

Parent/Staff Newsletter Week of 4/20/25

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I hope everyone had a great Heritage Week.

Our Seahawk teams are winding down their seasons and heading to the playoffs. Both our Boys and Girls Lacrosse teams start playoffs this week. Please come out and support our teams.

The Seahawk Theatre company begins staging GREASE! Later this week. Show schedules will come out this week.

Final exam schedules are below. The AP (Advanced Placement) schedule will follow next week.

Please remember that: WE DO NOT OFFER EARLY TESTING OF FINAL EXAMS. Final exams are administered on the assigned dates or on the scheduled make up dates ONLY(see below). Please review the final exam schedules before you plan the start of vacations.

Saturday School resumes next week on April 26th. We still have many students who still owe seat time.

Hilton Head Island High School: An International Baccalaureate World School



HHHS 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 11th and 12th 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

April and May Staff Meetings

April 22nd – Leadership

Week of April 27th – IB/Like Subject Collaboration Week

May 6th - Leadership

Week of May 12th – PLC Week

May 20th- Leadership

Month of the Military Child

April is designated as the *Month of the Military Child*, a time to recognize and celebrate the unique experiences and sacrifices made by children of military families. A key event during this month is "Purple Up!" day on April 15th. This observance is held across the country and it aims to acknowledge the important role military children play in the armed forces community and highlight the challenges they face due to their parents' service. Due to the Beaufort County School District being closed for Spring Break on April 15th, BCSD will celebrate "Purple Up!" Day the following week on Wednesday, April 23rd.

In addition, all schools across Beaufort County School District will have Spirit Days to honor military children.

CELEBRATING MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD



MONDAY - APRIL 21
PROUD TO BE AN AMERICAN
WEAR RED, WHITE AND BLUE!



TUESDAY - APRIL 22
CRAZY CAMO
WEAR ANY COLOR CAMOUFLAGE!



WEDNESDAY - APRIL 23
PURPLE UP DAY
WEAR PURPLE!



THURSDAY - APRIL 24
BE INSPIRED BY YOUR HEROES
WEAR YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO LOOK!



FRIDAY - APRIL 25
OUR TROOPS MAKE AMERICA SHINE BRIGHT & SPARKLE
WEAR STARS & SHINY SPARKLES!

APRIL 21 - 25, 2025

Monday April 21st – **Proud to be an American** – Wear red, white and blue.

Tuesday April 22nd – **Crazy Camo** – Wear any color camouflage

Wednesday April 23rd – **Purple Up!** – wear purple

Thursday – April 24th – **Be Inspired by Your Heroes** – Wear your favorite superhero look.

Friday – April 25th – **Our Troops Make America Shine** – Wear stars and shiny sparkles

District seeks calendar input for 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years

BEAUFORT – Beaufort County School District (BCSD) is soliciting public input on upcoming academic calendar options for both the 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school years. “As we plan for the upcoming school year, we believe it’s essential to hear from our families, staff, and community members,” said Superintendent Dr.

Frank Rodriguez. “We invite everyone to share their perspectives and help shape a calendar that best supports student success.” The 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 academic calendar options being put forth for public input have been developed based on initial holistic input that the Instructional Services Department received from educators and SIC chairs (which includes parents). As the next step in the process, all Beaufort County citizens are welcome to submit their feedback via the district’s website:

connectbeaufortschools.org/academic-calendar-input-2627 by Monday, April 21. “The feedback we’ve received so far has been instrumental in shaping the calendar options now available for public review, all of which align with South Carolina state law,” said Chief Instructional Officer, Dr. Mary Stratos. “Before final recommendations are presented to the Board of Education, we’re eager to hear from all of our stakeholders. One of the consistent priorities we’ve heard from educators is the importance of a balanced 90/90 semester split, particularly to support high school instruction. That input played a key role in the modified options we’re presenting this year.”



FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE

Tuesday May 20th – **Block 1**

Wednesday May 21st – **Block 2**

Thursday May 22nd – **Block 3**

Friday May 23rd – **Block 4**

Final Exam Makeup dates May 27th to May 29th

Spring 2025 EOC & Final Exam Schedules

HHHS



Tuesday May 20 th Block 1 EOC & Final Exams		
1st block review (EOC EXAMS START)		8:30am - 9:30am
Break (Not for EOC Testers)		9:30am - 9:35am
1st block exams		9:35am - 11:45am
3rd block with Lunches (9th - 11th)		11:50am - 1:50pm
A-Lunch	B-Lunch	C-Lunch
C-Hall & D-Hall Lunch 11:50am – 12:15pm Class 12:20pm – 1:50pm	B, X, Y, & Z-Halls Class 11:50pm – 12:40pm Lunch 12:45pm – 1:10pm Class 1:15pm – 1:50pm	A-Hall, Gym, & ROTC Class 11:50pm – 1:25pm Lunch 1:30pm – 1:50pm
2nd block		1:55pm - 3:30pm

Wednesday May 21 st Block 2 EOC & Final Exams		
2nd block review (EOC EXAMS START)		8:30am - 9:30am
Break (Not for EOC Testers)		9:30am - 9:35am
2nd block exam		9:35am - 11:45am
3rd block with Lunches		11:50am - 1:50pm
A-Lunch	B-Lunch	C-Lunch
C-Hall & D-Hall Lunch 11:50am – 12:15pm Class 12:20pm – 1:50pm	B, X, Y, & Z-Halls Class 11:50pm – 12:40pm Lunch 12:45pm – 1:10pm Class 1:15pm – 1:50pm	A-Hall, Gym, & ROTC Class 11:50pm – 1:25pm Lunch 1:30pm – 1:50pm
4th block		1:55pm - 3:30pm

Thursday May 22 nd Block 3 EOC & Final Exams		
3rd block review (EOC EXAMS START)		8:30am - 9:30am
Break (Not for EOC Testers)		9:30am - 9:35am
3rd block exam		9:35am - 11:45am
4th block with Lunches <i>Modifications in Yellow</i>		11:50am - 1:50pm
A-Lunch	B-Lunch	C-Lunch
C, D, X, & Y-Halls Lunch 11:50am – 12:15pm Class 12:20pm – 1:50pm <i>(Any student without a class scheduled for 4th block should attend A-Lunch.)</i>	B-Hall & Z-Hall Class 11:50pm – 12:40pm Lunch 12:45pm – 1:10pm Class 1:15pm – 1:50pm	A-Hall, Gym, & ROTC Class 11:50pm – 1:25pm Lunch 1:30pm – 1:50pm
1st block		1:55pm – 2:40pm
2nd block		2:45pm – 3:30pm

Friday May 23 rd Block 4 EOC & Final Exams		
4 th block review (EOC EXAMS START)		8:30am - 9:30am
Break (Not for EOC Testers)		9:30am - 9:35am
4 th block exam		9:35am - 11:45am
3 rd block with Lunches		11:50am - 1:50pm
A-Lunch	B-Lunch	C-Lunch
C-Hall & D-Hall Lunch 11:50am – 12:15pm Class 12:20pm – 1:50pm	B, X, Y, & Z-Halls Class 11:50pm – 12:40pm Lunch 12:45pm – 1:10pm Class 1:15pm – 1:50pm	A-Hall, Gym, & ROTC Class 11:50pm – 1:25pm Lunch 1:30pm – 1:50pm
1 st block		1:55pm – 2:40pm
2 nd block		2:45pm – 3:30pm

May 27 th - 29 th Make-Up Exam Days		
1 st Block		8:30am – 10:10am
2 nd Block		10:15am – 11:45am
3 rd Block (with lunches)		11:50am – 1:55pm
A-Lunch	B-Lunch	C-Lunch
C-Hall & D-Hall Lunch 11:50am – 12:15pm Class 12:20pm – 1:55pm	B, X, Y, & Z-Halls Class 11:50am – 12:35pm Lunch 12:40pm – 1:05pm Class 1:10pm – 1:55pm	A-Hall, Gym, & ROTC Class 11:50am – 1:25pm Lunch 1:30pm – 1:55pm
4 th Block		2:00pm – 3:30pm

English 2 End of Course Examinations

All students who are enrolled in English 2 or English 2 Honors are required to take the South Carolina English 2 End of Course Examination.

