



**Hillsboro High School
2024-2025**

Welcome to Hillsboro!

Greetings Families!

It is my honor to welcome you to Hillsboro High School for the upcoming school year. Your high school career will provide a wealth of opportunities and experiences which will prepare you for your future. At Hillsboro, we offer a wide range of academic courses and student organizations in which to immerse yourself.

At Hillsboro, you will be surrounded by a dedicated team of teachers and staff who will work to support you and encourage you throughout your high school career. During your time here, we will partner with you and your family to prepare you to take on the post-secondary world. You are capable of endless accomplishments, and we will provide you with access to a rigorous education and career experiences which will prepare you to take on your future goals.

It is my encouragement to you, to challenge yourself by taking advanced academic courses and join a student organization. At Hillsboro, excellence is not a destination, it is a journey that never ends.

I am thrilled to welcome you to the Hillsboro community, we are looking forward to the great things you accomplish!

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WELCOME TO HILLSBORO

Dear Families:

Welcome to Burro Nation! We are so excited to have you and your student joining the Hillsboro High School Community! Hillsboro is truly one of the city's gems. We have some of the strongest academic programs available in the city, a terrific faculty and staff, a deeply engaged parent community, a thriving arts community, best-in-class athletics, and a beautiful, state-of-the-art campus! These are all the ingredients for a great year at a great school!

We know the transition to a new school can bring challenges for all involved – students and families alike. Our hope is that this packet of materials gets everyone off to a strong start.

- Take time to read through the included materials. We've all been where you are. We've tried to use that knowledge to curate some of the frequently asked questions and needs.
- Take advantage of the Burro Box. Use this to get basic questions answered or to help troubleshoot a problem. No question is too small.
- Use the PTSO website (www.wearehillsboro.com) as a "go to" source. Almost anything you could need or wonder about is there. Also, you definitely want to be on the PTSO listserv. We send out a weekly newsletter called "News & Notes" that has vital information for parents. Sign-up on the website.

Finally, please consider making a donation to our Invest Campaign. These funds are essential to the running of our school as public dollars don't come close to providing all that Hillsboro needs. Our hope is to raise \$100,000 this year that will provide crucial support for our academic programming, athletics program, arts/music programming and more. You can give online at www.wearehillsboro.com/investhhs

We hope you love your time at Hillsboro as much as we all love our time so far!

Let's work together to make Hillsboro the best high school in Nashville!

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hhs ptso calendar

PTSO Calendar

AUGUST

- 1 Transfer Student Burro Beginnings (1-2pm)
- 2 9th grade Burro Beginnings (4-6pm)
- 6 First Day of School
- 20 Parent Open House
- 23 Jenni's Spirit Night
- 28 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 30 Burro Bash and Tailgate (4:30-6:30pm)
- 30 HHS vs Overton @7pm (Senior Night)

SEPTEMBER

- 2 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day
- 10 Progress Reports Issued
- 13 HHS vs. Cane Ridge @7pm
- 23 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 26 Senior Food Trucks
- 26 McDougal's Spirit Night
- 27-30 Fall Drama Production
- 30-4 Spirit Week

OCTOBER

- 3 First Quarter Ends
- 3 HHS vs. Nolensville @7pm (Homecoming)
- 4 NO SCHOOL - Prof. Dev. for Teachers
- 7-11 Fall Break
- 16 Chipotle Spirit Night (4-8pm)
- 17 College Night
- 22 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 22 Report Cards Issued
- 24 Senior Food Trucks
- 25 NO SCHOOL - Parent Conferences
- 25 Trick or Treat & Prospective Family Night
- 25 Tailgate @ 4:30-6:30pm
- 25 HHS vs. Glenciff @7pm
- 29 Faculty Appreciation Chili & Soup Bar

NOVEMBER

- 4 Waldo's Spirit Night
- 5 NO SCHOOL - General Election
- 11 NO SCHOOL - Veterans Day
- 12 Progress Reports Issued
- 12 International Day
- 13 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 21 Senior Food Trucks
- 22 Burro Get Down
- 25-29 Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

- 7 Winter Ball
- 13 Winter Celebration
- 17-20 Exams
- 19 Faculty Cookie Table @11am
- 21 Legacy Concert
- 23-31 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break

JANUARY

- 1-7 NO SCHOOL - Winter Break
- 8 3rd Quarter Begins
- 14 Report Cards Issued
- 20 NO SCHOOL - MLK Holiday
- 23 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 25 Little Gourmand Spirit Night

