Harbor Learning Center (HLC)
End of Year Newsletter

June/July/August Calendar

June 12- July 2 Summer School at HLC
June 12-July 24 GHA Summer School (one class limit)
June 18 Last day HLC office is open
June 19 Holiday- No Summer School/HLC Office closed/Aberdeen School District Closed
June 22- July 2 Main Office closed for the summer, but Summer School staff available 8-Noon
August 11 First Day HLC Office opens to the public
August 21 Grays Harbor Academy Back to School Family Night 5- 7 PM
August 27 First day of school- HLC Orientation 8 AM - 1 PM
August 28- First day of classes at Harbor Junior/Senior High
August 28 HLC School Pictures
September 1 Labor Day- No School
September 24 Early Release Collaboration

Principal's Message:

Thinking ahead to the 2025- 2026 school year? We have a wait list of new students! If you know someone wanting to take advantage of Harbor Jr Sr High, Grays Harbor Academy, or our Open Doors/GED program- let them know to fill out an application and get on the waitlist. Please let us know if you are planning on leaving the Harbor Learning Center to return to your "home school" next year. You also need to contact the school to which you are returning and give them a heads up. Our first day of school will be on August 27! Like the last four years, this day is an Orientation Day for our students and families. We will be open 8-1 for orientation activities. Come meet your teachers, verify your student's schedule, check out a chromebook, and sign back to school paperwork. **It is a fun way to start off the new school year.**

Aberdeen Free Summer Lunch Program No meals served on June 19 or July 4

Aberdeen Summer Lunch Program at the Parks June 16-August 22 Free Sack Lunches will be served between 11:30 AM-12:30 PM Finch Playfield, Northend Park, Peterson Park, and Garley Park

Grab and Go Lunch Pick Up Sites June 17-August 23

Stop 1 Robert Gray Elementary 11:00-11:15 AM/ ***Stop 2*** Stevens Elementary 11:30-11:45 AM/ *Stop 3* Central Park Elementary 12:15-12:30 PM

Counseling Office Message- Kasi Turner

The end of the year arrived. There were lots of credits earned by the Dragons this year; some students worked ahead; some caught up; and some just continued at their steady pace. Remember, at Harbor High, students do not get a letter grade until they finish their class. This means students start the next school year in any class that they did not finish the year before with the points they ended the year with. I will be printing their current schedules and then adding them back into their schedules for next year at the end of the summer. If you would like to know where your student currently stands in regards to credits, whether they are on track to graduate, or what they need to do for next year, please schedule a meeting with me or give me a call. **I would be happy to help you!**

Aberdeen School District Seismic Grant

Our district continues to work with OSPI on our district's Seismic Grant and the Harbor Learning Center is in Phase 2. We remain hopeful that our state will commit to continuing to fund the seismic work as the years progress. Harbor Learning Center is one of our four district school buildings identified for needed replacement and to be moved to a safer geographic area. This ensures our new building can better withstand an earthquake AND be out of the tsunami inundation zone. Lots of information on the progress is being shared at school board meetings and on our district website as to the plans for the Harbor Learning Center. Our district formed a building Design Advisory Committee comprised of district staff, HLC staff, a parent/guardian, and a student. Our architects visited our school and took staff and student feedback. A school team visited some new schools across the region on AND met with the architecture team about our facility dreams. We also surveyed families during Student Led Conferences. We are now in Phase Two of the process, and the architects are designing our new building. Need to know more? Don't hesitate to reach out to our school for some information.

School Technology and Room 4:

All students should have returned their device, power cord and borrowed books to the school- either to check out for summer school or to get fees removed from their accounts. Any students who have not done this will have a fee in their skyward account until the device is returned. **Students can not receive a diploma or an official transcript from our school district until all fees are paid or removed.** All devices returned must be returned with the students first and last name on a sticky note. We will have someone available at Harbor Learning Center until June 18th. The office will be open 7 am - 3 pm if you would like to turn in a computer or borrowed book. After June 18th you can use the drop box but make sure there is a sticky note with the student's name well secured on the device.

