



HERITAGE MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS LETTER

May 2026



PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Welcome to May!

As the flowers bloom, we are looking forward to a wonderful and productive month ahead at Heritage.

We would like to extend our sincere appreciation to all of our teachers during **Teacher Appreciation Week**, as well as recognize **National Physical Education and Sports Week**, both taking place during the first week of May. Thank you to our dedicated staff for all that you do each day for our students.

On **May 6**, we will wrap up New York State Testing Program with the **8th Grade Science Assessment**. Our students have done an outstanding job and have worked incredibly hard throughout the testing period.

We are excited to showcase our students' talents this month. Our **Spring Concert** for band and orchestra will be held on **Wednesday, May 14**, followed by our **Art Show and Choral Performance** on **May 21**.

We are also looking forward to our **Family Connect Day** at Heritage on **Saturday, May 16, from 9:00–11:00 AM**. It will be a great opportunity for families to come together and enjoy fun activities along with light refreshments.

Finally, as we approach Memorial Day on **Monday, May 25**, we take a moment to reflect. While it is often recognized as a day off, it is most importantly a time to honor and remember the brave U.S. military personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country.

We look forward to a fantastic month ahead!

UPCOMING EVENTS



May 6 - 8th grade science assessment

May 11 - Virtual PTA Meeting - 6pm

May 14 - Band and Orchestra Concert

May 16 - Saturday - Family Connect Day at HMS - 9am-11am

May 21 - Choral and Art Show at HMS

May 25 - Memorial Day



Memorial Day - May 25

Memorial Day is a national day of remembrance in the United States, observed on the last Monday of May. It honors the men and women of the U.S. military who made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our country.

Originally known as “Decoration Day,” this tradition began after the Civil War, when communities would decorate the graves of fallen soldiers with flowers. Today, Memorial Day continues to be a time for reflection, gratitude, and respect for those who gave their lives in service.

While many recognize the day with family gatherings or the unofficial start of summer, it is important to pause and remember the true meaning behind the holiday—to honor courage, service, and sacrifice.