

HUNTINGDON AREA HIGH SCHOOL

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"ALL LEARNERS, ALL FUTURES"

To: Learners, Parents, and Guardians
From: Mr. Travis Lee, High School Principal
Re: HAHS School Update
Date: September 14, 2020

Hello HAHS Bearcat Families,

We've had a positive start to the 20-21 school year! We've now entered our third week of school, and learners are settling into their routines and school activities have begun. Though we understand that teaching and learning look different under a hybrid model, and as we've all experienced challenges in regards to the pandemic, we still expect this to be a great school year!

We would not have been able to have a successful start without the cooperation of our children and families in following many new health and safety procedures, especially with face covering compliance and social distancing measures. Our learners showed up prepared with an understanding of what to expect during the first day of school, and that is a ***testament to the entire school community working together!***

It is a pleasure to work with your children. As we move forward, we are committed to doing our best to serve our learners academically, socially, and emotionally. ***See the Updates and Reminders below*** that highlight some of these items and happenings within the building. Please reach out with any questions or concerns regarding your learner's educational experience.

Sincerely,

Travis R. Lee,
HAHS Principal

Updates and Reminders

- **Beginning of the Year (BOY) Forms**
 - **BOY forms were due on Friday, September 11.** A link to the online form and additional information can be found on the HAHS website. If you have yet to submit the forms, please do so as soon as possible
- **Attendance Reminder**
 - Learners should be taking their attendance each school day via the [HASD Remote Attendance Form](#), which **includes both in-person and remote learning days**
 - Attendance must be taken between 6:00 - 10:00 am
- **Weekly Assignments**
 - To help learners and families navigate assignments and expectations during our hybrid learning phase, teachers are sharing a weekly agenda in each class's Google Classroom. This should be the first resource that learners check for assignments, materials, and due dates each week. This information will also be reviewed with learners during in-person days

- **Tutoring Options**
 - There will be multiple options for tutoring available to HAHS learners, both during the day during remote learning and during evening hours. Please look out for additional information coming soon!
 - We have also partnered with Juniata College to offer the PALS tutoring program, which can offer subject-specific tutoring at the secondary level. Please see the ADDENDUM for a QR Code and information regarding the PALS program
- **Homecoming 2020**
 - Though Homecoming activities will look different this year, we are continuing with the homecoming tradition!
 - Congratulations to our Queen Candidates: Haidyn Carlin, Lyndzi Fisher, Amanda Gwinn, Sydney Houck, and Ellie Kyle; and to our Mr. Huntingdon Candidates: Myles Baney, Luke Brown, Briar Deline, Brady Handy, and Tanner Park
- **Positive School Wide Banner Status**
 - HAHS has once again received “Banner Status” for Tier I implementation and fidelity of its PBIS (School Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports) system, known as Positive School Wide (PSW) at HAHS
 - Our Student Empowerment Team (SET) and our teachers have done a great job establishing common behavioral and academic expectations across our building. There is a lot of work that goes into preparing behavioral reteaching videos, planning for school celebrations, and continuing to promote our BEARCATS expectations - Be Engaged, Act Responsibly, Care About the Team, and Safety
 - Great work to all involved with helping to maintain this state level recognition! Our next steps involve coordinating our additional supports within the building at the Tier II and Tier III levels
- **Mental Health Resources**
 - The mental wellness of our learners is a high priority at HAHS and HASD. In conjunction with National Suicide Prevention Month (September), please see the [HAHS Suicide Prevention Resources for Parents: 9/14/20](#) message, which is also shared on the HAHS website, for information about resources and supports available to families
 - Especially in light of the pandemic, we want to let you know that we are here to support you!
- **School Lunch Information**
 - On 9/2, the USDA extended the Seamless Summer Option food program, which again allows HASD to provide free meals to learners ages 2-18!
 - Breakfast and lunch will be provided for free on-site while your learner is in school
 - Breakfasts and lunches will be available for pick-up for your children on Wednesdays, at the Middle School, between 11:30 am - 12:15 pm, for remote learning days. Please see the HASD website for additional information
- **Picture Day Information**
 - Picture Day for HAHS is Friday, September 25 (Blue Group) and Monday, September 28 (Red Group)
 - Additional information regarding ordering information will be forthcoming
- **National Merit Scholar Semifinalist**
 - Congratulations to HAHS senior Taran Pelkey on becoming a National Merit Scholarship semifinalist! This is a prestigious recognition, and we wish him the best of luck!
- **College Advisor and Virtual College Representative Visits**
 - Mr. Aidan Wright is HAHS’s new college advisor, as part of our partnership with Franklin and Marshall College. Welcome him to HAHS!
 - Despite the pandemic, Mr. Wright continues to plan virtual visits with college representatives. Please see below for a picture of our first virtual visit!
- **School Profile**
 - Please see the ADDENDUM for the HAHS School Profile. The profile contains information that can be helpful to learners when applying to colleges, and provides a snapshot of programs and statistics for HAHS

ADDENDUM

Juniata College Tutoring Information

Opportunities to Partner with Juniata College

EASY Spanish

The Enrichment After School for Youth: Spanish (EASY Spanish) program is designed to provide opportunities for children in grades 3 through 6 to be introduced to Spanish language and cultures. Out of an abundance of caution, we will run the program as a remote instruction over Zoom and Google Classroom.



PALS Tutoring

Juniata College students will provide group tutoring and mentoring for K-12 students in local school districts. We will be working with students remotely through Zoom. During the tutoring/mentoring sessions, Subject-specific tutors will be available for the middle and high school levels. There is no cost to participate in this program.



