

Online School Website

Updates for the Week of 5/24/2021

Important Resources

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

Information for Everyone

Calendar Items:

May 31 - Memorial Day Holiday

June 14 and 15 - Early Closing for Middle and High

June 16 and 17 - Early Closing for Elementary, Middle and High

*Please see below for secondary exam information.

*Here's the link to the HCPS school calendar.

Chromebook Collection

Below are the dates and times for Chromebook collection. In addition to the Chromebook, students will need to return the charger and ipearl cover. Mifis must also be returned.

June 11 – June 18: Drive by/drop off service at Attronica Depot

This will primarily be seniors and/or students who finish exams prior to the June 17th.

ATTRONICA: DEPOT HOURS

Monday, Friday 8:30am-5:30pm
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00am-6:00pm
Address: 306 Ashcake Road, Suite E Ashland, VA 23005

June 21: Drive through collection at Patrick Henry High School (exact location to follow)

7:30am - 11:00am and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

June 22: Drive through collection at Hanover High School/Oak Knoll (exact location to follow)

7:30am - 11:00am and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

June 23: Drive through in bus loop at Cold Harbor Elem School 7:30am - 11:00am and 4:00pm - 6:00pm

June 24 – June 30: Drive by/drop off service at Attronica Depot

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.lu/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.

Family Life Modules (Grades 4-10): Students in 4th - 10th grades will now see a Family Life Course in their Schoology Courses. If your child cannot find this course, ask them to Reorder Courses and drag the Course tile into the visible area. Students who opted-out are not enrolled in these courses. Students will progress through these Courses independently on their asynchronous time. Family Life instructors will be available for Parent and Instructional Support Sessions on May 21st and 24th at the following times: Family Life Parent and Student Instructional Support Sessions Time Slots. These days are not for specific curriculum questions, but rather for support as children are working in the Schoology Module. Here is the instructor information and Zoom links for Support Sessions:

Girls Zoom Link: bit.ly/FLgirls
Boys Zoom Link: bit.ly/FLboys

Instructors:

Wendy Ames: wames@hcps.us (girls)
Kelly Madison: kmadison@hcps.us (boys)

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.

Information for the Elementary OWLs

SOL/VRSPT Testing: SOL and Remote Testing continues this week with Math testing for all grade levels. Scores for both SOL and the Virginia Remote Student Progress Test have been entered, by subject area, into the gradebook and may be viewed on PowerSchool. The passing score for both assessments is 400. 400 to 499 means a student passed a test and classifies as proficient; 500 to 600 means a student passed and classifies as advanced. A score between 0 to 399 means a student did not pass the test.

End of Year Events for Elementary Students:

• Elementary Virtual Field Day: Elementary OWL Virtual Field Day will be Friday, May 28th. Mr. Campbell, our online P.E. Teacher has planned some fun activities that teachers will incorporate throughout the day and that students can do on their own. Here are some materials that you may want to have on hand for your child to participate in the various activities:

For the class games:

3-6 Pieces of paper

Pool noodle or broomstick

Spatula
plastic lid
Stopwatch or timer
Sidewalk chalk- or something to make 'spots' to jump into

Additional Games:

10 Plastic Cups- used for cones, cups, etc.

2 chairs

Plastic spoon and 5 objects that fit in it for transporting across an area

An object to create 'wind': paper plate, hair dryer, fan, etc.)

6 large bowls or objects for targets to toss something in

2 Sock Balls or tossable objects including tennis balls

Target: bucket, hoop or laundry basket

1-3 Lightweight objects- plastic bags, scarf, balloon, punch ball

- Sth Grade Recognitions: At all schools, both online and face-to-face, "promotion" activities for 5th grade students are being conducted in the classrooms. 5th grade online students will participate in a classroom ceremony on the morning of the final day of school, Thursday, June 17th. Some components will be recorded and some will be live with the teacher. We will also be holding a 5th grade fun day for our students during the school day on Monday, June 14th. Classroom teachers will share more information on this in the coming weeks! Some home schools are also doing other activities such as drive through events; OWL students are invited to participate in all activities that occur outside of the school day. For questions related to home school events, please check the information posted on home school event pages or reach out to your home school directly.
- **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.

Information for the Middle School OWLs

<u>END of the YEAR CELEBRATIONS</u> for our OWL 6th/7th/8th graders. There is a special goodie bag for each 8th grade OWL student. It is in a bin in front of each middle school and can be picked up at any time. THANK YOU PTO!

