

Webb Happenings Newsletter

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Reading at Home - 30 Minutes - Every Student - Every Day



Important Dates

9/17/25 - Bagel Day

9/26/25-Half Day - Students dismissed @ 11:20AM - Family Communication Day PM

10/1/25 - Kaiser Picture Day/Membership Day

10/6/25 - PTA Meeting 3:30 PM

10/7/25 - Build up the Park Parent Series @ Webb Topic: Family First: Tools to Help Students Thrive 5:30PM

10/9/25 - YMCA After School Club

10/13/25 - No School - Staff PD Day

10/16/25 - YMCA After School Club

10/23/25 - Half Day - Students dismissed at 11:20 (Family/School Conferences 12:30-3 & 5-7:30)

10/30/25 - Student of the Month Breakfast 7:30AM

10/30/25 - Webb PTA Trunk or Treat

10/31/25 - Halloween Parade 10:30AM

10/31/25 - Half Day - Students dismissed @ 11:20AM - Records Day PM

From the Principal

Dear Parents and Families.

We have our first full week under our belts and we are moving into some beginning of the year testing and getting going on curriculum. We hope you took the opportunity to read this week with your child or make sure that he/she did their reading. Reading logs are due each week on Monday. This is very important. Please make this a priority

I also want to remind you of the importance of good communication between families and the school. We will do our best to provide respectful communication to our Webb families and we expect the same in return. Inappropriate language, raised voices and disrespectful communication will not be tolerated. Please see the student handbook guidelines below. Hazel Park Schools takes this seriously and will follow through on consequences for adults if extreme disrespectful language or verbal threats are used toward school staff. This is true for all of our school grounds including the parking lot. Please join us in making Webb a place where students witness respectful behavior and feel safe at school. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to me at Webb.

Sincerely,

Corri Nastasi

Principal, Webb Elementary

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Riding Bikes to School

Please see this excerpt from our Student Handbook regarding riding bikes to school:

Bike Rules & Regulations - Elementary

Elementary students will be allowed to ride bikes to school; While we encourage our bike riders to be in grades 4 & 5, it is up to the discretion of parents whether or not their child will be allowed to ride a bike.

- Scooters will not be permitted.
- Bikes must be locked to the bike rack; The school is not liable for any stolen bikes.
- Student bike riders must wear helmets.
- Students must walk their bikes, once on school grounds.
- Noncompliance with rules on school property, may mean the suspension of bike riding privileges.
- The district will offer a bike safety class/ride in the spring.

If students do not bring a lock to school, the bike will be brought inside the building and one warning will be given. After that, parents will need to pick up the bike.

If a student does not wear a helmet to school, the student will receive one warning. After that, parents will need to pick up the bike.

If a student has three violations regarding locks or helmets, the student will lose the privilege and can no longer ride a bike to school.

Early Dismissal

Please be advised that students CANNOT be picked up between 2:30-3:10 each day. This is a district policy. It is very disruptive to the classrooms and to the office to have a constant stream of students being dismissed early. The only exception would be with a doctor's note and must be arranged ahead of time. Please do not come to the door after 2:30 asking for your student to be dismissed early.

<u>Playground After School</u>

Please don't forget our school rule about playground use after school. Any students staying on the playground after school MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT and the adult must be physically in the playground area (not in a parked car in the parking lot or across the street). Older siblings do NOT count as an adult unless they are out of school and over 18. Students who walk home, must go home and cannot return until after 6PM (when latchkey is done for the day) without an adult. We do NOT monitor the playground after school. Adults MUST monitor their students. We appreciate your help with this.

Late Pick-Up Procedures

Here is another excerpt from the HP Student Handbook regarding our late pick up procedures:

Late Pick-Up Procedures

As a reminder, dismissal times for our elementary buildings are 3:10 pm or 11:20 am on half days unless your child regularly attends latchkey. While life's complex circumstances may occasionally get in the way of a timely pick-up, it is important that you contact your school office and let them know you are running late.

