



HANOVER ONLINE SCHOOL

ONLINE WHILE LEARNING

[Online School Website](#)

Updates for the Week of 4/19/2021

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

June 17th - LAST DAY OF SCHOOL! We will be having a virtual school-wide celebration at 11:00. Stay tuned for more details and the Zoom link.

Coming Soon:

Information about Online Field Day and Online 5th Grade Events will be coming soon. Stay tuned!

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:

Families: please try to attend the PTO Teacher Appreciation [Zoom Session](#) on Wednesday at 4:45, it will be brief and concise!

PreK-12th grade: Teachers love personal messages, help brighten their day and [show your appreciation](#).

Elementary Level Coordinator still needed for the OWL Memory Book portion for Pre K-5th grade portion. This is a free, digital media piece being completed 100% by volunteers and students. Without additional involvement from families to assist with the Pre K- 5th grade portion this will not be a finished project. Please contact Michelle to get involved with this.

[OWL Spirit Gear still for sale!](#) Whether for your owl or to recognize your teacher with a gift (Teacher Appreciation week is May 3-7th) or that special learning coach.

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. [Here](#) is more information about what your child will need and how this assessment will be used.

Flexible Learning Day, Monday, April 26th: The last Flexible Learning Day for HCPS students is April 26, 2021. This day will run exactly like the instructional day in March with students not reporting to Zoom for the day, but engaging in a variety of choice tasks. As a reminder, the purpose of this day is to provide students with learning experiences that may be different than those experienced in the school setting. Please see the documents for details including the choice boards for students. *Each teacher will communicate with families how students will communicate their share sheet.* Time will be planned in class on Tuesday, April 27th, for students to reflect on their experiences with their teacher and classmates.

[Information for Parents](#)

[Grades K-2 Choice Board](#)

[Grades 3-5 Choice Board](#)

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 [slide show](#) 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](#)
- [Liberty Middle School](#)
- [Oak Knoll Middle School](#) *(T-shirt design contest)*
- [OWL Middle School](#)

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 [FAQ document](#) 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” - NO NEST THIS WEEK!

“Spring Into Student Events!” - Gaming Lunch with Mr. Durham on Wednesday, April 21 @ 12:35pm -[sign up here](#).
[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!

Driver's education green cards (DEC1) are now available to pick up for **first semester** (fall) driver's education students. You may pick-up them up in person at the main office of your zoned homeschool. Although just completed, 2nd semester green cards are not yet available. A similar communication will be sent notifying second semester students/parents when they will be signed and ready. If you have questions or concerns about your green card, please reach out to your S1 Driver's Ed teacher. Thank you!

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 [Activities 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:

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

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



[Look here](#) 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 [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](#).

