HANOVER ONLINE SCHOOL
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Updates for the Week of 3/29/2021

Important Resources

Phone numbers, team member names, and other important information about Hanover Online School may be [found here.](#)

Information for Everyone

Calendar Items:
- Friday, 4/2 is an early release schedule. Here are the [early release schedules](#) for all levels.
- Spring Break is April 5-9. Enjoy!

Spring Spirit Week: Show your spirit as we head into Spring Break! [Here's the schedule.](#)

Many Thanks to HCPS Curriculum Specialists! To spread the love of reading and to support literacy, HCPS Curriculum Specialists have been handing out stacks of books for students at the feeding stations. Prior to winter break they handed out brand new books at John Gandy Elementary School and Beaverdam Elementary School. This week they are providing books at the feeding stations at Mechanicsville Elementary and Battlefield Park. After spring break, they will share the book love with South Anna. Many thanks!

4th/5th Grade Family Life: Students in grades 4-10 will participate in Family Life instruction during the month of May. Instruction will occur asynchronously through grade-specific Schoology course modules. Please review the following information regarding Parent Resource Guides, Parent Information Day, and Parent & Student Instructional Support Sessions: [Family Life flyer.](#) Parents desiring to exclude their child from the Family Life objectives must complete the Opt-Out Form by the end of the day on **Monday, April 26th**: [Hanover Online School Family Life Opt-Out Form](#). All other students will be enrolled in the Family Life Schoology course by grade level.

It's Time for Kindergarten! Kindergarten registration is right around the corner. Hanover County Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten registrations for the 2021-2022 school year.
Children must be five years old on or before September 30, 2021, to be eligible. Parents and guardians may locate the school their child will attend at http://bit.ly/AttendanceZone.

Please follow the steps outlined [on the Student Enrollment webpage](#) to register your child for kindergarten.

Please note that registration will not be considered complete until the in-person appointment takes place and the school registrar receives all necessary documentation required, including, but not limited to, a photo ID, an original birth certificate, and proof of residency.

Families are encouraged to register their child for kindergarten by May 1.

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: The Virtual OWL Bookfair has been extended to Friday, April 2. Happy Browsing!

Shirt Design Contest Entries Deadline is this Friday, Anyone can submit a design, HCOS Seniors will vote on their favorite to have printed for their Senior T-shirts.

If you'd like to have your photo and/or other media included in the OWL memory book, use the links on this flyer, if you would like to be a part of the design and creation of the memory book, contact Michelle Nordquist at nordschmitt@gmail.com.

Information for the Elementary OWLs

March Book Madness Challenge
The Elementary OWLs are invited to participate in the March Madness Challenge to promote reading. Look for the March Madness information on your child's class Schoology page. Each week will have a theme aligned to March Madness and students will have the opportunity to vote on their favorite books.

SOL Testing: Parents of 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students - If you would like your child to participate in SOL testing this spring, you must fill out the form emailed by your child's teacher by **Wednesday, March 31st**. Only students who have registered via the form will be able to participate in May testing.

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**
  Chickahominy OWL students – the administration at CMS is interested in your feedback about diversity and inclusion during your time at Chickahominy. Please complete this survey by April 16th. All responses are anonymous and the data collected will be used to help CMS better plan for diversity and inclusion in the future.
- **Liberty Middle School**
- **Oak Knoll Middle School**
- **OWL Middle School**

"Middle of the Nest" - No April Fool's Joke Here! The nest will still meet this week at 4:00 on Thursday, April 1. Click here to see more information.

"Spring Into Student Events!" - We have 2 lunch events scheduled this week - sign up for those also. Click here to see more information.
- **Spring Events Calendar - HCOMS**

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

Information for the High School OWLs

Be sure to follow our HCOHS Instagram! Students and families can find information about upcoming school events and see highlights from various classes!

Home High School Newsletters: Keep in the loop with activities from your home school by reviewing their respective weekly newsletter! Additionally, 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!
- **Atlee High School**
- **Hanover High School**
- **Mechanicsville High School**
- **Patrick Henry High School**

Afterschool Activities: We are excited to offer afterschool activities throughout the remainder of the semester! Check out our Activites Calendar to find online school-sponsored activities as well as PTO-sponsored activities offered to all high school students. We hope that you are able to find an activity that interests you!

Volunteering! Are you looking for service hours for an honor society or diploma seal? Do you just want to help out around your community? Check out our list of volunteer opportunities and find one that's right for you!

Upcoming Virtual College, Military, and Employer Visits:
- Monday, March 29th at 12:30 p.m. – Catholic University of America (ROTC programs)
- Monday, April 12th at 12:30 p.m. - Texas A&M University
- Thursday, April 15th at 12:30 p.m. - The University of Virginia's College at Wise

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

Home/Zoned School Connections

Here's information about a fun bookmark contest from the library. Entries must be received by 4/2.

Look here for information about UR's Summer Reading Program.

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 here.

Please use this page 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 this document. Please contact home/zoned schools with questions.

Make sure to also check out **social media** from each school (Facebook, Twitter).

Check out **each school's website**. On most you'll even be able to see recent FB and/or Twitter posts. You can find links to each one from the HCPS website.