September 2025 Harbor Learning Center (HLC)

August/September/October Calendar

Aug 25 Building closed until 1:30 PM for required district-wide staff training
Aug 27 First Day of School- Orientation, Chromebook Pick Up, and Teacher Conferences 8-1:00
Aug 28 First day of classes at HLC
Aug 28 GHA students begin online school
Aug 28 School Photos
Sept 1 Labor Day- NO SCHOOL
Sept 24 Early Release @ 12:45 PM for District Wide Collaboration
Oct 3 Early Release @ 11:00 AM for SLC prep
October 6 First day of After School Program
Oct 9 and 10 NO SCHOOL, Conferences only
Oct 16 Great Shake Out Drill @ 10:16 AM
Oct 22 Early Release @ 12:45 PM for District wide Collaboration

Principal's message

We are looking forward to another amazing year at the Harbor Learning Center. We serve around 300 students K-12 at our school. We always look for ways to improve so don't hesitate to reach out and offer suggestions. Feel free to give me a call here at school at (360) 538- 2180 or email me at lgriebel@asd5.org

Bus transportation is not provided for our HLC students, and we appreciate how families still get their students to school. Please remember, however, that students can not enter the HLC until 7:30 AM and need to be picked up by 3:00 PM. When the After School Program begins on October 6, students can be there and supervised until 4:00 PM.

Our district continues to use NAVIGATE 360. Please remember you need to check in, show ID, and get a visitor pass during school hours if you are accessing our building beyond the main office area.

Our planning for our new HLC building continues. We are so excited for a new facility located closer to Aberdeen High School. Stay tuned for more details!

Counseling Office message- Kasi Turner kturner@asd5.org

We are excited to continue using Skyward for students' classroom contracts. Students and families can log into Skyward like they did at MJH and AHS to see the progress each student is making towards completing a .5 credit in a class. Make sure you click on the "P" to see how many points your student has in each class. Students must complete a contract with a teacher for 100 points to ean a .5 credit. Having trouble with Skyward? Check with me, the secretaries, or Amy Moyer in the computer lab. Do you have questions about your student's progress toward graduation? Give me a call or stop by. Does your student need someone to listen and assist with problem solving? I can do that, too. I can also assist your family in accessing BHR counseling services. We have LOTS of seniors this year, so I will be busy making sure each of our seniors has an individual plan to complete their high school graduation requirements. - Kasi T, school counselor

After School Program

We are still offering the After School Program at Harbor Jr/Sr High. Grays Harbor Academy on-line students and GED students can attend our After School Program. The After School Program starts October 6 and is from 2:45-4:00 Monday through Thursday. In addition to a snack, we offer homework help, state test tutoring, and fun activities. Our focus this year will be to create a community we can thrive in and prepare for success. GED/Open Doors students and GHA students are welcome as well. For any questions, please feel free to reach out to Lisa Griebel at lgriebel@asd5.org

2025-26 School Supplies Reminder

Families are responsible for providing their student's school supplies. If you are still school supply shopping, you might look for: Backpack (we do not have school lockers), Paper, Pencils, Blue/Black Pens, Highlighter, Markers, Colored Pencils, headphones, and a Binder (something to keep your student's papers organized).

Technology message- Amy Moyer

We provide our students with a one to one laptop or chromebook. For any student to have an ABERDEEN school district device, a Device Checkout Form and Individual User Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) must be signed by a guardian **EVERY YEAR!** If these forms are not complete and turned in, students will not be able to log in to **any** school devices. Students who misuse their device can have their account restricted or lose their device. Our district uses Linewize to monitor students' online communication and computer use when a student is logged into their ASD account, accessing our district network, or using a district provided device. Reminder: to get a new device for the school year, all prior devices must be returned to their original school. For any questions, please feel free to contact Amy Moyer at amoyer@asd5.org

Safe and Supportive Campus Expectations

Our school is a choice school. Students and families **CHOOSE** to attend. We follow the same district policies and expectations as our other district schools. We continue to work with our students to follow these expectations which in turn supports a safe learning environment. We enforce our state, district, and school policies and expectations around Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying **AND** Gender Inclusive Schools. Many of our students chose our school knowing that it is a safe place to **be themselves**. We expect all of our students to be respectful of students' gender and gender expression. That includes using a student's preferred name AND not discussing other students' gender or gender expression. It is important that our teens are always respectful of others and make it right when they forget to do so. We have limited bathrooms at our small school. We appreciate your student being patient and understanding while waiting in line. We also appreciate that your student does not linger unnecessarily in the bathroom since others are waiting. Get in and Get out! We follow the same dress code as Aberdeen High School (see below).

Dress Code- Administration will address the dress code issues.

All students are expected to come to school or any school sponsored activity appropriately dressed. Dress and appearance must not present health or safety problems, nor be vulgar, offensive or cause a disruption; including drugs, alcohol, gang references or sexual depictions. Clothing styles that create conflict or an atmosphere of intimidation are prohibited. Individual teachers may restrict appearance and attire (i.e. hair, clothing) with special consideration for safety and health issues. **The administration has the authority to make changes at any time to the dress code based on any disruptions to the learning environment, safety and or health concerns.**

- Dress for education- School is for learning.
- Students must wear clothing including both a shirt with pants or skirt, or the equivalent (for example, dresses, leggings, or shorts) and shoes.
- Shirts and dresses must have fabric in the front and on the sides (under the arms).
- **Sports bras, swimsuits, bralettes, etc. are NOT tanktops so are not considered shirts.**
- Clothing must cover undergarments (waistband and straps excluded).
- Fabric covering breasts, genitals and buttocks must be opaque (not see through).
- Hats and other headwear must allow the face to be visible to staff, and not interfere with the line of sight of any student or staff. Hoodies must allow the face to be visible to the school staff.

