HILLSBORO SCHOOL DISTRICT
CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL

August 2026

Dear Century Families,

I am so grateful to begin my fifth year as your principal, and I look forward to sharing a successful Century Jaguar 2026-2027 school year with you!

Here are some important dates to remember for the start of the year:

- August 19 - School office opens, 8 am - 4 pm
- August 27 - Family Connections and Transitions (Welcome Outreach - we call you!)
- August 31 - Open House, 5:30-7:30 pm
- September 1 - First day of school for grades 1-6, 7, and 9
- September 2 - All Students; First day of school for Kindergarteners, and grades 8, 10-12
- September 7 - Labor Day Holiday
- September 8 & 9 - School Pictures
- October 19-23 - Homecoming Week

Please save HSD's **2026-27 Calendar** for a list of days off throughout the year.

School Hours:
Our school hours are 8:30 am - 3:30 p.m. M/Tu/Th/F and 9:00 am - 3:30 p.m. on Wednesdays.

- Students may enter the building at 7 a.m.

School Meals:
We are pleased to announce that Hillsboro School District is approved to offer meals at no cost for all students through June 2028 under the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP). **All** students attending any of HSD's 36 school sites are eligible to receive a healthy, complete breakfast and lunch at **no cost**. No further action is required of you. Your children will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay for meals or submit a meal application. You can view menus at https://linqconnect.com/public/menu/ERRCAH or Hillsboro School District Menus.

Family Involvement Opportunities:
We hope that all of our community members can volunteer in our building during the 2026-27 school year. All volunteers need to be approved in advance through our school district. Fill out the volunteer application or update/renew/check the status of your current application by visiting *https://www.hsd.k12.or.us/volunteering*.

School Attendance:
As we start the year, one of the best ways to set students up for success is by encouraging regular school attendance. Missing just one day every two weeks adds up to over 10% of the school year—and research shows that students who attend less than 90% of the year are more likely to struggle academically.

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Establishing strong attendance habits in September builds a positive routine that supports learning and well-being. Please refer to the district's Too Sick for School guidelines when deciding if your student should stay home. If your family is facing challenges that make it hard to attend, let us know—we're here to help. Regular attendance makes a big difference.

- Our school attendance line is 503.844.1821.
- **Only Full day absences** may be reported digitally on ParentVue by parents and guardians.

Bus Routes:
Schedules and walk zone information are developed by the school district's Transportation Department. They will send you directions on how to access this information online at the end of August. Please let us know of any childcare or address changes right away. You may call Transportation at 503-844-1123 if you have specific questions.

ParentVUE:
The email addresses and phone numbers in our student information system are what we use to send families important news and updates, information about your child's attendance, and safety and emergency communications. Please verify your information by logging into ParentVUE.

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