Any student who is **not picked up by 3:30 pm** will be placed in the Late Pick-Up Room. The Late Pick Up Room will be **staffed from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm**. Starting at **3:30 pm**, a **\$10.00 fee** will be charged for **every 15 minutes** your child is in the late pick-up room. If you have more than one child, the fee will be applied to each child. We understand that a situation may occur that will impact your ability to pick your child or children up on time. Therefore, we have built some flexibility into the fees that will be charged. The fees will be charged as outlined in the table below

First Late Pick-Up	No Fee
Second Late Pick-Up	Fee Applied (unless extreme emergency as approved by Principal)
Third Late Pick-Up	Fee Applied (up to 4:30 pm - *see note below) and follow-up phone call from the building principal
Four or More Late Pick-Ups	Fee Applied (up to 4:30 pm - *see note below) and meeting with the building principal

^{*} If a student is not picked up by 4:30 the Hazel Park or Ferndale Police will be contacted.

If you are unable to pick up your child on time, it is imperative that you have an alternative plan for daily dismissal, as the office staff is not equipped to provide after school care. If you are interested in our after-school latchkey program, please check our school website for enrollment information.

<u>Bagels</u>

We will again be selling bagels on WEDNESDAYS this year. We will still offer salt, plain, cinnamon raisin & onion. Students who are late will NOT be allowed to buy a bagel unless they have a doctor's note for their tardiness. The cost of the bagels this year will be \$1.25. Please keep in mind that all proceeds from these sales support our positive behavior celebrations throughout the year.

Parking Lot

With adding more bus drop offs to our Webb lot in the morning, we need to be extra mindful of following the rules for the parking lot. Please understand that we have limited staff to support this. Following the rules makes things run more smoothly and allows each person (adults and students) to start their day in a peaceful positive way. Please see some IMPORTANT reminders below:

- All families can choose to pull into the parking lot to park and drop off their child(ren), however if you are choosing this option, you MUST get out and walk your child across the crosswalk. You cannot let your child run across unattended.
- Please use one of the three crosswalks in the parking lot. We are going to try to be out there monitoring these more often this year.
- Students can be dropped off at the curb only in the drop off lane. NO STUDENTS WILL BE ALLOWED ENTRY from the through lanes. This is dangerous and will NOT be tolerated. Families looking to do this, will be asked to drive around and get in the back of the line.
- When dropping off along the curb, families will be expected to pull all the way up.
 You cannot stop and drop off at another spot you must pull all the way up so we can maximize efficiency and move students/families through the line quickly.
- When dropping off along the curb, students MUST exit the car from the PASSENGER side of the vehicle. Please be sure that exit is cleared so that students can get out on that side. It is not safe to be opening doors on the driver's side.
- When dropping off along the curb, the students must be ready to exit the car.
 Parents CANNOT exit vehicles with students in this lane. If you would like to do
 that each day, please find a spot to park before entering the drop off line to take
 care of your business or use the parking lot and walk your students across the
 crosswalk.
- No students (except for latch key students) can be dropped off before 7:40AM.
 Breakfast opens at that time.
- 7:40 drop off is ONLY FOR STUDENTS WHO EAT BREAKFAST AT WEBB. This is not extra daycare time. Students who come in before 8:05 MUST eat breakfast. If we see this is not happening, we will give you a warning and then exclude your child from being able to be dropped off early. We do not have enough room or supervision for kids to just come in and hang out.
- If your child is not coming in for breakfast, I encourage you to wait until 8:05 to get into the drop-off line.
- If rules continue to be broken in the drop off line, you will be asked to park and walk your child in.
- We will have to work our line a little bit differently with the bus drop off. Please watch for the adults in the parking lot to direct you as to where to go.

Please keep in mind that the adults in the lot are out there keeping the best interests of the students in mind and are focused on order and efficiency for all. We will not tolerate being screamed at or berated by any adults in the parking lot. This sort of behavior could result in you having your parking lot/school property privileges revoked.

Communication

Please read the excerpt below regarding the district communication process from our student handbook:

Hazel Park Schools Communication Flow Chart Process

Most parent and community questions are easily and completely answered by communicating directly with the staff member closest to the situation. As you move further along the flowchart, the staff is less directly involved and usually needs additional time to research the situation before they can give you an answer. If you do not hear back from the person you have contacted within One (24 hours) business day, it is appropriate to reach out to them again before moving along to the next level of the flowchart. We do not expect your questions or concerns to go unanswered for a long period of time. Each situation should first be addressed at whatever level the initial action was taken with appeals moving to the next level on the "Communication Process Flowchart." The easiest way to communicate is via email while a phone call is the next preferable way.