- No bandanas are to be displayed or worn in school during the scope of the academic day; exceptions may be approved by administration for special events.
- No flags can be worn as clothing.
- Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities including physical education, science labs, wood shop, and other activities where unique hazards exist.
- Specialized courses may require specialized attire, such as sports uniforms or safety gear.

- **Clothing MUST take into account we have small children on campus.**

On-line Updating of Student Information

All families in the Aberdeen School District are expected to use Skyward to update their student's information and fill out required back to school paperwork. **Let us help you get it done!**

Open Doors/GED Program

We are in year FIVE of our Open Doors/GED program, and it is very successful! If your student is at least 16 years of age by September 1st and behind in credits, they might be eligible to enroll in our GED program.

Students in our Open Doors/GED Program are assigned to a cohort group (called a "flight") in order to better provide the needed staff support. This ensures that students can access the academic interventions and guidance to pass the GED tests or complete contracts for high school credit. There are Harbor Jr/Sr High staff assigned periods of the day to support our GED students and/or the Harbor High students hoping to change from "In Person" to GED. Our Open Doors Program offers a Diploma Pathway- a more flexible way for students in our Open Doors Program to meet our school district's high school graduation requirements AND earn a high school diploma.

In the last four years over 140 students have earned their GED through our Open Doors program and many went on to earn a high school diploma. Need some GED information or currently working on the GED? You can contact Emma Wimberley, our GED Mentor, at ewimberley@asd5.org

Grays Harbor Academy Information

Welcome to the 2025-26 school year! I hope you all had a wonderful, relaxing summer and are ready to start back with school again. Our first day of classes for this new year will be Thursday, August 29, and classes will end on Friday, January 17, 2026. Our enrollment in GHA is readily open throughout the semester; however, ***students who enroll late will still need to complete the entire courses from the beginning***. With the exception of grades K-5, we cannot waive coursework for online students.

At the end of the 2024-2025 school year, we had almost 90 K-12 students enrolled in this online option. It is important to talk to us before considering this online option. We contract with an online school, Edgenuity. It is a 100% ONLINE school with ONLINE teachers and the expectations are **VERY HIGH!** It works best for students who are self motivated, self starters, who enjoy writing, and love working on a computer for over 5 hours a day. Students who struggle online are required to come to the HLC and receive support as part of an intervention. ***Students who do not make satisfactory progress online will be returned to in person school.*** It is possible to earn a high school diploma through Grays Harbor Academy, and we have had several graduates over the years. We are still enrolling students into our online school. Let us know if you are interested. Contact rsutlovich@asd5.org

Grays Harbor Academy FAMILY PORTAL- HOW TO KEEP TRACK OF YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS

To access the Family Portal, request access from one of your student's teachers by providing your STUDENT'S FIRST AND LAST NAME, YOUR FIRST AND LAST NAME, AND YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS. You will then receive an email with a LINK to the portal, and another with a randomly generated access code. Click the LINK, then enter the ACCESS CODE and your EMAIL ADDRESS, and create a PASSWORD.

After initial setup, you can log in with your email address and password at any time to review your student's progress.

With the addition of more staff to support our students, we have changed some of the tasks/ responsibilities. We hope this helps direct you to the correct contact. As always, anyone can point you in the right direction.

GHA: Who to contact?

Robert Sutlovich Online Support Teacher rsutlovich@asd5.org Call: (360) 538-2180, ext 3303 Text or Call: (360) 581-1154	Parent meetings/communication Student learning plans Weekly check-ins Monthly progress reports Conferences Senior outreach for HSBP Applications/Enrollments/Drops
MTSS Para **David Bennett** (360) 538-2180, ext 3327	Student help sessions Printing for parents Workbook disbursement Tech Troubleshooting i-Ready testing
Kasi Turner Counselor kturner@asd5.org 360-538-2186	Credits Graduation plans
Amy Moyer, MTSS Assistant amoyer@asd5.org 360-538-2180	Computer check-outs Technology Support
Alison Cline, Special Education Teacher acline@asd5.org (360) 538-2180, ext 3315	Imagine Edgenuity Questions IEP's

Harbor Junior/Senior High Grade 7 and 8- Year FIVE!

Our mission is to provide a smaller, more personalized/individualized learning environment for a few of our district's 7th and 8th graders. Our district's junior high, Miller Junior High, is an amazing, vibrant school! However, its large size (500 - 600 students) promotes an active and energetic place that might not be the optimum learning environment for a few of our district's youth. Let us know if someone in your family is interested in applying for the junior high component of Harbor Junior Senior High. Our middle school students are together in the same classes, but they have 6 different teachers. They travel from room to room like our high school students do. Some of our 8th grade students take classes with high school students which gives them the opportunity to start earning high school credit. Our middle school students also have the same lunch period as the high school students.

ASB (Associated Student Body) Activities!

ASB is back at the HLC for year THREE with another new ASB Advisor, Alison Cline. Congratulations to our 25-26 ASB officers and class representatives. Co-presidents: Angel Covault and AJ Malone, Vice President: Eli Harriman, Treasurer: Brooklyn Larson, Secretary: Danica Alexander. Our class representatives are 12th Grade: Lizzie Wagner and Nyeli Rodriguez-Torres, 11th Grade: Carson Johnson and Pedro Lopez-Lopez, 10th Grade: Madison Leopard and Cyn Aiken, 9th Grade: Makayla Howard and Sophie Malone, and 8th Grade: Liliana Drake and Liam Polley.

Student Meals

Our school serves free breakfast and free lunch to all of our Harbor Jr/Sr High students. Students attending our After School Program will also be getting a snack.