# INTRODUCTION TO THE BRAND STANDARDS

To help bring our identity to life in a consistent and powerful way, we have developed a manual for your reference.

Effective branding helps people connect positive experiences to an organization, fostering trust and confidence in that organization's mission.

It is critical that careful attention be paid to the proper use of the Hamilton Southeastern Schools logo and color palettes.

If at any time you have questions, please contact Emily Pace Abbotts, director of school and community relations at 317-570-3320 or email her at epaceabbotts@hse.k12.in.us.



## **OUR MISSION**

Hamilton Southeastern Schools, as a forward-thinking school district, provides educational opportunities to ensure the success of each and every student, to become a responsible citizen and to positively influence an everchanging world community.

## **OUR MOTTO**

# Empowering Students. Inspiring Action.



## WHAT OUR IDENTITY STANDS FOR

The Hamilton Southeastern Schools' new logo reflects the community's growth and vision for the future. The logo celebrates the friendly rivalry and community pride of the two district high schools, HHS and FHS.

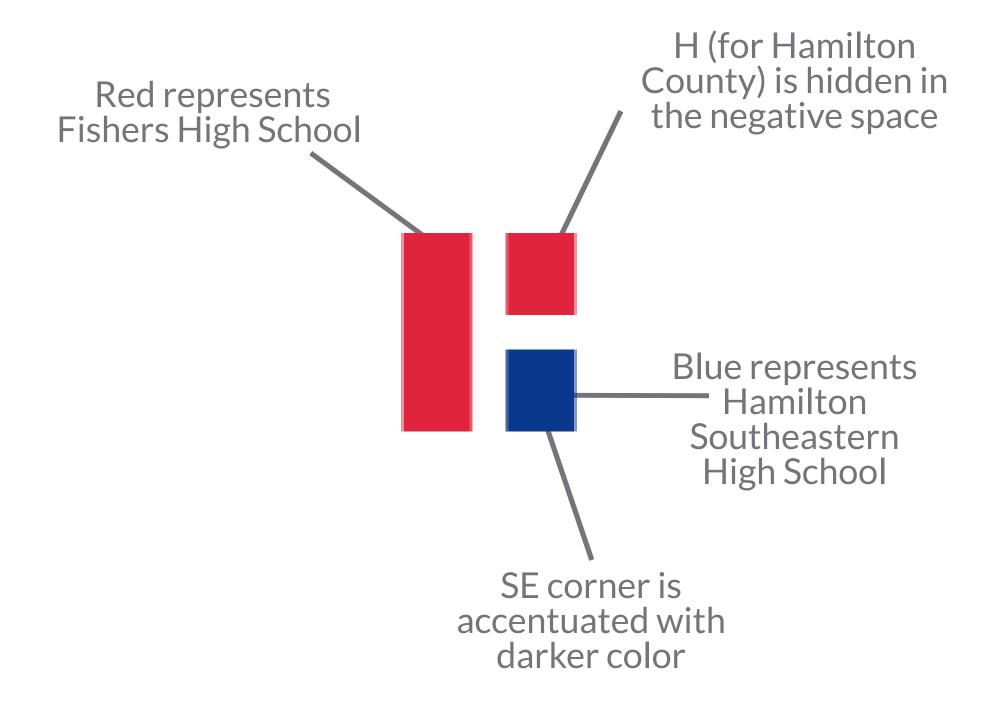
The goal of the brand positioning was to define who the district is and to create a clear identity to better communicate internally and externally for current and future growth.



