

## Parent/Staff Newsletter Week of 8/25/24

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I hope everyone had a great weekend.

We had a great Open House. Parents had an opportunity to meet with their student's teacher and learn about each of their student's courses. Thanks to our super PTSO for providing dinner for our teachers so they could prepare to meet our parents.

Congrats to our Football team with a 65-0 win over Stall High School. Our first home game is this Friday August 30<sup>th</sup>. We plan on having a pep rally on Friday during the last block to get ready for the game.

We welcome everyone to come out and support our athletes. Please see below for the rules and regulations in attending games at HHIHS including the Clear Bag Policy.

Over the summer the Beaufort County School District modified the dates for the Graduation for the Class of 2025 for all high schools. They moved the dates up by two days. **The graduation for the HHIHS Class of 2025 is now Saturday May 31<sup>st</sup>.** More details on this will follow including the time for the graduation.



We love our Hilton Head community! A huge Seahawk Shoutout goes out to Giuseppe's restaurant on Hilton Head. On Friday, Managing Partner of Giuseppe's Jim Loniero (left) and Executive Chef and Partner Jason Galizia (right) presented Mr. Schidrich with a "big check" for the high school. This year marks Giuseppe's 40th anniversary on Hilton Head. With the slogan of *"A Low Country Family Tradition for 40 Years,"* Giuseppe's said they are proud to be able to provide resources for the youth of our community. We are proud and grateful that Giuseppe's is a part of our community. Thank you!

## Hilton Head Island High School: An International Baccalaureate World School

HHIHS is an International Baccalaureate World School. Along with Hilton Head Island Middle School (grades 6 to 8), we feature the IB Middle School Years Program (MYP) in grades 9 and 10. We feature the IB Diploma Program (DP) in the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> grade. The Diploma Program offers the highest rigor available to Beaufort County students in terms of preparation for college. For more information on our IB programs, please contact Ms. White at: [mary.white@beaufort.k12.sc.us](mailto:mary.white@beaufort.k12.sc.us)

## Staff Meetings

August 27<sup>th</sup> - Principal Monthly Report (video)  
September 3<sup>rd</sup> – Leadership Meeting 7:15 am  
September 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> – PLC Week  
September 17<sup>th</sup> – Leadership Meeting 7:15 am

September 23<sup>rd</sup> – September 27<sup>th</sup> – IB Collaboration Week  
September 24<sup>th</sup> – Principal Monthly Report (video)

**There will be no school for students and staff on Monday  
September 2<sup>nd</sup> for Labor Day.**

## Tutoring for the Fall 2024 Semester

Beginning the week of September 9<sup>th</sup>, we will be offering tutoring before school in Math, English (ELA) and Social Studies. The times will be 7am to 8am. The tutoring schedule will be as follows:

**Math – Tuesdays and Thursdays** with Mr. Willard in B116

**English (ELA) – First Thursday of each month** with Ms. Spisz in the ROTC room. Additional Thursdays can be requested by scanning a QR code that will be displayed throughout the school.

**Social Studies – First Thursday of each month** with Ms. Rupert in the ROTC room.

**Additional Thursdays can be requested by scanning a QR code** that will be displayed throughout the building.

For all other subjects students would need to talk with their teacher about additional assistance during Hawk Time or before/after school.

The poster for the HHHS Tutoring Program 2024-2025 features a blue and orange color scheme. At the top, it says "HHHS Tutoring Program 2024 - 2025" and "BEFORE SCHOOL TUTORING". Below this, it states "\*Tutoring sessions begin the week of September 9th". The poster is divided into three main sections: "MATH" (Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7:00 am - 8:00 am, B116, Mr. Willard), "SOCIAL STUDIES & ENGLISH" (First Thursday of each month, 7:00 am - 8:00 am, ROTC, Ms. Rupert and Ms. Spisz), and "ALL OTHER SUBJECTS" (Please see your teacher for a time to get extra help.). A QR code is provided for requesting additional Thursdays, with a note: "\*\*You may request an additional Thursday by scanning the QR code and completing the Google form." At the bottom, contact information for Michelle Hartman is listed: "Questions? Reach out to Ms. Hartman michelle.hartman@beaufortschools.k12.sc.us 689-4992".

