



SCHOLARS ACADEMY

FRESHMAN OPEN HOUSE

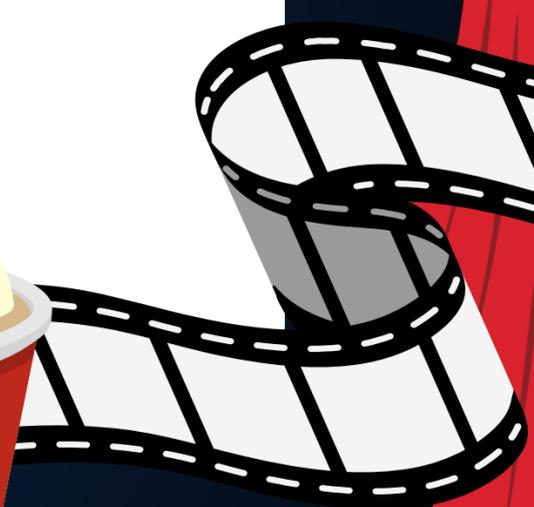
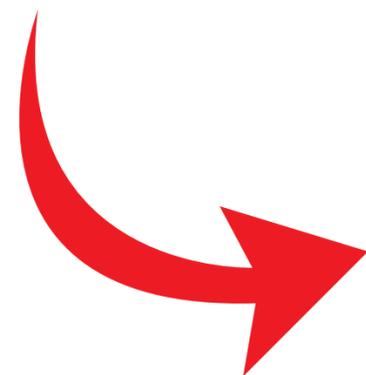


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2025 - 26 Calendar

HCS Scholars Academy High School

First day of school: Aug. 18
First day of CCU: Aug. 20 / Jan. 12
Last day of CCU: Dec. 11 / May 7
Last day of school: June 4

AUGUST

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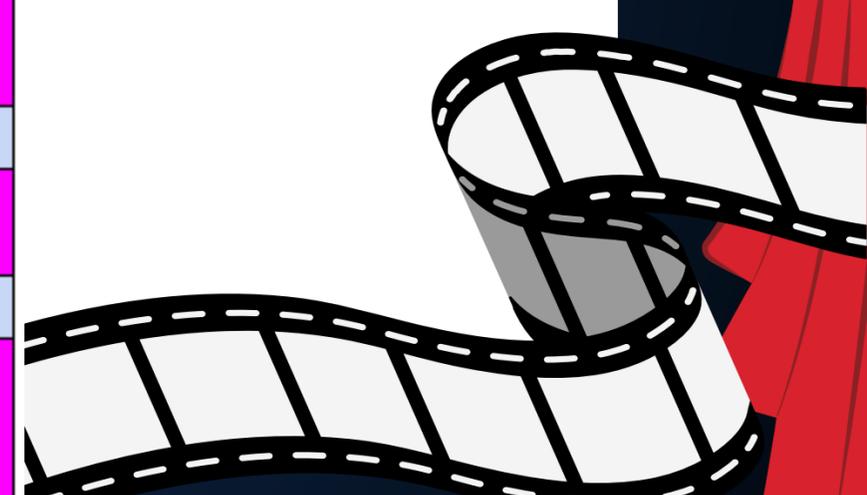
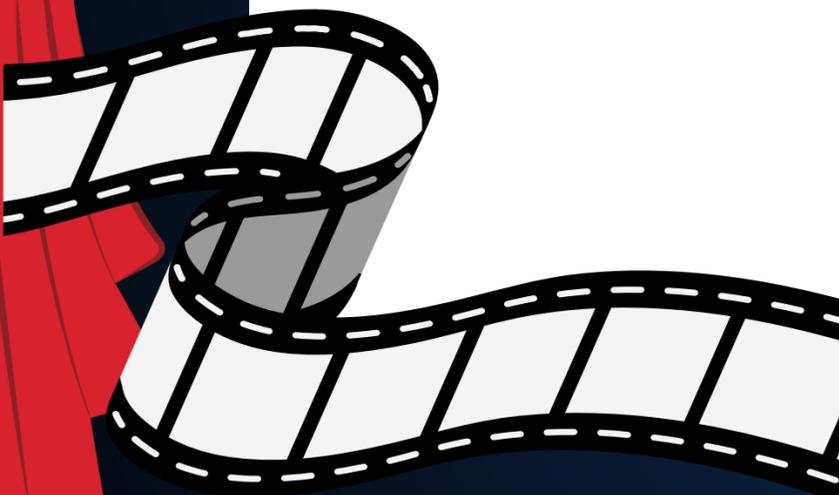
- SAHS + CCU closed
- CCU in session + SAHS closed
- 2.5 hr early dismissal: CCU classes as scheduled
- SAHS in session + CCU in session (HCS closed)
- SAHS in session + CCU closed
- CCU + SA "Spring Break"
- additional teacher days

*January 20 exchanged with March 5
*February 16 exchanged with March 6
*February 17 exchanged with March 4

