

Online School Website Updates for the Week of 2/22/2021

Important Resources

Phone numbers, team member names, and other important information about Hanover Online School may be found here.







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Information for Everyone



Dates To Remember:

February 24th and 25th. Here are the early release schedules.

Parent/Teacher Conferences: There will be several hours after the students are released on 2/25 available for parent/teacher conferences. Teachers will contact parents with whom they would specifically like to meet. If you do not receive a request from a teacher, but you would like to meet - please reach out to the teacher to schedule a time on either February 25th or another day. Please see below for specific information for each level.

<u>Chromebook TroubleShooting Guide</u> Updated! Step by Step processes when trouble arises.

Share your pics: Snap your photos/ videos and email them to: **owlmedia@students.hcps.us**Make sure to include a description of the event & the student's name involved. Note: by uploading to this email you are granting permission for the media team to use.

Hanover Online PTO: Robotics For All has been affected by the winter storm in Texas. The start date for Fundamentals, CAD w/ Fusion, and 1 of 2 of the Scratch Coding Camps has been postponed until March 15. You will be receiving communication directly from them. We appreciate your understanding of this situation and hope you will join us in valuing their focus on providing quality, live STEM opportunities to our owls with low student-to-instructor ratios. If you have additional questions please email Aarushi.

THIS WEEK:

• Please join us for HCOS <u>Virtual School Spirit Night this Wednesday</u>, February 24, 4-8:00 pm at Panera on Brook Road

- K-5 Kindness Rocks Project Tuesday Evening
- 4th & 5th Grade Collection for Hanover Safe Place (<u>Details Here</u>) <u>and other upcoming activities and</u> information

Information for the Elementary OWLs

5th Grade Parents - Middle School Registration Information

Information for Middle School Registration has gone out. Use the link below to access the flyer with important dates and resources.

2nd Semester Early Release Schedule

- 6th Grade Registration Flyer
- If you missed Mrs. Gray's Registration Lesson on Feb. 8th, here's the link. Click on your child's zoned middle school video. <u>Registration Lesson</u>
- If you missed BCMS Curriculum Night, here is the link: <u>BCMS Curriculum Night Link</u>
- Here is LMS's Curriculum Night Link: LMS Curriculum Night
- CMS Curriculum Information: <u>CMS Curriculum Presentation Video</u> and <u>CMS Curriculum Presentation Google Slides/Links</u>
- If you have questions, please contact the 5th grade OWL school counselor, Mrs. Jennifer Gray, at jwgray@hcps.us.
- Please note: Mrs. Gray will meet with 5th grade students to register for middle school courses whether or not they have pre-registered with a parent. All courses are loaded to HCPS middle schools at the same time. Courses are not offered on a first-come, first-served basis.

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American Heart Association- As you know, February is Heart Health Month! Register for Hanover Online School Heart Health Challenge to be a Heart Hero!

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Read Across America Week

OWL Elementary Families, we are excited to celebrate reading next week from March 1st - March 5th. Please see this flyer for our spirit days.

Family Life

Family Life will occur in May for online 4th & 5th grade students. Lessons will be asynchronous. Parent information sessions will occur in May before instruction begins.

D.A.R.E.

D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) is an elementary program taught by School Resource Officers centered around teaching students good decision-making skills to help them lead safe and healthy lives. One of our 5th grade classes successfully piloted the D.A.R.E. program virtually in January. We are in the process of working out a schedule with the Sheriff's Office to provide this instruction for each of our 5th grade classes during 2nd semester.

Viewing a Child's Grade History in PowerSchool: If your child transferred from one class to another for second semester, you will no longer see the grades from the previous quarters or semester. Once a student is no longer enrolled in the previous course, his/her former grades can be viewed via the "Grade History" tab. Note, you can only view this information on an internet browser; it will not appear on the PowerSchool mobile app. Here are step-by-step directions to assist you in accessing your child's grade history: <u>Accessing Grade History in PowerSchool</u>.

Information for the Middle School OWLs

Home Middle School Newsletters: Keep in the loop with activities from your home school by reviewing their respective weekly newsletter! Students can see updates from their school on their Schoology page. Be sure to check these frequently to stay up to date on activities, events, and important dates from your home schools!

- Bell Creek Middle School
- Chickahominy Middle School
- Liberty Middle School
- Oak Knoll Middle School
- OWL Middle School

Middle School Parent/Teacher Conferences: Middle school teams have contacted families of students they need to meet with on February 25th. Email confirmations and zoom links will be sent. If you were not contacted, but would like to meet with your child's team, please reach out to the Math or Language Arts teacher to schedule a conference in the coming weeks.