## Attendance Policy for the 2024-25 School Year

We already are seeing students accruing a lot of absences from missing school and being late to class. Please continue to monitor your child's grades and attendance in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. The attendance policy can be found at: <https://hhihs.beaufortschools.net/families/attendance-policy>

Beginning October 5<sup>th</sup>, we will begin to have Saturday School for those students who have fallen below the seat requirement for one or more of their classes. The Saturday School schedule for the first semester is below:

October 5<sup>th</sup>

October 19<sup>th</sup>

October 26<sup>th</sup>

November 2<sup>nd</sup>

November 16<sup>th</sup>

November 23<sup>rd</sup>

December 9<sup>th</sup>

December 14<sup>th</sup>

January 11<sup>th</sup>

January 25<sup>th</sup>

**February 1<sup>st</sup> (this is the last day to make up time from first semester)**



# National College Colors Day Friday August 30<sup>th</sup>.

National College Colors Day is on Friday, August 30, 2024, the Friday before Labor Day. On this day, high school and college campuses across the country encourage students to wear the colors of their favorite college and universities. HHIHS students and staff are encouraged to wear t-shirts, sweatshirts (unhooded), jerseys, hats, sweatpants, hats, scarves and/or socks of their favorite college or university.

## Service Academy Day

Representatives from esteemed military academies, including West Point, The United States Naval Academy, The United States Air Force Academy and the Merchant Marine Academy will be hosting Q&A sessions with prospective students. This is an opportunity to learn about the application process, life at these distinguished institutions, and what to expect upon entering military service.

**When:** Sunday, September 22, 2024. 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm EDT

**Where:** The Citadel

To RSVP for the Service Academy event, please go to:

<https://events.humanitix.com/lowcountry-service-academy-day>

## Athletics this Week

**Tuesday 8/27/24**

4:45pm Tennis @ James Island

5:30/7pm JV and Varsity Girls Volleyball @ Summerville

**Thursday 8/29/24**

4:00pm Golf @ Golden Bear

4pm JV and Varsity Girls Volleyball @ Effingham Tri Match

4:30pm Tennis vs HH Prep (Home Opener)

6:30pm JV Football vs Whale Branch (Home Opener)

**Friday 8/30/24**

2:45pm Pep Rally

7:30pm Varsity Football vs James Island (Home Opener)

4:30pm Varsity Girls Volleyball @ Porter Gaud Tournament

**Saturday 8/31/24**

7am Cross Country @ Jekyll Island

TBD Varsity Girls Volleyball @ Porter Gaud Tournament

# For parents picking up athletes and dropping off for practice workouts:

Parents if you are dropping off or picking up your athlete from practice please do not sit in the athletic loop and wait. We are starting contests and will need those areas to be clear for coaches, teams, busses and officials. If you need to pick up, please wait in the IB Red parking lot and either pull through or have your athlete meet you in the IB red parking loop. Student athletes coming in for practice and or games please park in the IB red lot.



## Athletic Activity Passes

- 24-25 Athletic activity Passes are now available for students and parents.
- Avoid the lines at the gate and get into all regular season home games for the entire school year for one low price...

Please visit [www.hhihsathletics.org](http://www.hhihsathletics.org) for information and to purchase your pass. There is a discounted pass for students \$33 for the whole school year if purchased by 8/28/24.

## Notes for Attending Athletic Contests

- Parking- Please make sure you park in a parking space without blocking traffic or other parked cars. If you are park on grass or blocking a roadway or another parked car you are subject to being towed at vehicle owner's expense.
- ALL Fans will enter through the Main Entrance of the Stadium by the School Café/Bus Ramp or the athletic entrance for Volleyball.
- Concession Stand will be open. NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINK will be allowed into the stadium or as you enter our Athletic Entrance. This includes brining in drinkware.-
- Fans should not come onto the field and stay outside the fenced area/track parents/fans please wait outside the track area or off the volleyball courts.-
- Fans will not be screened but we ask anyone that has been in contact with someone that tested positive for Covid 19 and or has a fever, loss of taste or smell and/or has trouble breathing and/or other signs of Covid 19 not come to the game.
- No pets are allowed at any BCSD athletic contest.
- The Hilton Head Island High School Athletics Staff appreciates your understanding and cooperation in keeping all involved safe throughout this fall sports season.
- Please note the guidelines above are subject to change. Any spectator who chooses not to follow the above guidelines can be asked to leave the campus immediately.
- The expectation is that all spectators and participants always promote and exercise great sportsmanship.

### Clear Bag Policy

- We abide by the Clear bag/No Bag Policy at our stadium and also in our gym. Spectators must bring clear bags upon entry.
- Only bags allowed are those used for medical purposes and clutch purses not to exceed 4.5" x 6.5".
- These bags will be subject to search.

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## Clear Bag and No Bag Policy

Approved bags include-  
Clear Tote 12" x 6" x 12",  
1 gallon Clear Plastic storage bag,  
Small Clutch with wrist strap (not to exceed 4.5" x 6.5")

Clear tote bags will be sold for \$10 at the gate  
Gallon Zip-Loc Bags will be sold at the gate for \$1



## Personal Electronic and Communication Devices Guidelines

This school year Beaufort County School District instituted a new Personal Electronic and Communication Device Policy. The guidelines have been in the last few Parent newsletters. Please visit the attached link to view the policy and the consequences associated with that policy.



