

Updates for the Week of 11/2/2020

Important Resources

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

Information for Everyone

Student Holidays Remember that both Nov 2 and 3 are student holidays.

Instructional Material Distribution: The next set of instructional materials will be distributed on November 10, 11 and 12 from 4:30-6:00 on the OKMS/HHS busloop. There will be materials for:

- All elementary students
- High school art students (Art 1, Art 2, Art 3, Art 4, IB Visual Art, Photo 1, Photo 2)
- Middle school CTE classes (Make It Your Business; Teen Living; Life Management; Agriscience Exploration; Pre-Engineering; Agriculture Mechanics & Plant Science)
- High School CTE classes (Sports Marketing, Principles of Business & Marketing, Entrepreneurship, Marketing, Intro to Programming, Advanced/AP Programming)

Families are asked to pick up materials based upon the last name of the oldest child for whom you are picking up materials. (You may pick up materials for children from multiple families.)

Nov 10 A-F

Nov 11 G-M

Nov 12 N-Z

**While we will not be strictly monitoring the names of students picking up their materials, adherence to this structure will help us move you through the pickup line in a timely manner.

Elementary materials will be distributed in the outside busloop, and secondary materials in the inside loop. If you have students in both levels, please go to the inside loop.

Online School Website:

We are thrilled to announce the unveiling of our new Hanover Online School website.

This new, mobile friendly website is designed to provide a comprehensive overview of the Online School, including information and resources. That includes basic facts about our school (phone number and administration, for example) as well as a full staff directory, resources for students and parents, and our weekly messages. You can also find links to our Online Learning Help Hub, information on the PTO, and attendance forms, among other things.

We recommend you bookmark the website on your computer or other device since we'll be using the website to keep you in the loop on all things OWL. You can also access the website by choosing "Hanover Online School" under the "Select a School" option on the main HCPS website.

We've worked hard to develop this useful and informative resource. We hope it makes it easy for you to stay informed and feel as proud of Hanover Online School as we are.

Receipt of the HCPS Code of Conduct

As required by state law, each parent of a public school student must sign and return a statement acknowledging receipt of the School Board's standards of student conduct and the compulsory school attendance law. Parents/guardians of Online students may complete this process electronically.

Please select below the link for either the <u>Code of Student Conduct – English</u> or <u>Code of Student Conduct – Spanish</u>. You will need to accept the policy before proceeding to complete the form. You will need to complete one form per child. Please click the area where data is needed (i.e. "Student's Name:") and type the response or signature in the pop-up box at the bottom of the page. You will be directed to the required items needed. For all "Yes" / "No" responses, only select your choice response. Please note - if you received an email about this process and have already completed the form, you do not need to do so again.

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 Our Online PTO is very busy!! If you would like to get involved, here are a few ways to do so-

- Sign-up to donate gift for our teachers:
 https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0d48aea82baafbc43-drivethru
- Donate to the student virtual supply closet using Amazon: https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/38TJJP7SEFJCV?ref =wl share
- Help with the logistics of collecting and distributing donations for upcoming projects (most tasks you can do without leaving your home!) by emailing us at hanoveronlinepto@gmail.com

Visit us on Facebook @HanoverOnlinePTO

PTA Reflections: OWL students are invited to participate in the PTA Reflections competition. <u>Click here for general information</u>. Here is the <u>entry packet</u>.

• All elementary submissions must be turned into their school coordinators. (Here is the list of school coordinators. Please note that this list will be updated as coordinators are assigned.) Deadlines vary based on the home school. Please contact Lily Cameron at owlreflections@gmail.com with any questions.

Information for the Elementary OWLs

Family Literacy Night The Richmond Area Literacy Chapter is sponsoring a virtual Family Literacy Night with activities for adults and kids. In addition to the featured speakers, members of the Randolph Macon College Women's Lacrosse Team will be guest readers. <u>Here is more information</u>.

SeeSaw

What: Seesaw for Schools is coming for our K-2 learners.

When: Accounts are being created and teachers trained. Look for updates from your teachers soon.

Why: Seesaw is an interactive tool with audio, video, and drawing made for our youngest primary users in mind.

What about Schoology?: Schoology is still the organizational platform for hosting materials and communication.

Introduction video for Seesaw: https://youtu.be/oVabBS6uT9U

Spanish version of the video: https://youtu.be/UdqzJ-sLvCq

<u>Digital Resources for Elementary Students</u> Here are some <u>electronic library resources</u> for elementary students.

Attendance Reminders: Daily attendance is crucial for student learning. We ask your cooperation in ensuring your child is logged in and engaging in all components of the synchronous day. If your child is experiencing technical difficulties or will be absent from class, please submit notices in the <u>parent attendance portal</u>.

Information for the Middle School OWLs

Middle School Newsletter - Our middle school newsletter, THE TALON Vol. 5 will be in the Schoology resource folder on 11/9. (Thanks Mrs. Aitken!!)

Attendance Reminders: It is very important to review the <u>daily schedule</u> with your middle school child. Students are expected to be in their seat and ready for learning at the start of each class. Students will be marked as tardy if they arrive 7 minutes past the start time of class. Daily attendance is taken in each of the four blocks. If a student is experiencing technical difficulties or will be absent from class, please submit notices in the <u>parent attendance portal</u>. When teachers are absent from class, they use warm-ups and exit tickets to account for attendance. Students are expected to attend all blocks every day.