FEBRUARY

- 6 Future Burro Night
- 11 Progress Reports Issued
- 17 NO SCHOOL - Prof. Dev. for Teachers
- 19 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 28-3/3 Spring Drama Production

MARCH

- 3 Green Hills Grille Spirit Night
- 7 ½ day; 3rd Quarter Ends
- 10-14 NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
- 17 4th Quarter Begins
- 24 PTSO Meeting @6pm
- 25 Report Cards Issued

APRIL

- 11 Waldo's Spirit Night
- 15 Progress Reports Issued
- 18 NO SCHOOL - Spring Holiday
- 26 Prom
- 29 PTSO Meeting & Election @6pm

MAY

- 16 Burro Bonanza
- 17 Burro ESPY Awards
- 19-22 9th - 11th Exams

****All Dates Tentative,**

Check wearehillsboro.com for updated calendar



This calendar will shift and change over the year.
Check here for the most up to date HHS PTSO events.

<https://bit.ly/burrocal>

July 2024

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Key Dates

FALL SEMESTER

- July 4: Independence Day observed (District closed)
- July 10: Assistant principals report
- July 29: Teachers report; Teacher in-service day
- July 30-Aug 1: Teacher in-service day (Statewide Primary)
- Aug. 2: Stockpiled PD Day (Students do not report)
- Aug. 5: Stockpiled PD Day (Students do not report)
- Aug. 6: First full day for grades 1-12; Half day for Pre-K and K
- Aug. 7: Full day for grades 1-12; Half day for Pre-K and K
- Aug. 8: Full day for all grades
- Sept. 2: Labor Day observed (District closed)
- Sept. 4: Progress reports issued
- Oct. 3: First quarter ends
- Oct. 4: Stockpiled PD Day (Students do not report)
- Oct. 7-11: Fall break holiday
- Oct. 14: Second quarter begins
- Oct. 22: Report cards issued
- Oct. 25: Parent conference day (Students do not report)
- Nov. 5: Stockpiled PD Day (General Election)
- Nov. 11: Veterans Day observed (District closed)
- Nov. 12: Progress reports issued
- Nov. 25-29: Thanksgiving holiday (District closed)
- Nov. 28-29
- Dec. 17-19: Half day for exams grades 9-12; Full day for Pre-K-K
- Dec. 20: Half day for all students; Exams grades 9-12; Second quarter ends
- Dec. 23-Jan. 3: Winter break holiday

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January 2025

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April 2025

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June 2025

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- Dec. 17-19: Half day for exams grades 9-12; Full day for Pre-K-K
- Dec. 20: Half day for all students; Exams grades 9-12; Second quarter ends
- Dec. 23-Jan. 3: Winter break holiday

SPRING SEMESTER

- Jan. 6-7: Stockpiled PD Day (Students do not report)
- Jan. 8: Third quarter begins
- Jan. 14: Report cards issued
- Jan. 20: MLK holiday observed (District closed)
- Feb. 4: Progress reports issued
- Feb. 17: Stockpiled PD Day (Students do not report)
- March 7: Half day for all students; Third quarter ends
- March 10-14: Spring break holiday
- March 17: Fourth quarter begins
- March 25: Report cards issued
- April 15: Progress reports issued
- April 18: Spring holiday (District closed)
- May 19-21: Half day for exams grades 9-12; Full day for PreK-8
- May 22: Half day for all students; Exams grades 9-12; End of school year; Report cards issued (elementary and middle schools)
- May 23: Teacher in-service day; Last day for teachers
- May 26: Memorial Day observed (District closed)
- June 19: Juneteenth observed (District closed)

Potential snow make-up days:

- Feb. 17, May 23, 27, 28, 29, 30
- 7 Stockpiled PD days
- 6 Stockpiled in-clement weather days

Calendar Key

- Students in school
- Students out of school
- Students out of school; District closed
- Teacher in-service day (Students do not report)
- Stockpiled professional development (PD) day (Students do not report)
- Half day for all students
- Half day for exams (grades 9-12 only); Half virtual day

Hillsboro Bell Schedule



Monday, Tuesday, Friday

1st	7:05 – 7:53
2nd	8:00 – 8:48
3rd	8:55 – 9:43
4th	9:50 – 10:38
5th	10:43 – 11:30
Lunch	11:30 – 12:15
6th	12:22 – 1:10
7th	1:17 – 2:05

Wednesday

1st	7:05 – 8:35
3rd	8:45 – 10:10
Lunch	10:10 – 10:55
5th	11:05 – 12:30
7th	12:40 – 2:05

Thursday

2nd	7:05 – 8:35
4th	8:45 – 10:10
Lunch	10:10 – 10:55
CCR	11:05 – 12:30
6th	12:40 – 2:05

*CCR = College & Career Readiness

ptso meetings

The HHS PTSO has regularly scheduled meetings that are open to all families, students, and teachers.

