



HAVERHILL PUBLIC SCHOOLS

"Home of the Hillies"

SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

A Message from the Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Margaret Marotta

Dear HPS Families,

I hope this finds you all well and enjoying the fall weather. It is hard to believe we have already been in classes for a month. Students are settling in comfortably and adjusting to routines. As cooler weather returns, please remind your child to dress appropriately, keeping the dress code in mind. We have included a chart in this newsletter to explain our decisions on outdoor recess and inclement weather. As we wrap up "September Attendance Awareness Month" we would like to encourage students to continue practicing routines and maintaining good attendance throughout the school year.

This month we had the honor of Massachusetts State Representative Andy Vargas visiting Gateway Academy. Representative Vargas joined a Civics and History class to talk with students about getting involved in solving problems in our community. We appreciate Representative Vargas taking the time out of his busy schedule to speak with our students.

We recently learned of some outstanding awards earned by our students and programs. The Unified Program was awarded "Unified Champion School" by the Special Olympics. The MCJROTC, for the third year in a row, has earned "Naval Honor School" for the 2021-2022 school year. The CollegeBoard has awarded three students academic honors from the CollegeBoard National Recognition Program, and two students have received National Merit Scholarships. We are so proud of our students and their leaders for the work ethic, representation, and leadership qualities they bring to Haverhill Public Schools.

New England can offer ideal weather to be outside. We have many events, athletic games, and activities continuing through the fall, and we hope you take the time to support and enjoy the many talents of our students. You can visit individual school calendars for more information and [Haverhill Hillies](#) for HHS Athletic calendars.

We have started the year strong, and I look forward to the many new accomplishments awaiting us this year!

Stay well,

Dr. Marotta

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 4, 2022
HHS Progress Reports
Issued

October 5, 2022
No School-PRE-K ONLY

October 6, 2022
HHS Parent/Teacher
Conferences

October 10, 2022
No School - Holiday

October 12, 2022
Early Release - All Students

October 13, 2022
School Committee Meeting

October 26, 2022
K-8 Progress Reports Issued

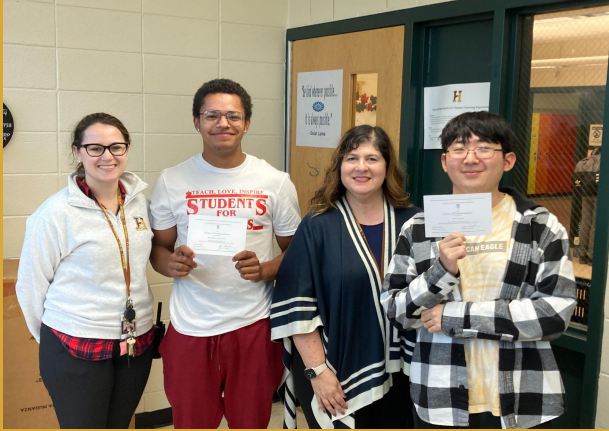
October 27, 2022
Pre-K-8 Parent Teacher
Conferences

October 27, 2022
School Committee Meeting

For Important School
Calendar Information - Visit
School Websites

HAVERHILL HIGH SCHOOL

Great News coming from Hillie Nation! These Two Students at Haverhill High School have been awarded The National Merit Scholarship! Great work!



#HillieProud

BEFORE AND AFTER-SCHOOL CARE

Looking for more information regarding Before and/or After-School Care for your child? Visit our [Before and After-School Care Resource Page](#)



Cooler Weather is Here! We have included a chart that we use at HPS to help determine whether students are safe to be outside during recess. We always prefer students to take recess outside; however, student safety is our first concern. If the weather is raining (not forecasted rain or wet from recent rain) or within the caution/dangerous zone of the chart, we may cancel outside recess. Depending on the condition of the grounds, we may also opt for having outside recess on the hard top. New England offers many forms of weather change, including experiencing all types of weather in one day. Students should always dress appropriately for weather conditions, keeping the dress code in mind.

