



STUDENT & PARENT **HANDBOOK**

HOGG MIDDLE SCHOOL

2026-2027

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We are excited to have you as part of our community. This Student and Parent Handbook is designed to help you navigate the school year, understand our expectations, and learn about the resources available to support your success. Let's make it a great year together!

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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

History of Hogg Middle School



James S. Hogg

James S. Hogg was an American lawyer, statesman, and the first native born governor of Texas. Before his election as governor, Hogg served as the county attorney of Wood County, district attorney for the old Seventh District, and Texas' attorney general. The Hogg estate donated the land on which Hogg Junior High School was built in 1926. Since its founding, Hogg Middle School has remained a fixture in the Houston Heights community and continues to offer its students a world-class educational experience.

Mission Statement

As members of our community, students choose from a variety of electives and interest activities to create a well- rounded curriculum that ignites their academic passion. Each course offered at Hogg is infused with the principles of The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme to ensure all students have a global view of both education and their life. At Hogg, we value developing our students into intelligent, creative, and thoughtful global citizens.

We are committed to a high-quality and personalized education for every child.

An IB World School

Hogg Middle School provides the best opportunity for a diverse group of students to receive a rigorous, internationally accredited education, with a broad range of extracurricular activities, in a safe and nurturing environment.

Every student, parent, and teacher at Hogg Middle School is a participant in the IB---it defines who we are, what we do, and who we want to be. From the moment a student steps foot onto this campus they are a member of the IB family. We are not just a school with the IB Middle Years Programme, we are an IB World School.

The goal of the IB is to look at the student's education holistically. In other words, IB wants the student to be challenged academically, while also finding creative and physical fitness outlets, getting involved in the community around them, and developing a global view that takes the student beyond their immediate environment.



THE IB LEARNER PROFILE

The ten aspirational qualities of the IB learner profile inspire and motivate the work of teachers, students and schools, providing a statement of the aims and values of the IB and a definition of what we mean by “international-mindedness.”

IB learners strive to be:

- **Balanced:** We understand the importance of intellectual, physical and emotional balance to achieve personal well-being for ourselves and others.
- **Caring:** We show empathy, compassion and respect towards the needs and feelings of others. We have a personal commitment to service, and act to make a positive difference to the lives of others and to the environment.
- **Communicators:** We understand and express ideas and information confidently and creatively in more than one language and in a variety of modes of communication. We work effectively and willingly in collaboration with others.
- **Inquirers:** We develop their natural curiosity. We acquire the skills necessary to conduct inquiry and research and show independence in learning. We actively enjoy learning, and this love of learning will be sustained throughout our lives.
- **Knowledgeable:** We explore concepts, ideas and issues that have local and global significance. In so doing, we acquire in-depth knowledge and develop understanding across a broad and balanced range of disciplines.
- **Open-minded:** We understand and appreciate our own cultures and personal histories, and are open to the perspectives, values and traditions of other individuals and communities. We are accustomed to seeking and evaluating a range of points of view and are willing to grow from the experience.
- **Principled:** We act with integrity and honesty, with a strong sense of fairness, justice and respect for the dignity of the individual, groups and communities. We take responsibility for our own actions and the consequences that accompany them.
- **Reflective:** We give thoughtful consideration to our own learning and experience. We are able to assess and understand our strengths and limitations in order to support our learning and personal development.
- **Risk-takers:** We approach unfamiliar situations and uncertainty with courage and forethought and have the independence of spirit to explore new roles, ideas and strategies. We are brave and articulate in defending their beliefs.
- **Thinkers:** We exercise initiative in applying thinking skills critically and creatively to recognize and approach complex problems, and make reasoned, ethical decisions.



THE IB MIDDLE YEARS PROGRAMME

The IB Middle Years Programme (MYP) comprises eight subject groups or disciplines. Hogg students take courses each year in each of the eight following disciplines:

Language Acquisition: Hogg students are given the opportunity to develop their language skills to their full potential, as well as the possibility of progressing through various phases over the course of the MYP.

Language and Literature: Hogg students interact with a range of texts, they generate insight into moral, social, economic, political, cultural and environmental domains.