We encourage you to join us as we work together to best support our school.

join us!

ptso dates

August 28
September 23
October 22
November 13
January 23
February 19
March 24
April 29

**all meetings
held in the
HHS
cafeteria
at 6 pm**

BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20th
5 PM - 7:30 PM

MIX & MINGLE & INFORMATION FESTIVAL 5-5:30 PM
PROGRAM BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 5:30 PM

Come meet your child's teachers and hear about the year ahead!

- ✓ Learn about what's ahead in each of your child's classes
- ✓ Get to know academy leaders
- ✓ Talk to your child's counselor
- ✓ Get help with Schoology & Infinite Campus
- ✓ Get information about upcoming school events & activities

THE ANNUAL BURRO BASH

AT HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

- Food Trucks
- Clubs Fair
- Pep Band
- Burro Stage
- Cheerleaders

Kick off the new school year with friends at this FUN community event! Rain or Shine.

Friday AUGUST 4:30 - 6:30

Follow Burro Blvd to the courtyard behind the school.

Stick around for opening football game vs. Overton @ 7pm!



SUPPLY DRIVE

Help us make sure that every teacher has what they need in their classroom.

[SHOP NOW](#)

Items are shipped directly to Hillsboro for teacher use in the classroom.

SCAN ME

Hillsboro PTSO Community Rewards

KROGER CARD

Link your existing Kroger reward card by going to Community Rewards and searching for HHS PTSO. This one is so easy, costs nothing, and will pay up to \$50,000 to our PTSO each quarter!

Scan QR code or use web address above. Go to Community Rewards Search for HHS PTSO or PV839 and Enroll

HHS ID#: PV839

Be sure to relink your card every August.



HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

PTSO INVEST CAMPAIGN 2024-2025



Goal: \$100,000

INVEST is the primary mechanism for raising HHS PTSO funds to support academic excellence and student opportunity.

WHY GIVE?

Our teachers and students are counting on the PTSO's financial support! Every year, there is a gap between the funding Hillsboro receives from MNPS and the amount required to offer a world-class education to every student

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

There are 3 ways to support the Hillsboro High School PTSO

- Become a corporate sponsor
- Make a one-time tax-deductible donation
- Make a monthly tax-deductible donation



ONLINE GIVING

<https://bit.ly/burroinvest>

Use the QR code or link to go to the HHS PTSO Invest webpage.

If you would like to give monthly, select the amount that you want to give monthly (or insert your own with "Any Amount") and on the PayPal donation screen, select "Make this a monthly donation."

GIVING VIA CHECK

To donate via check, please make it payable to "Hillsboro PTSO," put "INVEST" in the memo line, and mail to:

**Hillsboro PTSO
3812 Hillsboro Pike
Nashville TN 37215**

HHS PTSO

The Hillsboro PTSO is a 501(c)(3) organization, and all donations are tax deductible.

COMMUNITY FUNDRAISERS

Support neighborhood businesses and HHS PTSO



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ICE CREAMS

Ice Cream Social

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23
5:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

12 south location

25% of each scoop sale will be donated to HHS PTSO

Three ice cream cones are illustrated at the bottom: one with a green scoop and white stripes, one with a green scoop and a smiley face, and one with a green scoop and white stripes.



HILLSBORO PTSO
NIGHT
AT



McDougals
chicken fingers & wings

**THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 26th**

McDougals will donate 20% of sales for dine in and take out orders when you mention HHS PTSO.

Nashville & Brentwood Locations
901 12th Ave S & 5111 Peter Taylor Park Dr STE 100

Support business that support the PTSO.
Be in the lookout for fundraising dates at these locations on PTSO social media accounts.