Link to the BCSD policy: <https://www.beaufortschools.net/families/personal-devices>

## PTSO (Parent, Teacher and Student Organization) Meetings for the 2024-25 School Year

The meetings are held on the second Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held in the HHIHS Front Conference and begin at 12:30pm.

September 10<sup>th</sup>  
October 8<sup>th</sup>  
November 12<sup>th</sup>  
December 10<sup>th</sup>  
January 14<sup>th</sup>

February 11<sup>th</sup>  
March 11<sup>th</sup>  
April 8<sup>th</sup>  
May 13<sup>th</sup>

## SIC (School Improvement Council) Meetings for the 2024-25 School Year

The SIC meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month. The meetings are held in the HHIHS Media Center at 5:30pm.

September 19<sup>th</sup>

October 17<sup>th</sup>

November 21<sup>st</sup>

December 19<sup>th</sup>

January 16<sup>th</sup>

February 20<sup>th</sup>

March 20<sup>th</sup>

April 17<sup>th</sup> (No Meeting – During Spring Break)

May 15<sup>th</sup>

## Proof of Residency

Beaufort County School District (BCSD) requires proof of residency of all students every school year. Proof of residency must be provided for a student's enrollment to be complete. The intent of this process is to verify that students attend the school based on where they reside. You must provide documentation showing that you live at the address in accordance with Federal, State, and District guidelines. If your address changes, you must notify the school within 30 calendar days. A residence is that place where one has established his/her home and where one is habitually present, and to which, when one departs, he/she intends to return. Merely superficial residence in the HHIHS zone, obtained for the sole or primary purpose of taking advantage of attending HHIHS, will not entitle the child in question to attend HHIHS.

**DOCUMENTATION THAT HHIHS REQUIRES TO COMPLETE YOUR ENROLLMENT** You must provide documentation for both sections 1 and 2

### Section 1

You must provide one (1) of the following documents. The document must show and match the parent/guardian and address listed above. If you are unable to provide one of the following documents, request the Alternate Proof of Residency Application.

Real Estate Tax Bill (Must be the most recent bill)

Signed Lease (Dated within 1 year of the first day of attendance)

Military Housing Letter

Section 8 Letter

### Section 2

You must provide one (1) of the following documents. The document must show and match the parent/guardian and address listed above. If you are unable to provide one of the following documents, request the Alternate Proof of Residency Application.

Utility Bill (Gas, Electric, Water/Sewer - Within last 60 days)

Phone Bill (Landline only - Within last 60 days - Cell phone bills will not be accepted) Cable Bill

(Within last 60 days)

Current Car Insurance declaration page (Must be an active policy)

Current Home or Renters insurance declaration page (Must be an active policy)

Vehicle Registration (Must be for current period)

Please check and attach copies of the documents above. You should black out account and social security numbers on the documents. All documents must be current and show the name and address of the parent(s)/ guardian(s). Envelopes will not be accepted.

Notice: Parent/Guardians will be given 30 days to provide documentation of residency from the date of enrollment. A home visit may be conducted by the school's social worker or other school official if documentation is not provided within 30 days.

If it is found that a parent/guardian is knowingly or willfully providing false information to a school district regarding the residency of a child for the purpose of enabling that child to attend any school in that district, the adult can be prosecuted for providing false information, a misdemeanor with a penalty of up to \$200 or imprisonment for not more than 30 days and required to pay an amount equal to the cost of educating the child.

When completing PowerSchool Registration parents can upload Proof of Residence documents. However, it is



recommended that documents be brought to HHIHS. We will begin to accept Proof of Registration forms at the front desk on Monday July 31<sup>st</sup>. PLEASE READ THE PROOF OF RESIDENCY FORMS CAREFULLY TO AVOID NOT SUBMITTING THE CORRECT DOCUMENTS.

See Proof of Residency forms.

## **Save the Date:**

- Open House for the Spring Semester January 22, 2025
- Spring Semester Parent/Teacher Conference Evening March 13, 2025
- Prom 2025 March 22, 2025 at Hilton Head Beach and Tennis Resort
- Graduation for the Class of 2025 Monday June 2, 2025 at 7:00pm
- Graduation for the Class of 2026 Tuesday June 2, 2026 at 10:00

## **Hilton Head Island High School Facebook, ROTC**

**Facebook and Athletic Facebook and Twitter** Please check out our school Facebook page and follow us. It has a lot of cool stuff about what is happening in our school.

The link to our HHIHS sight is: <https://www.facebook.com/hhihighschool>

The link to the ROTC Facebook page is: <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556639114430>

The link to our athletic Facebook is: <https://www.facebook.com/HiltonHeadIslandHighSchoolAthletics>

Athletics Twitter: <https://twitter.com/hhihsathletics>

**Have a great week. Go Seahawks!!!**

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