

HUNTINGDON AREA HIGH SCHOOL

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"ALL LEARNERS, ALL FUTURES"

August 13, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are continuing with the process of providing many of the Beginning of the Year (BOY) school materials and documents to you in a digital format. Rather than sending many letters home with learners, we are providing this information to you prior to the first day of school via the attached PDF. This information is posted to the HAHS website, and is available in hard copy form by request to the High School office. The process for completing the online forms is shared on the reverse side of this message. Please complete and/or return all forms by **Friday, September 3, 2021**. The iPad insurance forms and payment will be due by Friday, September 10, 2021.

Items included in the BOY Packet include:

- Learner Handbook/Acceptable Use Policy Acknowledgment
- iPad Off-Campus Usage Memo
- iPad Off-Campus Use Form
- iPad Insurance Form
- Permission to Photograph/Publish
- High School FERPA Form (Institutes of Higher Learning and Military Release info)
- Gaggle Memo
- HASD School Calendar
- HAHS Lunch Menu
- Child Health Insurance Information (CHIP)
- Early Dismissal and Excuse for Absence or Tardiness Form
- Attendance Reminder
- HASD Emergency Information Record
- Transportation Safety Disability/Medical Questionnaire
- Free and Reduced Price Lunch Form

Thank you for your cooperation, and let's have a great start to the year!

Travis R. Lee,
HAHS Principal

BOY Material Completion and Return

Forms to be submitted or returned by

Friday, September 3, 2021

Required Forms: Complete the two Online Google Forms via the links below. These forms are the same across HASD.

1. HASD 2021-2022 Beginning of Year Forms
 - a. When you complete this form, it will direct you to complete the form below
2. HASD Emergency Information Record 2021-2022 School Year

Note: You will need your learner's **Skyward Student ID Number**. This number can be found via the Skyward Family Access portal. Learners will also receive a copy of their ID number with their school-issued ID

Note: Hard copies of these forms are available upon request in the High School Office.

Optional Forms: Complete and return if necessary/applicable to your family. These forms are to be returned to the High School Office

1. Free or Reduced Price Lunch Application (available on the HASD website, within the attached PDF, or available at the HAHS office)
2. iPad Insurance Form (provided to learners in homeroom and included in the attached PDF)

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Dear Parents/Guardians and Learners,

It is extremely important that you review with your son/daughter the HAHS Learner Handbook with special emphasis on Attendance and the Code of Learner Conduct sections. The handbook is located on the HASD website (huntsd.org) under the High School section. We will also provide the HAHS Learner Handbook to all learners in their Google classroom, and send the HAHS Learner Handbook to parents/guardians that have provided an email on Skyward. If you do not have access to technology and would like a copy of the HAHS Learner Handbook, please contact the High School office.

The Learner Handbook also references and includes specific policies such as the following:

Board Policy

- 204 - Attendance
- 210 - Medication
- 210.1 - Possession/Use of Asthma Inhalers/Epinephrine Auto-Injectors
- 226 - Searches
- 233 - Expulsion
- 247 - Hazing
- 248 - Unlawful Harassment
- 249 - Bullying/Cyber Bullying
- 252 - Dating Violence
- 815 - Acceptable Use of Internet, Computers and Network Resources
- 819 - Suicide Awareness, Prevention and Response
- 823 - Naloxone

By signing this form, you are acknowledging that you have read and understand the rules and expectations contained in the 2020-2021 Huntingdon Area High School Learner Handbook. You understand that the learner is responsible for all rules and expectations stated in this handbook.

Learner's Name _____ Grade _____ Homeroom # _____

Learner Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED BY September 11, 2020

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HAHS iPad Off-Campus Usage Memo

August 25, 2021

Dear High School Parents and Guardians:

Please review the iPad Guidelines and Insurance Information provided in the learner handbooks. An iPad Insurance Form and iPad Off-Campus Usage Form accompany this memo.


Please note that purchasing insurance is not a requirement for iPad off-campus use. However, it is strongly recommended that insurance be purchased as a protection for the family from accidental loss or damage to the iPad.