Individuals and Societies: The subject encourages Hogg students to respect and understand the world around them and equips them with the necessary skills to inquire into historical, contemporary, geographical, political, social, economic, religious, technological and cultural factors that have an impact on individuals, societies and environments.

Sciences: Through MYP sciences, Hogg students will learn to appreciate and respect the ideas of others, gain good ethical-reasoning skills and further develop their sense of responsibility as members of local and global communities.

Mathematics: Hogg students learn how to represent information, to explore and model situations, and to find solutions to familiar and unfamiliar problems. These are skills that are useful in a wide range of arenas, including social sciences and the arts.

Visual and Performing Arts: Involvement in the arts encourages Hogg students to understand the arts in context and the cultural histories of artworks, supporting the development of an inquiring and empathetic world view.

Physical and Health Education: Through physical and health education, Hogg students can learn to appreciate and respect the ideas of others and develop effective collaboration and communication skills.

Design: As part of the Middle Years Programme (MYP), design challenges Hogg students to apply practical and creative thinking skills to solve design problems; to explore the role of design in both historical and contemporary contexts; and to consider their responsibilities when making design decisions and taking action.



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HOGG MIDDLE SCHOOL

26-27 BELL SCHEDULE

Period R1/W1	8:30 - 9:42am
Period R2/W2	9:46 - 10:53am
WIN/Advocacy	10:57 - 11:42am
Period R3/W3 11:46am - 1:32pm	A Lunch 11:46am - 12:18pm
	B Lunch 12:23pm - 12:55pm
	C Lunch 1:00pm - 1:32pm
Period R4/W4	1:36 - 2:43pm
Period R5/W5	2:47 - 4:00pm

— BE RESPECTFUL. | BE RESPONSIBLE. | BE A RAZORBACK. —



WIN -
Monday, Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday



Advocacy -
Wednesday

WIN Period

At Hogg Middle School, WIN stands for “Whatever I Need.” During WIN, students participate in targeted academic interventions, support for newcomers to English and the United States, advanced arts programming, behavior support groups, and a variety of enrichment opportunities. Students are placed in WIN sessions based on their individual needs to ensure personalized support and growth. WIN is a 45-minute period that takes place on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays following third period. In addition to providing targeted support and enrichment, WIN serves as a dedicated time for students to stay informed about important announcements, upcoming events, and everything happening at Hogg Middle School.

Advocacy Clubs

Advocacy Clubs begin during the second six weeks of school and meet every Wednesday. Club offerings range from Acts of Kindness and Books & Bites to Guitars and Dungeons & Dragons, ensuring there is something for every interest. Students are assigned to one of their top club choices, providing a wonderful opportunity to foster connections, build friendships, explore new interests, and strengthen our school community.



DRESS CODE POLICY

2026-2027

School uniforms can improve learning by reducing distractions, sharpening focus on schoolwork, and making the classroom a more serious environment, allowing students to perform better academically. In addition, uniforms give students a sense of belonging and a feeling of equality; they provide an opportunity for mutual growth and create an identity for the school in the community. The following policy can only be successfully managed with parental support:

Top	Bottom
Shirts – Students must wear properly fitted Polo-Style shirt or an approved Hogg spirit shirt in their assigned grade level color: 6th Grade: Red 7th Grade: Gray 8th Grade: Black College Shirts (Wednesdays Only)- Students may wear college shirts on Wednesdays only. Hogg Spirit Shirts (Fridays Only)- Students may wear any Hogg spirit shirt on Fridays. The shirt does not have to match their assigned grade level color. Jackets and Other Outerwear - Hogg colors are encouraged but not required. - College insignia (does not have to be Hogg colors) - Uniform collar and ID badge must be visible outside of jacket at all times. - Hats, caps, beanies and bandanas are NOT permitted. ID Badges - ID badges should not be altered in any way. - ID badges must be worn on a lanyard, around your neck, out and visible. \$5 replacement fee for new ID badge. \$1 replacement fee for a new lanyard.	Pants - Navy, Khaki or Black uniform pants – <i>Fitted at waist</i> (no sagging or baggy pants) - Blue, Khaki or Black Jeans – <i>Fitted at the waist and free of any rips, holes and/or designs including camo</i> - Leggings, athletic wear, pajamas and sweatpants are NOT permitted. Skirts, Skorts and Shorts - Navy, Khaki or Black uniform shorts, skorts and skirts only. - Shorts, skorts and skirts cannot be more than 3" above the knee. - Solid tights are permitted under knee length skirts. Fishnets or patterned tights are NOT permitted. - Jean and athletic shorts, tennis skorts, and skirts are NOT permitted. Footwear - Athletic shoes or other closed-toed shoes - Flip-flops, slides, sandals, Crocs, Birkenstock, slippers, backless shoes or footwear with exposed toes are NOT permitted.