## THE ELEMENTS

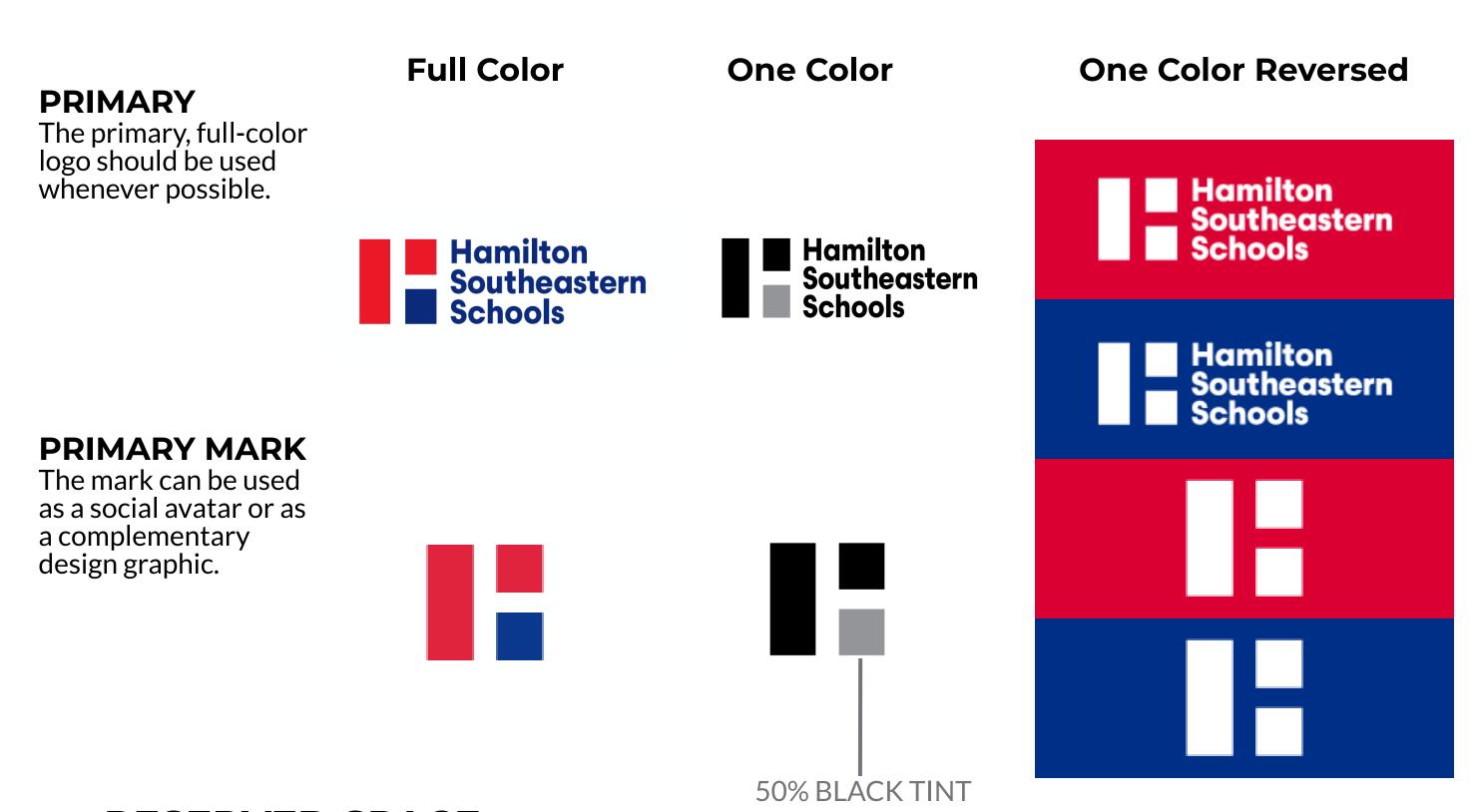
The Tigers' red is used to represent Fishers and the Royals' blue represents HHS. An "H" hidden in the negative space of the mark represents Hamilton County. The southeast corner is accentuated with the darker color to represent the district's location within Hamilton County.

These elements and their relationships should not be altered.