Understand the Weather

Wind-Chill



- 30° is **chilly** and generally uncomfortable
- 15° to 30° is **cold**
- 0° to 15° is **very cold**
- 32° to 0° is **bitter cold** with significant risk of **frostbite**
- -20° to -60° is **extreme cold** and **frostbite** is likely
- -60° is **frigid** and exposed **skin will freeze** in 1 minute

Heat Index



- 80° or below is considered **comfortable**
- 90° beginning to feel **uncomfortable**
- 100° **uncomfortable** and may be **hazardous**
- 110° considered **dangerous**

All temperatures are in degrees Fahrenheit

Child Care Weather Watch

Wind-Chill Factor Chart (in Fahrenheit)

Air Temperature	Wind Speed in mph									
	Calm	40	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40
40	40	36	34	32	30	29	28	28	28	27
30	30	25	21	19	17	16	15	14	13	13
20	20	13	9	6	4	3	1	0	-1	-1
10	10	-1	-4	-7	-9	-11	-12	-14	-15	-15
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-10	-10	-22	-28	-32	-35	-37	-39	-41	-43	-43
-20	-20	-34	-41	-45	-48	-51	-53	-55	-57	-57
-30	-30	-46	-53	-58	-61	-64	-67	-69	-71	-71

■ Comfortable for out door play
 ■ Caution
 ■ Danger

Heat Index Chart (in Fahrenheit %)

Temperature (F)	Relative Humidity (Percent)												
	40	45	50	55	60	65	70	75	80	85	90	95	100
80	80	80	81	81	82	82	83	84	84	85	86	86	87
84	83	84	85	86	88	89	90	92	94	96	98	100	103
90	91	93	95	97	100	103	106	109	113	117	122	127	132
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100	109	114	118	124	129	136							
104	119	124	131	137									
110	136												

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Important Numbers

Bartlett School & Assessment Center
978-469-8735

Bradford Elementary, K-4
978-374-2443

Caleb Dustin Hunking, K-8
978-374-5787

Consentino Middle School, 5-8
978-374-5775

Gateway Academy, 7-12
978-374-3473

Golden Hill, K-4
978-374-5794

Greenleaf Academy, 5-12
978-374-3487

Haverhill High School, 9-12
978-374-5700

J.G. Whittier, 5-8
978-374-5782

Moody PreSchool, Pre-K - K
978-374-3459

Moody PreSchool Ext., Pre-K
978-420-1901

Nettle Middle School, 5-8
978-374-5792

Pentucket Lake Elementary, K-4
978-374-2421

Silver Hill Elementary, K-5
978-374-3448

Tilton Lower Elementary, K-3
978-374-3475

Tilton Upper Elementary, 4-5
978-374-3482

Walnut Square, K-2
978-374-3471

September is "Attendance Awareness Month"

A Message from the Supervisor of Attendance Lorna Marchant, M.S., M.Ed

As we wrap up "Attendance Awareness Month," we want to encourage Students and Parents to continue practicing good habits and promote positive attendance at school; Showing up matters for **R.E.A.L.** because it is an opportunity to:

- Build **R**outines
- Increase **E**ngagement
- Provide **A**ccess to resources
- Support **L**earning

High School Students:

Routines: A daily attendance routine can help you reduce stress and develop habits that help you keep a job.

Engagement: Being in school gives you a chance to see your friends and build relationships with school staff.

Access to Resources: When you show up to school, you can get access to meals, health services, mental health supports and enrichment activities (sports, clubs, music, afterschool, and summer programs, etc.).

Learning: You are more likely to pass classes and graduate from high school when you miss less than a week of school each semester.

Middle School Parents:

Routines: Establishing a routine of daily attendance helps reduce stress at home and supports a habit of attendance that will help your teenager get and keep a job.

Engagement: Being in school helps students to get to know each other and school staff and builds relationships that can motivate participation in learning.

Access to Resources: Schools provide access to valuable resources such as meals, health, mental health support, and fun enrichment activities such as sports, clubs, music, and other afterschool and summer programs.

Learning: Students who attend school regularly do better academically in middle school and are more likely to graduate high school.

Elementary/PreK/K School Parents:

Routines: Daily attendance routines can reduce stress, increase your child's self-confidence, and lay a foundation for good attendance in later grades.

Engagement: Participation in school helps your child connect with other children and adults and get excited about learning.