The test is given in two parts.

- Part 1 is the writing portion of the test.
 - Part 1 is administered earlier. The dates are below.
- Part 2 is the multiple choice portion of the test.
 - Part 2 is administered during final exam week.
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English 2 classes will begin taking the writing component of the English 2 South Carolina EOCEP on Thursday, May 1st.. Testing will begin promptly at 8:30 AM.

Schedule:

Thursday, 5/1, 8:30 AM

Ms. Tinervin Block 3

Ms. MacMurray Block 3 and 4

Friday, 5/2, 8:30 AM

Ms. Brooker Block 1

Ms. MacMurray Block 1

Monday, 5/5, 8:30 AM

Ms. Brooker Blocks 3 and 4

IB Exam Information

IB Exams start next week and run daily from April 29 – May 16. Below is the IB Exam Schedule.

1. Students with **morning IB exam sessions** should report to the hallway outside the *auxiliary gym **between 8:00 and 8:15 AM.**
2. For **afternoon IB exam sessions**, students should **leave class at 11:45 to report to the hallway near the auxiliary gym to eat their lunches before going into testing.**
3. **PLEASE CHECK THE AFTERNOON EXAM SCHEDULE CAREFULLY because some days with longer testing sessions in the afternoon may run past the 3:30 bell.** We will always TRY to get students out before 3:30, but some days can run a little past that time.

**Two IB exams will NOT be held in the auxiliary gym. Students will be directed to classrooms for these tests:*

- Tuesday, May 6 morning exam – IB History Paper 3 will be held in classrooms TBA
- Thursday, May 15 morning exam – IB Spanish Listening will be held in classrooms TBA

IB Examination Schedule

April 29th – Tuesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Physics HL – Paper 1 – 120 minutes

April 30th –

Wednesday – Morning – 8:30am – Physics HL – Paper 2 – 150 minutes

Wednesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Business Mgt. HL – Paper 1 – 90 minutes

Wednesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Business Mgt. HL – Paper 3 – 75 minutes

Wednesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Business Mgt. SL – Paper 1 – 90 minutes

May 2nd –

Friday – Morning – 8:30am – Business Mgt. HL – Paper 2 – 105 minutes

Friday – Morning – 8:30am – Business Mgt. SL – Paper 2 – 90 minutes

May 2nd – Friday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Environmental SL – Paper 1 – 60 minutes

May 5th –

Monday – Morning – 8:30am – Environmental SL – Paper 2 – 120 minutes

Monday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – History HL – Paper 1 – 60 minutes

Monday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – History HL – Paper 2 – 90 minutes

May 6th – Tuesday – Morning – 8:30am – History HL – Paper 3 – 150 minutes

May 8th – Thursday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – English HL – Paper 1 – 135 minutes

May 9th – Friday – Morning – 8:30am – English HL – Paper 2 – 105 minutes

May 12th –

Monday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Biology HL – Paper 1 – 120 minutes

Monday – Afternoon – 12:30pm – Biology SL – Paper 1 – 90 minutes

May 13th –

Tuesday – Morning – 8:30am – Biology HL – Paper 2 – 150 minutes

Tuesday – Morning – 8:30 pm – Biology SL – Paper 2 – 90 minutes

May 14th –

Wednesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Spanish SL – Paper 1 – 75 minutes

Wednesday – Afternoon – 12:30 pm – Spanish SL – Paper 2 Reading – 60 minutes

May 15th –

Thursday – Morning – 8:30am – Spanish SL – Paper 2 Listening – 45 minutes

Thursday – Afternoon – 12:30pm – Math Analysis SL – Paper 1 – 90 minutes

Thursday – Afternoon – 12:30pm – Math Apps. SL – Paper 1 – 90 minutes

May 16th –

Friday – Morning – 8:30am – Math Analysis SL – Paper 2 – 90 minutes

Friday – Morning – 8:30am – Math Apps. SL – Paper 2 – 90 minutes

Thank you to all the faculty and students who have worked so diligently on the academic goals of the IB Diploma Program. We are wishing the best to all of our IB students, especially the 35 senior IB Diploma Candidates who will be completing their two-year IB journey with exams. We are proud of you all!