Once learners complete and return their signed Handbook/AUP form (note that this will be completed electronically this year) and their Off-Campus use form, they will be issued their Off-Campus Usage sticker for their iPads. Please submit these forms with the rest of the beginning of year materials by Friday, September 3, 2021. Learners may take iPads home prior to receiving their stickers so that they can utilize them as needed during the first weeks of school.

We hope that by permitting learners to utilize their iPads off-campus, they will have extended opportunities to learn and to accomplish school tasks, in an environment where learning is not confined to the hours of the school day. Please note that learners will not be required to take the iPads home, and those that have permission to do so can decide when and how often they will actually need to utilize the device off-campus. As we prepare for another year of uncertainty with the COVID-19 pandemic, having the ability to utilize iPads off-campus should we need to proceed with remote learning.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office at (814)643-1080.

Sincerely,



Travis R. Lee,
High School Principal

Huntingdon Area School District iPad Off-Campus Usage Form

Guidelines/Expectations

To continue learning any time, anywhere, learners are permitted to take their assigned devices home for educational use. Learners wishing to take their iPads home must meet the following requirements:

- Learners and their parents/guardians have an **Off Campus Usage** form on file;
- Learners and their parents/guardians have submitted a signed **Acceptable Use Policy** form;
- Learners must follow all guidelines for acceptable and appropriate use of the device.
- Unless directed by their teacher, learners are not authorized to use other learner's iPads. In addition, learners are not permitted to allow others to access their assigned district iPad, including family members and friends.
- Learners who forget their iPads at home will not be provided a loaner device and will be considered unprepared for class. This may result in disciplinary action or revocation of off campus privileges.
- Learners are responsible for having their iPads fully charged for the day upon arrival to school.
- iPad internet use will continue to be monitored/filtered, even off campus, with the school's designated program (i.e., Securly).
- All iPads and cases must remain free of any writing, drawing, stickers, decals or labels that are not the property of the District.
- The district recommends that all learners taking their assigned device home use an additional protective iPad sleeve and/or a backpack or bag with a protective device compartment to protect the iPad while in transit. Learners are responsible for the safe transport of the iPad.
- Charger Use: All learners have been issued a charger in their homeroom cart/designated iPad storage location. These chargers are not permitted to leave the carts and be taken home. A limited supply of chargers are available to check out from school libraries.

The school strongly suggests that learners and families purchase insurance for the iPads. This is not a requirement for off-campus use and remote learning, but families are financially responsible for all repair or replacement costs of the device and accessories or insurance is not purchased.

By signing below, the learner and family agrees to follow all of the guidelines and expectations outlined above, and explained in the Learner Handbook, and give permission for the learner to have off campus iPad use, and understand that the privilege for off campus use can be revoked at any time if the expectations are not followed.

Learner Name

Learner Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Name

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Huntingdon Area School District 2021-2022 iPad Insurance Form

The Huntingdon Area School District is offering families the opportunity to protect district-owned Chromebook/iPads ("device") utilized by learners. This optional plan protects the device against accidental damage (drops/spills), loss or theft, fire, flood, and natural disasters. The plan will also act as an extension of the manufacturer's warranty against defects. Insurance is highly recommended, although it is not mandatory. **Insurance is not mandatory if the learner's parent/guardian chooses to allow the device to be taken home, but is strongly recommended.** If you choose **not** to purchase insurance, the parent/guardian is financially responsible for all repair or replacement costs of the device and its accessories.

Parents/Learners purchasing insurance will be responsible for the following deductibles:

- **1st Claim:** \$25
- **2nd Claim:** \$150 or cost of repair (whichever is less)
- **3rd Claim:** Full value of repair/replacement (iPad: \$250, Chromebook: \$200)

Claims submitted are per individual child, not per family and are on a per-year basis. Learners will be responsible for the care of devices and device accessories, including, but not limited to: keyboard, case and charger. Devices can be tracked by their serial numbers. The insurance fee scale for the 2021-2022 school year is listed below. If you qualify for free or reduced lunch status, you also qualify for reduced insurance costs.

Fees will be assessed for all learners/families wishing to purchase insurance for the 2021-2022 school year.