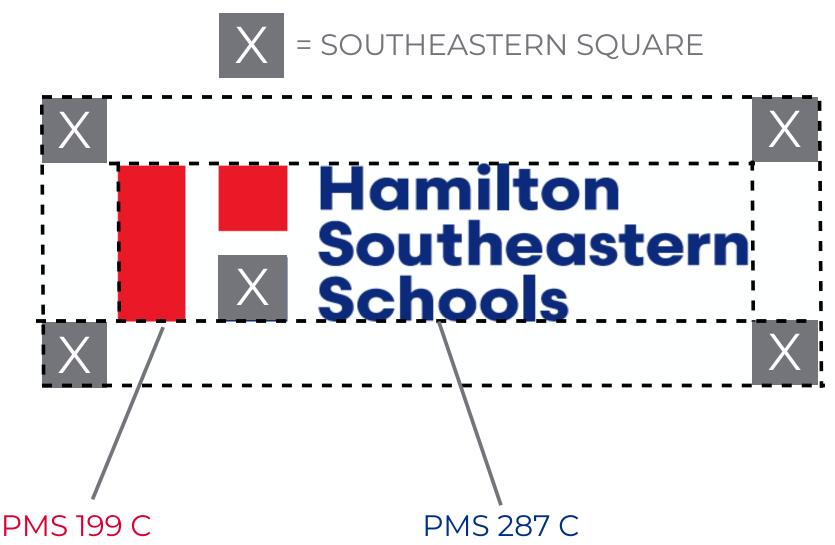
## **LOGO GUIDELINES**

The Hamilton Southeastern Schools logo is the core of our visual identity, and should always be used consistently. The following guidelines will help you determine which version of the logo to use, how to measure logo clearance, and how to use our color palatte.



## **RESERVED SPACE**

To give Hamilton Southeastern Schools logo its proper prominence, a reserved area surrounds it. Nothing may intrude into this area. The minimum amount of white space is in direct proportion to the logo size. It is equal to the size of the "X" as shown below.



## **COLOR PALETTE**

Color is an important part of our identity. Using our color palette throughout web and printed materials will maintain our visual consistency, which is essential to a strong brand identity.

Depending on the application, Hamilton Southeastern Schools preferred full color logo should be reproduced as specified.

Our primary colors are Royals' Blue and Tigers' Red.

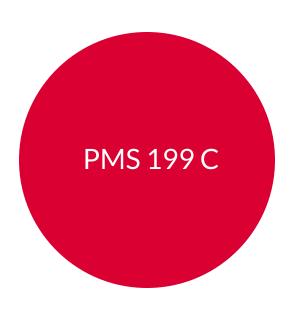
Use support (secondary) colors sparingly.



**CMYK** 100, 72, 2. 12

**RGB** 0, 47, 135

**HEX** 002f87



**CMYK** 0, 100, 65, 0

**RGB** 219, 0, 50

**HEX** db0032

## **COLOR TYPES**

### **PMS**

An acronym for Pantone Matching System®, this color system is also often referred to as "spot" colors. This color system is for print jobs when an exact color match of our blue or red is necessary.

## **CMYK**

CMYK (or "process") refers to the four ink colors that are used to create every other color of the rainbow. Those colors are cyan (C), magenta (M), yellow (Y) and black (K). This is the color system used for print pieces, and both solid colors and photographs should be converted to CMYK color for printing.

## RGB

RGB (red, green, blue) refers to colors used on screen only (web, phone, video, etc.). Photos and solid colors should be in RGB when intended for on-screen viewing.

### HEX

Hex refers to the hexadecimal number assigned to solid colors for use on the web. Hex formulas will appear as #xxxxxxx.

## A note about color:

Color choice will appear differently on each computer monitor, and will vary from monitor to printed piece. To ensure print material color consistency, be sure to use the CMYK color formulas. For web color consistency, use the RGB or HEX formulas.

