



# The Hawk's Eye

Weekly News from Hope Elementary School



Thank you to Partners  
for Enrichment for  
bringing Mad Science  
to grades Pre-K - 5 this  
week!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Feb. 12th - HES School Committee meeting (6PM)
- Feb. 19th - 23rd - Winter vacation
- Feb. 29th - Fairy Tale Medley @ 6PM (Drama Club Play)
- March 11th - HES School Committee meeting (6PM)
- March 14th - End of 2nd trimester
- March 14th - Grades 6-8 Dance (7-9PM)
- March 15th - No School (teacher workshop)
- April 8th - HES School Committee meeting (6PM)
- April 12th - Early Release (11:30 AM)
- April 15th - 19th - No School (Spring Break)
- May 2nd - Early Release (11:30AM) for parent/teacher conferences
- May 27th - No School (Memorial Day)
- June 13th - Last day for Pre-K
- June 19th - No School (Juneteenth)
- June 20th - Last day of school (with 5 snow days used)

HES has used 4 snow days as of 2/9/24

Registration is now open for Pre-K and Kindergarten for the 2024-25 school year!

Please follow the links below to register.

[PRE-K Registration](#)

[KINDERGARTEN Registration](#)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29TH 6PM  
IN THE HES GYMNASIUM

DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS:

# A Fairytale Medley



classic and contemporary fairy tales,  
scenes, and funny stories performed by  
HES students in grades 2-8.

TICKETS SOLD AT THE DOOR

**\$2 PER CHILD      \$5 PER ADULT**

DONATIONS TO DRAMA CLUB ARE WELCOME!



Hearts are all a flutter at Pre-K with Valentine's Day coming up next week. Mrs. Cooper helped us get in the spirit and learn some nifty ways to stamp hearts using recycled paper tubes. Pre-K wishes everyone a Happy Valentine's Day!





Congrats to middle school students Ellie P. & Adelaide L. for competing in the Knox County Spelling Bee this week! Big congrats to Adelaide for finishing as the Knox County Runner Up!



## Hope Elementary School Menu

## February 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
29	30	31	1	2
Cheeseburger w/Fries Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Mini Bagels	WG* Cheese & Pepp. Stromboli Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Cereal	Breakfast Pizza Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Banana Bread	Chicken Nuggets w/Fries Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Cinnamon Bread	Pepperoni Pizza Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Scones
5	6	7	8	9
WG* Spaghetti w/Meat Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Cereal	Hot Dogs & Fries WG* Buns/Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Muffins	Meatloaf & Mashed Potatoes WG* Rolls/Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Mini Bagels	Crispy Chickens Sandwich WG* Buns/Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Fruit Salad/WG* Goldfish	Cheese Pizza Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Banana Bread
12	13	14	15	16
WG* Pancakes & Sausage Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Muffins	Cheeseburgers w/Fries WG* Buns/Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Fruit Salad/WG* Goldfish	WG* Breakfast Pizza Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Mini Bagels	Beef Chili w/ WG* Corn Chips Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Cereal	Pepperoni Pizza Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Banana Bread
19	20	21	22	23
NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL	NO SCHOOL
26	27	28	29	
Cheese Raviolis w/WG* Bread Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Scones	WG* Cheese & Pepp. Stromboli Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Cereal	Chop Suey w/WG* Noodles Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: WG* Cinnamon Bread	Meatballs & Gravy WG* Rolls/Fruit/Veggies/Milk B: Fruit Salad/WG* Goldfish	

Student meals are free.

Milk without a meal is \$.50

Adult meal: \$4

\*WG = Whole Grain

Breakfast (B) includes protein, fruit, whole grain, and milk.

Lunch options include a choice of salad, bagel, or sandwich/entrée of the day.  
Fruit, a whole grain item, veggie slices and milk are offered with all meals.

Menu is subject to change. We offer Gluten Free options.

HES is an equal opportunity provider.

Payments should be made payable to:  
Hope Elementary School

<https://k12paymentcenter.com>

## HAL Softball Coach Needed!

The Hope Elementary School is seeking a HAL Softball Coach. The successful candidate will have prior playing and/or coaching experience and will also demonstrate a coaching philosophy consistent with the philosophy of the Busline League and the Hope School Department. This is a stipend position.

