



HERITAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

October 2025



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Welcome to the first edition of the Heritage Middle School Newsletter. We kicked off the year with a very well attended sixth grade orientation. The children had a great morning and got a feel of the middle school before the first day. Our Back to School Night was very well attended and many thanks to the PTO who organized a Hot Dog Stand and an Ice Cream Truck.

I like to think that the first day of the Major League Baseball season is similar to the first day of school. Everyone is eager to enjoy a fantastic season. With your help, we hope to keep up that pace throughout the academic year.

I've discovered in my brief time here that Heritage has an exceptionally talented group of educators that genuinely care about your child's best interests. Please don't hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns you may have; we are here to help.

Our simple motto is to have Success for Every Child.

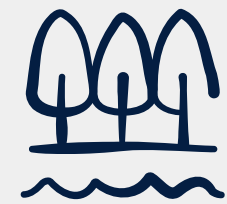
UPCOMING EVENTS



OCTOBER 10TH

**OCTOBER IS BREAST CANCER
AWARENES MONTH.**

WEAR PINK



OCTOBER 24TH

**MONSTER MASH
TICKETS ARE ON SALE**



NOVEMBER 22ND

**HERITAGE 5K
HAVE YOU SIGNED UP YET?**



DISTRICT NEWS

SUPERINTENDENT'S CONVERSATIONS SERIES

Dr. Jackie Manning Campbell, Superintendent of Schools, would like to hear from you! Please complete this brief survey, so her upcoming [Community Conversations Series](#) is tailored for our families! We look forward to collaborating with our families as educational partners.



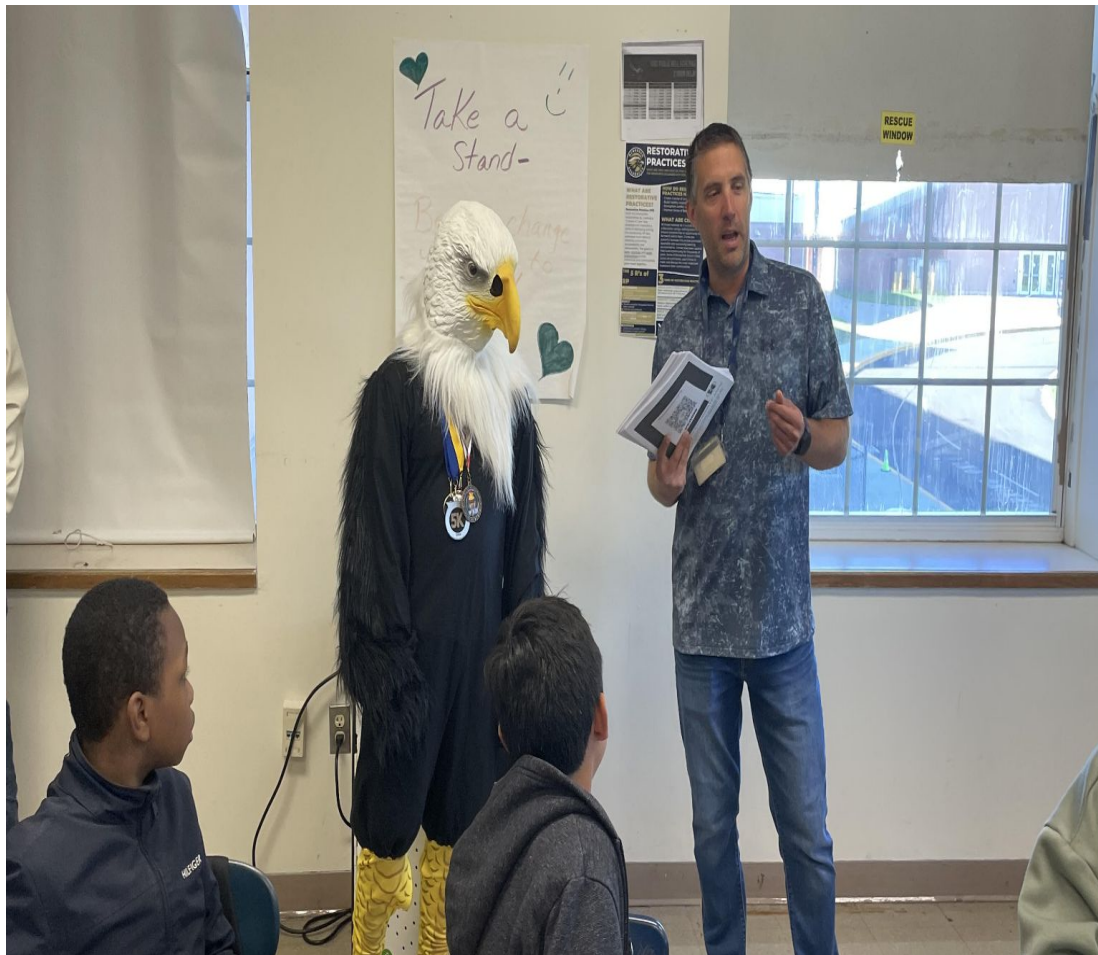
TEXTING BEGINS!

The district will begin sending texting messages this fall. To receive the messages, make sure your cell phone number is correct in the cell phone field. The number can be listed twice if that is your primary number. All parents/guardians who wish to receive a text should make sure their number is listed in the correct spot in their personal Parent Portal Account.

WALL CALENDARS

Wall calendars will be distributed to the youngest and only child of each family soon. You will find it in your child's backpack. Families can always add letter days and school/district events to their Google calendar for the most up to date information.

MR. MARINO SHARING INFORMATION ON THE HMS 5K.



Who is the new HMS Principal ?

My name is Patrick Swift and I will be the principal at Heritage Middle School this year. I wanted to introduce myself to you and tell you a little bit about myself. I retired as principal of Port Chester Middle School in June of 2024 after fourteen years. Previous to that I was an assistant principal there. My career began as a social studies teacher in the Bronx, NY.

I am married and have four children. One is beginning his first year as a teacher, and three are enrolled in college. Yes I know that is scary:)

I'm thrilled to be at Heritage, and together, we'll make sure your kids have an amazing year. My philosophy is quite simple. It's all about the kids! When I meet with your children I have been explaining if they are responsible and respectful they will have a great year. This is their job and they need to be on target from 7am - 2:04.

If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to reach out. I like to think I am rather swift in returning emails and calls. I hate to make a parent/guardian wait if they have a concern about their child