Access to Resources: Schools can give you access to meals, physical, mental health care and other supports, and fun enrichment activities (sports, clubs, music, afterschool, and summer programs, etc.).

Learning: Children learn best from hands-on activities and through meaningful interactions with their teacher and other students

HPS OPEN HOUSES

Students and their families were welcomed back with District-Wide Open Houses on August 29, 2022. Haverhill High School hosted their Open House on September 7, 2022. We are so excited to have everyone back!

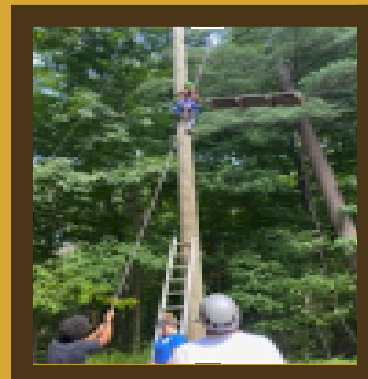
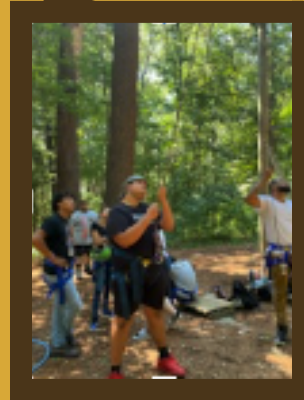
WELCOME BACK!



GATEWAY ACADEMY

Gateway Academy field trip to Project Adventure in Beverly, MA. The focus of the trip was to build relationships, develop teamwork, and improve problem solving skills. The parents/guardians, students, and faculty/staff raved about the experience.

When asked if their student had fun, one parent quotes "He definitely loved it! He texted me on the way home to tell me all about it!"



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

We are Hiring!

*For a complete list of current employment opportunities, visit:
[Haverhill Public Schools](#)*

3 HHS STUDENTS EARN RECOGNITION from COLLEGE BOARD

We would like to Congratulate 3 juniors from Haverhill High School for being awarded with academic honors from @CollegeBoard's National Recognition Programs for excelling on College Board assessments and in their classrooms:

Abigail Mejia - National African American Recognition Award (NAARA), National Hispanic Recognition Award (NHRA)

Alexis Namulinda - National African American Recognition (NAARA)

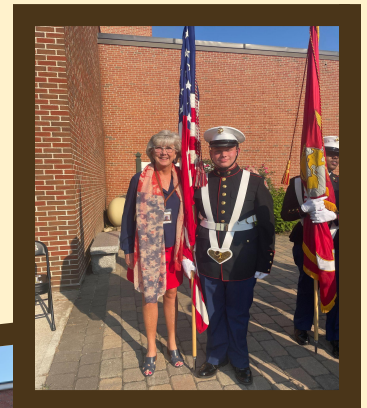
Kiara Ventura - National Hispanic Recognition Award (NHRA)

We are so proud of your recognitions and know you will accomplish many more in the future!


**CONGRATULATIONS
NATIONAL RECOGNITION
PROGRAM SCHOLARS**

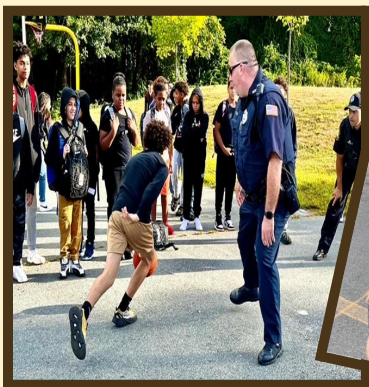
MCJROTC 9/11 REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY

On September 9, 2022 the HHS MCJROTC held a Remembrance Ceremony at Haverhill High School. You can see the full video [here](#)



A.B. CONSENTINO MIDDLE SCHOOL

Consentino Middle has been busy this month! First hosting the 2nd Annual Munchkin with a Cop Event. Students had a great time building relationships with Haverhill's Finest



THEN HOSTING THE BACK TO SCHOOL BBQ



TIME TO NOMINATE



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FOR HEALTHY LIVING
FOR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

IT IS TIME TO NOMINATE!