If interested please contact Danielle Fagonde: [danielle.fagonde@fivetowns.net](mailto:danielle.fagonde@fivetowns.net)

To: Hope School Committee  
From: Kathryn Clark, Superintendent  
Re: Regular School Committee Meeting, **Monday, February 12, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.** at the Hope Elementary School, 34 Highfield Road, Hope, ME and via Zoom:  
<https://networkmaine.zoom.us/j/88669655623>

#### AGENDA

1. Call to Order
  2. Public Comment
  3. Adjustments to the agenda
  4. Signing of the Warrants
  5. Review of the Financial Report
    - a. Finance subcommittee report
  6. Approve the minutes of the January 22, 2024 regular school committee meeting.
  7. Student/staff presentation
  8. Resignation/Nominations
  9. Second reading and vote to approve: Policy GBEBB: Staff Conduct With Students; DJ-R: Federal Procurement Manual; JLCE-N: Emergency Administration of Naloxone; DKC: Travel Reimbursement.
  10. Policies for first reading: First Reading: DID: Inventories, DKC: Travel Reimbursement; KI: Visitors to the Schools
  11. Superintendent's report
    - a. Audit update
  12. Principal's report
    - a. Preliminary budget update
    - b. Facilities update
  13. Set date for budget workshop(s)
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14. Executive session pursuant to M.R.S.A §405 (6) (D) for the purpose of reviewing the evaluation and negotiating compensation for the school principal.
  15. Vote to approve the contract and compensation for the school principal.
  16. Items for the next agenda: March 11, 2024
  17. Executive session to discuss labor contract proposal pursuant to 1 MRSA § 405(6)(D).
  18. Adjournment

# Pen-Bay pick-up lacrosse

At Lincolnville Central School

Feb 4, 11, 18, 25, March 3 & 17.

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Boys grades 3, 4 & 5 / 6, 7 & 8

Sundays 1:30-2:30 p.m.

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Girls grades 3, 4 & 5 / 6, 7 & 8

Sundays 2:45-3:45 p.m.

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High School Girls

Sundays 3:45-5 p.m.

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*Gear: Sticks, Sneakers and Pinnie*



**come try lax**  
sticks will be available





## Five Town Little League 2024 Registration is NOW OPEN!



**Five Town Little League registration for the 2024 season is now open for all players ages 5 – 12!**

Please visit the FTLL website today to sign up for the season, as well as the below indoor clinics and baseball/softball major evaluations at The Pitch in Warren.

Please note that signing up for the clinics or evaluations will NOT register your player for the season, that must be done separately.

**REGISTER FOR INDOOR CLINICS, EVALUATIONS AND THE 2024 SEASON TODAY AT:**

**[www.fivetownlittleleague.org](http://www.fivetownlittleleague.org)**

**TUESDAY CLINICS** (6-7pm for 7-9 year olds  
and 7-8pm for 10-12 year olds):

2/27 - Baseball  
3/5 - Softball  
3/12 - Baseball  
3/19 - Softball  
3/26 - Baseball

**SATURDAY CLINICS** (12:30-1:30pm for 7-9  
year olds and 1:30-2:30pm for 10-12 year olds):

3/2 - Softball  
3/9 - Baseball  
3/16 - Softball  
3/23 - Baseball  
3/30 - Softball

**EVALUATIONS** (returning Major players do NOT need to attend, this is for NEW players only)

4/6 - 12:30-2:00pm - Softball  
4/6 - 2:00-3:30pm - Baseball

Please email [mainefivetownlittleleague@gmail.com](mailto:mainefivetownlittleleague@gmail.com) with any questions.  
You can also follow us on Facebook at Five Town Little League. Let's play ball!



## A SCHOLARSHIP TO SUMMER CAMP. A FREE WEEK OF ADVENTURE.

Sleepaway camp. It's so Maine and yet just a dream for many locals. It's why Oakhurst Dairy is partnering with The Holy Donut® and YMCA Camp of Maine to send a handful of kids to summer sleepaway camp, free\* of charge.

**It's just one way we can all celebrate Maineness.**

To learn more or apply, scan the QR code or visit  
[OakhurstDairy.com/campscholarships](https://OakhurstDairy.com/campscholarships).  
This is for children ages 8-15.