HOOD POLICY

Hoodies or jackets with hoods will NOT be permitted, even during free dress days. College apparel must not have a hood, nor are students permitted to tuck hoods into their jackets. Any hooded articles of clothing will be confiscated.

On Wednesdays, students may wear College shirts. On Fridays, students may wear a Hogg spirit shirt. Otherwise, students are expected to be in uniform on Wednesdays and Fridays.

ID Badge Policy

All Hogg Middle School students will be required to wear their photo ID badge every day. ID badges should not be altered in any way; this will help us with student safety and security. Visible photo identification helps each campus ensure that everyone in the building is authorized to be on that campus, both students and staff. In addition, the ID badges can be used in the cafeteria and library. **All students must wear their ID badge on a lanyard around their neck**, so it is always visible when on school grounds, no exceptions. ID badges should not be kept in backpacks or in pockets. There is no cost for the original ID badge, but should a student lose or damage his/her badge, there will be a replacement fee.



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DRESS CODE POLICY



Monday - Friday

College Spirit Day



Wednesdays
ONLY

Friday Hogg Spirit Day



Students may wear any Hoggs spirit shirt on Fridays.
The shirt does not have to match their assigned grade-level color.

Acceptable Bottoms



Skirts, skorts and shorts cannot be more than 3 inches above the knee

Not Allowed



❌ Crocs, Slides & Clogs

❌ Ripped Jeans

❌ Leggings

❌ Hoodies

❌ Athletic pants, pajamas & sweatpants

❌ Jeans, Biker shorts, skorts & skirts

POLICIES & PROCEDURES

ID Badge Policy

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Replacement Fees

\$1 – Lanyards (Students may use their own lanyard)

\$5 – Replacement ID Badge

Temporary ID Badges

Students who report to school without an ID badge will need to obtain a temporary pass and will be assigned lunch detention for the day. 6th-grade students will report to office 101 through the front of the school to receive a temporary badge, and 7th and 8th-grade students will report to the mall area entrance for a temporary badge. If a student does not attend lunch detention, they will be assigned after-school detention.

School Hours

- 7th and 8th-grade students may enter the building through the mall entrance (Oak Ridge) beginning at 8:00am. 6th-grade students may enter the building through the front entrance (Merrill) beginning at 8:00am.
- Students arriving after 8:30am are considered tardy. If a student arrives after 8:30am, **the parent must walk into the building and sign the tardy log located in the foyer. Once the parent has signed their child in, the student will receive a pass to go to class.**
- School is dismissed at 4:00pm. Students who are not staying for after-school activities must be picked up by 4:15pm.
- We offer an after-school program through Hogg Heaven for students who are not in athletics or other Hogg after-school activities. Contact Ms. Washington at lwashing@houstonisd.org for more information.
- Students attending after-school events, including sports games outside of school, must be picked up no later than 15 minutes after the event has ended. Late pickup will result in students being prohibited from attending future after-school events.

Cell Phone Policy

Students are NOT permitted to use personal cell phones, smartwatches, tablets, AirPods, headphones or any other non-approved digital devices at any time while on campus or during school-sponsored events. Students are allowed to bring their cell phones to school; however, they must be turned off and stored in their backpacks. Students are not permitted to carry their phones in their pocket during the school day. Digital devices used during school hours will be confiscated, held in a locked safe within the Main Office (203). A parent or guardian must pick up the device from the Main Office (203) between 8:30am-4:30pm. Digital devices will not be given back to students. For more information regarding HISD cell phone usage policies, consult the Student Code of Conduct at <https://www.houstonisd.org/families-students/student-requirements-expectations/code-of-conduct>. Please do not call or text your child during the school day on their cell phone. You may call the front desk with messages for your child and the receptionist will see that the information is delivered to the student accordingly. Calling or texting a student directly during school hours is a violation of the above policy and will result in confiscation of the device.