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

8th grade only - Golden Knight Award procedures

• OWL Middle School

"Middle of the Nest" - This week is "STEM at the Nest" on Thursday, May 27. <u>Click here for details</u> and materials needed to participate!

FINAL "NEST" of the year! - <u>"The Nest Has Talent, Part 2!"</u> on June 3. Make sure you submit your talent video this week. Hope to see you there!

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

Final Exam Information. Details about final exams/end of year assessments will be given in June from your child's teachers. The exam daily schedule, with times, can be found here. Please note that middle and high school schedules are different for online school, and each day is an early release day ending at 1:45pm.

Information for the High School OWLs

Final Exam Information. Details about final exams which will be given in June can be found on this <u>document</u>. The exam bell schedule can be found <u>here</u>.

Advanced Placement Exam Information. Details about Advanced Placement exams which will be given in June can be found on this <u>document</u>.

Instagram: 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!

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- Atlee High School
- Hanover High School
- Mechanicsville High School
- Patrick Henry High School

Driver Education: Green (DEC-1) Cards for students who took Driver Education during Semester 2 are available for pick up at the home schools. Please make sure that you communicate with the home school to verify pick up procedures.

Senior Activities! Be sure to check out our <u>Senior Information document</u> to keep up with Senior activities at your home school! This document will be continuously updated as more information is available.

Information for students taking SOL tests:

As a reminder, SOL testing is scheduled for May 24-27 at all four high school locations. Students who registered to take their SOL test will receive an email communication from the School Testing Coordinator. If you registered but have yet to receive the confirmation email from the testing coordinator, the information can be found here (alphabetical by school). For those unfamiliar with their chosen testing location procedures, there will be a staff member or signage to help direct you to the correct spot.

If a student is unable to take any test for which he/she registered, please contact Matt Vuiller (mvuiller@hcps.us) or Nikki Currie (ncurrie@hcps.us) to schedule a make-up test. Due to test proctoring, there may be a delay in response. If you were unable to register for May testing, rest assured that there will be other opportunities during the summer and in following school years to fulfill SOL requirements. Details will be made available by individual schools.

Please know that we have worked to ensure that testing locations have been cleaned before student use and we will maintain cleaning procedures in between testing sessions. Online students will be testing in locations separate from their face-to-face peers and will not need to venture into the buildings. Masks must be worn by all students and staff for the duration of testing.

Thank you for your continued support. Good luck to students taking their SOL tests!

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!

Counselor Update

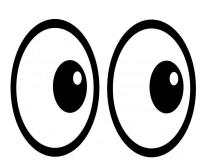
Ms. Kathryn Shapiro, will be out for the remainder of the 20-21 school year as she has welcomed home sweet baby Arthur. Her long-term substitute is Jared Collier, a native of North Carolina and previous school counselor for nine years. We are very excited to welcome Mr. Collier into the OWL counseling community. Please see below for any questions about contacting a counselor for your student:

- Homeschool Counselor List (as a reminder, all secondary students are still a part of their homeschool counselor's caseloads). Feel free to reach out to any of these school counselors via email OR Schoology message. Online Request to Speak with a Counselor
- Jared M. Collier Long-term Sub, Secondary Counseling Liaison jmcollier@hcps.us 804-723-1258
- Suzanne MacDougall OWL Secondary Counseling smacdougall@hcps.us



Home/Zoned School and Community Connections

Community Events:



Randolph-Macon Summer Basketball Camp

Ashland Strawberry Faire

Montpelier Center Summer Camps

R-MC Basketball Summer League Flyer

Atlee Youth Football Camp Brochure

Online Summer Innovation Camp for Middle and High Schoolers

The VCU Center for Innovation in STEM Education, CodeVA, CodeRVA are proud to offer our FREE online summer innovation camp for students interested in learning more about computer science (CS) through solving team-based challenges. Students will learn CS skills in computational thinking and entry-level coding, as well as workplace skills and career opportunities that exist in CS in collaboration with our corporate partners: Capital One, Bank of America, and Carmax. Finally, students will work on authentic CS challenges and present their solutions in a virtual showcase on the last day of the camp, with the "best-in-show" winners across three categories entering their solutions in the Conrad Challenge. Sign up here!

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 <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>.