Educators of the Year

In recognition of the extraordinary work educators do in our community, the Haverhill YMCA will be recognizing educators who have made a significant difference in the lives of children. The recognition celebration will be on Wednesday, November 16th at Renaissance Country Club. Ticket prices are \$50 and include appetizers. This is the only event of its kind in Haverhill! This is your opportunity to recognize that special educator who has made a significant difference in the lives of his/her students from your school. Each chosen Educators of the Year will receive a citation from the city, an Educator of the Year award, and ten three month Haverhill YMCA Youth/Teen memberships to make a difference in the lives of their students.

Award Nomination Process

- All nominations must be submitted no later than Friday, October 21st, 2022.
- The committee will notify the Educators of the Year nominees, prior to the event.

Award Criteria:

As you write your nomination, please be as specific and detailed as possible as to why this educator should be the **Educators of the Year**. The committee will only know this current educator through your words.

Criteria:

- The educator must be a current educator in Haverhill
- Please submit the educator's contact information (email address and school name)
- Educator must have at least three years teaching experience
- Nominations should be at least 1 page double spaced, but the more specific and detailed information you can provide the better!

Specifics to include:

- Why is this person an outstanding educator? What makes him/her a perfect choice for the YMCA's **Educators of the Year**- be as specific as possible.
- Youth Development- the Y nurtures potential. How has this educator nurtured the potential of every student?
- Healthy Living- the Y encourages. How has this educator encouraged others?
- Social Responsibility- the Y works to meet community needs. How has this educator been involved in the community?

Please submit your nomination for Educators of the Year to:

Colette Ekman
c/o Haverhill YMCA,
81 Winter Street
Haverhill, MA 01830

Or via email at ekmanc@northshoremca.org

Good luck and thank you for taking the time to nominate an educator! They deserve it!

EDUCATORS OF THE YEAR



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¡ES HORA DE NOMINAR!

Educadores del año

En reconocimiento al trabajo extraordinario que hacen los educadores en nuestra comunidad, Haverhill YMCA reconocerá a los educadores que han marcado una diferencia significativa en la vida de los niños. La celebración de reconocimiento será el miércoles 16 de noviembre en Renaissance Country Club. Los precios de las entradas son \$50 e incluyen aperitivos en el evento. ¡Este es el único evento de este tipo en Haverhill! Esta es su oportunidad de reconocer a ese educador especial que ha marcado una diferencia significativa en la vida de sus estudiantes de su escuela. Cada Educador del año elegido recibirá una mención de la ciudad, un premio al Educador del año y diez membresías juveniles / adolescentes de la YMCA de Haverhill de tres meses para marcar la diferencia en las vidas de sus estudiantes.

Proceso de nominación de premios

- Envíe una recomendación de su escuela para el Educador del año a más tardar el viernes 21 de octubre de 2022.
- El comité notificará a los ganadores del Educador del año, antes del evento.

Criterio para el premio:

Mientras escribe su nominación, sea lo más específico y detallado posible sobre por qué este educador es el Educador del año de su escuela. El comité solo conocerá a este educador actual a través de sus palabras.

Criterios:

- El educador debe ser un educador actual en Haverhill
- Envíe la información de contacto del educador (dirección de correo electrónico y nombre de la escuela)
- El educador debe tener al menos tres años de experiencia docente.
- Las nominaciones deben ser de al menos 1 página a doble espacio, ¡pero cuanto más información específica y detallada pueda proporcionar, mejor!

Detalles para incluir:

- ¿Por qué esta persona es una educadora sobresaliente? ¿Lo que lo convierte en la elección perfecta para el **Educadores del año** de la YMCA de su escuela: sea lo más específico posible.
- Desarrollo de la juventud: la Y nutre el potencial. ¿Cómo ha alimentado este educador el potencial de cada estudiante?
- Vida saludable: la Y alienta. ¿Cómo ha animado este educador a otros?
- Responsabilidad social: la Y trabaja para satisfacer las necesidades de la comunidad. ¿Cómo se ha involucrado este educador en la comunidad?

Envíe su nominación para Educador del año a:

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O por correo electrónico a

ekmanc@northshoremca.org

¡Buena suerte y gracias por tomarse el tiempo de nominar a un educador! ¡Ellos lo merecen!