## **COLOR PALETTE FOR WEB**

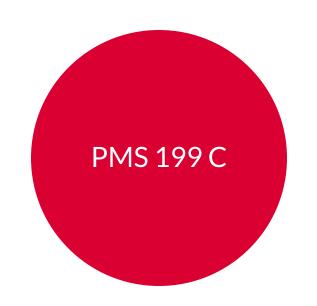
## PRIMARY PALETTE: HSE SCHOOLS

PMS 287 C

**CMYK** 100, 72, 2. 12

**RGB** 0, 47, 135

**HEX** 002f87



**CMYK** 0, 100, 65, 0

**RGB** 219, 0, 50

**HEX** db0032

BLACK

**CMYK** 82, 71, 59, 75

**RGB** 16, 24, 32

**HEX** 101820



**CMYK** 80, 60, 0, 0

**RGB** 26, 106, 255

**HEX** 1A6AFF



**CMYK** 22, 71, 0, 35

**RGB** 131, 49, 167

**HEX** 8331a7



**CMYK** 14, 82, 100, 4

**RGB** 204, 78, 0

HEX CC4E00



**CMYK** 87, 23, 100, 10

**RGB** 0, 133, 53

**HEX** 008535



**CMYK** 31, 25, 26, 0

**RGB** 177, 177, 177

HEX b1b1b1

TO BE USED WITH BLACK BACKGROUND



**CMYK** 62, 52, 48, 19

**RGB** 99, 101, 105

**HEX** 636569



**CMYK** 70, 64, 59, 51

**RGB** 57,57,60

**HEX** 39393C



**CMYK** 57, 49, 42, 11

**RGB** 116, 116, 123

**HEX** 74747B

TO BE USED WITH WHITE BACKGROUND

## **TYPOGRAPHY: Print**

Tahoma Regular and Georgia Regular fonts are part of the Hamilton Southeastern identity and are used in business communications. It is not always necessary to use these two fonts in your communications. Other fonts can be used to match the style and tone of the design.

## **PRIMARY TYPEFACE**

Tahoma Regular should be use for headlines and subheadings.



ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ abcdefghijklmnopqurstuvwxyz 1234567890!@#\$%^&\*()

## **SECONDARY TYPEFACE**

Georgia Regular should be use for body copy.



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## MAINTAINING LOGO INTEGRITY

This page illustrates some incorrect uses of the Hamilton Southeastern Schools logo.

**1.** Do not scale the logo smaller than as listed.





**FULL 0.875 in** 

MARK 0.3125 in

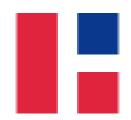
2. Do not set the logo on an angle.



**3.** Do not distort the logo in size or reverse shape/colors.







**4.** Do not "unstack: the words Hamilton Southeastern Schools.



5. Do not alter the color scheme.



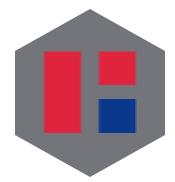
**6.** Do not apply special effects to the logo, such as drop shadows.



