

WELCOME MESSAGE

Welcome back, Impact Academy High School students, to another incredible year under our 2026–2027 theme, "Destination Impact: Where Excellence Takes Flight"! Your screen is your launchpad, and our journey officially begins on the first day of school, **Monday, August 3**. This year, we are charting a course toward world-class learning and lifelong opportunities, navigating a unique weekly schedule designed to help your potential take full flight.

Synchronous Days (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri): Log in live for real-time, interactive classes following our daily bell schedule.

Asynchronous Days (Wednesdays): Work independently at your own pace to complete assignments, projects, and modules.

Daily Bell Schedule (Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri)

Block One	7:45 am - 9:15 am
Block Two	9:20 am - 10:50 am
Lunch	10:55 am - 11:20 am
Block Three	11:20 am - 12:50 pm
Block Four	12:55 pm - 2:25 pm
Advisory/Instructional Focus	2:30 pm - 3:00 pm

Join Us!

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

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5:00 PM

for our

IA High School Virtual 9th Grade Students (and Parents) or New Students (and Parents) Meeting

(The link will be emailed on August 4th)

This meeting will offer information about Impact Academy High School. We are asking that all students and parents who are new to Impact Academy High School join this brief informational meeting.

TEXTBOOK/RESOURCE PICKUP

- Do you need a hardcopy of your textbooks?
- Is your math teacher requiring that you pick up a calculator?

- Textbook/Resource Pick Days: August, 5 and August 12 from 8:00 to 11:00 or 1:00 to 3:00. Students must complete the form in order for us to have the books available at your time of pick up.
- Use this link to select your pick-up day and time: Textbook/Resource Pick Up

UPCOMING DATES

- August 3 - First Day of School
- August 4- HCOA Classes Begin
- August 4 - IA 9th Grade/New Student Orientation; virtual, 5:00 PM (Link to come)
- August 11 - IA College/Military/Workforce Fair, IA Gym, 3:00 PM
- August 11 - Mandatory Senior/Parent Meeting, IA Commons Area, 4:00
- August 12 - MAP Reading (all 9th and 10th graders must come on campus to to take the MAP assessment)
- August 19 - MAP Math (all 9th and 10th graders must come on campus to to take the MAP assessment)
- Sept 2 - Picture Day

CONNECT WITH OUR SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER

MS. ROSS

CLICK HERE FOR MORE INFORMATION

Destination IMPACT:
Where Excellence Takes Flight
World Class Learning. Lifelong Opportunity.

August 2026

Date	Event / Session
August 4	Parent Virtual Curriculum Night
August 10	Senior Advisement @9:30AM Google Classroom
August 11	Junior Advisement @9:30AM Google Classroom
August 11	Seniors/Parent Meeting @ 3:00-5:00 PM
August 11	College/Career Fair 3:00-4:00PM
August 12	Freshmen 8:00 AM Advisement
August 18	Probe Fair 6pm Woodland High School
August 19	Sophomores Class 8:00 AM Advisement
August 24 - September 9	Seniors Individual Advisement Sessions - Google Classroom
August 20	FAFSA Virtual Session @ 9:30AM
August 28	Dual Enrollment Check-In @9:30AM

September 2026

Date	Event / Session
September 9	Senior Advisements con't
September 8	Naviance Advisement Sessions - Seniors
September 9	Seniors Individual Advisement Sessions end
September 21 - October 14	Junior Individual Advisement Sessions
September 23	SOS Virtual Lesson/Counselor Session
September 25	Dual Enrollment Check-In@ 9:30am
September 28	Naviance Advisement Sessions - Juniors
September 29	Naviance Advisement Sessions - Juniors

Class of 2027

SENIORS

DESTINATION: SUCCESS

• YOUR ADVENTURE STARTS NOW •

Impact ACADEMY

Seniors

You've finally made it! You are embarking on your final year of high school. Congratulations, Class of 2027!

Please join the Class of 2027 Google Classroom Code: **3ekqt6tv** for senior information. More information can also be found on the Senior Website.

scan me!

UPCOMING DATES:

August 11th:
Senior/Parent Meeting from 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM in IA Commons

August 3rd:
Class Officer Information will available on the Senior Google Classroom.

December 2nd:
Senior Photo Roadshow - at IA Gym from 9:30 AM - 6:00 PM. Register through Cady Studios Website: **Cady.com**

Class Officer

Want to be involved in planning your senior year? Want to have a voice in the events and activities that will make your final year memorable? Please make sure to check the Senior Google Classroom on August 3rd for more information.

