



North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District

“Providing Success for All Students”

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SHARED SERVICES REPORT – updated 11/2/10

The following is a list of ways in which the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Regional High School District is sharing or has shared services with other local groups or districts:

Facilities:

Current Services:

- Elections – North Hunterdon High School serves as a polling place for Clinton Township NH-V District provides:
 - space, by closing the Media Center during each election
 - custodial services for set up and breakdown
 - security and custodial personnel all day for traffic direction

- Meetings -
NH-V provides:
 - space and custodial services for set up and breakdown for town meetings as well as community organization meetings

- Health Clinics, Blood Drives –
NH-V provides:
 - space and custodial services for health screenings, flu shots, etc.
 - setup and breakdown of equipment and furniture for New Jersey Blood Services blood drives
 - NH-V buildings serve as emergency triage centers for use in case of pandemic outbreaks, terrorist attacks, etc.

- Auditorium use -
NH-V provides space and custodial services for:
 - elementary school plays, concerts, and graduation ceremonies
 - a rain site for the Hunterdon County Parks summer concerts
 - public concerts and presentations (U.S. Marine Band, NJ State Symphony, etc.)
 - venues for community theater and other local performing arts groups

- Use of fields by other districts -
NH-V provides:
 - preparation of our fields by custodians as a neutral site for playoff sporting events between other schools

- preparation of our fields by custodians for elementary and other secondary districts to use when their fields are not safe due to wet conditions or other reasons
- High Bridge Union Forge baseball field -
NH-V provides:
 - Field maintenance including: edging infield, building pitcher's mound, rebuilding home-plate area, grooming infield, adding soil as needed, lining field for games, in return for use of the fields
- Bundt Park (Clinton Twp.) -
NH-V provides:
 - Field Maintenance including: laying out and line painting of two fields, grooming, in return for use of the fields
- Spatz Park (Lebanon Twp.)
NH-V provides:
 - Field maintenance including: over-seeding every other year, mowing, lining of fields for soccer and girls lacrosse, cleaning of rest rooms during seasons in return for use of the fields
- Voorhees State Park
NH-V provides:
 - Field maintenance including: over-seeding every other year, mowing, edging infield, grooming infield, adding soil as needed, lining fields for soccer, lacrosse, and softball, maintaining cross country course (3.2 miles) in return for use of the facilities
- Lending of furniture, tools, and equipment to -
 - elementary sending districts and other high schools in the area
 - Clinton Township Police Department for their annual junior activities
 - local fire departments and rescue squads for various activities
 - Somerset/Hunterdon Business & Education Partnership had donated furniture and equipment worth thousands of dollars over the past couple of years, thus saving the district money
- Clinton Twp. Sewer Authority
NH-V provides:
 - assistance in maintaining the sewer pumping station on North Hunterdon campus
- Trainings and seminars -
 - NH-V invites other districts to join our Hazcom; AHERA; Right to Know; Bloodborne Pathogens; and other required custodial trainings thus saving smaller districts the expense of holding their own programs.
- County / Municipal / State / Federal Training and Adult Education -
NH-V provides facilities and custodial services for:
 - adult education classes

- HC Polytech classes
 - EMT classes
 - Raritan Valley Community College classes
 - County K-9 certification training classes
 - County Emergency Management Training
 - IRS criminal investigation, law enforcement, and annual physical assessment program for their officers
 - Hunterdon County Education office held training for No Child Left Behind in District office, July 2009
 - Mandatory Legal One program for all county administrators held at North Hunterdon High School in July 2009
- Community Activities -
- NH-V provides facilities and custodial services for:
- community speakers
 - Municipal/County/State government public meetings such as Highlands Act, Windy Acres, etc.
 - Hunterdon County Rotary Club annual Chinese Auction fundraiser
 - Hunterdon Help Line – “Antiques in August” fundraiser
 - N.J. Schools Boards Association training management meeting
 - AAU Basketball
 - community athletic groups
 - scout groups
 - summer recreation programs
 - Hunterdon County Special Olympic Annual Field Events Program
 - Hunterdon County Relay for Life - Cancer Walk fundraiser
- Community Service -
- NH-V provides:
- supervision of students who have been sentenced by the county prosecutor and the court to serve time in community service at our facilities

Transportation:

Current Services:

- Bid and renew regular school to and from routes for Franklin Township, Lebanon Township, and Union Township. Bidding joint transportation packages with high school and elementary routes saves money for all districts involved. Example of cost savings:
- For 2010-2011 school year, joint bidding resulted in the following savings: NH-V District saved \$16,902, \$14,163 for Lebanon Township School District, and \$3,951 for Union Township School District.
 - For 2009-2010 school year, Lebanon Township bid more routes with NH-V District than in the past, which saved the elementary district \$143,787 and the high school district \$19,107.