7. Do not add elements to the logo.

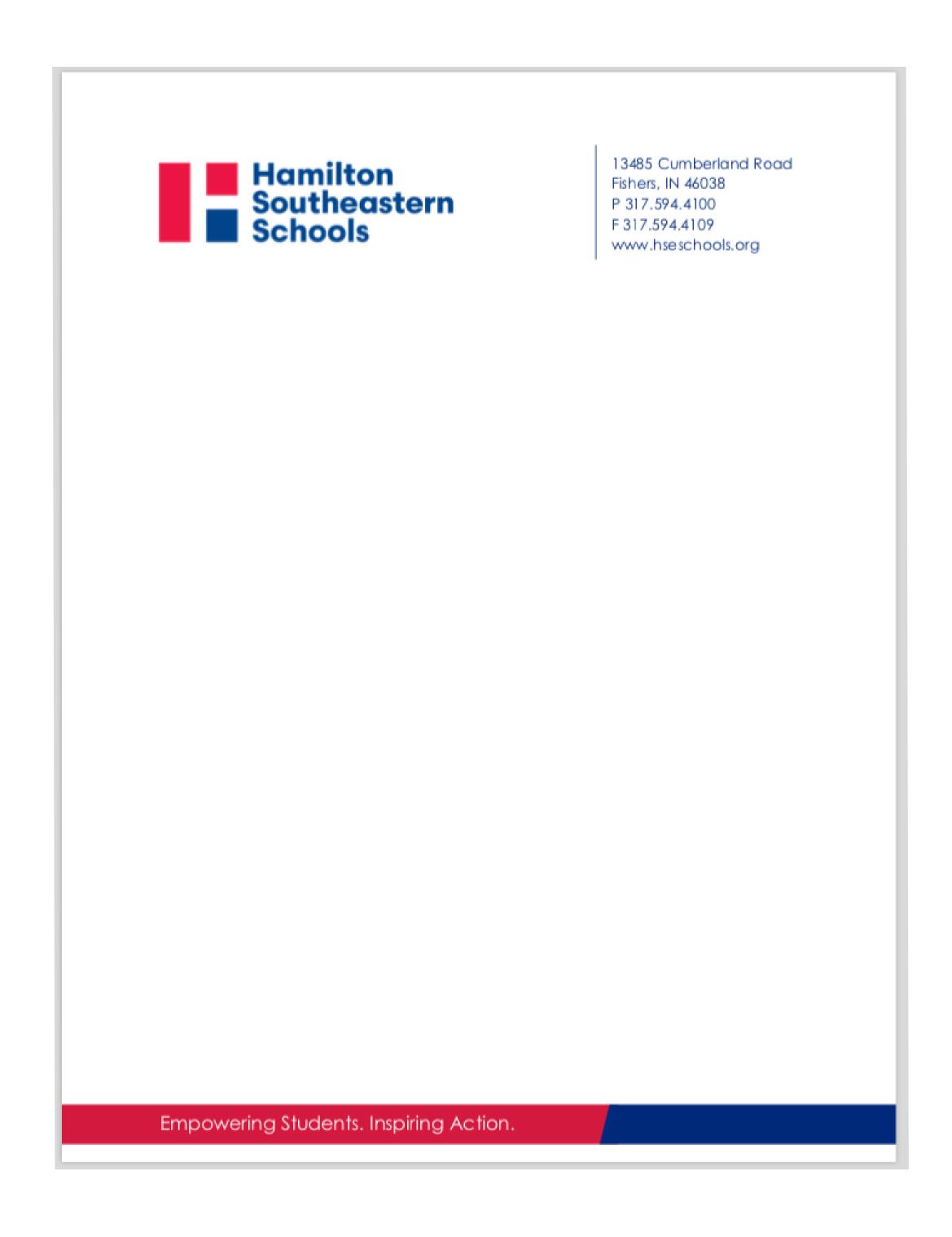


**8.** Do not enclose the logo within a shape.



DISTRICT LETTERHEAD SAMPLE

(FORMAL)
MS Word templates are available for download by staff on the HSE Schools' intranet. Super-User Tip: Color on office printers is inconsistent and will never match the HSE CMYK branding color. Use pre-printed letterhead and then imprint your letter by feeding it through a laser printer.