SCHOLARS ACADEMY MASTER SCHEDULE 2025-2026*

Monday, Wednesday & Friday	Tuesday & Thursday	ADVISORY
7:58 - 8:00	7:58 - 8:00	7:58 - 8:00
ANNOUNCEMENTS (Students must be PRESENT at 7:58am)		
8:00 - 8:50	8:00 - 9:15	8:00 - 9:15
1st Block (50 mins)	1st Block (75 mins)	1st Block (75 mins)
9:00 - 9:50	9:25 - 10:40	9:25 - 10:40
2nd Block (50 mins)	2nd Block (75 mins)	2nd Block (75 mins)
10:00 - 10:50	10:50 - 12:05	10:50 - 12:05
3rd Block (50 mins)	3rd Block (75 mins)	3rd Block (75 mins)
11:00 - 11:50	12:10 - 12:50	12:05 - 12:35
4th Block (50 mins)	Lunch (40 mins)	Lunch (30 mins)
11:50 - 12:20	12:55 - 2:15	12:40 - 1:00
Lunch (30 mins)		ADVISORY (20 mins)
12:25 - 1:15		1:05 - 2:15
5th Block (50 mins)	4th Block (80 mins)	4th Block (70 mins)
1:25 - 2:15		
6th Block (50 mins)		

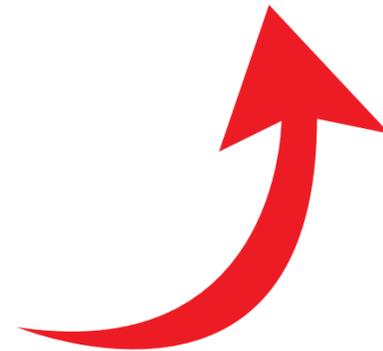
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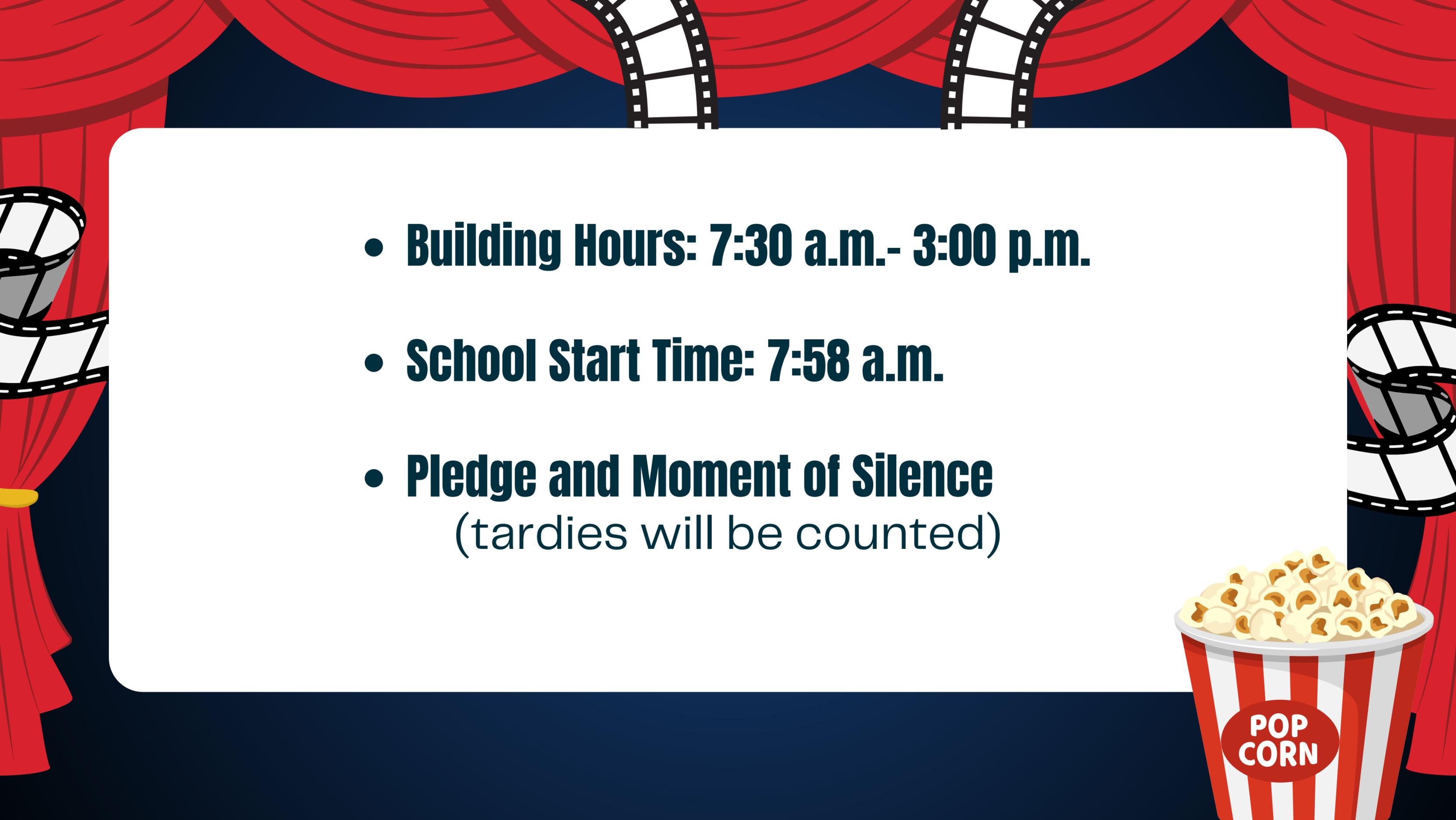