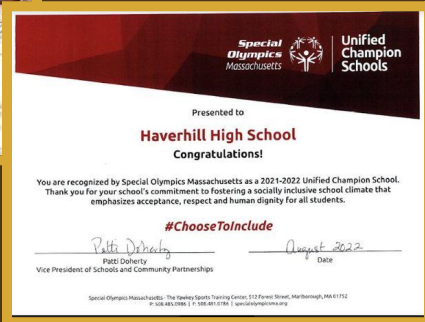
HPS Student Device Insurance Plan

Haverhill Public Schools has chosen School Device Coverage (SDC) to insure the devices that will be given to your student as part of this year's 1:1 device program. For only \$20 per student, this insurance program will protect you and your student(s) in the event that your device is lost, stolen, or damaged accidentally over the course of the school year. Please follow this link for more information and to sign up. [Haverhill Student Device Insurance](#)

This information is also posted on the [Parent and Student Resources](#) page, Our [Technology](#) page, and the [HPS Student Technology Device Policy \(Spanish Version\)](#) document.

NEWS FROM THE ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Congratulations to our Unified Sports Program. Haverhill was recognized as 2021-22 Unified Champion School by the Special Olympics! Great work by Coach Burns and the entire Unified Program! HILLIE STRONG!



HUNKING SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY

Hunking School held their 1st Annual Block Party for all students and their families. Guests enjoyed a BBQ, Kona Ice, games, and even a shot at dunking Mr. Betty in the Dunk Tank!



COVID - 19 UPDATE

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) is not recommending universal mask requirements, surveillance testing of asymptomatic individuals, contact tracing, or test-to-stay testing in schools. To read the new guidelines on DESE, visit [here](#). While we look forward to returning to a more normal learning environment at HPS, we will also take the precautions necessary to keep our students, staff, and families safe. Testing kits will be available at schools as needed, and masks are encouraged for those feeling mildly under the weather. Those that are ill are encouraged to stay home, and information regarding vaccine clinics will follow for interested families.

Many Opportunities Available with Grant Projects

A Message from Our District Grants Manager

Jeanne Irwin

It's always busy when it comes to grants. Many of our District Leaders apply, receive, and oversee grant projects. Therefore Haverhill has many exciting opportunities for our students because of grants.

This year our Early College program will be bigger than ever. In May of '22, we had three students graduate with their AA College degrees. This fall, we have 26 students in our 5th year Haverhill High School Early College Promise Program attending NECC. Additionally, we currently have over 200 Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors taking Early College courses. All this (books, tuition, etc.) is funded through Federal, State, and Private grants. By Spring, we will have 300 students enrolled in our Early College Program.

Interested in Career Technical Education (CTE), including STEM? CTE is leading positive change in secondary, postsecondary, and adult education, with innovative programs making a difference nationwide. CTE in Massachusetts continues to be an active part of this change. We have a blossoming program at the High School, including many paid student internships.

In the wake of the largest mental health crisis in history, we have invested heavily via grants to get our students the Social Emotional support so desperately needed. We continue to cross-train and certify many of our HPS Team members in YMHFA, Youth Mental Health First Aid. This year we look forward to developing a Peer Mentor program and establishing School Based Liaisons for the students to bridge the communication between families and outside clinicians. Therefore decreasing the time it takes to establish school-based counseling.

There's so much more to come! Way to go, Hillies!

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M CJROTC Elected as a Naval Honor School for 2021-2022

We are so proud of our M CJROTC! For the 3rd year in a row, they were elected as a Naval Honor School for the 2021-2022 school year. The honor selection was based on the number of cadets active in school activities and community service hours as a whole and individually. Organizations assisted by unit, scholastic achievements including; academic awards, scholarships, participation in public affairs, drill team, rifle team, physical fitness, and field trips. This honor allows cadets to send nominations to the US Naval Academy, US Air Force Academy, and the Military Academy at West Point. HHS Cadet strength is 113 with 14 Seniors. Scholarships awarded \$485,950.00, 5057 Community Service Hours, and participation in 29 public events. Keep up the Great Work!

