

Online School Website

Updates for the Week of 4/12/2021

Important Resources

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

Information for Everyone

Calendar Items:

April 26 - Flexible Learning Day (no synchronous instruction/Zoom meetings on this day)

May 31 - Memorial Day Holiday

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 <u>on the Student Enrollment webpage</u> 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:

April HCOS PTO Meeting is Tonight at 7:00 pm

OWL Curbside Spirit Wear Pickup has been changed to April 28th 4-6:45 pm. There will not be the originally planned pickup on April 13th due to shipping delays. We also have some <u>items still for sale</u>

Virtual School Spirit Night at Panera Bread in Ashland is this Thursday! If placing mobile order, use promo code PRFUND. Otherwise mention HCOS PTO or show this flyer.

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 3-7, here's how you can help!

Information for the Elementary OWLs

Kindergarten: The spring administration of the mathematics component of the **Virginia Kindergarten Readiness Program (VKRP)** will take place beginning April 19- May 7. <u>Here</u> is more information about what your child will need and how this assessment will be used.

Student Recognitions for the month of March: The characteristic that will be highlighted for the month of March is the Globally-Engaged Communicator. Globally-Engaged Communicators are students who can work well with others, listen to others' ideas, learn about cultures that are different from their own, show respect for cultures that are different from their own, and understand and appreciate a diversity of ideas.

Please view this <u>slide show</u> to see those students who were nominated by their teachers as Globally-Engaged Communicators for the month of March.

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 <u>this survey</u> 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 (T-shirt design contest)
- **OWL Middle School** (This volume has our March student recognitions!)

SOL and Virginia Remote Student Progress Tests (VRSPT): To help assist us with planning, please complete the **Spring 2021 Non-Writing SOL Registration Form** by Wednesday, April 21st. Here is the <u>FAQ document</u> containing information about these assessments. Please feel free to contact Nicolle Currie, Coordinator of District Assessment and Analysis, at ncurrie@hcps.us or a school testing coordinator with any questions or concerns. School testing coordinators are as follows:

- BCMS: Monique Bigby-Johnson @ mbigby-johnson@hcps.us
- CMS: Allyson Bruhn @ abruhn@hcps.us
- LMS: Julie Baker @ jmbaker@hcps.us
- OKMS: Nancy Piech @ npiech@hcps.us
- OMS: Shelli Lipton @ slipton@hcps.us or Carmen Waterford @ cwaterford@hcps.us

"Middle of the Nest" - Thursday @ 4:00pm - Click here to see more info and sign up!

"Spring Into Student Events!" - Spring Events Calendar - HCOMS

2020-2021 Yearbooks: Use this <u>LINK</u> 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 <u>HCOHS Instagram</u>! 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

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Afterschool Activities: We are excited to offer afterschool activities throughout the remainder of the semester! Check out our <u>Activites Calendar</u> 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 <u>list of volunteer opportunities</u> and find one that's right for you!

Upcoming Virtual College, Military, and Employer Visits:

- 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
- Friday, April 23 at 12:30 p.m. Amazon Richmond (Career Opportunities)

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>.





<u>Look here</u> for a great program - "Strengthening Families" - offered jointly through a partnership between Hanover County Public Schools and the Community Education Team at Hanover Community Services.

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 <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 <u>this document</u>. 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 <u>HCPS website</u>.