STUDENT HANDBOOK INFORMATION

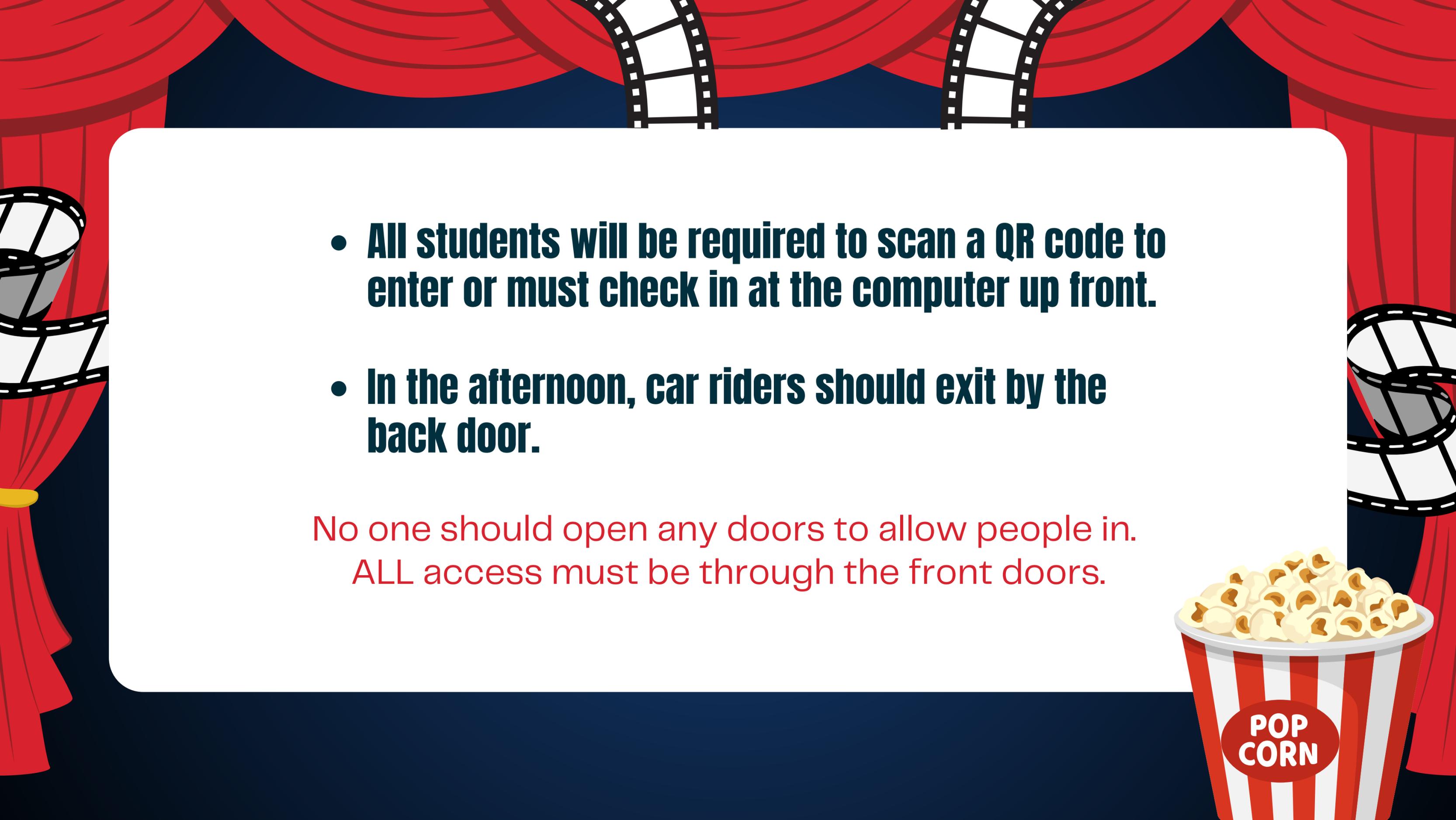
[Student Guide to Success Handbook](#)

**CLICK TO
ACCESS &
REVIEW**



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- **Building Hours: 7:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.**
 - **School Start Time: 7:58 a.m.**
 - **Pledge and Moment of Silence**
(tardies will be counted)

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- **All students will be required to scan a QR code to enter or must check in at the computer up front.**
 - **In the afternoon, car riders should exit by the back door.**

No one should open any doors to allow people in.
ALL access must be through the front doors.