Hazel Park Elementary Communication Process Flowchart

Area of Concern	1st Level	2nd Level	3rd Level	4th Level
Special Education	Teacher	Principal	Board Office: Director of Student Services	
Student Concerns/ Guidance/Heal th Related Concerns	Teacher	School 504 Coordina tor	Principal	Board Office: Director of Student Services
Classroom Discipline	Teacher	Principal	Board Office: Assistant Superint endent of Teaching and Learning	
Non- Classroom School	Principa I	Board Office: Assistant		

Discipline		Superint endent		
Academic/Clas sroom Concerns	Teacher	Principal	Board Office: Director of 21st Century Learning	
Transportation	Bus driver	Transpor tation Supervis or	Principal	Board Office: Director of Student Services

Guidelines for Parent Communications to Teachers and Staff

The purpose of this section is to serve as a general guide for ensuring effective communication from parents to teachers, staff and administrators. Communication refers to both the sending and receiving of information, such as email, notes, text messages on teacher apps such as PowerSchool.and verbal communications such as telephone conversations, face-to-face meetings. In order to ensure a successful exchange of information, it is important that all parties follow a few key principles.

Maintain Respectful and Open Communication

- Always use a respectful and polite tone.
- Request, don't demand.
- Be ready not just to provide information, but to listen to teacher/staff observations and perspectives.
- Enter the exchange with an open mind and assume a shared best interest for your child.
- Be prepared to work collaboratively to solve problems.
- Threats and/or inappropriate language will not be tolerated toward staff members.

Confidentiality

• Recognize that confidentiality may limit information that can be shared from school to parents, including consequences for other students' behaviors.

Time to Respond to Communications

- Teachers will make every effort to respond as soon as possible to parent communications, with the understanding that the teaching day sometimes precludes immediate responses.
- Be mindful of teacher work hours and please do not expect immediate response from after hours or weekend requests.
- Teachers and staff may need some time to collect needed information before responding.
- If you need to have a face-to-face meeting, parents/guardians must schedule an appointment in advance. Staff members, including the building administrator will not be readily available when parents "show up" unannounced.

• Please provide all of the necessary information pertaining to the meeting in advance.

Whom to Contact

- Most communications of classroom concerns should be directed at first to your child's teacher.
- If you have an issue with a particular staff member, first try to address those concerns with that staff member directly.
- If you have discussed with the adult that the conflict is with and the issue has not been addressed to your satisfaction, then move to the next level.
- Please recognize that it is both the policy and the value of our school that we operate with openness, collaboration and the shared best interest for every student.





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

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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

JOIN US AT HAPPY LAB!

While children enjoy 1:1 physical activity and swim with a Wayne State student coach, parents join a fitness class and a support group, covering social work topics - all under one roof, in separate spaces, offering kids active fun and parents meaningful respite.

WHO?

Families of children with autism in elementary school

WHEN?

- Wednesday nights 5:45PM 7:15PM
- September 2025 April 2026

*With exclusion of holiday and Wayne State breaks

WHERE?

- Matthaei Physical Education Center
- 5101 John C Lodge Fwy, Detroit 48208

HOW?

Funded by the Michigan Health Endowment Fund with support from Wayne State's Center for Health and Community Impact.

ATTENDANCE:

Families are required to participate in all sessions, as there is always a waitlist for our programs.













Email happylab@wayne.edu with your name, phone number, and child's name and date of birth to get started with enrollment!



GOTTA CATCH 'EM ALL!

HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY

WEDNESDAYS at 6:30 PM HARDING PARK

(989 MAPLEDALE FERNDALE, MI 48220)

May 14, 28, June 11, 25, July 9, 23, August 6, 20, September 3, 17

Ruth Wallace, a Pokemon Go Ambassader, will be guiding everyone through the game. We will also be doing raids and walking around catching Pokemon. Every child will receive a free Pokemon card from the library.

Hazel Park District Library Baby 1:00 pm

(Older siblings are welcome)

Baby Story Time supports early literacy and language skills by encouraging singing, playing, talking, and shared reading. Join us for fun stories, finger plays, and snuggling in a welcoming environment! This FREE program is geared toward babies, but older siblings are welcome.