Senior Sponsors:

Ms. Angel Howell
ahowell@henry.k12.ga.us

Mrs. Retta Smith
retta.smith@henry.k12.ga.us

Coming Soon:

- Senior Dues/Cost
- Senior Events
- Senior Calendar

PASSPORT

IA

CLASS OF 2027

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McDonough, GA 30253
(770) 954-3744

Dr. Delphine Patterson
Principal

Dr. Justin Castile - Middle
Dr. Teisha Waller - High
Assistant Principals

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are excited to provide our students and teachers with a valuable tool to help identify individual areas of growth. The NWEA Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessment allows us to set meaningful goals and monitor student progress in both reading and math throughout the school year. The MAP assessment is aligned to both Georgia state standards and national expectations, offering valuable insight into your student's strengths and areas for improvement.

Who Will Test?
All 9th AND 10th grade students are required to take both the Reading and Math MAP assessments. Some students in grades 11–12 who receive specific support services (SST or ESE) will also participate in testing. Those students who qualify for testing are notified directly by their case managers.

Why In-Person Testing?
To ensure accurate and reliable results, MAP testing will take place in person this school year. Testing in a controlled environment helps minimize distractions, ensures access to appropriate accommodations, and provides a more consistent and secure testing experience for all students.

Testing Dates:

Fall MAP Administration:
Wednesday, August 12 - MAP ELA
Wednesday, August 19 - MAP Math

Spring MAP Window:
Wednesday, March 10- MAP ELA
Wednesday, March 17 - MAP Math

Winter MAP Window:
Wednesday, November 4 - MAP ELA
Wednesday, November 11 - MAP ELA

What is MAP?
MAP is a computer adaptive test, which means every student gets a unique set of test questions based on responses to previous questions. As the student answers correctly, questions get harder. If the student answers incorrectly, the questions get easier. The final result will be the student's RIT score, which reflects your child's current level of understanding. Students take the MAP assessment three times a year: at the beginning of the school year (Fall) , mid-year (Winter) , and in early spring. This helps us measure academic growth over time and adjust instruction as needed to support success.

What does MAP measure?
MAP results are provided as a numerical RIT score. This score is used to measure a student's achievement level at different times of the school year and to determine growth. Think of this like marking height on a growth chart. You can tell how tall your child is at various points in time and how much they have grown between one time and another. A RIT score has the same meaning regardless of grade level or age of the student.

How long is a MAP test and how often will my child take the tests?
MAP tests are not timed, but most students complete each assessment in under an hour. To ensure students are not overwhelmed or fatigued, we schedule up to 2.5 hours per test session. If a student is unable to finish within that time, they will be given additional time either later the same day or on a different day. The MAP platform allows students to pause and resume testing without losing their progress, so they will not need to start over. There is nothing you need to do to prepare your student for MAP testing. It is meant to be a formative assessment of where your student is, so there is no need for specific test preparation.

How do teachers use MAP scores?
Teachers can see the progress of individual students and of their class as a whole. Students with similar MAP scores are generally ready for instruction in similar skills and topics. As such, MAP enables teachers to target instruction based on individual student needs. MAP also provides data around the typical growth for students who are in the same grade, subject, and have the same starting achievement level. This data is often used to help students set goals and understand what they need to learn to achieve their goals.

How will my student use the MAP test?
Students will use MAP results to set goals for their own progress and to set personal learning targets. Students will gain critical information about themselves as a reader and mathematician and will be able to own their progress towards mastering the standards and skills they need to be successful in school.

Sincerely,

Dr. Delphine Patterson
Impact Academy - Program Principal

CR: CREDIT RECOVERY
on Your Schedule

Your counselor and I have identified that you qualify for Georgia Virtual Credit Recovery. This course is needed to graduate. Students can earn credit by completing the course through **Georgia Virtual (GAVS)** online platform. This course is provided **free** to participating Georgia public high school students for **all first-time enrollments**. You need this course to graduate. This is an **asynchronous program**, meaning there is no live teacher. Students need to log in and complete the modules, which include quizzes, tests, and/or essays. It is a **work at your own pace** course. The platform is **open 24/7** meaning you can work on the assignments at any time. The goal is to complete the course as soon as possible so we can update transcripts. Please email me when you have completed the course. Also, please remember to also complete your assignments for your other courses. You don't want to fall behind.

ACTION REQUIRED:

STEP 1:
PLEASE SIGN THE ELECTRONIC CONTRACT.

The Credit Recovery Contract outlines the details and expectations of the program. I kindly request that both of you review the contract carefully together. It includes information about the courses available for credit recovery, the timeline for completion, and the responsibilities of all parties involved.

STEP 2:
CREATE AN ACCOUNT ON GAVS.

- Visit GAVs Website: https://gavs.geniussis.com/PublicWelcome.aspx
- Click create student account.
- Enter the required information. All yellow fields required. Use your personal email, not Henry County email.
- Add **Impact** to the school option/affiliation.
- Click save.