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

August 18 → 1st Day of School

August 22 → AP Celebration (lunch,
schoolwide meeting, & class pictures)

August 29 → School Pictures

September 9 → 9th grade meeting with
school counselor/principal/teachers - 6pm



HCS CLEAR BAG POLICY CONSEQUENCES

- 1st Offense: confiscation & call home
- 2nd Offense: 1-2 days OSS
- 3rd Offense: 3-5 days OSS
- 4th Offense: Disciplinary Hearing



Please see the link below for the HCS Clear Bag Policy to ensure your student is in compliance.

HCS Clear Bag Policy.

**CLICK FOR
WEBSITE**





PLEASE NOTE:

ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO ENTER
HCS Scholars Academy High School

WILL BE **REQUIRED** TO GO THROUGH A
SECURITY SCREENING PROCESS EACH
TIME THEY ENTER THE BUILDING. DUE TO
THIS, WE ASK THAT ALL INDIVIDUALS
REFRAIN FROM BRINGING UNNECESSARY
ITEMS INTO THE BUILDING IN ORDER TO
EXPEDITE THE PROCESS. PLEASE LEAVE
ALL OTHER ITEMS IN YOUR CAR.



DAILY SECURITY SCREENINGS

- EVERY PERSON WILL BE SEARCHED EACH TIME THEY ENTER THE BUILDING
- CLEAR BAGS REQUIRED – [SEE HCS GUIDELINES HERE](#)

PROCEDURE:

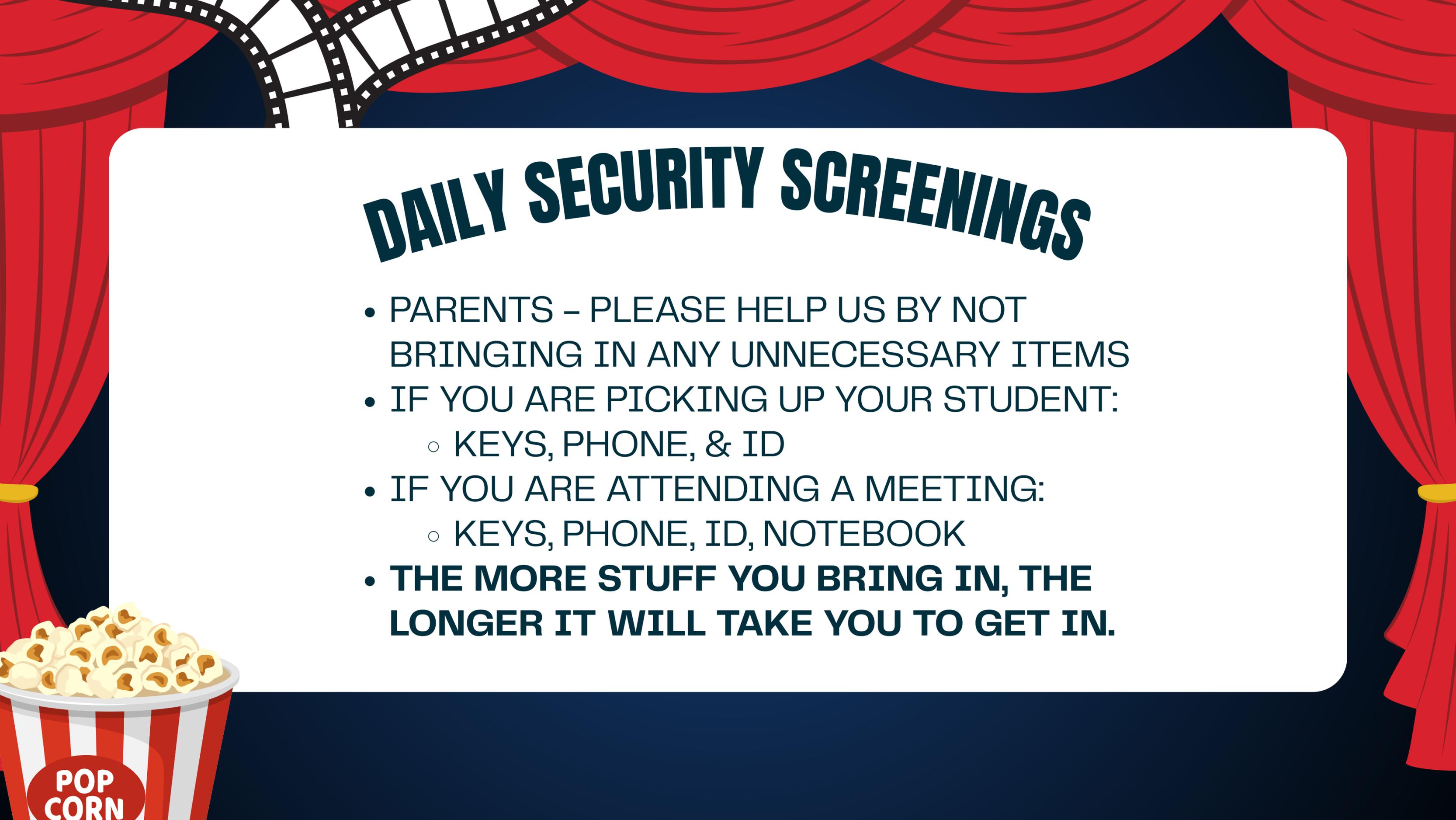
- WALK THROUGH WITH YOUR BOOKBAG STRAPPED ON YOUR FRONT
- PASS YOUR LAPTOP TO THE ADULT ON DUTY
- PHONES, AIRPODS & KEYS MAY REMAIN IN POCKETS
- UMBRELLAS, CERTAIN GLASSES CASES, BINDERS WILL MAKE THE SYSTEM ALERT
- IF THE SYSTEM ALERTS ON YOU, YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO MOVE TO A SECONDARY SEARCH AREA
- IF THE SYSTEM DOES NOT ALERT ON YOU, YOU CAN KEEP IT MOVING