\*Scholarship is for one week tuition payment to YMCA camp in Winthrop, ME. Recipients are responsible for all other expenses tied to attending camp.







# CHESS CAMP !!

## GEORGE HILL FARM

1 George Hill Road, Hope, ME 04847

### June 24-28



Join us at the barn at George Hill Farm for an amazing camp experience! This is for children 2<sup>nd</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> in the fall! Beginners are welcome for one-on one and small group learning sessions. Learn bughouse (team chess) & play in the camp championship for trophies (everyone wins one, some are bigger than others)! Learn thinking and problem solving skills that help in school and in sports! Chess wires your child's brain for math, science and creative thinking by teaching concentration, logic and calculation.

Problem solving skills are the basis of all learning and are key to success in school and the workplace!



Eli Slaughter, one of the State's best high school players along with others in high school: Miles Gupta, James Kimmet, Walter Fields and Kate Kaplan, a crack Tournament Director, will be helping me. 9 AM – 3 PM: Full camp: \$200, half days: \$100. I'm flexible: 3 hours \$20, all day \$40. Wear sneakers and a cap and bring a suntan lotion, lunch, drink and snack! Reserve your spot, no obligation to attend! Space is limited. Scholarships are available: Contact me! If you paid for another camp (6/24-28) tell me and come for free. Parents are welcome anytime! Be a helper and one child is free. First come, first served. Register via email, pay when you get to camp at the barn, 1 George Hill Road, Hope. Full refunds at any time for any reason. Satisfaction guaranteed. Call or text me: 847-987-3091 [BruceHaffner@gmail.com](mailto:BruceHaffner@gmail.com)



# Adaptive Skating Special Event

*A skating event for skaters with physical, developmental, and/or intellectual disabilities, and their families!*



## Free Admission!

*Pre-Registration and waivers are required*

Walkers, wheelchairs, sleds, yaktrax, and traditional ice skates are welcome on the ice during this time.

Skating lessons and friendly games will be available!

*Protective gear, such as helmets, is strongly recommended, but not required. MRC does not have helmets to rent. If you or your participant require additional accommodations, please let us know before the event! Email us at [staff@midcoastrec.org](mailto:staff@midcoastrec.org)*

**Tuesday,  
February 20th**

**11:30am-12:30pm**

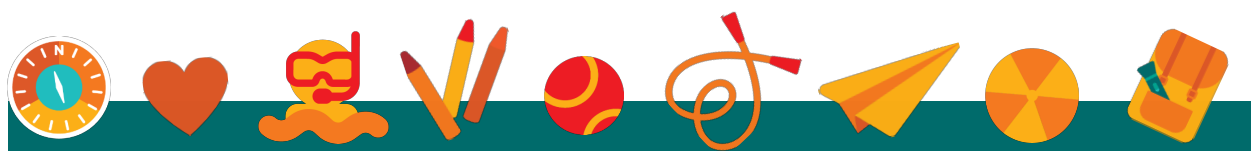
**Registration Deadline:  
Tuesday 2/13**

*MRC is looking to determine the interest the Midcoast Community has in developing an Adaptive Skating program or hockey league. Interested parties can contact our Arena Director at [jesse@midcoastrec.org](mailto:jesse@midcoastrec.org)!*

 **535 West St, Rockport ME**  
 **(207) 236-9400**

**MRC**





# PENOBSCOT BAY YMCA SUMMER CAMP

## ONLINE REGISTRATION BEGINS:

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5 @ 8:00 AM**  
Penobscot Bay YMCA members – ALL CAMPS  
Camden residents – SNOW BOWL CAMP ONLY

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12 @ 8:00 AM**  
General Public / Non-Members – ALL CAMPS

