Eben Hopson Middle School



Admin Team

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Distinguished Student (8th Grade)



Billy Ahyakak exemplifies the core values of our Hopson Middle School Wolves and consistently models our TRACK expectations across all learning environments. He demonstrates togetherness and cooperation through his diligent contributions to small-group work, engaging effectively with any peer group to achieve shared goals. Highly dependable, Billy approaches his academic responsibilities with maturity, consistently arriving to class fully prepared and ready to learn. His positive disposition and A+ attitude are evident daily in his constructive classroom engagement and warm demeanor. Above all, Billy treats his classmates with genuine kindness, serving as an exceptional role model and an integral part of our school community.



Distinguished Student (7th Grade)



Being a teacher means numbers and commas and some experiments here and there but a whole lot more character building and teamwork. From 8 to 4 my number one job is keeping students informed, safe, and assisting them on their tumultuous stage of growth called Middle School. We're all doing our best but one student who embodies these ideals is Reina Santos. Her homework is spot on and on time but more importantly she is a shining beacon of positivity, maturity, helpfulness, and respect. Reina already has an incredible sense of personal greatness and goals she is working towards. She helps those around her, put others first, and walks with a combination of seriousness, drive, and whimsy. I am so excited to see how Reina will keep striving and achieving her dreams and goals.



Distinguished Student (6th Grade)



Jay Gueco is a very courteous, respectful, hardworking student.
He works with intention and purpose on all his classwork.
He is a great friend to his classmates and respects himself and others.



Distinguished Staff (Certified)



Mrs. Costine is a 35-year veteran teacher and the wife of Mr. Costine, our assistant principal here at HMS. Having retired in May 2026, she came with Mr. Costine for a much-needed break and to support her husband. Little did she know that God had other plans. When Mrs. Costine heard that the school was short three teachers at the beginning of the year, she immediately said she would be a long-term sub for our 6th grade ELA.

To say that she has been a God send is an understatement, and we can't thank her enough. She jumped in and learned the curriculum, and attended in-service, as well as learning she would also have to teach a couple of our 7th grade classes. Mrs. Costine has loved on our students, built relationships with them and has made herself available anytime we have needed her. Mrs. Costine recently went back home to Virginia to see her girls and six grandchildren. She will also be visiting with her mom. Mrs. Costine will be greatly missed by our students and staff.



Distinguished Staff (Classified)



Augustine Toledo joined Hopson Middle School as the Plant Manager this year. Originally hailing from the Philippines, he is now a Sour Dough with 27 years as an Alaskan. He has shared that he is a father of three girls, now grown.

Mr. Ogie comes to us with 15 years of experience in maintenance with the North Slope Borough and Samuel Simmonds Memorial Hospital.
We are excited to have Mr. Ogie as part of our team. He is doing a fantastic job supervising the M&O crew here at HMS as the team makes continuous improvements to provide a safe environment for our students to thrive.



Distinguished Volunteers

HMS would like to thank IBH's Prevention Team who has visited with students on several occasions during lunch and recess to provide support. The students and staff appreciate these ladies!

HMS would like to thank Gary Britter for volunteering recently during his visit to Utqiagvik. We look forward to seeing him again soon.



HMS Attendance



August	September	October
• 6th Grade = 86% • 7th Grade = 73% • 8th Grade = 78%	• 6th Grade = 84% • 7th Grade = 76% • 8th Grade = 82%	• 6th Grade = TBD • 7th Grade = TBD • 8th Grade = TBD

Current Enrollment



56

6th Grade

64

7th Grade

72

8th Grade

Facility Update



Here is a snippet of current M & O projects...

1. COMPLETED MAJOR PROJECTS

- **Boiler Upgrades:** Installed and commissioned 3 new high-efficiency boilers, restoring multi-stage heating redundancy for the building.
- **Glycol Circulation Pumps**: Upgraded all main glycol circulation pumps across the hydronic heating loops.
- **Terminal Heating:** Upgraded all cabinet unit heaters throughout hallways, vestibules, and entrance areas.
- **Emergency Communications & Clocks:** Installed an all-new integrated building-wide paging system and synchronized digital clocks across every wing.
- **Perimeter Life Safety:** Installed active panic door alarms on all main entrances and exterior exit doors.

2. CURRENTLY IN PROGRESS

- **Life Safety Inspections**: Alaska Fire Protection Services (AFS) is conducting the annual fire and life safety inspection (smoke detection devices, audible horns/strobes, and full sprinkler system).
- **Interior Aesthetics & Refurbishment:** In-house custodial and maintenance crew is actively painting throughout the building, including door trims, student lockers, and replacing damaged or missing cove base.
- **Emergency Power:** Preparing for the upcoming annual comprehensive inspection and testing of the emergency backup generator.



Activities

After School Schedule for Hopson Middle School

Activity	Teacher or Aide	Days of Week					Activity Times
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Yearbook	Anteau						4:20 pm - 5:00 pm
Science Olympiad	Bress Flores						4:20 pm - 5:20 pm
Lego Robotics	Bress						4:20 pm - 5:20 pm
Battle of the Books	Sponsler						4:20 pm - 4:50 pm
IÑUPIAT DANCING	Diedre						3:20 pm - 5:20 pm
Glimpse				Every other week			3:00 pm pickup at HMS
Student Store	Walrath						4:05 pm - 4:20 pm
Student Council Ed Rising	Woodward	Student Council			Ed Rising		4:20 pm - 4:50 pm
Jazz Band (3rd period band only)	Roseboro Carik						8:45 am - 9:05 am



HMS Art



The student self-portrait project was the culmination of a dedicated three-week project. Students took on a massive artistic challenge, taking their small 6x8 school photos, carefully mapping out a quarter-inch grid, and mathematically scaling it up to a giant 2-inch grid on 18x24 paper. Using a number line, they transferred their own faces box-by-box.

Before we even touched the big paper, we spent days practicing eyes, noses, lips, and the value scale. But the real victory wasn't just technical. The true struggle of this project was learning to measure precisely, resisting the urge to take shortcuts, and learning the ultimate artist's rule: drawing what your eyes actually see rather than what your brain thinks it knows.

We had a huge mix of paces—some of our exceptionally talented students finished their entire drawings before others had even drawn their grid lines! But through those three weeks of hard work, every single student pushed through the frustration, trusted the process, and discovered just how capable they really are.

Loretta Turner

HMS Art Department



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