

8/26/24



Hollifield Station Elementary School

School Hours

9:05 a.m. Bell Rings

9:20 a.m. Late Bell - Instruction begins

3:50 p.m. Dismissal begins

Dear HSES Families,

It was such a pleasure to see so many families on Friday at Open House! This is one of our favorite moments of the year, seeing our students and the excitement of welcoming them back for another year. (It was a beautiful day both inside and outside!) As always, we look forward to collaborating with you this year and ensuring that each student has a successful year. Our doors are always open so feel free to call, email or stop by the front office if you have any questions.

Please enjoy this week's edition of the Hollifield Herald. Arrival & Dismissal Information was sent out in an earlier email.

Warmly,

Amanda Wadsworth, Principal

Aaron Tark, Assistant Principal

&

Laurie Poquette, Administrative Intern

Important information included:

- Important dates
- Reminders for the following:
 - Absences
 - Family File (Emergency Card)
 - School Meal Information
 - Free & Reduced Application
 - School Supplies
 - Student Code of Conduct

Important Dates

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| August 26th | First Day of School for Students |
| September 2nd | Labor Day - Schools and Offices Closed |

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| September 11th | Back to School Night - GT and 3rd-5th 6:00 - 6:30 PM - GT Information sessions 6:30 - 7:30 PM - 3rd - 5th Grade |
| September 12th | Back to School Night - 1st & 2nd 6:30 - 7:30 PM - 1st and 2nd Grade |
| September 19th | PTA - Welcome Back Party on the back blacktop 5:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. |

Virtual Office [Link](#)

Related Arts Color Days Schedule for the Upcoming Week:

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| 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| red | orange | yellow | green | blue |
| School Begins for Students | | | First day of school for Pre-K/RECC | |

Reminders for a Successful School Year

Absences

Attendance in school is critical to a child's success. If you are going to miss school for any reason, please email HSESabsence@hcpss.org. For more information click this [LINK](#).

Family File

*** 61% of our families have completed their Family File!!!**

Want to ensure emergency contacts are up to date? Want to know your bus information? Want to ensure your child can attend a field trip?

PLEASE COMPLETE YOUR STUDENT(S) FAMILY FILE ASAP

Every year HCPSS parents must complete a Family File for each child. HCPSS utilizes Family File for parents/guardians to complete emergency information.

Parents/guardians must verify and/or update information for each child, and can do so by logging in to [HCPSS Connect](#) PARENT ACCOUNT and selecting the MORE OPTIONS tab on the left and then clicking on Family File.

Once logged in, you will be asked to update or provide the following information:

- Student Information
- Parent/Guardian Contact
- Emergency Contacts
- Medical Information
- Arrival/Dismissal Procedures
- Photo Approval Data Confidentiality
- PTA/PTSA Directory

<https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/family-file-quick-guide.pdf>

FAMILY FILE USER GUIDE (ENGLISH) -

<https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/family-file-user-instructions.pdf>

FAMILY FILE USER GUIDE (SPANISH) -

<https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/family-file-user-instructions-spanish.pdf>

FAMILY FILE USER GUIDE (KOREAN) -

<https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/family-file-user-instructions-korean.pdf>

Family Directory

If you would like to access contact information for other HSES families, you can download our school's directory in the HCPSS Parent Portal. Follow these steps:

1. Login to HCPSS Connect;
2. Click "more options" on the left hand panel; and
3. Click "School Directory" to view.

If you would like to be in the School Directory, you must complete the information in the Family File.

2024-25 School Meals

Information on the school meals program can be found on the HCPSS [website](#).

Many HCPSS families are eligible to participate in the Free and Reduced Price Meals (FARMs) program, which provides children with a wide range of benefits. Families are urged to check their eligibility and complete a FARMs application as soon as possible. Families must submit a new application every school year. [Details on the Free and Reduced Meals program](#), including a link to apply, are available online.

School Supplies

To access the required list of school supplies for the 2024-25 please download from this UPDATED [link](#).

What should we do if our family can't make it to the open house and we would like to drop the supplies off before the first day?

After August 23rd, you can drop your child's supplies off to the front vestibule in a bag labeled with your child's first and last name and grade level. If you have more than one child, do not place all supplies in one bag, please provide one bag for each child.

Student and Parent Handbook

The Student & Parent Handbook can be found online and outlines districtwide practices and policies related to parents and students, including the Student Code of Conduct, school procedures, student responsibilities and more.

PTA Newsletter

**** To highlight the great work that they do and all the support they provide us, we will send the PTA Newsletter in a separate alert this year. ****