If you already have a GAVS account, please do not create a new one. Just email me to let me know that you already have an account.

This course must be completed by December 18, 2026.

This information will also be emailed to your school email. Once I receive the signed contract and you've registered on GAVs, I will enroll you into the course. Please send an email to Mrs. Smith, retta.smith@henry.k12.gaus, once you've completed **steps 1 & 2**.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Smith;

retta.smith@henry.k12.ga.us

You need this course

TO GRADUATE!

FIRST WEEK EXPECTATIONS

HCOA | EDGENUITY | GAVS STUDENTS



IMPACT ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL

Greetings Students,

My name is **Mrs. Smith**, and I am your Graduation Coach. I will serve as your Online Facilitator for students taking a HCOA/Edgenuity/GAVS course this semester. Alongside your course teachers, I will be your point of contact, advocate, and support system to help you stay on track with your work. Your teachers will be reaching out to you.

FIRST WEEK REQUIREMENT (AUGUST 3–7)

You are **REQUIRED** to log in during the 1st week of school (August 3rd – 7th) during your scheduled class period via **Google Meet**.

CHECK YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL

You will be receiving an email between now and next week.

Please make sure to check your Henry County Outlook email (Office 365), NOT GMAIL.

You will find information on how to log in to each platform. Some classes have not loaded onto the platform yet.

Please continue to check your Outlook email daily for updates. You can check you email through your LaunchPad/ClassLink.

Important Date:

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL
AUGUST 3, 2026

COURSE INFORMATION

You have a **90-minute** class block each day dedicated to working in your online course.

There is **no daily live (synchronous)** instruction for these classes unless your teacher schedules one.

It is **your responsibility** to log in every school day, complete assignments, and stay on pace. ***Falling behind quickly can make it difficult to catch up.***

HOW I WILL SUPPORT YOU

Throughout the semester, I will:

- Monitor your progress every Friday.
- Help answer general questions about Impact Academy.
- Assist with scheduling concerns.
- Collaborate with classmates and friends.
- Arrange conferences with students, parents, and teachers when needed.

If you begin falling behind or are struggling in your course, mandatory interventions will be assigned. These interventions may include required meetings with your teacher and/or me to help get you back on track.

ATTENDANCE FORM

Please complete today's attendance form using the link below:

https://forms.gle/tEVGsnjhCxBSEZat9

Thank you for taking responsibility and staying on track!

Questions?

Feel free to email me if you have any questions!

Retta Smith@henry.k12.ga.us

Mrs. Retta Smith
Graduation Coach & Online Facilitator
Impact Academy High School

IMPACT ACADEMY

Destination Impact:

WHERE EXCELLENCE TAKES FLIGHT.

STAY CONNECTED

SENIORS REMIND

CLASS CODE

@IASenior27

GET REMINDERS
Receive important updates and alerts.

STAY INFORMED
Know what's happening in the Counseling Office.

STAY CONNECTED
Join our school community and stay in the loop.

ACHIEVE TOGETHER
We're here to support your success every step of the way!

Google Classroom CLASS CODES

COHORT 2027 SENIORS	sfnvw3x4
COHORT 2030 FRESHMAN	tvdkpe3t
COHORT 2029 SOPHOMORES	mjdcg2mw
COHORT 2028 JUNIORS	x4wjyanp

COUNSELING OFFICE WEBSITE
https://ia.henry.k12.ga.us/counseling-office

We're Here for You!

BE AN OWL. MAKE AN IMPACT.

#IMPACTACADEMY

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CLASS OF 2027 SENIORS & PARENTS

INFORMATIONAL MEETING



COLLEGE & CAREER FAIR
3:00 PM

Mandatory Meeting
4:00 PM

TUESDAY
AUGUST 11, 2026

LOCATION:
COMMONS AREA

Destination Impact:
WHERE EXCELLENCE TAKES FLIGHT.

WORLD CLASS LEARNING. LIFELONG OPPORTUNITY.

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PREPARE. PERFORM. MAKE AN IMPACT.

ASVAB

— SIGN-UP! —

ARMED SERVICES VOCATIONAL APTITUDE BATTERY

TAKE THE NEXT STEP *toward your future.*

SIGN UP TODAY!

TEST DATE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2026

TEST TIME

8:00 A.M.

LOCATION

IMPACT ACADEMY

- BRING YOUR SCHOOL-ISSUED CHROMEBOOK AND CHARGER.
- BE ON TIME AND READY TO DO YOUR BEST!
- YOUR EFFORT TODAY CAN OPEN DOORS TOMORROW.

WHY TAKE THE ASVAB?

EXPLORE YOUR STRENGTHS
Discover your skills and career opportunities.