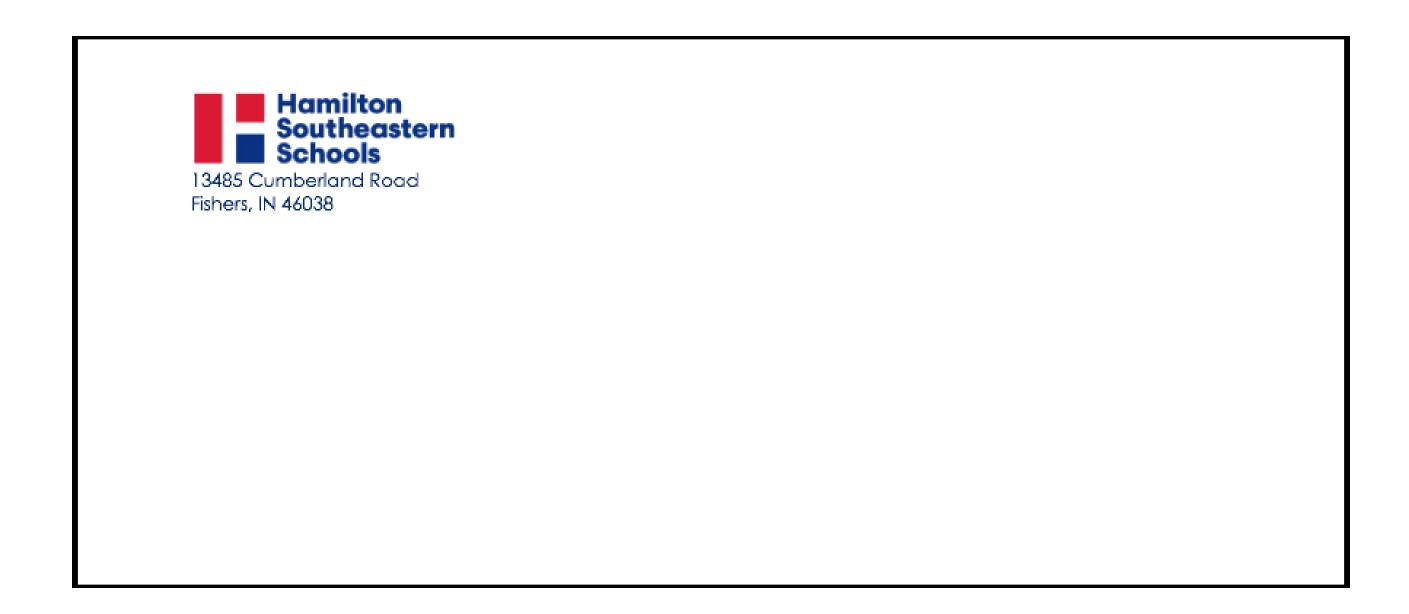
## DISTRICT LETTERHEAD SAMPLE (INFORMAL)

MS Word templates are available for download by staff on the HSE Schools' intranet. **Super-User Tip:** You may use the grayscale (no color) version if desktop printing with this template.