IBDP Seniors: Naiara Alvarez, Vanessa Avila, Henry Boatright, Bryce Broome, Malachi Bynum, Jack Coley, Dany Cortes, Jair Cruz, Maeve Dolan, Isabella Drake, Hannah Dye, Shakty Francisco De La Cruz, Ernest Friday, Lilly Friday, Hailey Gardner, Avery Halloren, Noah Hooks, Alexis Kline, Shelby Kline, Isabelle Luther, Chelsea Manueles, Veronica Markowitz, Nathaniel Maver, Michelle Ocampo, Taylan, Olcer, Emeli Perez Morales, Aliana Richard, Mia Ruxton, David San Agustin, Jalil Scott, Jackson Simmons, Janeal Stevens, Reece Stewart, Sophie Tomlinson, and Kimberly Uriostegui.

Online Tutoring Program at HHIHS

We are excited to inform you that there is a new online tutoring program available at HHIHS. This program was created by HHIHS student Bess Tuczynski. The program is designed help all students at HHIHS get the tutoring they need, in the time that they are available. And it is completely free for all participants.



Based on feedback, one of the biggest challenges for students is to find the time to attend early morning or after school tutoring due to athletics and/or transportation. The goal of this virtually based program is to allow those same students to get the effective tutoring they need to be successful throughout their high school careers at a convenient time.

With this program, students in the National Honors Societies at the high school will provide the tutoring, while earning volunteer hours for their time. The tutoring sessions are completely confidential so only the tutor, student and teacher will be aware of who takes part in the program. Those who are interested in receiving tutoring for any subject can visit www.hiltonheadtutors.com to sign up today. To sign up, simply click the "Sign Up" button, choose your desired subject, time, and then select your tutor based on availability.



Senior Information

Parents/Guardians of seniors:

Please check your email for an updated informational letter about end of year activities and obligations.

Here are a few of the highlights:

- ***NOW*** - If you need to order graduation supplies such as a cap and gown, ***please call the company and order ASAP: Herff-Jones Company, 912-764-9314***
- ***April 3*** - Herff-Jones Graduation Regalia Distribution Day; if you missed it, ***Please DON'T just show up and ask for your items. Email Mary.White@beaufort.k12.sc.us and Michelle.Hartman@beaufort.k12.sc.us***
- ***April 29*** - IB Exams Begin; all seniors in IB classes return to HHIHS to take their IB (or AP) tests. IB exams are multi-day exams, and there are no make-ups. Fall Finishers must get testing dates and times from their IB/AP teachers. Spring dual enrollment students - work out these IB/AP exam dates with your college professors.

- **May 19 - Yearbook Slideshow, Senior Breakfast**, parent/guardian volunteers needed 8:15 AM – 11:00 AM; we will be sending a volunteer sign up sheet through Bright Arrow soon!
- **May 20 – 23, Final Exams**
 - May 20 Block 1
 - May 21 Block 2
 - May 22 Block 3
 - May 23 Block 4
 - May 27 Make-up Exam Day for Seniors

Attendance Policy for the 2024-25 School Year

The attendance policy can be found at: <https://hhihs.beaufortschools.net/families/attendance-policy>
 Please continue to monitor your child's grades and attendance in the PowerSchool Parent Portal. The last day to make up seat time for the first semester was yesterday at Saturday School. All those students who have not made up the time in the classes in which they have received an FA (failure due to absences and tardies) will have the FA remain as a grade. An FA is the equivalent of receiving a grade of 50. The 50 will be factored into a student's GPA (grade point average) as well as impacting class rank.

Beginning March 15th, we will begin to have Saturday School for those students who have fallen below the seat requirement for one or more of their classes during the second semester.

The Saturday School schedule for the second semester is below:

April 26th

May 3rd

May 10th

May 17th

*Days may also be made up during summer school

New State-Wide

Personal Communication Device Policy

This fall Beaufort County School District instituted a Personal Electronic and Communication Device Policy. For students in PreK through 8th grade the policy stated that all personal and communication devices must be turned off and stored in a locker, pocket, purse, backpack, or other non-visible secure location from the school start time to the school end time. For high school students the same policy applied except high school students could use their devices during lunch in the cafeteria. However, as expected the SC State Department of Education has created a state policy for all public schools.