Oct 16



Nov 4
April 11



Jan 25



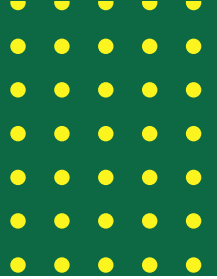
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HILLSBORO ATHLETICS

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SPRING

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SOCCER (boys)

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TBD

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Instrumental Music

CLASS OPTIONS



- Concert Band
- Orchestra
- Wind Ensemble

AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

- Color guard*
- Drumline*
- Marching Band*

*counts as a physical education credit



 @hhsburroband
 @hhsburrocolorguard

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HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL CHOIR



HILLSBORO CHORALE GOLDEN CADENCE



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The Hillsboro Players

AWARD-WINNING THEATRE PROGRAM



A SEASON OF ROMANTIC REBELLION

Sept 26-30 **Much Ado About Nothing**
Dec 21 **Legacy Concert**
Feb 28-March 3 **Urinetown: The Musical**

Facebook: The Hillsboro Players
Instagram: @hhsplayers
Tiktok: @hillsboroplayers
www.hillsboroplayers.com



THERE ARE SO MANY CLUBS AT HILLSBORO!!

Students, watch the morning announcements,
read your emails, and
be on the lookout for posters at school.

**Participation in clubs builds
students' sense of belonging.**

Many clubs will be represented at the
Burro Bash on August 30th.

STAY IN THE KNOW



Sign up for Hillsboro PTSO Emails

Sign up to receive school news, important announcements, information about upcoming events, volunteer opportunities and more! Be sure to let us know what grade(s) your student(s) are in, as well as which Academy.



Update Family Info for Call Outs

Be sure you opt-in to MNPS' family call-out system. Both Hillsboro and the district send critical updates using this phone and email system. Make sure your information is correct and opt-in for updates via the Infinite Campus Family Portal page.