DAILY SECURITY SCREENINGS

- STUDENTS WITHOUT BAGS WILL BE ABLE TO PASS THROUGH THIS SCREENING MORE QUICKLY.
- STUDENTS WITH ATHLETIC BAGS/EQUIPMENT WILL “CHECK THEM” WITH THE SECURITY GUARD AND THEN PICK THEM UP WHEN THEY LEAVE. STUDENTS WILL NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THESE BAGS DURING THE SCHOOL DAY. GYM BAGS WILL BE HANDLED SEPARATELY.
- STUDENTS SHOULD USE THEIR LOCKERS AND/OR LEAVE BOOKS AT HOME UNLESS INSTRUCTED TO BRING THEM FOR A SPECIFIC DAY





DAILY SECURITY SCREENINGS

- PARENTS – PLEASE HELP US BY NOT BRINGING IN ANY UNNECESSARY ITEMS
- IF YOU ARE PICKING UP YOUR STUDENT:
 - KEYS, PHONE, & ID
- IF YOU ARE ATTENDING A MEETING:
 - KEYS, PHONE, ID, NOTEBOOK
- **THE MORE STUFF YOU BRING IN, THE LONGER IT WILL TAKE YOU TO GET IN.**



CCU ALERT



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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

Scholars Academy Front Desk - (843) 349-4117
Norman McQueen (office) - (843) 349-6565

Norman McQueen – Principal – nmcqueen@horrycountyschools.net

Michele Macasek – Assistant Principal – mmacasek@horrycountyschools.net

Genelle Williams – School Counselor – gwilliams006@horrycountyschools.net

Shauna Brooks – Attendance – dbrooks001@horrycountyschools.net

Michelle Gavilan – Data Quality/Bookkeeper – mchevaliergavilan@horrycountyschools.net

Ashley Johnson – Front Desk/Guidance Secretary – ajohnson015@horrycountyschools.net

CELL PHONE POLICY

HCS Student Cell Phone Policy.

1st violation: Warning

2nd violation: 1 day ISS

3rd violation: 2 days ISS

4th violation: 1 day OSS

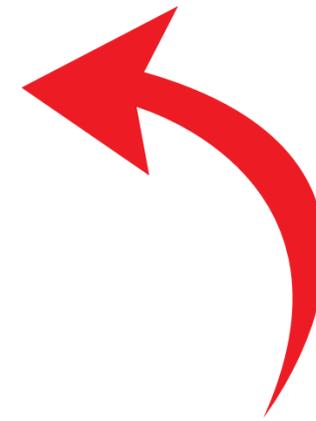
5th violation: 3 days OSS

6th violation: 5 days OSS

7th: Evidentiary hearing



**CLICK HERE TO
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FULL POLICY**



ATTENDANCE

***New for the
2025-26
School Year***

2024-25	2025-26
Students who miss 3 consecutive, full-day, unexcused absences must have an AIP.	Students who miss 3 consecutive, full-day, unexcused absences must have an AIP.
Students who miss 5 or more full-day unexcused absences must have an AIP.	Students who miss 5 or more full-day unexcused absences must have an AIP.
A student who misses 10% or more of his/her enrollment period is identified as chronically absent.	A student who misses 10% or more of his/her enrollment period is identified as chronically absent.
Principals may excuse up to 6 days per year.	Principals may not excuse days. The SC-PA code will no longer be available.
Principals may use the SC-PA code for up to 2 days when a student has been placed on summary suspension if the infraction was unfounded.	Principals may use the SC-EX code for up to 2 days when a student has been placed on summary suspension and the student's involvement in the infraction is unfounded. Parent notification must be documented in Log Entries.
Parent notes are not excused.	Parents may submit notes for up to 6 school days, and the days will count as parent-excused. (Students taking dual-enrollment courses must follow the attendance guidelines from the credit-granting institution. Parent notes cannot be used to excuse absences from HGTC or CCU classes.) Elementary/Middle Schools – 6 days total High Schools – 3 days per semester, for a total of 6 days Parent notes will not be accepted during designated state testing dates. Due to high school final exams, parent notes will not be accepted the last 3 days of the school year for students in grades 9-12. Parents must submit a note within 3 days of the student's return to school from an absence. Notes may be submitted prior to the student's absence.