- Students attending summer school will need to return their devices on July 2nd.
- Students attending virtual summer school with Grays Harbor Academy please return your chrome books by July 25th
- Ongoing GED students can keep their devices until they have completed the program.

Summer Open Doors/GED Program

Is your student struggling in their traditional learning environment and turned 16 before September 1, 2024? Is your student also behind on credits? The GED / Open Doors Program could be a solution!

In the 2024–2025 school year, we had over 30 students earn their GED. The GED / Open Doors Program continues through the summer months, allowing students to maintain their progress without interruption. A completed GED is worth **five** high school credits, helping students quickly reach their goals of earning both a GED and a high school diploma.

As we complete our fourth year of the Open Doors / GED Program, we continue to refine and enhance it to better serve students. Next year, students will register for "flights" to ensure they receive the necessary support, academic interventions, and guidance to successfully pass the GED tests. After passing the GED, students are encouraged to remain in the program and work toward earning their high school diploma. This year, we had **five** students successfully complete their high school diploma through this program!

During the summer months, our Open Doors / GED Program will operate during the regular HLC Summer School hours: Monday–Friday, 8:00 AM–12:00 PM, from June 12 to July 2, with no school on June 19. After July 2, GED support will be available by appointment only. Students can continue to schedule GED testing by contacting the Case Manager, Emma Wimberley, via email at **ewimberley@asd5.org** or by text at **360-986-0122**.

If your student is interested in switching to the Open Doors / GED Program, or maintaining enrollment, make sure to attend Orientation on August 27th 8:00AM-1:00PM!

Grays Harbor Academy Information

Welcome to summer school! We will begin summer classes on June 12th and end on Thursday July 24. The summer term is only six short weeks, and you are still expected to complete an entire semester of work. That being said, the pacing for summer is very fast, nearly triple what you would expect during the school year, and you can expect about three hours of work each day to maintain pace. However, that will still leave you plenty of time to enjoy the warm summer sun and beautiful days!

Here are our basic rules and expectations for Grays Harbor Academy:

1. **You will have work to do in every class, every day.** (Except holidays and school designated breaks).
2. **You must remain on track, or ahead, in your class progress**.
3. **You must be passing your classes**. This includes reading the stories, writing, completing performance task projects, and trying your hardest on tests and quizzes. I see a lot of students who spend less than a minute on a test or quiz, then ask to take it over again for a better grade. That is not acceptable. **Taking notes during the instructional videos, and/ or using the guided notes, will help you succeed in your classes**. We can give extra test and quiz retakes by request, though these are limited..
4. **We must have weekly two way communication.** This can be answering the two questions at the end of the weekly progress reports, an email, phone call, texting, chatting on Go Guardian, or stopping by the school in person. This is our way of taking attendance and we keep track of these.

Planning ahead, 2025-2026 School Year! If you know that your student will be leaving GHA and attending another school NEXT YEAR, please contact me, Robert, and let me know your plans! We are sending a digital document to all families with their intentions for next school year. When you receive this, please fill it out and return at soon as possible.

BACK TO SCHOOL GHA FAMILY NIGHT: We are planning a back to school family night on **August 21 from 5-7** at the Harbor Learning Center. We will provide dinner, and have an informative presentation to go over program rules and expectations, as well as changes and updates for the new school year, sign SLPs, and get computers. **The first day of classes in the 2025-2026 school year will be Thursday, August 28, 2025.**

School Pictures-

Please plan to stop by the school on Thursday, August 28, 2025 for school pictures! Even if you do not want to order picture packets, we still need pictures taken for school records, etc.

HLC Main Office-

The HLC Office Service Window is open Monday- Friday from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM. You can also call the main office at (360) 538-2180. A secure drop box is available for after hours drop off of materials. Most “business” can be conducted through our HLC service window. **Remember, the school office is closed on holidays and breaks. The last day the main office is open to the public is June 18th. The main office reopens to the public on August 11th.**