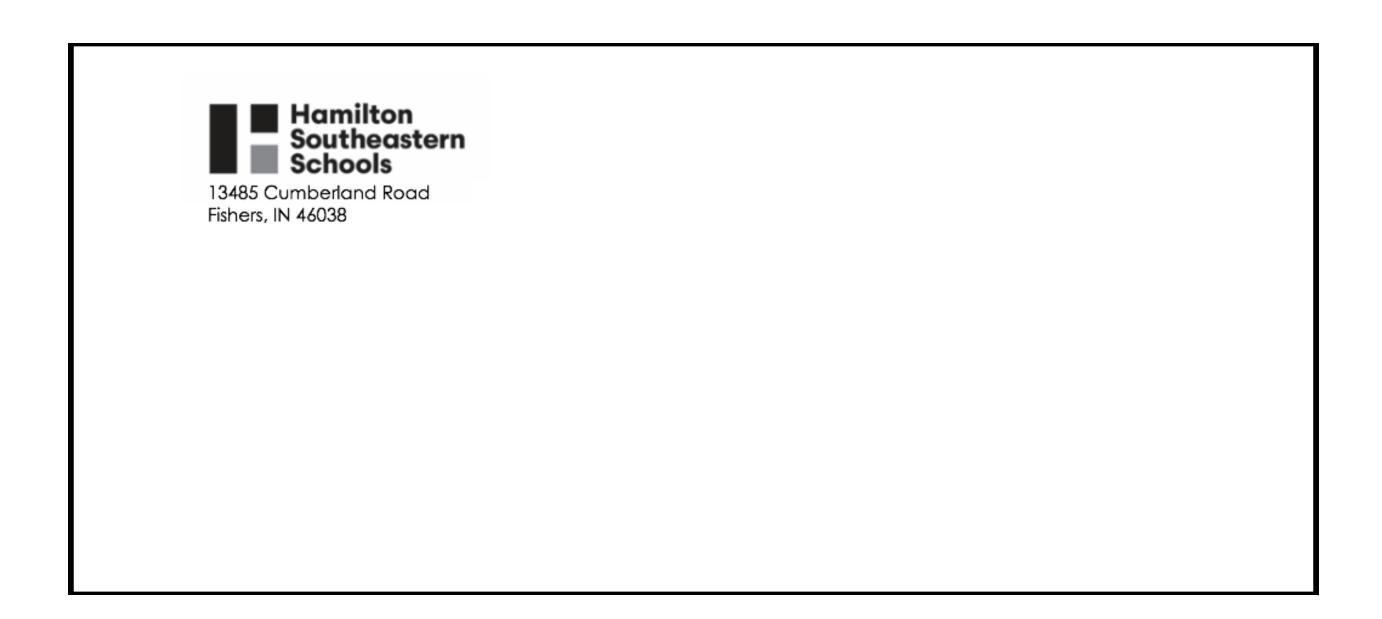


## **ENVELOPE SAMPLES**

## Four-color Process Printing



## One-color Grayscale



## **FAX COVER SHEET SAMPLE**

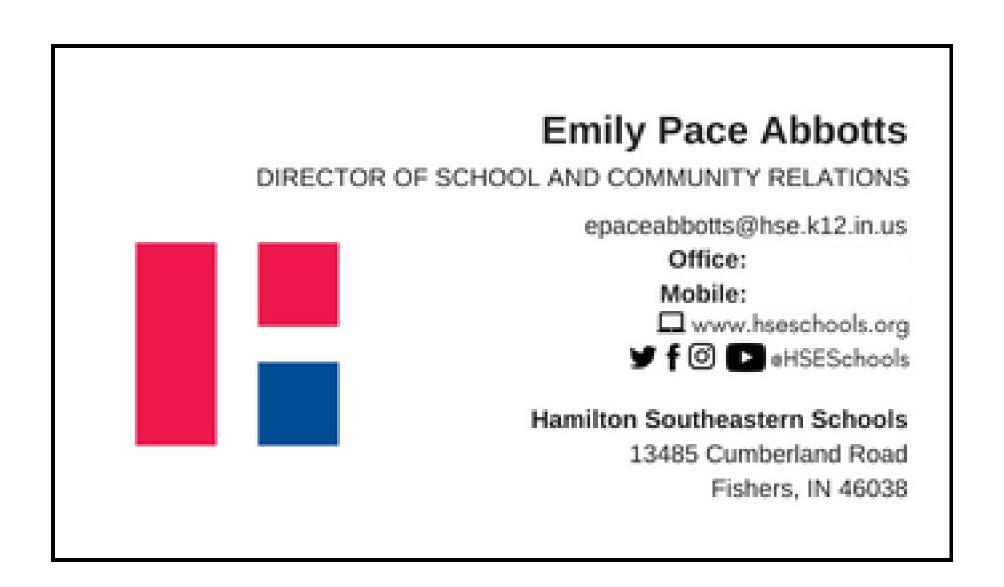
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## **TWO-SIDED BUSINESS CARD SAMPLES**

