

DISTRICT NEWSLETTER

HUDSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

JUNE 2023



JUMPING INTO JUNE!

It's the final stretch of the 2022-23 school year!

On behalf of the District, I would like to thank you all for coming out to vote and approve the 2023-24 Budget on May 16. We look forward to hitting the "restart" button on July 1!

Our scholars are gearing up for a busy two weeks of Regents exams starting June 14. Music in parades and concerts, excellent artwork and final athletic performances have snagged the spotlight.

On a personal note, it has been a pleasure to serve as Superintendent and experience the #HudsonHasHeart movement.

I hope this newsletter makes you smile and motivates you and your student(s) to finish strong!

Sincerely,
Dr. Lisamarie Spindler
Superintendent of Schools

June



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2023-24 BUDGET PASSES, TWO BOARD MEMBERS RE-ELECTED

The Hudson City School District's proposed \$54,509,530 budget with a 0% tax levy increase for the 2023-24 school year was approved by District voters by a vote of 258-84 on May 16.

The emphasis of next school year's budget was laid on the groundwork of sustaining and building upon programs and opportunities that support the school community.

Additionally, two Board of Education seats with three-year terms were won by incumbents Calvin Lewis and Kjirsten Gustavson



VOTE

TUESDAY MAY 16

11 a.m.-8 p.m.

Learn about voter eligibility
& absentee ballots at www.hudsoncsd.org/budget

BUDGET SUMMARY

- Proposed budget of \$54,509,530
- Estimated 0% tax levy increase (below 1.39% tax cap)

WHERE TO VOTE

DISTRICT 1:
City of Hudson –
Hudson Central Fire
Station (77 North Seventh
Street, Hudson)

DISTRICT 2:
Greenport, Stottville/
Stockport, Ghent –
Greenport Community
Center (500 Town Hall
Drive, Hudson)

DISTRICT 3:
Claverack, Livingston,
Taghkanic – A.B. Shaw
Fire House (67 NY-23,
Claverack)

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- Month of June: LGBTQ+ Pride Month
- 6/1: Senior Awards 6 p.m.
- 6/3: ACT Exam
- 6/3: Senior Prom at The Falls 6 p.m., Prom Walk 4:30 at Hudson Waterfront
- 6/6: Hudson JSHS Spring Concert 6:30 p.m.
- 6/10: SAT Exam
- 6-14/23: JSHS Regents Exams
- 6/18: Father's Day
- 6/19: Juneteenth (No School/Exams)
- 6/21: 8th Grade Moving Up Ceremony
- 6/21: Pre-K Moving Up Ceremony
- 6/23: Graduation 7 p.m.
- 6/24: Saturday Academy 8:45 a.m.



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SATURDAY ACADEMY RETURNS ON JUNE 24!



SAVE THE DATE!

Hudson Saturday Academy Saturday, June 24, 2023

Hudson Jr./Sr. High School
Event Entrance

8:45-9:15 a.m. – Breakfast

9:15-11 a.m. – Activities

11:15-12:30 p.m. – Ice Cream
Sundaes and Petting Zoo!

Activities for All Ages!

Additional events TBA

- ✓ **Petting Zoo!**
- ✓ Family Cooking Class by the Sylvia Center
- ✓ Firestar the Dog from the FASNY Museum of Firefighting
- ✓ Gems Rock by Dinosaurs Rock
- ✓ Catholic Charities Of Columbia & Greene Counties
- ✓ FarmOn! Foundation Summer Programs Information
- ✓ Roz's Dance Works
- ✓ Free Swim
- ✓ Columbia County Community Healthcare Consortium
- ✓ Olana Picture Party Collages
- ✓ Hudson Pop Warner Youth Football and Cheer Registration
- ✓ Creative Writing with Author Mark David Pullen
- ✓ Columbia County Youth Theatre - 5 Basic Rules of Improv
- ✓ And more!

The event is free! Activity descriptions and registration will be posted at www.hudsoncsd.org when available.

Hudson Saturday Academy is intended for students **and** parents/guardians, therefore students should not be dropped off and picked up later. This event is for everyone to enjoy!




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Washington DC
April 3-5 2024



Puerto Rico
February 19-23 2024

ASL Students & Adults
Welcome to Register

All Hudson High School Students
Are welcome to Register!

A **\$49** deposit is all that's required to sign up
by May 26th

Use Trip ID **210490**

Register: at

<https://worldstrides.com/register/>

Join us in honor of Deaf History Month
visiting our nation's capital, and the site of 2
major Deaf Historical events at Gallaudet
University; the only deaf university in the
world!

Let's explore this beautiful island during our coldest week
of the year! Come catch some sun, learn about Spanish
hearing and deaf culture, volunteer at a deaf school and to
the amazing sites of the island's beauty.

Registration & Information:

Puerto Rico 2024



2024 TRAVEL TRIPS ON DECK!

Hudson SHS and ASL Students: Interested in traveling in 2024?

All Hudson Senior High School students are invited to register for the
February 19-23, 2024 trip to Puerto Rico!

American Sign Language students will have the opportunity to visit
Washington D.C. and Gallaudet University, the oldest deaf university in the
world, April 3-5, 2024. \$50 registration ends on June 16!

For more information, go to hudsoncsd.org



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MONTGOMERY C. SMITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SPRING CONCERT STEALS THE SHOW!

Several MCSES classes had the opportunity to sing the day away with their spring concerts!



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NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY CLASS INDUCTED ON MAY 11



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LIFE SKILLS CLASS PLANTS PETUNIAS

Mrs. Schmitt and Mr. McDonald's classes collaborated to celebrate moms and important women in our lives by planting beautiful petunias from Eck's Farms!



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SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER RECOGNIZED FOR VOLUNTARY LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

The Hudson City School District would like to congratulate Board of Education member Selha Graham for receiving the New York State School Board Association's Board Achievement Award for excelling in voluntary leadership development training! Ms. Graham was presented with a plaque recognizing her accomplishment at the May 9 Board of Education meeting.



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STRONG SHOWING AT VASSAR COLLEGE FOR MODEL UN CLUB!

The Hudson Model UN Club had the opportunity to visit and present at Vassar College in Poughkeepsie on May 23!

Delegates from Hudson, Thomas Orbinski and Sarai Chung, (representing France) won Best Delegate for the resolution written with Maggie Ramos (Brazil) and Nabila Miah and Tanjina Rahman (Russia).



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HISTORY MAKING POLICE CHIEF VISITS BLUEHAWK ACADEMY

The Bluehawk Academy recently had a special visitor, newly sworn Hudson City Police Department Chief Mishanda Franklin!

Chief Franklin is the first woman and first woman of color to serve as police chief in Hudson and spoke to students about her experiences and bridging the community.



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HUDSON HAS HEART SHOWCASES DEVOTION TO SCHOOL COMMUNITY

In October 2022, the Hudson City School District announced the launch of a monthly recognition titled the “Hudson Has Heart” Awards to acknowledge the selfless contributions and passionate members that make the Hudson City School District community what it is.

Individuals considered are nominated by peers for making a positive difference in Hudson City School District by selfless, passionate actions and being dedicated to the district.

Numerous nominations are sent in monthly of students, staff and community members, respectively, who elevate and proudly represent the culture and values that are cherished and implemented here in Hudson.

Pictured are the recipients of the award for April 2023: Laurel Semanick (staff) and Tina Dipper (community member).
Not pictured: Magdalena Ramos (student).