HISD values a safe and distraction-free learning environment.
In accordance with House Bill 1481, all Texas public schools will implement a strict **“No Personal Communication Device”** rule during the instructional day.

WHAT’S CHANGING

The following devices are **prohibited from use** on school property during the instructional day.



**Cell
Phones**



**Smart
Watches**



**Tablets
Personal Laptops**



**Headphones
and Earbuds**

Disciplinary Actions:

1st offense

Phone confiscation; Parent contact
Parent reviews law and signs the Parent/Student Acknowledgement
Parent retrieves phone from office after school the day of offense.

2nd offense

Phone confiscation; Parent contact
Parent signs the Parent Extended Device Confiscation Agreement
Parent retrieves phone from office after school after 7 full school days.

3rd offense

Phone confiscation; Parent contact
Parent signs the Parent Extended Device Confiscation Agreement
Parent retrieves phone from office after school after 14 full school days.

4th offense

Phone confiscation; Parent contact
Parent signs the Parent Extended Device Confiscation Agreement
Parent retrieves phone from office after school after 30 full school days.

5th offense

Phone confiscation; Parent contact; 10-day DAEP Placement:
If there is a personal communication device infraction at DAEP, the home campus will confiscate the device for the remainder of semester.

Further offenses will result in elevated formal disciplinary action, as outlined in the HISD Student Code of Conduct.

HISD will not be held responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged devices confiscated due to the violation of the law and district policy.

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Food & Lunch Policy

All Houston ISD students will continue to receive FREE breakfast every school day through HISD's Universal Free Breakfast Program. For the 2026–2027 school year, All Hogg Middle School families must complete a School Meal Application to determine eligibility for FREE or reduced-price lunch. Complete your application online through SchoolCafé. [Click here](#). Parents/students are not allowed to order food to be delivered to Hogg from any delivery service. Any food delivered to Hogg will not be given to students. Parents are also not allowed to hand-deliver/drop off lunch to Hogg during school hours. Parents are also not allowed to bring special foods such as birthday cakes, cookies, or cupcakes to share with other students because of potential food allergies or other health-related risks.

Hall Passes

- **Hall Passes:** Students must always carry a teacher hall pass when in the hallway, during class time, for any reason. Students found in the hallway without a hall pass will be sent back to class, and disciplinary action may follow.
- **Passing Periods:** Students are allotted 4-minute passing periods between each class. Students arriving to class after the tardy bell will be subject to our class tardiness policy (see section Attendance Guidelines below).

Student Behavior

At Hogg we believe that relationships are at the center of all learning. To that end, any behavior that damages relationships must be addressed, which is why we use a restorative practice. The goal of our approach is to teach our students that their behavior affects others. When students make an error in judgment, they are expected to accept responsibility and take appropriate corrective action, with guidance and support from staff, to ensure a successful resolution. All students at Hogg Middle School are expected to abide by the policies outlined in the [HISD Student Code of Conduct](#).

Essential Digital Resources

PowerSchool (SIS), an online service launched by HISD to allows registered users (i.e., parents and students) to log in to access students' grades and attendance. Users can even choose to have an email or text message sent if a child's grades drop below a selected average or if a child is absent or tardy to class. For assistance, reach out to the appropriate grade-level administrative assistant. <https://hisdconnect.houstonisd.org/public/>



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Attendance Guidelines

Regular attendance is essential for a student to be academically successful. Daily attendance is mandatory by the State of Texas. Attendance is taken and recorded for each class period. The compulsory attendance law applies for each class period.

Students must attend at least **90% of classes each semester**. Students who exceed the absence limit will be required to attend summer school and may be denied course credit.

