

# BULLDOG BULLETIN

## HANCOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL



October 2023 - Mid-Tri 1

### Principal's Blurb

We are already half-way through the first trimester of the school year! It has been great to have the halls filled after a quiet summer. It is always amazing each year when students come back after the summer to see how much they grew, not only physically for some, but also in maturity! The new 6th graders have figured out the routine of MS and we have some great leaders in our 7th and 8th grade classes!

Students have settled back into the "school routine," and we have had a pretty smooth start to the year. A big reason for this is due to our staff for their preparation before the year began. With the nice weather lately, we have had many teachers taking advantage of taking classes outside and using our outdoor classroom.

This year we have a few new elective classes. Fabrications Lab is a new elective for our 8th grade. Machines for this will be coming in throughout the year, so experiences may be a bit different each trimester. This is a part of our Bond that passed last year and includes 3D printing and routers. Our 7th graders also will be doing some pretty neat things with a HPS Foundation Grant for We Build It Better tools; working with Snap-On Tools. Ask your students about the new things they are doing each day!

As always, please don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions or if there is anything that I can do to help your child!

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### IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES IN TRIMESTER 1:

**OCTOBER 9**  
PICTURE DAY

**OCTOBER 13**  
NO SCHOOL (AREA-WIDE PD)

**OCTOBER 16-20**  
COPPER BOWL WEEK  
**OCTOBER 18**  
EARLY DISMISSAL

**NOVEMBER 1**  
HALF DAY SCHOOL  
CONFERENCES

**NOVEMBER 20**  
EXAMS

**NOVEMBER 21**  
EXAMS  
HALF DAY SCHOOL  
LAST DAY OF TRIMESTER 1

**NOVEMBER 22-24**  
THANKSGIVING BREAK

### Sports and Clubs

Robotics

During lunch on Tues and Thurs with Mrs Meyers. Sign-up is in office

MS Boys Basketball

Information from Coach Sague coming to you soon

Shop

After school on Tuesdays until 5:30, beginning Oct 24

Contact Mr. Mishica with any questions:  
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8th graders learned how to take apart and put back together a computer!



6th grade science using the outdoor classroom for a lesson.



**Good luck as you finish up your season!**

-7th and 8th grade Girls' Basketball



-MS Cross Country



-7th and 8th grade Football in the Copper Spoon



## PBIS

Our Link Crew Leaders did an excellent job at Sneak Peek showing the 6th graders around the school and helping to open lockers. Our Link Crew team is led by our 8th grade class, which is the first grade to have PBIS throughout their entire MS career. If this 8th grade class is an example of what is to come, we feel the efforts placed on PBIS are really helping to transform our school culture.

Thank you to our 23-24 Link Crew:

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| Danny Sturos   | Ted Kilpela     |
| Tally Storm    | Dean Pennala    |
| Maya Ylitalo   | Alena Pietila   |
| Romey Koskela  | Jenae Koski     |
| Lucy Biekkola  | Abby Bradway    |
| Sam Brentar    | Trent Pietila   |
| Gage Chynoweth | Tatum Sporalski |