Follow the QR Codes for more information or to sign up!

Start of School Year Pictures

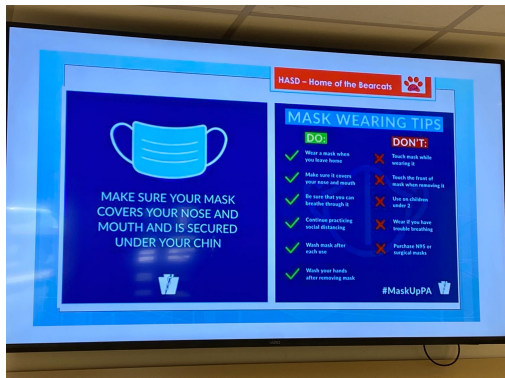
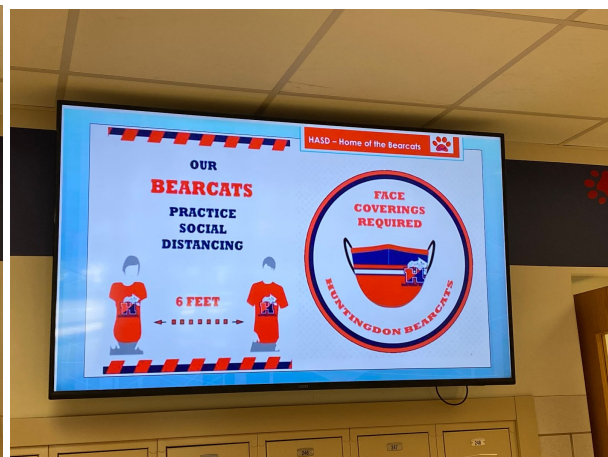


Morning arrival and socially distanced cafeteria seating

Hallway Directions and One-Way Stairwells



Hallway Health and Safety Digital Signage



Virtual College Representative Information - Mr. Aidan Wright



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ACADEMIC PROFILE 2020-2021

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The Huntingdon Area High School serves students (grades 9-12) residing in a school district located in Huntingdon County of south-central Pennsylvania. The district is composed of rural, village, and small town populaces (approximate population of 45,168 as of 2018 Census). Employment includes farming, industrial, and small business settings with a 5.1% county unemployment rate (according to a July 2019 report).

CURRICULUM

The Huntingdon Area High School is a comprehensive high school: course offerings are listed below.

- *College courses (marked College on transcript)
- *Advanced Placement (marked AP on transcript)
- *Honors (marked Honors on transcript)
- *Online courses (marked Online on transcript)

HUNTINGDON COUNTY CAREER & TECHNOLOGY CENTER (HCCTC)

Students have the option of completing courses at the Huntingdon County Career & Technology Center. HCCTC provides quality career and technical education opportunities for students through integrated academic and technical experiences.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS CLASS OF 2021

A total of 24 credits and the Graduation Project need to be completed in order to receive a diploma.

English	4.0
Mathematics	3.0
Science	3.0
Social Studies	3.0
Phys Ed/Health	2.0
Family Consumer Sci	0.5
Music and/or Art	1.0
Technology	0.5
Electives	7.0
<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>24.0</u>

In order to be eligible to graduate, students must also be proficient in the areas of Algebra and Literature. Students are assessed by taking the Keystone Exams.

GRADING SCALE

Letter Grade	Percent	Grade Point Value
A	95-100	4.00
A-	90-94	3.67
B+	87-89	3.33
B	83-86	3.00
B-	80-82	2.67
C+	77-79	2.33
C	73-76	2.00
C-	70-72	1.67
D+	67-69	1.33
D	63-66	1.00
D-	60-62	0.67
F	Under 60	0.00

OTHER NOTATIONS

P/F	Pass/Fail Course
I	Incomplete
R	Repeated Course (Learner repeated a course they previously passed)

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Advance Placement courses offered at Huntingdon Area High School include:

Calculus
English
Chemistry
Biology
Environmental Science
US History II
US Government & Politics

HAHS ONLINE ACADEMY

Huntingdon Area High School operates its own online school for the purpose of providing our students with educational choices. Students can be full-time online or may use the academy to supplement or accelerate in their curriculum. Online classes are taught by the same qualified teachers as our in-house classes.

GPA & CLASS RANK

GPA and class rank have been weighted since the 2014-2015 school year.

The weighting is:

AP classes= 1.4 weight

Honors classes= 1.2 weight

All other classes are not weighted

SAT & ACT MEAN SCORES FOR HAHS

	HAHS	State	National
SAT E-B R+W	544	540	536
SAT Math	529	533	531
ACT Composite	-	23.7	21

INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

BOYS SPORTS

Basketball
Baseball
Football
Golf
Soccer
Swimming
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball
Wrestling

GIRLS SPORTS

Basketball
Cheerleading
Field Hockey
Golf
Soccer
Softball
Swimming
Tennis
Track & Field
Volleyball

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Belles & Beaus, Camarata, Envirothon, FFA, Jazz Band, Key Club, Marching Band, Mock Trial, National Honor Society (NHS), Positive School Wide (PSW), Press Club, Prom Committee, Quiz Bowl, Student Council, teens Against Tobacco
Use (TATU), Varsity Club, Yearbook

CLASS OF 2020 MATRICULATION

- 52%- enrolled in a four-year institution
- 9%- enrolled in a two-year institution
- 34%- joined workforce
- 3%- joined military
- 2%- other