Absence from School: When a student is absent, the student will be given three days to bring in a written excuse from his/her parent or guardian or a doctor's note stating the reason for the absence to the attendance office in room 101. **After three days, the absence becomes unexcused.**

Excused absences are only allowed for the following:

1. Illness of the student.
2. Illness or death in the student's immediate family.
3. **Emergencies or extenuating circumstances as recognized by the principal or her designee.**

Penalties for Excessive Absences:

- Students with 3+ unexcused absences in a month or 6+ unexcused absences in a grading period will automatically be placed on a **Mandatory Attendance Contract**.
- Excessive unexcused absences may incur the following additional penalties:
 - Mandatory parent/administrator meeting
 - Address verification: Magnet/Transfer Growth Plan (as applicable)
 - Referral to HISD Truancy Officer
- Other Considerations:
 - High School Credit classes will not be awarded credit for absences in excess of 10%.
 - Magnet transfers may not be renewed the following year due to excessive absences.
 - Failure to make up lost instructional time during Saturday School may lead to further disciplinary consequences as well as retention in the grade level the following year.
 - If a student has an unexcused absence for the day, he or she will not be allowed to participate in extracurricular events (including sporting events, cheerleading, karate, etc.) on the day of the absence.



Please review the full attendance guidelines on the Federal and State website found here: [Federal and State Compliance / Attendance](#)

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Tardiness to Class

A student is counted tardy if he or she is not in the classroom when the tardy bell rings. Administrators reserve the right to conduct periodic hall sweeps and assign 1-hour after-school detentions as punishment. Students who continue to arrive late to class will be subject to the rules in the HISD Student Code of Conduct.

Leaving Early

Parents are encouraged to make medical, dental, and personal appointments for their students outside of school hours. If a student must leave campus during school hours, the parent must visit the front desk, provide a valid photo ID to the receptionist, and sign the student out. **The checkout cutoff time is 3pm, unless proof of a doctor or dental appointment is provided.** If someone other than a parent or guardian checks out a student, he or she must be listed as a designated representative upon enrollment and provide a valid photo ID. Otherwise, the student will not be released.

Grading Policy

Grades should reflect student mastery of content according to the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills (TEKS) system. To determine content mastery, teachers may assign tests, quizzes, projects, homework, classwork, etc. Overall course grades are reported according to the student's performance in specific grade categories, which are weighted differently depending upon significance or importance. The following chart illustrates our basic grade categories, and the weight ranges parents/guardians and students should expect at Hogg.

Grade Category	Percent of Overall Grade
Classwork	50%
Major Assessments Tests, Quizzes, Projects	40 %
Homework	10 %



DROP OFF AND PICK UP

ALL STUDENTS ARE DROPPED OFF ON MERRILL AT THE FRONT OF SCHOOL

**OAKRIDGE ST.
BUSES ONLY**

**NO PARENT
VEHICLES**



**DO NOT
ENTER**

Oakridge St

**7th & 8th
Grade
Student
Entrance**

Diagram of the front of the school showing drop-off and walk-around areas. A green car icon is positioned at the top left. Below it, a red banner reads "ALL STUDENTS DROPPED OFF HERE". Below the banner, a green banner reads "AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL". The diagram is divided into two sections. The left section is labeled "6TH GRADE ENTER HERE" and features a green house icon with the text "ENTER THROUGH FRONT DOOR" below it. The right section is labeled "7TH & 8TH GRADE STUDENTS WALK AROUND" and features a green icon of two people walking with the text "ENTER THROUGH MALL AREA" below it.

Exit Here
(Norhill St)

Merrill St



PINERIDGE ST.
CLOSED

TEACHERS ONLY

NO PARENT
ACCESS

Enter Here

LEGEND

PARENT DROP-OFF / PICK-UP ROUTE

BUS ROUTE (BUSES ONLY)

STAFF ONLY – NO PARENT ACCESS

DO NOT ENTER

PLEASE KEEP THE LINE MOVING!
DO NOT STOP OR WAIT IN LINE.
PULL FORWARD AND EXIT AT THE END OF THE LINE.
THIS HELPS KEEP OUR STUDENTS SAFE!

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- ✔ STAY IN YOUR VEHICLE
- ✔ MOVE FORWARD TO KEEP THE LINE MOVING
- ✔ STUDENTS SHOULD BE READY TO EXIT QUICKLY ON THE PASSENGER SIDE
- ✔ FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FROM STAFF

- All student drop-off and pick-up takes place on Merrill Street.
- Oakridge Street is for buses only.
- Pineridge Street is closed to parent traffic.
- Please remain in your vehicle and pull all the way forward before stopping.
- Follow the directions of Hogg staff to help keep traffic moving safely and efficiently.