SAattendance@horrycountyschools.net



TARDY POLICY

Students should be in class on time ready to begin each school day at 7:58am. Those who are not on time for school/class are tardy.

1st offense: Verbal Warning

2nd offense: Parent contact and 15 minute after school detention

3rd offense: Parent Contact and 30-minute after school detention

4th offense: Students will be referred to the principal for a possible Attendance Intervention Plan (AIP).

After-school tardy detentions will be held on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays outside of class times. It is the responsibility of the student and his/her parents to provide timely transportation from detention in the afternoons.



LUNCH OPTIONS

- Students may bring their own lunch.
- Several microwaves are available for student use.
- Students may order lunch daily from HCS Early College High School.
- Mr. McQueen sends out each menu on our weekly announcements, along with the link for ordering. **Lunches MUST be ordered before 8:30 a.m.**
- Students will eat in the commons area or outside. Students may also eat in a classroom as long as a teacher is present and a club is not meeting.

CAMPUS RESTRICTIONS

- Dorms, Dining Facilities, HTC Center, Game Room in Student Center are OFF LIMITS TO ALL STUDENTS
- NO Starbucks or Einstein's Bagels
- First Semester with an Adult
- To be on campus AFTER SCHOOL – students must have SA permission or accompanied by parent/guardian (sporting events, theater....)



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DRESS CODE

- Located in SA Guide to Student Success
 - Pants, Shorts, Skirts and Dresses
 - Tops
 - Undergarments, Leggings
 - Pictures and writing on clothing/masks or other items



COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS

- You can turn in up to 8 from the summer due August 29th.
- All documentation must be submitted using the online process.
- Access must be from student HCS gmail account
- Complete 7/8 hours each term (total of 15)
- *You may complete more in first term to finish requirement
- All hours are due by April 30, 2026 (last school day of the month)
- ALL hours must be submitted monthly
- Targeted
- Purposeful
- Supportive to a community who has given to you

“To Whom Much Is Given Much Is Required”

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LAPTOP INFORMATION

- School issued Dell Laptops – highly encouraged
- \$25.00 fee – payable at front desk if you did not pay during online registration
- You may bring your own device but there could be issues with access due to district firewalls
- Printing – must have a flash drive



SCHOOLLOGY

- Schoology is our instructional platform. This platform provides fingertip, remote, and constant access to assignments and assessments.
- Grades will be viewable via PowerSchool.
- There is a homework calendar feature in Schoology to assist students with balancing workloads and monitoring when assignments are due.