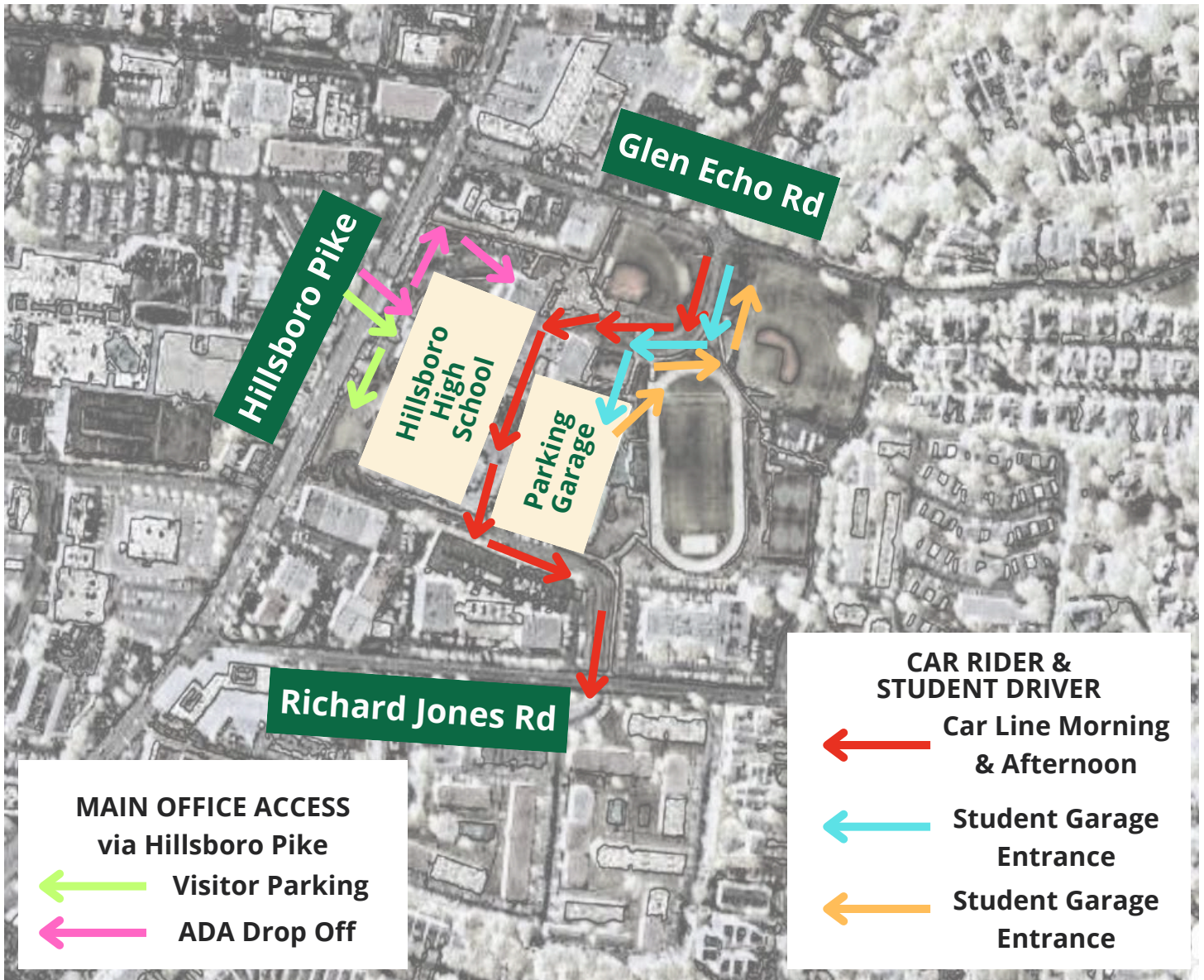


Review MNPS Student-Parent Handbook & Sign Permissions

Permission forms are available online. Visit our Permissions Portal to fill out and submit required forms. Once submitted online, parents/guardians who want to make changes must contact their child's school.



TRAFFIC & PARKING



STUDENT DROP OFF & PICK UP

Turn onto Burro Blvd from Glen Echo Road. Stay in the right hand lane to follow Burro Blvd. Exit onto Richard Jones Road.

For accessible drop off, enter from Hillsboro Pike and follow to the left of the building for ADA drop off.

STUDENT GARAGE PARKING

Turn onto Burro Blvd from Glen Echo Road. Stay in the left hand lane and enter the parking garage. Students need a permit to park in the parking garage.

VISITOR PARKING

Turn in to the parking lot from Hillsboro Pike. Park in any spot labeled "visitor". Use these spots for weekday meetings or volunteering. All visitors must check-in with a picture ID in the Main Office.