Thank you for helping us create a safe and smooth arrival and dismissal for all Razorbacks. We appreciate your partnership and look forward to a great school year!

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Hogg Grading Practices

- All grades are to be directly linked to student mastery on specific standards.
- Grades are to be entered in PowerTeacher Pro on a weekly basis and students are to receive one grade per week for single blocked classes and two grades per week for double blocked classes.
- To ensure consistent grading practice across classes, where two or more teachers are instructing the same course, common assessments are to be taken for a grade and must be the same.
- For all summative assessments (common assessments, unit tests), any student who scores below an 80 may request to retake the assessment AFTER the skills/content have been retaught by the teacher. The retake is to occur within two weeks of the initial assessment date. The new test grade is to be entered in PowerTeacher Pro in the retake column and will replace the first test grade.
- For all class assignments and formative assessments, if a student requests an opportunity to make up or redo the assignment or formative assessment, the teacher shall comply as long as the request is made within one week of when the grade was recorded in PowerTeacher Pro. The previous grade will be replaced with up to an 80.
- Students shall not be given the opportunity to make up or redo homework unless they are absent.
- Notes are to be entered into PowerTeacher Pro in the Modification blank for any student who receives modified assignments or assessments, including up not limited to extended time, oral administration, and shorted assignments.
- Each teacher must also include a Citizenship and Effort grade utilizing the Excellent (E), Satisfactory (S), Poor (P), and Unacceptable (U) Conduct system. Most students should earn an "S" for their conduct. "E" is reserved for students who demonstrate exceptional behavior consistently over the course of a grading cycle. A "P" or "U" in conduct, on the other hand, indicates a serious disciplinary issue in class that must be addressed immediately. If a student earns a "P" or "U" during a given grading cycle, the teacher will call the parent to discuss the conduct issue and, if necessary, arrange a parent conference to remedy the issue.
- Students are allowed and expected at Hogg MS to make up work when absent. When the student returns to class, it is the student's responsibility to ask the teacher for all missed work and a date for such completion. As a rule of thumb, two days are generally enough for each day absent.

Report Cards

Report cards and Progress Reports will be sent home with students at the conclusion of every grading period. Distribution dates are listed in the table below:

GRADING CYCLES	REPORT CARD
Aug. 10 - Sep. 18	Sep. 25 (Friday)
Sep. 22 - Oct. 30	Nov. 6 (Friday)
Nov. 2 - Dec. 18	Jan. 8 (Friday)
Jan. 5 - Feb. 19	Feb. 26 (Friday)
Feb. 22 - Apr. 15	Apr. 23 (Friday)
Apr. 19 - May 28	Jun. 2 (Wednesday)

Please check PowerSchool regularly!

Do not wait for one of the dates above to find out that your child is struggling.

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Middle School Promotion Standards

Hogg Middle School operates according to HISD's standards for grade level promotion:

Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
• State requirement of overall yearly average of 70 or above and a local requirement of an average of 70 or above in three of the four core courses: Language Arts (average of reading and English), Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. • Students must have sufficient attendance.	• State requirement of overall yearly average of 70 or above and a local requirement of an average of 70 or above in three of the four core courses: Language Arts (average of reading and English), Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. • Students must have sufficient attendance.	• State requirement of overall yearly average of 70 or above and a local requirement of an average of 70 or above in three of the four core courses: Language Arts (average of reading and English), Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies. • Students must have sufficient attendance.

PowerUP 1:1 Device Initiative

To support our commitment to integrating technology into the classroom, we offer a 1:1 device program. Participation in this program requires:

- Completion of required agreement forms by both parents and students, acknowledging the terms of use and responsibilities.
- Adherence to the school's policies regarding device care and appropriate use.

This initiative is designed to provide each student with individual access to technological resources, enhancing the learning experience.

Parent/Guardian Engagement

We encourage parents/guardians to be active and involved on campus. Parents/guardians may make appointments or conferences with grade-level teachers or administrators by emailing the teacher or grade-level principal directly. It is necessary for parents to confirm and commit to the agreed-upon date and time of any scheduled conference with team leaders or administrators.