SCHOLARS STATION

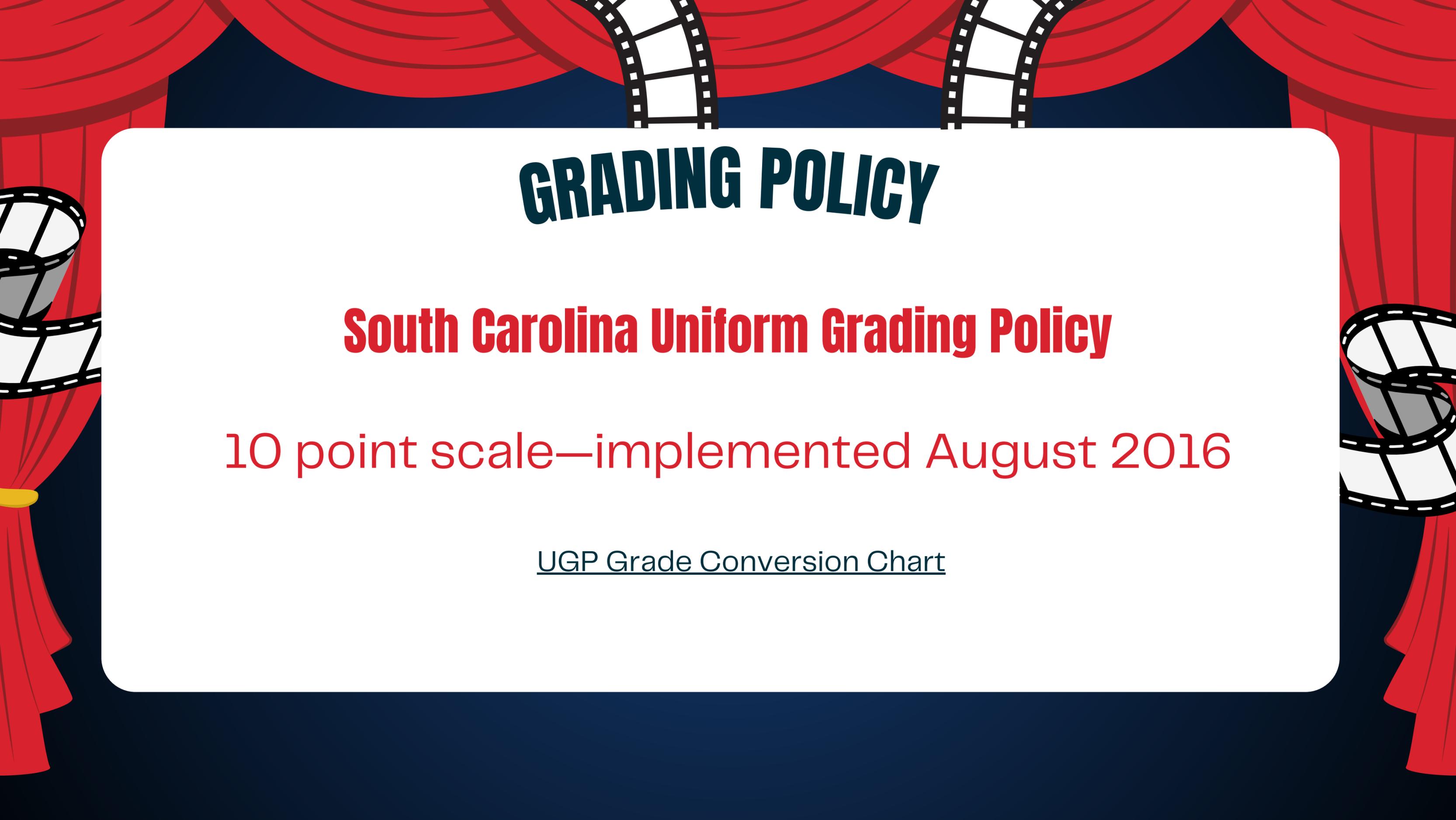
**(50 Minutes on Monday,
Wednesday, and Friday)**

**(70 minutes on Tuesday,
and Thursday)**

- Designed to provide an opportunity for purposeful, individual, and/or collaborative work
- Is key to management of the rigors of Scholars Academy
- NOT MEANT TO BE:
 - a time for relaxation and free time
 - a time for socializing

- **Students at Scholars Academy High School will **NOT** be ranked**
- **To qualify for Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Opportunities, student must:**
 - score at least 1400 on the SAT (31 on the ACT) by the November national test administration **and** earn a minimum 4.00 cumulative GPA on the SC UGP at the end of the junior year



