

HAZEL PARK JR. HIGH

Patriots

Family Newsletter

October 17, 2025

HELLO HPJH FAMILIES!

I hope everyone had a GREAT week! Below are this week's announcements.

ID BADGES

Now that we have picture retake day behind us, students should be wearing their ID badges every day to school. They will need them at any after school event as well. Please help your child to remember their badge every day.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

If you would like to volunteer or be part of a parent group for the middle school, please reach out to me, Sheila O'Kane, at sheila.okane@myhpsd.org.

TRUNK OR TREAT

Please see the flyer below regarding the Trunk or Treat at Scout Park on October 25.

HPJH HALLOWEEN DANCE

Our hard working student council is planning a Halloween dance on Thursday, October 30, from 3:00 to 4:30. Please see the flyer below for the cost of the tickets. We want all students to be able to attend, but students that make poor choices could be denied access to the dance. Let's all have a great time!

HALF DAY REMINDER

Halloween is a half day!!! Dismissal is at 11:05.

WINTER REMINDER

As cold weather approaches, please remind your child that winter coats and hats cannot be worn in the classrooms. They must be in their lockers. Hoodies and sweaters can help in the classrooms.

BASKETBALL TRYOUTS

Basketball tryouts are November 17-19, from 3:00-5:00. Students must have their physical form turned in BEFORE tryouts. Students can pick up that form in the office. See the flyer below!

DISMISSAL TIME

Just a friendly reminder that dismissal is at 2:55. Adults need to pick up promptly each day. There are many students hanging out in front of the school for up to 45 minutes waiting for their ride. Let's keep our students safe and pick up on time.

STUDENTS AFTER SCHOOL

Parents and guardians, please make sure your students know that they need to walk directly home when school is dismissed. They may not hang out at the school, Scout Park or Taco Bell.

CURRENT AND UPCOMING AFTER-SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

- **HOMEWORK CLUB**
 - Homework club starts Tuesday, October 14! Students will meet in Room 105 from 3:00-4:00. Two teachers will be there to help students with their work.
- **LIBRARY CLUB**
 - This club meets every other Tuesday. They meet in the cafeteria after school and walk over to the Hazel Park Library. Parents pick up at the library at 4:15. For more information, your child can seek out Ms. London, in Pod A. The dates are listed in the flyer below.

DATES TO REMEMBER!

Here are some important dates to get on your calendar!

10-22 thru 10-29		Boo Grams - Student Council
10-30-25	3:00-4:30	Halloween Dance
10-31-25	7:55-11:05	HALF DAY - records in afternoon
11-4-25		NO SCHOOL - Institute Day
11-12-25	6:00-7:30	STEM Night
11-13-25	Until 7:00	Half Day for Students, Conferences
11-26-25		NO SCHOOL

11-27 thru 11-30		Thanksgiving Break
12-15 thru 12-18		Spirit Week
12-19-25	7:55-11:05	Half Day
12-20 thru 1-4		Holiday Break
1-5-26		School Resumes

Sincerely,
Dr. Julie Kaminski, Sheila O'Kane, Ed.S., Bobby Kiger

HELPFUL LINKS

[Hazel Park Junior High School Calendar, 2025/2026](#)

[Hazel Park Junior High School website](#)

[Hazel Park Schools Student Handbook, 2025/2026](#)

[Hazel Park Vikings Gear](#)

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Student Council
Presents...



Tickets will be sold at lunch 10/22-10/29

Dance Ticket - \$7

Boo Grams - \$1.50

Breast Cancer Bracelets - \$1

Temporary Tattoos - 50 cents



TRUNK

OCTOBER 25

1-3PM

SCOUT PARK

~OR~

TREAT

CIDER

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HAYRIDES



FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
of Hazel Park



**Hazel Park Jr High
6th, 7th & 8th Grade
BASKETBALL
Tryouts!!!**

**November
17th-19th
3pm-5pm**

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***MUST HAVE A
PHYSICAL BEFORE TRYOUTS***



Library Club

Permission Slip

Who

All HPJH Students

What

Visit the library with other HPJH students, chaperoned by Ms. London (6th grade English teacher) to read, study, and more!

When

Every other Tuesday (*some exceptions), 3:00 PM - 4:15 PM
Club leaves from Junior High at 3:05 PM

(Sep 23, Oct 7, Oct 21, Nov 11, Nov 25, *Dec 9, *Dec 16, Jan 6, Jan 20, Feb 3, Feb 24, Mar 10, Mar 24, Apr 7, Apr 21, May 5, May 19, June 2)

Where

Meet in the HPJH cafeteria at 3:00 PM and walk 0.3 miles with Library Club to the Hazel Park District Library (123 E 9 Mile Rd, Hazel Park, MI 48030)

Need a Library Card?

Complete the attached Library Card application. It must be filled out neatly and include a parent/guardian's Driver's License Number. Yes, School of Choice students are eligible for a library card!



- Books, including
 - eBooks
 - Audio books
- Movies and TV Shows
 - DVDs
 - Downloadable content
- Downloadable music and CDs
- Library of Things, including
 - Drones
 - STEAM kits
- Maker's Space, including
 - 3D Printers
 - 3D Scanners
 - Cricut machine
- Podcasting, vlogging, and video production space
- Historical newspapers
- Quiet study-pods
- Computers and internet access

Please detach the following permission slip and return to the Main Office or Ms. London in Room 105

Hazel Park Junior High Library Club Permission Slip

Name _____ Grade _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number _____

Following meetings (at 4:15 PM), my student will be

_____ Picked up from the **Hazel Park District Library**, NOT Hazel Park Junior High

_____ Walking to their next location

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



BUILD UP THE PARK A PARENT SERIES



2025-2026

Join us for Build Up the Park, a district-wide parent series open to all Hazel Park Schools families! Each event includes dinner and free childcare, so you can relax, connect, and participate fully. We're excited to host this year's events, offering support, resources, and connection for families across the district. Two of our featured events—Choose Your Own Adventure and Hometown Huddle—are specially designed for children and parents to enjoy together. We can't wait to see you there!

Aug. 28, 2025, 5 to 6:30 PM @ High School
Hometown Huddle

Sept. 23, 2025, 6 to 7:30 PM @ Junior High
Choose your own Adventure

Oct. 7, 2025, 5:30 to 7 PM @ Webb
Family First: Tools to help Students thrive

Nov. 20, 2025, 5:30-7 PM @ United Oaks
Dinner and Data

Dec. 9, 2025 5:30 to 7 PM @ Hoover
Cocoa & Conversation

Jan. 13, 2026, 5:30 to 7 PM @ Webb
Navigating Tech & Child Wellness

Feb. 7, 2026, 11 am to 2 PM
@ Junior High
Family Resource fair and Chili Cookoff

March 24, 2026, 5:30 to 7 PM
@ United Oaks
Dinner and Data

April 21, 2026, 5:30 to 7 PM @ TBD
From Here to Hired

May 12, 2026, 5:30 to 7 PM @ Hoover
Safe at Home