Fee Schedule

Status:	Not Eligible for Free or Reduced Lunch	Eligible for Reduced Lunch	Eligible for Free Lunch
INDIVIDUAL PLAN:	\$30	\$20	\$10
FAMILY PLAN:	\$50	\$25	\$15

Please include a check or money order payable to Huntingdon Area School District with this form, or visit the Bearcat Pay link on the district website (<https://huntsd.egovpayments.com/egov/apps/payment/center.egov>) for credit card payments. Check the box below if using Bearcat Pay. Only one form per family is necessary. If your check is returned for insufficient funds, an additional fee will be charged. Fees are reviewed annually based on claims incurred district-wide.

I will submit payment via Bearcat Pay rather than check or money order.

Parents/guardians will be responsible for the entire cost of replacement or repair for devices damaged through active misuse, abuse or intentional damage. If the iPad/Chromebook is misplaced, lost or stolen you must notify the school immediately and file a report with the School Resource Officer. iPad insurance is voided if an iPad is in an unapproved case.

_____ **YES!** I would like to purchase insurance for the electronic device(s). (Please circle coverage level from the fee schedule above & attach payment or submit via Bearcat Pay.)

_____ **NO!** I would NOT like to purchase insurance for the electronic device(s) at this time.

Forms and Payment are due by September 10, 2021

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Name (Printed) _____

Learner Name (Please Print)	Student ID Number	Grade Level

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August 25, 2021

TO: Parents and/or Guardians of HAHS Students
FROM: Travis R. Lee, Principal
RE: Permission to Photograph/Publish Photographs and Release Names

Throughout the school year, various activities are documented through photographs, digital images, or video recordings. These documents are a great way to highlight the learning and school spirit at HAHS. In addition, these documents may be utilized for the purpose of professional learning opportunities by teachers and administrators. In order for these pictures, recordings, or images to be displayed and/or shared electronically via the internet, in other displays, in the news media, in school-based social media, and/or for professional learning, permission must be granted by the parents and/or guardians of our learners.

Please note that this information will remain in effect until September 1, 2020, or until this form can be submitted at the start of the next academic year.

I give the Huntingdon Area School District permission to:

Photograph my child: Yes No
Video Record my child: Yes No

I give the Huntingdon Area School District permission to publish my child's name and/or photograph in:

School Bulletin Board Yes No
School Yearbook Yes No
School Newsletters Yes No
Newspaper Yes No
District Website Yes No
School wide celebrations Yes No
School/Club Social Media Yes No

Learner Name

Grade

Homeroom

Parent Signature

Date

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YOUR RIGHTS UNDER THE FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND PRIVACY ACT

August 25, 2021

Attention Parents/Guardians:

Both federal and state laws **require** that Superintendents provide military recruiters or institutions of higher learning, upon request, access to high school students and directory information on those students. The state military affairs law requires the release of directory information consisting of a list of secondary male and female students **by name, home address, and telephone number.**

Under the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) and Section 9528 of the Every Student Succeeds Act, **parents may request that their child's name, address and telephone listing be excluded from the list and not be released without prior written consent.** Parents/guardians of HAHS learners wishing to exercise the right to "opt out" must sign the form below and return it to the High School Guidance Office by **September 3, 2021** or as soon as possible after enrollment, otherwise your child's name will be included on the list. Also, please know that parents are responsible for changing the status of the authorization. For example, if you allowed your child to be on the list, but later decided that you did not want him or her included, you are responsible for contacting the Guidance Office to complete a "do not release" form. According to the law, any authorization will remain in effect unless parents request otherwise at a later date by notifying the High School Guidance Office.

Institutions of Higher Learning:

(Print Name of Student)

(Current Grade)

(Parent/Guardian's Signature)

(Date)

Military Recruiters:

(Print Name of Student)

(Current Grade)

(Parent/Guardian's Signature)

(Date)

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Tonya DeVecchis-Kerr
Interim Superintendent

Chris Evans
Director of Student Services

August 2021

Dear Families,

This letter is to inform you that the Huntingdon Area School District partners with Gaggle to keep students safe when they use Google(G) Suite for Education from Google. HASD will use Gaggle Safety Management for G Suite to further promote student and educator productivity in a safe and controlled environment.