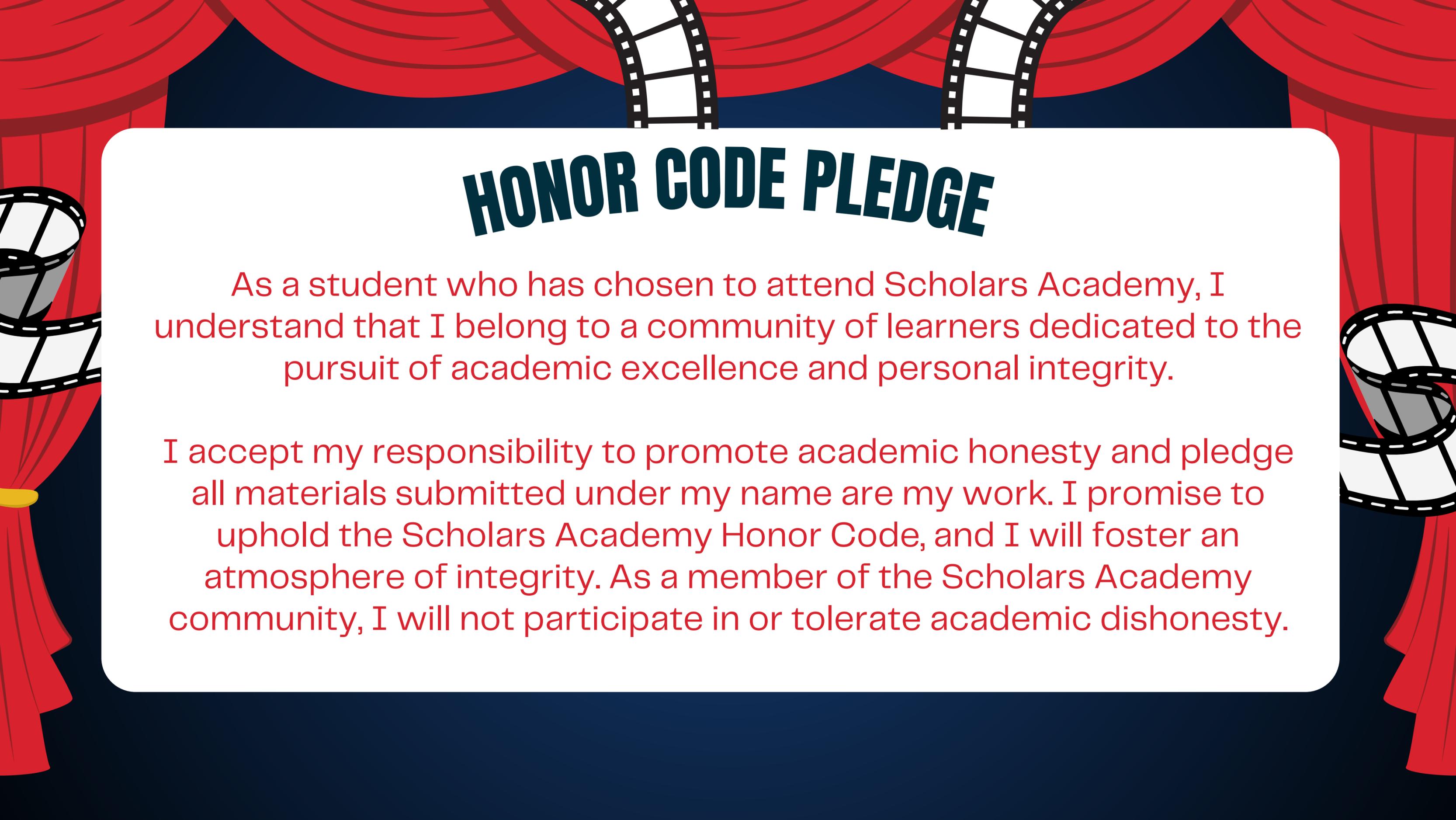


GRADING POLICY

South Carolina Uniform Grading Policy

10 point scale—implemented August 2016

[UGP Grade Conversion Chart](#)



HONOR CODE PLEDGE

As a student who has chosen to attend Scholars Academy, I understand that I belong to a community of learners dedicated to the pursuit of academic excellence and personal integrity.

I accept my responsibility to promote academic honesty and pledge all materials submitted under my name are my work. I promise to uphold the Scholars Academy Honor Code, and I will foster an atmosphere of integrity. As a member of the Scholars Academy community, I will not participate in or tolerate academic dishonesty.

TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Each Attendance Area is Different –

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Transportation

Denise Edwards - HCS Contact
DEdwards001@HorryCountySchools.net



TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

Car Riders – Drop Off between 7:30-7:58 a.m.
→ **on the side of the building – Front Corner**

(Buses and cars cannot drop in the same place—state law)

After 7:58 a.m. – Parent/driver must sign in



MORNING DROP OFF



TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

**PICK UP – BACK OF THE BUILDING
(SEE MAP) 2:15-3:00 p.m.**

After 3:00 p.m. – pick up out front
Bus information



AFTERNOON PICK UP



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**GET YOUR
SCHOLARS
SWAG HERE**

President: Nadine Duerr
Vice President—Myriam Bradshaw





SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

- Nominations due by AUGUST 31st, 2024
- SIC Nomination Form located in announcements this week
- Must be 2 parents, 2 faculty/staff, 2 students, 2 community members, and
- 1 CCU representative
- Limited to two terms
- Initial Meeting Tuesday, September 30th
- All meetings will be held virtually

FRESHMAN/SOPHOMORE STUDENT OPENNING!

SC School
Report Cards



EARLY SPRING

PARENT SURVEY

80% COMPLETION RATE

**10 POINTS ON THE STATE REPORT CARD
(anything less than 80% is entered as a zero)**

AEGIS YEARBOOK

*More staff
needed!*

Maya Patel and Nick Seitz
Editors

Mr. Carter
Sponsor

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1. Select school
2. Type info (homeroom teacher not needed; grade level is)
3. If you want no personalization, you must click “no thank you” on each page.
4. OR have your name embossed and get 4 icons free!





THE FRESHMAN EXPERIENCE







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TOGETHER, WE'RE UNLIMITED
TOGETHER, WE'LL BE THE GREATEST
TEAM THERE'S EVER BEEN -

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ON THE SILVER SCREEN

2025-26 SCHOOL THEME

BEFORE YOU LEAVE CHECKLIST:

FRESHMAN CHECKLIST



Must do...

Computer

*hallway on left → see Ms. Johnson
*turn on & connect to the HCS network prior to leaving the building; otherwise, your laptop will not work

Textbooks

*hallway on left
Last Name: A-L → Room 116
Last Name: M-Z → Room 117

Locker

*your locker number & combination are with your textbooks
*make sure you locate & are able to open your locker prior to leaving the building
***HINT:** some of your textbooks can be left in your locker until school begins!

Meet your teachers

*head down the hallway on the right side of the building to check out your teachers' classrooms & say hello!

Shane Dular - Physical Education - Room #
Derek Deremer - English II - Room #122
Christina Lambert - Algebra II - Room #121
Paul Sargent - AP Government - Room #125
Whitney Stancil - Biology - Room #129

Can do...

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