Verona School District



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Verona Public Schools is to prepare students to be scholars and productive citizens through outstanding teaching, challenging curricula* and engaging co-curricular programs in safe and modern facilities.

* All students will achieve the New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards.

Dedicated to Developing Healthy Habits of Mind, Body and Heart

SCHOLARSHIP

NJ state assessment scores consistently range in top tier in both county and state.

Emphasis on the development of 21st Century skills.

Multi-service Enrichment Program including after school enrichment clusters.

Diverse World Language offerings including French, Mandarin, and Spanish.

Unique Star Lab astronomy experience.

Developmental Reading Assessment (DRA) utilized to drive reading instruction.

Instructional technology integrated across K-4 curriculum.

Annual district-wide Battle of the Books.

Extended day kindergarten program.

Integrated pre-school program.

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BEYOND ACADEMICS

Exposure of all students to the instrumental, vocal music and visual arts programs.

Peace Pals program that promotes strong character and

Variety of service projects, including food and clothing drives, that allow students to contribute to the community.

Schoolwide fundraising events for charitable causes such as Iuvenile Diabetes.

Modern Media Centers that include fully-equipped computer labs.

Frequent author visits to schools that enhance the reading program.

Off-site educational experiences/field trips that enhance the curriculum.

Leadership and character development through cocurricular opportunities.

BROOKDALE

F.N. BROWN

FOREST AVENUE

LANING AVENUE

Mr. Richard Rampolla *Principal* 14 Brookdale Court

Dr. Anthony Lanzo Principal 125 Grove Avenue Mr. Jeff Monacelli *Principal* 118 Forest Avenue

Mr. Frank Albano *Principal* 18 Lanning Road

COMMUNITY

Neighborhood schools promote community involvement.

Active School and Community Association (SCA) that supports academic, cultural, and social programs for all students.

DARE & Fire Safety programs sponsored by Verona Township.

Extensive use of parental expertise to enrich the curriculum.

Spring Orientation programs for pre-school and kindergarten parents.

Verona Foundation for Educational Excellence (VFEE) provides teacher grants on a bi-annual basis.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Experienced administrative team.

Superior instructional staff with broad educational backgrounds many of whom hold advanced degrees.

Extensive professional developmental training in areas of Understanding by Design, Differentiated Instruction and Assessment.

Director of Curriculum assures vertical articulation of curriculum, K-12.

Additional professional staff includes psychologists, learning consultants, social workers, speech therapists, occupational therapists, physical therapists and school nurse.



SCHOLARSHIP

HBW Middle School students' NJASK scores consistently range in the top in our county.

HBW Middle School students and teachers organized by teams provide strong support system for fifth and sixth grade students.

HBW Middle School's accelerated courses include advanced language arts, geometry, and algebra in seventh and eighth grade.

HBW Middle School's ninety minute literacy block in grades five and six emphasizes essential reading and writing skills.

HBW Middle School students and staff benefit from stateof-the-art science labs and Media Center.

HBW Middle School cycle classes offer students the opportunity to take mini courses in oceanography, civics, music, anthropology, technology, and the art of speaking.

HBW Middle School offers world language courses in Mandarin, Spanish, and French, emphasizing culture and oral language development.

HBW Middle School students participate annually in Battle of the Books and Academically Speaking.

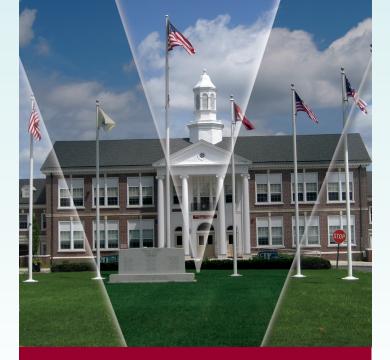
HBW Middle School fosters cross-curricular technology integration with use of two fully equipped computer labs.



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H.B.W. MIDDLE SCHOOL

Located in the heart of downtown, H.B.W. Middle School sits prominently in Verona's historic Civic Center. The building, a mix of old and new architecture complete with state-of-the-art science labs and Media Center, symbolizes the long tradition of educational excellence in Verona combined with a never-ending focus on the future and how it will impact our children socially, emotionally, and educationally.

STRATEGIC GOALS

- All graduates will have mastered a challenging curriculum that prepares them for productive futures as problem solvers, independent thinkers and responsible citizens.
- All students will demonstrate character, service, citizenship and social awareness through curricular and co-curricular programs.
- 3. All teachers will meet or exceed the highest level of professional teaching standards.
- 4. All district facilities will provide students and staff with state-of-the-art, safe learning and working environments.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

HBW is characterized by a shared commitment amongst school faculty and staff, community members, and students.

School and Community Association (SCA) complements HBW's efforts to provide challenging, supportive, and relevant experiences for students.

Professional expertise of community members integrated into curriculum through Community Resource Committee.

Verona Foundation for Educational Excellence (VFEE) provides teacher grants on a bi-annual basis.

Experienced administrative team.

Exceptional instructional staff of approximately 60 with content-rich backgrounds, many of whom hold advanced degrees.

Extensive professional developmental training in areas of Understanding by Design, Differentiated Instruction and Assessment.

Director of Curriculum assures vertical articulation of curriculum, K-12.

Additional professional staff includes a psychologist, learning consultant, guidance counselors, social workers, reading specialists, speech therapists, and school nurse.

BEYOND ACADEMICS

Regional recognition of HBW's four bands and 2 choral groups as well as individual performers.

Guidance program provides additional academic, social, and emotional support.

Top 10 national ranking in the American Heart Association's Jump Rope for Heart Campaign.

Participation in National History Day and Mock Trial competitions.

Curriculum-based field trips enhance students' educational experience.

A variety of club offerings allows students to explore interests, including: Lego robotics, intramurals, service, art, Chinese culture, environmental issues, Spring Musical, Yearbook,ucfgj Literary Magazine, Student Council and peer mediation.