SPIRIT WEAR



\$15



TShirt

\$30



Hoodie

\$30



Crew Neck

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

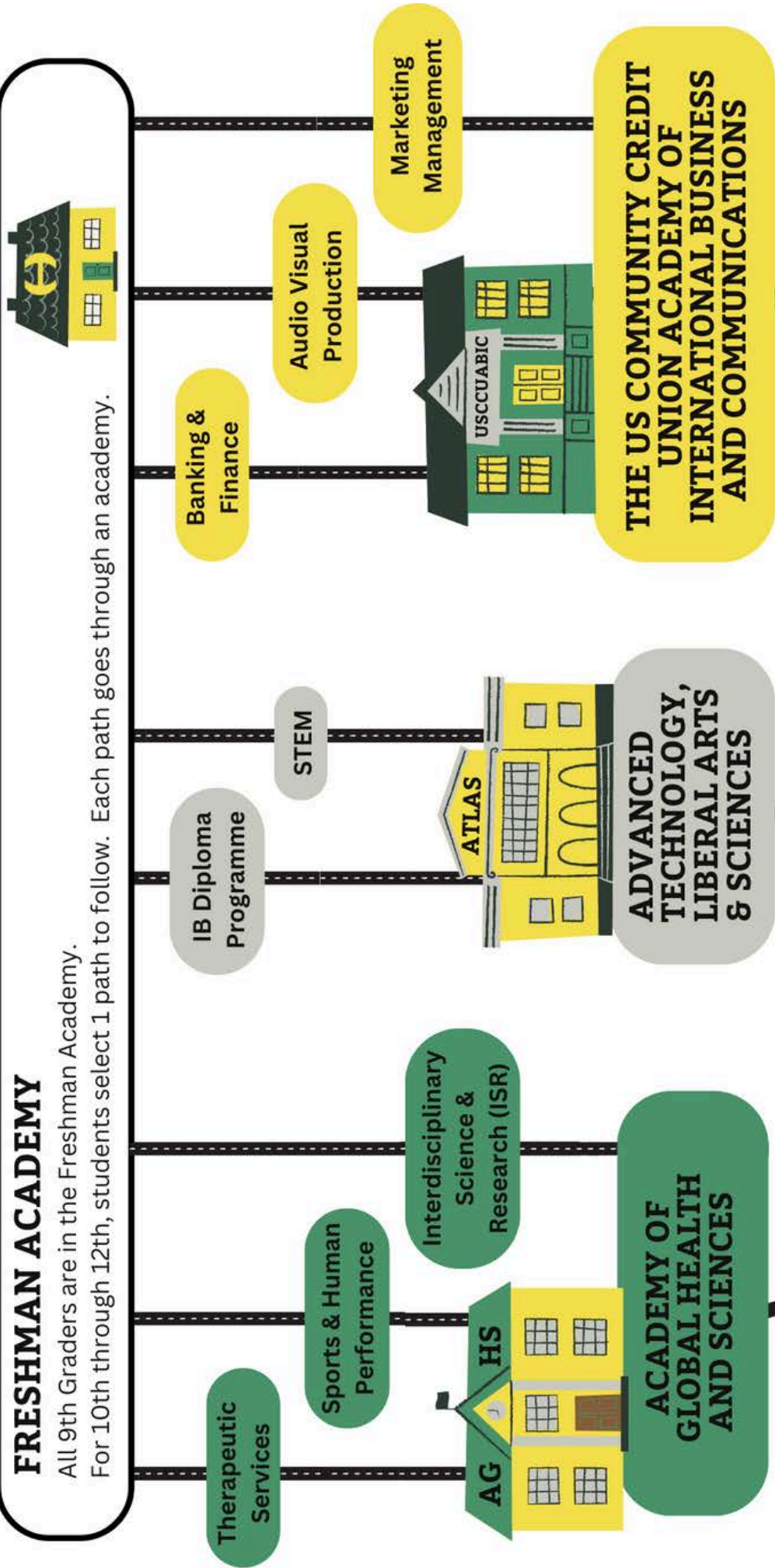
Hats	\$25
Mugs	\$10

HILLSBORO HIGH SCHOOL

FRESHMAN ACADEMY

All 9th Graders are in the Freshman Academy.

For 10th through 12th, students select 1 path to follow. Each path goes through an academy.



Students in ALL pathways have the opportunity to take dual-enrollment and IB courses.

GRADUATION

HHS FAQ 24-25

What time does school start? When is dismissal?

School officially begins at 7:05 am. Doors to the school open at 6:45 am. Dismissal is at 2:05 pm.

How does my student get a cafeteria breakfast or lunch at Hillsboro?

Breakfast and lunch are free at Hillsboro. Breakfast is available when doors open at 6:40 am.

How do laptops work at Hillsboro?

Every student will be issued a laptop during the first week of school. That laptop is their responsibility for the balance of the school year. Students should bring their fully charged school-issued laptop to school each day as they are used in most classes for classwork, tests, etc.

Are there school supplies students need to bring on the first day?

In high school, school supplies are minimal and will mainly be issued by your student's teachers. In the first week of school, teachers will review the syllabuses for their classes and discuss any other recommended or required resources. The most important tool is the school-issued laptop.

What do I do if there is a problem with my student's schedule?

The first two weeks of school are exceptionally busy as counselors work to make sure students are enrolled in the right classes and that class sizes are evenly distributed. If your student has a schedule issue, they should fill out a schedule change request form from the counselors. Please allow 3-5 business days for consideration of schedule change requests.

We aren't getting the call outs from Hillsboro. How do we fix that?

Be sure you opt-in to MNPS' family call-out system. Both Hillsboro and the district send critical updates using this phone and email system. Make sure your information is correct and opt-in for updates via the Campus Parent portal.

What is the dress code at Hillsboro?

While Hillsboro does not require students to attend in Standard School Attire as many other schools in MNPS require, we do have a dress code. If you violate the dress code, you will be asked to change, call home or visit the clothes closet. Some specific dress code guidelines include:

- There can be nothing that could be perceived as offensive pertaining to race, gender or sexuality.
- There can be nothing related to drugs or alcohol on clothing.
- No sunglasses.



HHS FAQ 24-25

I need help figuring out where my child can catch the bus. Where can I find that?

You can contact the Family Information Center for all of your transportation needs: 615-259-4636 familyinfo@mnps.org.

You can also access MNPS' "find your bus stop" information at https://www.mnps.org/students-families/services/transportation/find_my_bus_stop.

Additionally, all MNPS students enrolled in grades 9-12 can ride the WeGo Public Transit System at no cost. You simply need your student ID, which will be distributed in the first two weeks of school. If you don't have your ID yet, show the driver your HHS class schedule.

Visit www.wegotransit.com for more information about bus routes.