Gaggle Safety Management combines technology with expert Safety Representatives, who review content 24/7 to assure learners are safe. Gaggle identifies inappropriate words and images in Gmail, Google Drive, Google Docs and more. Trained professionals then apply consistent approved policies for positive intervention, alerting school officials if there is an imminent threat to a learner.

The Huntingdon Area School District also uses Securly as another added protection when students are using school devices. Securly monitors what students are Google searching. If Securly deems the word to be inappropriate or compromises the safety of your child or other students, it will notify administration on what is being searched on Google.

Students in grade K - 2 do not have access to an email address. Students are issued an email address in grade 3, that stays with them through graduation. Students in grades 3 - 8 will only have access to email internally (to communicate with huntsd.org addresses). Students in grades 9 - 12 will have complete internal and external email access.

We want to reiterate that our use of the internet and applications are for educational purposes and are not accessed without a filter on our network. YouTube will be accessible to all students, unless otherwise indicated on our COPPA (ages 13 and under) permission form. Please note that educational benefits and experiences may be limited for students that do not have access to these educational tools. Students are still expected to abide by the Acceptable Use Policy 815, and the use of devices and programs can be limited due to misuse.

Sincerely,

The Huntingdon Area School District Administrative Team

HUNTINGDON AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT 2021 - 2022 CALENDAR

Approved 3/15/2021

August T - 7 S - 5

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
15	16	NTI	NTPD	NTPD	20	21
22	SD	IN	FD	26	27	28
29	30	31				

September T & S - 21

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	VA	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

October T & S - 21

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	A80	23
24/ 31	25	26	1MP	28	29	30

November T & S - 16

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	A80 1/2 PTC	VA	ACT 48	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	ED/ PTCTD	VA	VA	27
28	VA	VA				

December T & S - 17

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	ED	VA	25
26	VA	VA	VA	VA	VA	

January T & S - 21

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
						1/ 8
2	3	4	5	6	7	
9	10	11	12	13	1SM	15
16	A80	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

February T & S - 18

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	VA	19
20	VA	22	23	24	25	26
27	28					

March T & S - 23

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	A80	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	3MP	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

April T & S - 18

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	VA	VA	16
17	VA	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

May T & S - 21

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	VA	31				

June T - 3 S - 2

S	M	T	W	Th	F	S
			1	LD/ED/ GR	IN	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11

Half day dismissal
times are 11:15 a.m. for
Middle School & High
School Learners and
11:45 a.m. for
Elementary Learners

August 17 - New Teacher Induction

August 18 - New Teacher Professional Development

August 19 - New Teacher Professional Development

August 23 - Staff Development

August 24 - Inservice Day

August 25 - First Day of School

September 6 - Labor Day - No School

October 22 - Act 80 Day

October 27 - End of 1st Marking Period

November 10 - Act 80 Half Day / Parent-Teacher Conferences

November 11 - Veterans' Day - No School

November 12 - Opportunity for Act 48 Hours (Voluntary)

November 24 - Early Dismissal / Parent-Teacher Conference Trade Day

November 25 through November 30 - Thanksgiving Break - No School

December 23 - Early Dismissal

December 24 through January 1 - Holiday Break - No School

January 14 - End of 1st Semester

January 17 - Act 80 Day

February 18 & February 21 - Vacation Days - No School

March 14 - Act 80 Day

March 22 - End of 3rd Marking Period

April 14 through April 18 - Spring Break - No School

May 30 - Memorial Day - No School

June 2 - Last Day of School/Early Dismissal Graduation

June 3 - Inservice Day

Weather Make up Days

February 18, April 14, April 18

Flexible Instructional Days (FID - Remote Model of Learning) Up to 5 days per year

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Elementary Schools - November 10 from 12:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

Middle School & High School - November 10 from 11:45 a.m. to 6:45 p.m.

PSSA Testing Window

English Language Arts - April 25 through April 29, 2022

Mathematics, Science & Make-ups - May 2 through May 13, 2022

Keystone Exams Testing Window

Winter Wave 1 - December 1 through December 15, 2021

Winter Wave 2 - January 3 through January 14, 2022

Springs - May 16 through May 27, 2022