

Online School Website Updates for the Week of 6/7/2021

Important Resources

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

Information for Everyone

Calendar Items:

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: Information about Chromebook collection can be found here.

Please keep in mind:

- Seniors who are finished with exams/classes may begin dropping off their Chromebooks at the Attronica Depot immediately. (Directions and times are included in the link.)
- Online students should not drop off their Chromebooks at their home schools.

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.

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

End of Year Events for Elementary Students:

- **5th 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. One portion will be recorded and the other 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 information on this with their classes. Students will begin and end the day with their teachers and have many choices of fun activities and social time in between. 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. The entire elementary OWL school will be joining a Zoom link, to say "goodbye" to this school year and "hello" to summer! Each classroom teacher will be structuring the morning end of year celebrations up until 11:00. Please reach out to your child's classroom teacher if you have any questions about what the morning will look like.

Here's information about the Zoom link for the celebration:

- Please click the link below to join the webinar: https://hcps-us.zoom.us/j/87981871474
- Or iPhone one-tap: US: +19294362866,,87981871474# or +13017158592,,87981871474#
- Or Telephone: Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):
- US: +1 929 436 2866 or +1 301 715 8592 or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799
- Webinar ID: 879 8187 1474
- International numbers available: https://hcps-us.zoom.us/u/kjNeb7xd4

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!

8th grade <u>SPECIAL MESSAGES</u>: 8th graders please check here for information on 8th grade activities at both OWL and at your home school.

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
- Libertu Middle School
- Oak Knoll Middle School
- OWL Middle School

2020-2021 Yearbooks: Use this <u>LINK</u> to learn more information from each middle school on purchasing and submitting photos to the yearbook. (PICK UP TIMES ARE STARTING TO BE LISTED)

Final Exam Information.

- Details about final exams/end of year assessments <u>can be found here</u>, as well as your child's teacher will explain what to expect on the exam day.
- 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.
- Students are expected to attend their PE Zoom during their ELA Extension Block time only.
- Students are expected to attend their ACE block exam time.

Required Vaccinations - Rising 7th graders: New immunization guidelines from Hanover County Public Schools and the Virginia Department of Health. The vaccine requirements will be mandatory at the start of the 2021-2022 school year for all rising 7th grade students, face-to-face and virtual. Please note that you are required to provide documentation of your child's immunizations to your school nurse or front office staff.

- 1. A booster dose of the Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine
- 2. First dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY)
 Optional: You may also wish to discuss the HPV vaccine with your child's healthcare provider as well.

Information for the High School OWLs

Academic Awards. We are pleased to announce our academic awards for the 2020-2021 school year. Recipients can be viewed on this <u>slide show</u>.

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 document.

Graduation Information: Click here for updated graduation information. Upcoming graduation practice information for students:

- AHS Graduation practice held June 4
- HHS Graduation practice held May 28.
- MHS Video outline graduation procedures will be released to students.
- PHHS Graduation practice held June 4

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!

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

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!

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:

- <u>Homeschool Counselor List</u> (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. <u>Online Request to Speak with a Counselor</u>
- 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



Mechanicsville Youth Cheer Camp

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 <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>.