Teacher Support Time Teachers are available for small group work or 1:1 support time with students every day from 3:30-4:00. Teachers may designate different days for different subjects or courses, so please look at the course syllabus or touch base with the teacher for specific information.

"Middle of the Nest"- Week 4 is our next "home school" week! Students from Oak Knoll Middle School and Bell Creek Middle School are invited to sign up and attend to meet others from your home school! Click here to see this week's information and students can sign up here. The zoom link will be shared on the Online Middle School's main Schoology page on Thursday.

8th grade National Jr. BETA Invitations: Dear 8th grade families: Listed below are the specifics from each of our middle schools: <u>Hanover Online School Payments</u>

BCMS - Beta dues and membership agreement forms are due by 11/9. Information regarding payment methods and the virtual ceremony date will be shared soon.

CMS - Dues and membership agreement forms are due by 11/6. They can be paid online using the fee link. The virtual ceremony date will be shared soon.

OKMS - Dues and agreement forms are due by 11/6. Membership agreement forms can be signed online as indicated in the letter. Dues can be paid online, mailed to OKMS or brought to school. The virtual ceremony will be shared the week of 11/30.

Maggie Walker Application Process If we were unable to attend the Parent Coffee Chat with Mrs. Datovech on 10/26 to discuss Maggie Walker and the application process, <u>here is a summary slideshow</u> of what was discussed.

Veteran's Day: Please click here to see the memo regarding plans to honor veterans within our community.

Attention OWL AP students: Please take a moment to read this IMPORTANT message regarding AP exam registration and payment found <u>here</u>. Please scroll down to the second page for instructions specific to online students (Hanover Online High School/Virtual VA).

Teacher Support Time: Teachers are available for small group work or 1:1 support time with students every day from 3:30-4:00. Teachers may designate different days for different subjects or courses, so please look at the course syllabus or touch base with the teacher for specific information.

Attendance Reminders: It is very important for students to be logged in and active in their Zoom classes each day. Daily attendance is taken in each of the four blocks (except study halls). If a student is experiencing technical difficulties or will be absent from class, please submit notices in the <u>parent attendance portal</u>. When teachers are absent from class, they use Google forms, warm-ups, etc. to account for attendance. Students are expected to attend all blocks every day.

SAT Scores on Transcripts: Students have the option to opt out of SAT or ACT scores being reported on their transcript. Please note that even though colleges may waive the testing option for admissions, some scholarships may still require an SAT or ACT score. If you would like the testing score to be excluded on the transcript, fill out the attached form and return to the school counseling office.

2020-2021 Senior Scholarship Application/Scholarship Opportunities: Attention Seniors, the 2020-21 Senior Scholarship Application is now open for you to access! Completing this application will qualify you to be considered for scholarships provided by several area businesses. The deadline to complete the application is Thursday, December 31, 2020, at 11:59 p.m. See the following links to access the Senior Scholarship Application, a checklist of information you will need to complete your application and the Scholarship Opportunities Spreadsheet, a listing of local, national and community scholarships that you can start searching and applying for today! Please contact your home school's Career Counselor with any questions. Thank you!

HHS and MHS - Contact Ms. Corbin (acorbin@hcps.us)

https://bit.ly/HCPSSeniorScholarshipApp2021

AHS and PHHS - Contact Ms. Edwards (spedwards@hcps.us)

- http://bit.ly/SeniorScholarshipAppChecklist 2020-21
- http://bit.ly/ScholarshipOpportunitiesHCPS

Upcoming Virtual College Visits:

- Lincoln University (PA) and Furman University Wednesday, November 4
- Air Force ROTC and Eastern Mennonite University Thursday, November 5
- Advanced Technology Institute Friday, November 6
- Randolph-Macon College Monday, November 9
- Roanoke College Tuesday, November 10
- Virginia Commonwealth University Thursday, November 12
- University of Kentucky Friday, November 13

Sign up for Virtual College Visits: http://bit.ly/VirtualCollegeVisits2020.

Virtual College/Military visits will take place from 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 pm with the exception of Lincoln University and Air Force ROTC which will be from 12:00 p.m. - 12:30 pm. Following each virtual visit, we will send out a pre-recorded presentation on Schoology about the college/military visit for those that were unable to attend the live session. All students who registered for a career or college/military event will receive a Zoom meeting link at the email provided when registering. Students are asked to register at least 48 hours in advance of the virtual event.

2021 Summer Residential Governor's School: Summer Residential Governor's Schools provide gifted 10th & 11th grade high school students with intensive educational experiences in visual and performing arts; humanities; mathematics, science, and technology; or through mentorships in marine science, medicine and health sciences, or engineering. These residential programs run from late June to late July. For more information and applications visit the Virginia Department of Education website. Applications are due to home school

coordinators by January 22, 2021.

Home School Connections

Remember to make sure you are signed up to receive email messages from both Online School as well as your home school. Email subscriptions can be managed <u>here</u>.

Please use <u>this page</u> to access information about **Elementary** Home 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. Please make sure to check these frequently to stay up to date on activities, events, and important dates from your home schools.

<u>Home High School Newsletters</u>: Keep in the loop with activities from your home school by reviewing their respective weekly newsletter!

- Atee High School
- <u>Hanover High School</u>
- Mechanicsville High School
- Patrick Henry High School

We are starting to get information about **school picture days** from the home schools. Information will be entered into <u>this document</u> as we receive it.

Home High Schools will post <u>information for Seniors here</u>. Please keep checking back for important Class of 2021 information.