plaid Day
- 12.17 Ugly Sweater Day



## ES HOLIDAY PROGRAM

*Elementary holiday program will be held virtually this year.*

Check SeeSaw for more information on the Elementary holiday program.



get your jingle on for  
**JINGLE  
BALL**

DEC. 17, 2021  
9-11 PM

HHS Commons

Non-formal, Christmas-themed  
Holiday Dance for all Hawk  
students grades 9-12

tickets are \$5  
sold during lunches the week of Dec. 13th-17th