- In 2008-2009, bidding routes together with high school district saved Franklin Township \$23,332. In 2006-2007, Union Township saved \$13,491.
- Utilizes numerous ESCs and neighboring districts for shared busing for students with special needs and non-public students

Former Services:

- Transported students with special needs for Clinton Township and Union Township on our routes
- Transported students with special needs for Warren Hills Regional High School District on our routes. (In 2007-2008, Warren Hills saved \$11,737 with this arrangement.)
- “Back Haul” other districts’ athletic teams when needed
- Provided field trip buses for Bethlehem Township BOE and High Bridge BOE on an as needed basis
- Cooperatively bid with another district for new buses

Special Services/Special Education:

Current Services:

- North Hunterdon High School Special Education teacher, MaryBeth Berry, organizes the annual Special Olympics for Hunterdon County. Mrs. Berry coordinates all aspects of the event, plus the training of the athletes and finding peer sponsors for each athlete. The track and field event is held at North Hunterdon High School each year.

Former services:

- Transition to College Night for Students with Disabilities was conducted at NH-V with invitations sent to county high schools for inclusion of their parents/students.
- Pathways to Adult Life Program conducted by the Department of Developmental Disabilities was held at NH-V to support a location within close proximity for parents of students with disabilities in the county.

Technology:

Current Services:

- NH-V District has entered into a shared services agreement with the Hampton Elementary School District for technical services. The high school district’s technology staff will provide basic technical services, such as desktop or laptop installation and repair and software installation, to advanced technical services, such as server installation and repair and network software troubleshooting to the elementary school. The high school district currently hosts Hampton’s website and email accounts for all staff on its web server, which also hosts the district’s web presence.
- Clinton Township negotiated with the former Patriot Media to designate Channel 25 for North Hunterdon High School (Channel 25 is still active on Comcast). As the township did not have

the facilities to run a TV station, it provides the high school with funds each year (\$4,749.50) to help cover maintenance and equipment costs to keep the station up and running.

- Rich Bergacs, Ed.D., Director of Technology, serves as chair for the county technology articulation committee. In the 2009-2010 school year, the county committee developed a technology plan template for school districts to use. This will save a significant amount of time as each district will not need to start from scratch.

Former Services:

- NH-V's web server hosted the website for Hunterdon Prevention Resources, a county non-profit organization. The organization paid a \$20 web hosting fee in the form of credit on invoices for services provided the high school district.

Articulation with Sending Elementary District:

- Both of the department supervisors from North and Voorhees meet several times a year with supervisors or teachers in the same subject area from the sending middle schools. These meetings have been important for discussions relating to fluidity of curriculum, development of needed high school skills, and the transition to high school.
- North Hunterdon-Voorhees Coordinators of Special Services Articulation Group meets monthly at the District Office. NH-V Interim Special Services Director, Ann Marie Rose, chairs the group.
- There is also a Technology Articulation Group that meets throughout the school year, which is chaired by Superintendent Kevin Carroll of the Clinton Township School District.

Security:

- In collaboration with the Clinton Township Police Department, North Hunterdon High School shares a School Resource Officer, Detective Thomas Hash, who is on duty at the high school several times a week. This arrangement began through a joint written grant between the school and police department. As that grant is now finished, a part of Det. Hash's salary is paid by the high school district.

Leadership:

Current Positions:

- Superintendent, Dr. Charles M. Shaddow, serves as the chair of the North Hunterdon-Voorhees Articulation Group, which coordinates K-12 collaboration on curriculum, transportation, staff development, etc., for our sending districts.
- Dr. Shaddow serves as President of the Hunterdon County Association of School Administrators, providing leadership to Hunterdon County superintendents and serving as the liaison for HCASA to the New Jersey Legislature. This is his third year as President.

- North Hunterdon's Assistant Principal, John Hahola, is the President of the Hunterdon County Chapter of the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the association.
- North Hunterdon's Principal, Michael Hughes, serves as chairperson of the Controversies Committee for NJSIAA.