Our primary form of communication at Hogg M.S. is email. It is very important for parents to have a current email address on file with our registrar. Our weekly newsletter, The Razorback Express, goes out to all parents via Parent Square at the end of each week. Teacher email addresses can be found in the Staff Directory of our school website (www.hogg.houstonisd.org). Our campus policy requires that teachers return emails from parents within 48 hours after the email is received. If you experience any delay in response from a teacher, please reach out to your child's grade level Assistant Principal and/or Administrative Assistant.

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SCHOOL SUPPLY LIST

6TH-8TH GRADE

TO KEEP IN BACKPACK

- 1 pair of headphones
(Bluetooth/wireless not allowed)
- 1 package of colored pencils
- 2 packages of black or blue pens
- 1 box of #2 pencils
- 1 box of multicolored highlighters
- 1 handheld pencil sharpener
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 computer mouse (optional)

TURN IN TO WIN TEACHER

- 3 boxes of Kleenex
- 3 disinfecting wipes
- 1 bottle of hand sanitizer
- 1 box of Expo markers
- 3 packs of index cards (5×8)
- 8 composition notebooks
(wide rule - black marble)
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 ream of copy/printer paper

RECOMMENDED BUT NOT REQUIRED

FOR ALL 8TH GRADE & ALGEBRA STUDENTS

- TI CX Inspire Graphing Calculator

Specialty classes and some core classes may request additional supplies.



If your family is in need of school supplies, please email your child's grade-level Administrative Assistant, who will work with your family to meet your needs.

YEARLY CALENDAR

2026-2027

JUNE • 2026

4Last day for students
5.....Staff PD Day (no classes)
9.....5th Quarter Staff PD
10-30...5th Quarter
19Juneteenth

JULY • 2026

1-175th Quarter
2.....Recess (no classes)
3Independence Day
observed
20-29...School Leaders' Induction
and Preparation
30-31...All Staff Induction
and Preparation

AUGUST • 2026

3-7All Staff Induction
and Preparation
10First Day for Students

SEPTEMBER • 2026

7Labor Day
21.....Staff PD Day (no classes)

OCTOBER • 2026

9.....Staff PD Day (no classes)

NOVEMBER • 2026

6.....Staff PD Day (no classes)
23-27...Recess (no classes)
26Thanksgiving Day

DECEMBER • 2026

21-31...Recess (no classes)

JANUARY • 2027

1New Year's Day
4.....Staff PD Day (no classes)
18MLK Jr. Day

FEBRUARY • 2027

15.....Staff PD Day (no classes)

MARCH • 2027

8-12...Recess (no classes)
26.....Recess (no classes)

APRIL • 2027

16.....Staff PD Day (no classes)

MAY • 2027

28Last day for students
31Memorial Day

JUNE • 2027

1.....Staff PD Day (no classes)
7.....5th Quarter Staff PD Day
8-30...5th Quarter
18Juneteenth

JULY • 2027

1-15...5th Quarter
2.....Recess (no classes)
5Independence Day
observed
16.....5th Quarter Staff PD Day

JUNE 2026

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JULY 2026

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AUGUST 2026

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SEPTEMBER 2026

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OCTOBER 2026

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NOVEMBER 2026

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DECEMBER 2026

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FEBRUARY 2027

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MARCH 2027

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APRIL 2027

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MAY 2027

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JUNE 2027

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JULY 2027

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FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
AUGUST 10, 2026



LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS
MAY 28, 2027

LAST DAY FOR TEACHERS
JUNE 1, 2027

Holiday (no classes)

Recess (no classes)

Staff PD (no classes)

5th Quarter

5th Quarter Staff PD Day (no classes)

School Leaders' Induction and Preparation

All Staff Induction and Preparation

GRADING CYCLES

Aug. 10 - Sep. 18
Sep. 22 - Oct. 30
Nov. 2 - Dec. 18
Jan. 5 - Feb. 19
Feb. 22 - Apr. 15
Apr. 19 - May 28

REPORT CARD

Sep. 25 (Friday)
Nov. 6 (Friday)
Jan. 8 (Friday)
Feb. 26 (Friday)
Apr. 23 (Friday)
Jun. 2 (Wednesday)

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