Therefore, when HHIHS students return to school after winter break on January 8th all personal and electronic and communication devices must be turned off and stored. **They cannot be used from 8:30am to 3:30pm each school day.**



Parent/Student PowerSchool Portal

Parents and students have access to the parent and student PowerSchool portals. I highly recommend parents and students check their PowerSchool portals often to see current grades and attendance. If you do not have access to your parent portal, please email Ms. Youmans at: teresa.youmans@beaufort.k12.sc.us

BCSD Board of Education

The BCSD Board of Education is the governing body for the school district. The Board's policies are the tools the Board uses to manage BCSD affairs on a cost-effective basis, authorize the Superintendent to serve as the BCSD leader, empower employees to perform and grow, and support all learners in developing their potential by providing excellent education in a safe and nurturing educational environment. Upcoming meetings of the Beaufort County Board of Education are held on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, beginning at 6 p.m. Board meetings open to the public are held at the District Office and Hilton Head Middle School.

The Board meetings are aired live on the School Board's YouTube Channel at:

<https://www.youtube.com/@beaufortcountyschoolboard/featured>

Spring 2025 Future Board Meeting Dates:

April 30th – Budget Public Forum Location TBD

May 1st – Budget Public Forum Location TBD

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.

May 13th

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.

May 15th



Athletics this Week

Monday 4/21/25

4:15pm Tennis vs HH Prep

6:30pm Varsity Baseball vs Philip Simmons Senior Night

Middle School Soccer Stadium

6pm JV Baseball @ HHCA

Tuesday 4/22/25

6pm Girls Varsity Lacrosse vs Fountain Inn 1st Round Playoff Game

6pm Varsity Softball vs Hampton

4pm Golf @ Dataw

Wednesday 4/23/25

4:30pm Track Hosting the Low Country Championship

6pm Varsity Softball vs Bluffton Senior Night

6pm JV Baseball vs HHCA

6:30pm Varsity Baseball @ Philip Simmons
Middle School Soccer @ Swamp

Thursday 4/24/25

TBD Girls Varsity Lacrosse vs TBD 2nd Round Playoff Game
4:30pm Tennis vs Bluffton Senior Night
4pm Golf @ Dogwood

Friday 4/25/25

5:30/7pm JV and Varsity Girls Soccer vs May River Senior Night
5:30/7pm JV and Varsity Boys Soccer @ May River
TBD Track @ Spring Valley

Saturday 4/26/25

12pm Boys Lacrosse vs TBD 2nd Round Playoff Game

Attendance Notes

To submit absence notes, please send them to the following email address: hhihsattendance@beaufort.k12.sc.us

Early Release Requests

To submit early release requests, please send them to the following email address:

hhihsearlyrelease@beaufort.k12.sc.us

Here is the automatic reply when a parent requests early dismissal for the student.

"Thank you for submitting your early release request. No early dismissals 30 minutes prior to the end of the school day. For example: Half days, not after 12 pm and Regular days, not after 3 pm"

Please read the early release procedures below as some of the process has been updated.

- 1. We receive & approve the request. *Requests must be submitted before noon each regular school day or 10:00 am on half days.***
 - 2. Please let the student know there is a dismissal request.**
 - 3. The student should show the teacher their early release pass which will be used as a pass out of class and to the front desk.**
 - 4. For the safety of our students, we require that any person who will be picking up a student during the school day come into the building and show their ID. The person who is picking up a student will only be permitted to take the student with them if they are listed in PowerSchool.**
 - 5. If a student is driving themselves, they will be permitted to sign out and leave at the time listed on their early release note.**
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Save the Date:

- **Graduation for the Class of 2025 Saturday, May 31st, 2025 at 7:00pm**
- Graduation for the Class of 2026 Friday, May 29, 2026 at 7:00 pm (This is a change)

Hilton Head Island High School Facebook, ROTC Facebook and Athletic Facebook and X (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 HHHS 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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