## BEFORE REGISTRATION BEGINS:

- **CREATE AN ONLINE ACCOUNT** — even if you're not signing up to be a member. You'll need an account to use our online Summer Camp enrollment system.  
[https://operations.daxko.com/Online/2127/MembershipV2/MembershipTypes.mvc?\\_id=638399517807588344](https://operations.daxko.com/Online/2127/MembershipV2/MembershipTypes.mvc?_id=638399517807588344)
- Please type in your email address and phone number to search for an existing account. Your email and phone number must match what we have in our system. Please call 207.236.3375 to update if these have changed.
  - If you have an existing online account, make sure you know your password, and that all of your information is correct.
  - If neither your email or phone number is found in our system, proceed to set up a new account.
- Be sure that all campers enrolling in Summer Camp are added to your online account. Call our front desk for assistance if needed.
- **ACTIVATE YOUR MEMBERSHIP**  
If you want to register for Summer Camp as a member (discounted rates and early registration) you will need to visit our Rockland or Rockport location to activate your camper's membership by Thursday, February 1. If your child is not an active member when you register for summer camp, you will not receive the discounted rate, which cannot be applied later.
- Make sure your payment information (credit card number or bank account information) is saved to your online account.
- **APPLY FOR MAINE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS) ASSISTANCE**  
Scholarship applicants are encouraged to apply for DHHS assistance prior to applying for a Penobscot Bay YMCA scholarship, as DHHS usually awards more substantial amounts and often covers the entire summer.
  - Contact DHHS: [www.mymaineconnection.gov](http://www.mymaineconnection.gov) or 1.855.797.4357
- **APPLY FOR YMCA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE**  
Please be sure to complete the form and provide financial statements to Meredith Gutheinz, [mgutheinz@penbayymca.org](mailto:mgutheinz@penbayymca.org), by Friday, January 19. Once approved, you will be notified of your awarded amount.
  - **Please note:** If you do not get pre-approved for financial assistance, you will need to pay the required deposits, per camper/per week, for camp as well as before & after care, in order to complete your registration.

Current Income Eligibility Guidelines

FAMILY SIZE	ANNUAL INCOME
1	\$46,285.79
2	\$60,527.58
3	\$74,796.36
4	\$89,011.15
5	\$103,252.93
6	\$117,494.71
7	\$120,165.05
8	\$122,835.38
9	\$125,505.72
10	\$128,176.05

Add 3% for additional family members.

- Summer Camp Financial Aid Application: <https://forms.gle/5UbAVdB5FCJP3DQF8>

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## WHEN REGISTERING:

○ Log into your account a few minutes early on your registration day.

### ○ Enroll in Camp!

- ⇒ Use the link at the top of the page to select the Summer Camp you'd like to register for - Discovery Camp, Camp Wonder, Snow Bowl Camp, or Adventure Camp.
- ⇒ Select the weeks of the chosen camp you'd like to register for.
- ⇒ Click Register.
- ⇒ Select the camper and add them to your cart.
- ⇒ Fill out the questionnaire (just three questions about contact information) and hit Next.
- ⇒ Review your selections and hit "add more programs" if you have other campers to enroll, need to add Before & After Care, or a spot on the Y Bus from Thomaston Municipal Building to the Penobscot Bay YMCA, and/or the Snow Bowl.
- ⇒ Once you've added everything you need, click Check Out at the bottom of the screen.
- ⇒ Pay your deposits owed to complete enrollment!  
**Please note: payment of the deposits is what secures your registration.**

## ONCE YOU HAVE REGISTERED :

- Once you've secured your spot(s), you will receive an email with a link to the registration forms. Please complete these forms within 14 days of registering for Summer Camp.
- Make sure to set up your payment plan or pay in full by Friday, June 14.
- Have your campers' immunization records sent to the Penobscot Bay YMCA. There will be a link in the enrollment forms you receive to make it extra simple!

Want to try it out ahead of time?

We've added a **DEMO CAMP** week for you to practice!

Registering for the DEMO CAMP prior to the start of Online Registration will **NOT** register your child for Summer Camp. **The demo week is for practice purposes only!**

## THINGS TO REMEMBER:

- There will be computers and Y staff available to help with camp registrations on February 5 & 12 at the Penobscot Bay YMCA, 116 Union Street, Rockport.
- Camden residents enrolling in Snow Bowl camp on February 5 should be prepared to provide proof of residency. Registrations submitted before the appropriate date will not be accepted. You will need to recomplete and resubmit when general registration opens on February 12.
- If you plan to activate your membership or apply for financial aid, we highly recommend doing so as soon as possible.

[APPLY FOR YMCA FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE](#)



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