Haverhill High School 2021 - 2022 Naval Honor School

The Haverhill High School M CJROTC has been selected for the 3rd year in a row as a Naval Honor School for the 2021-2022 school year. Only 11 out of 63 schools in region 1 or the North East earn this honor. We are very proud of the cadet's hard work and dedication.

The selection is based on several criteria, including the number of cadets active in school activities and clubs, the number of community service hours for the unit as a whole and per cadet, the number of organizations assisted by the unit, and scholastic achievements including the number of academic awards and scholarships given to cadets. The units are also measured by participation in public affairs events, drill team competitions, rifle team competitions, physical fitness team competitions, and field trips.

Because of this prestigious status, the Haverhill High School unit will have the opportunity to send nominations to the U.S. Naval Academy, U.S. Air Force Academy, and the Military Academy at West Point. The award also provides students who have a desire to join a service academy the significant advantage of earning recommendation letters from their JROTC instructors who, under this award designation, carry just as much weight as a letter from a U.S. Representative or Senator.

Bullets from last year:

Best Marksmanship team, Pt team and Raider Team in New England!

Cadet Strength was 113 w/ 14 Seniors! Scholarship money \$485,950.00

Community Service Hours: 5057 w/ 29 Public Events



Region One
School Year 2021-2022
Marine Corps Reserve Association Honor
(MCRA) Unit
Naval Honor School (NHS) Units
Legion of Valor Cadet

1. MCRA
 - First State Military Academy
2. Naval Honor School
 - Admiral Halsey
 - Bensalem
 - Beverly
 - First State Military Academy
 - Haverhill
 - Lynn English
 - Mountain View
 - Pocomoke
 - Portage
 - Reading
 - Richwoods
 - Romeoville
3. Legion of Valor
 - Cadet 1stLt Aily Barrera, Mountain View HS



HHS Internship Program

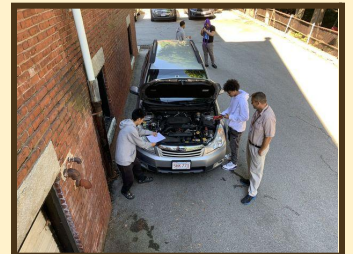
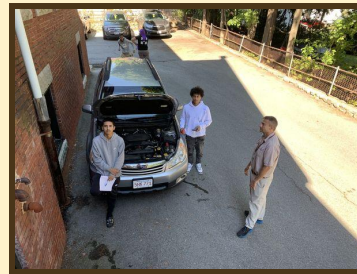
The HHS Internship Program held their Final Presentation Celebrations on Sept 13 & 14. Fifty-five Students shared their summer internship experiences with peers, family and business mentors. We are so proud of their accomplishments and thank the businesses that support them during these amazing experiences. Special thanks to Lawrence General Hospital, HydraCor, YMCA, Haverhill Department of Public Works, Discovery Club and Access 21, Haverhill Public Library, Haverhill Public Schools Technology and Haverhill Public Schools teachers for all your support this summer!



Gateway Academy Learning "Real Life" Algebra as well as History and Civics

John Reeves's Algebra 2 class finished a review of a quadratic parent function. They measured engine temperature as a function of time. Students created Google sheet graphs to determine if the temperature rise is linear or quadratic. They then adjust the coefficient to model the temperature. Fantastic integration of math, science, and actual real-world application.

Representative Andy Vargas joined Civics and History classes this afternoon to talk with students about getting involved in solving problems in our community.



HAVERHILL SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Haverhill School Committee Approved Meeting Schedule:

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Thursday, October 27, 2022

Thursday, November 17, 2022

Regular meetings of the School Committee are held at 7:00 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month in the Theodore A. Pelosi, Jr. Council Chambers, 4 Summer Street in Haverhill. Citizens of Haverhill who wish to submit items for a meeting agenda, should email the agenda item to the School Committee Office, Attn: Beverly Cassano, Executive Assistant to the Haverhill School Committee bcassano@haverhill-ps.org with a copy to both the Superintendent of Schools and the Mayor no later than the seven (7) days prior to a Committee meeting is held.

For additional information please visit the School Committee Department on our website:



<https://www.haverhill-ps.org/school-committee/>

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