Carpooling

If you are interested in connecting with other families for carpooling, email HHS PTSO at ptso@wearehillsboro.com. We will connect all interested families.

My student is sick. What do I do? Who do I notify?

Attendance matters at Hillsboro! Students should only miss school if absolutely necessary. Moreover, if you are absent, it is important to bring in doctor notes or other excuse notes or your student could be at risk for truancy actions.

If your student is sick, they should email their teachers directly to let them know. They are also responsible for checking on Schoology or with the teacher about work they are missing and how to catch that up.

Additionally, when they return to school, any excuse notes should be given to our Attendance Clerk, Ms. Majors. Ms. Majors' office is in the main office. Her email is Wendolyn.majors@mnps.org. We encourage students and parents to regularly check attendance records on Infinite Campus to ensure absences are recorded correctly. If they are not, students or parents should contact Ms. Majors.

What clubs and extracurriculars are offered at Hillsboro and how do students get involved?

One of the great parts of Hillsboro is that there is something for everyone here – from sports to music and the arts and everything in between. We strongly urge all students to join and participate in the many offered clubs or extracurricular activities. Students need to be on the lookout for specific club information on the weekly announcements and posters around the school.



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I need to pick my student up early for an appointment. How/where do I sign them out?

Parents should go to the Hillsboro main office (park on the Hillsboro Road side of the school). Once in the office, school personnel can call your student out of class. Students must be signed out in the main office by a parent or guardian. Students may not return to school on the same day unless a doctor's note is provided.

My student is late. Where do they go? Do I need to come in or send a note?

Students sign in when they arrive at school. Parents can send in a note if they are tardy because of an appointment.

My student is getting their learner's permit. How do we get the required paperwork?

Students can obtain the paperwork they need from Ms. Majors in the main office. Please be aware that you must be a student in good standing (i.e. passing at least half of your classes and not on an attendance plan or considered truant). State law requires 30 days of school records so this paperwork will not be available until after Labor Day.

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We have ample student parking available in the parking garage. Students must be 16, have a valid driver's license, and submit a copy of car insurance to register for a parking permit. See Ms. Bassham in the AGHS Academy (located on the 3rd floor) to obtain the forms necessary to request a parking permit.

How do we get a Hillsboro t-shirt?

HHS Spirit Wear is sold at all home football games and at other times throughout the year. Be sure to follow Hillsboro PTSO social media accounts to know when and where there will be pop-up sales.

My student is interested in playing sports. Where do they find information about try outs?

Hillsboro's athletics program offers a host of school and club sports. Information about fall sports will be shared out through the school and the HHS PTSO website. You can find contact information for all coaches at wearehillsboro.com/athletics

Tickets for Hillsboro Athletics

When needed, game tickets for Hillsboro sports are purchased through gofan.co. The HHS PTSO website also includes game schedules.

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What is the cell phone policy at HHS?

Cell phones will not be allowed in class, and can only be used at transitions and lunch. After multiple offenses, students may have phones confiscated by administrators.

How can I get involved as a parent in the school?

Hillsboro benefits from a very active parent community. For more information about the PTSO and upcoming needs/activities/events, subscribe to our weekly newsletter. Visit the volunteer page of our website, where you can sign up to help with upcoming events

<http://wearehillsboro.com/ptso/volunteers/>

How do I monitor my student's grades?

MNPS uses two important platforms – Campus Parent and Schoology. Campus Parent is a web-based tool (online and mobile-devices) that helps families stay connected to their student's classroom and to the school. Schoology is the platform students and teachers use daily. It will show grades, homework, upcoming due dates, attendance information,

Information about Campus Parent can be found at mnps.org/student-families/familyportal

For more information on all MNPS Academic Tools please visit mnps.org/students-families/student-resources, click the + under the heading "Academic Tools"

Both Campus Parent and Schoology are available as apps that you can download to your phone as well as websites you can access. Sometimes the information on the app is truncated. Additional data and information can sometimes be found on via the website version

How do I contact my student's teachers?

Hillsboro really works with 9th graders to sharpen their skills in troubleshooting their own issues, reaching out to teachers when they need help or don't understand something. This is not to say that Hillsboro doesn't want and welcome parent engagement. It's simply that we are trying to get your student ready for the rigor and responsibility ahead of them.

That said, we also know there are times when parents may need to get involved or when you may have questions. You should always feel free to contact any member of the faculty. A full faculty directory can be found on the PTSO website (www.wearehillsboro.com).