Instructional Material Pickup - Rescheduled Date: We have scheduled one additional date for instructional material pick up. We will be in the OKMS/HHS outer bus loop between 4:30 to 6:00 on Tuesday, February 23rd. Please do not pull into the bus loop prior to 4:30 as buses still need to be able to get through until then. Middle schoolers in the following courses have materials to be picked up:

EL40 - Art 6

EL15 - Art 7/8

EL16 - Art 8 (additional paper for second semester or new kit if joining class for spring)

EL107 - Agriscience and Technology - This is a year long class. The only students who need to pick up their supplies are those who did not pick them up during the first semester.

EL32 - Make it Your Business

EL105 - Pre-Engineering 7

EL102 - Teen Living

M200 - Mathematics 6

SE32 - SC Math 6

"Middle of the Nest" - The nest will return March 4th!

Course Registration: Please find all information for middle school registration <u>HERE</u>. All students will register for 2021-2022 courses with their *homeschool counselors*. Parents can pre-register for classes using the Hanover County Parent Portal (<u>HERE</u>), open from Monday, February 15 - Monday, March 1. Homeschool counselors will follow up with all students on course selection between March 1 - April 23.

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2020-2021 Yearbooks: Use this <u>LINK</u> to learn more information from each middle school on purchasing and submitting photos to the yearbook.

8th grade Jr. Beta students - Remember to pick up your certificate and pin. They are at your home school front office from 8:30-4:00 pm. M-F.

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- Atlee High School
- <u>Hanover High School</u>
- Mechanicsville High School
- Patrick Henry High School

High School Parent/Teacher Conference Day: It's time to sign up for parent-teacher conferences! Parents may request to have a Zoom or phone conference with individual teachers on February 25 in 15-minute increments. To request a conference, fill out <u>this Google form</u> for EACH teacher that you would like to meet. If you are unable to meet with your chosen teacher(s) on this day, reach out to schedule a time to discuss your student's progress with that teacher.

Course Registration: Please find all information for high school registration <u>HERE</u>. All students will register for 2021-2022 courses with their *homeschool counselors*. Parents can pre-register for classes using the Hanover County Parent Portal (<u>HERE</u>), open from Monday, February 15 - Monday, March 1. Homeschool counselors will follow up with all students on course selection between March 1 - April 23.

Add/Drop for High School Courses: Starting end of day Friday, February 12, we will officially be entering our add/drop period which limits class changes to leveling down (AP to advanced, or advanced to standard) or dropping a course to a study hall. All requests are granted based on course availability and are not guaranteed. Please keep in mind there is limited room for adjustments in the online schedule based on enrollment numbers.

Add/drop requests need to be sent through the homeschool counselor. A virtual copy of the form can be found <u>HERE</u> and a PDF of the form can be found <u>HERE</u>. A list of homeschool counselors can be found <u>HERE</u>.



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PA47 - Advanced Marketing

PA17 - Business and Marketing

PA50 - Entrepreneurship

PA46 - Marketing

M286 - Programming

PA49 - Sports Marketing

C194 - Graphic Arts I

C195 - Graphic Arts 2

FA01 - Fine Art I

FA02 - Fine Art II

FA03 - Fine Art III

FA04 - Fine Art IV

FA09 - Photography I

FA12 - Art III Adv

FA13 - Art IV Adv

FA16 - Photography II

Attention Advanced Placement Students and Families! It is that time of year. AP exam fee collection will conclude on Friday, March 5 through your home school. Please use this document to find all the information needed to finalize registration and pay for the exams.

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Upcoming Virtual College Visits:

- Thursday, February 25th at 12:30 p.m. Appalachian Conservation Corps (Summer Service Opportunities)
- Friday, February 26th at 12:30 p.m. Averett University
- Monday, March 1st at 12:30 p.m. United States Air Force
- Tuesday, March 9th at 12:30 p.m. Colorado Mesa University
- Friday, March 19th at 12:30 p.m. St. Bonaventure University

Register <u>here</u> for upcoming Virtual College/Military Visits! If you are unable to attend a Virtual College/Military Visit or <u>Career Cafe</u> live, you will receive a link to the recorded session following the event via e-mail and may also view from our <u>Hanover Career Counseling YouTube page</u>.

Home/Zoned School Connections



Here's information from the Patrick Henry YMCA about Spring Youth Sports opportunities.

Remember to make sure you are signed up to receive email messages from both Online School as well as your home/zoned school. Email subscriptions can be managed <u>here</u>.

Please use <u>this page</u> to access information about **Elementary** Home/Zoned School events. If you have questions about any of these events, please reach out to the elementary school.

Secondary students can see updates from their schools in their Schoology courses and in the home/zoned school newsletters (please see sections above). Please make sure to check these frequently to stay up to date on activities, events, and important dates from your home/zoned schools.

Elementary school picture day information will be entered into $\underline{\text{this document}}$. Please contact home/zoned schools with questions.