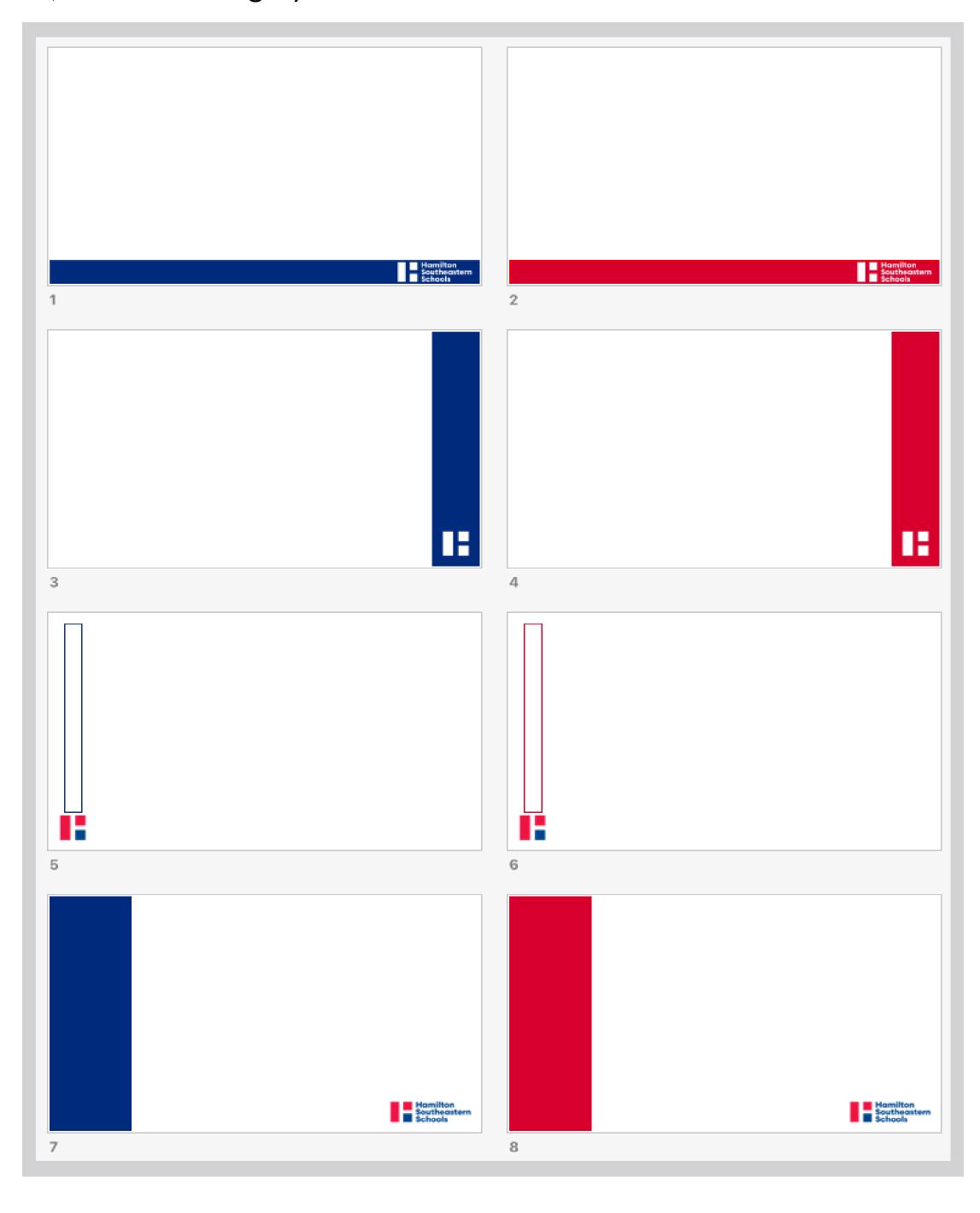
For Central Office Staff and Departments. To request new business cards, please email Tobi Fields at tfields@hse.k12.in.us.





## **HSE Schools PowerPoint Slide Templates**

MS Word templates are available for download by staff on the HSE Schools' intranet. **Super-User Tip:** There are two versions you may use, full-color and grayscale.





## **PUBLICATION SIGNATURE**

The district logo and complete contact information with main address, phone number and URL should be included on all publications for external distribution such as brochures and folios, most commonly on the back cover.





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# HAMILTON SOUTHEASTERN SCHOOLS SEAL

The Hamilton Southeastern Schools seal, containing the words Honor, Scholarship, Excellence should not be confused with the official district logo. This emblem will be used on documents at the discretion of the Superintendent. For additional information, please contact the Office of School and Community Relations regarding the use of the seal.