KEEP YOUR OPTIONS OPEN
ASVAB scores are used by all branches of the U.S. Military.

PLAN FOR YOUR FUTURE
A great step toward achieving your goals—whether you enlist or not.

THE ASVAB CAN OPEN DOORS TO:

U.S. ARMY · U.S. NAVY · U.S. AIR FORCE · U.S. MARINE CORPS · U.S. COAST GUARD · U.S. SPACE FORCE · NATIONAL GUARD

READY TO SIGN UP? *It's quick and easy!*

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★ QUESTIONS? SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR. ★

IA HS Club Information

Clubs and Organizations		
Club Name	Description	Teacher/Sponsor
Beta Club	Promotes the ideals of character, service, and leadership among students. Membership by invitation only for 10-12th grade students who maintain a 3.5 weighted GPA.	Ms. Marsha Dryden
Gamers Club	An opportunity for students to get together after school, socialize, and have fun playing video games and board games. All games are multi-player and students often have a choice between playing cooperatively or competitively. It is a great way to meet new students, make new friends, and engage in fun, friendly competition. Moreover, the Gamers Club engages in competitive game play in a variety of digitally game-based genres.	This club is not active at this time.
Freshman Class Sponsor	The class sponsor is responsible for receiving class dues, distributing class items, planning, and implementing class activities, communication with the students, updating the class handbooks, submitting budgets to the bookkeeper and all things freshman.	Ms. Daketa Fonville
National Technical Honor Society	The National Technical Honor Society (NTHS) recognizes high school students who demonstrate excellence in Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE) through outstanding academic achievement, leadership, character, and career readiness. Membership is by invitation and is open to students who are currently enrolled in a CTAE pathway, have successfully completed the first course in their pathway, and maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA.	DeAnna Miller
IA Owl Ambassadors	Official hosts and hostesses for campus events act as student guides for visitors. These students will be positive role models for their peers.	Ms. Amanda Hatfield
Junior Class Sponsor	The class sponsor is responsible for receiving class dues, distributing class items, planning, and implementing class activities, communication with the students, updating the class handbooks, submitting budgets to the bookkeeper, prom, and all things for juniors.	
Rho Kappa (Social Studies Honor Society)	Rho Kappa is the only national honor society that recognizes excellence in social studies. The program promotes scholarship, civic engagement, and an appreciation for history and the social sciences. Membership is by invitation only for seniors who have a 3.5 GPA in their social studies classes and a cumulative GPA of a 3.3.	Ms. Shannon Stiles
Spanish Club	Stimulates interest in the study of Spanish, promotes high standards of scholarship, rewards scholastic achievements, and creates enthusiasm for and an understanding of Hispanic culture civilization.	Ms. Seymour and Ms. Felix
Senior Class Sponsor	The class sponsor is responsible for receiving class dues, distributing class items, planning, and implementing class activities, communication with the students, updating the class handbooks, submitting budgets to the bookkeeper, baccalaureate, and the commencement ceremony.	Ms. Angel Howell
Sophomore Class Sponsor	The class sponsor is responsible for receiving class dues, distributing class items, planning, and implementing class activities, communication with the students, updating the class handbooks, submitting budgets to the bookkeeper and all things sophomores.	
Student Council	Develops democratic ideals, teaches respect for law and order, maintains the highest standards of cooperation and school spirit, and promotes general social life in the school. Membership is open to students in good academic standing who are able to perform the duties of the elected office.	
Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA)	Brings business and education together in a positive working relationship through innovative leadership and career development programs. We bring our mission to life through the application of our motto: Service, Education, and Progress.	Mrs. Shemeka Walton
Mu Alpha Theta (Math Honor Society)	Mu Alpha Theta is a National Mathematics Honor Society. To join students must have completed 2 years of college preparatory mathematics and have a 3.0 grade point average in their math class.	Ms. Carla Keaton
National Honor Society	Recognizes students who have demonstrated excellence in scholarship, leadership, and service, and who exhibit high moral character. Membership is open to selection as prescribed by the national guidelines. Selection is made in the spring and induction in the fall.	
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	The FCA Vision: To see the world impacted for Jesus Christ through the influence of athletes and coaches.To present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the church.Our relationships will demonstrate steadfast commitment to Jesus Christ and His Word through Integrity, Serving, Teamwork and Excellence	Ms. Julie Holcombe





STEM Discovery London

Summer 2028

Dear parents & guardians,

There's an incredible educational travel opportunity available for your student. From big adventures to small moments along the way, travel expands your student's knowledge of the world around them and helps them discover more about themselves. Come to the information session to meet with me and learn more about this tour, including:

- **What we'll see and do**
- **Travel logistics**
- **Earning high school or college credit**
- **Affordable payment options**
- **How to enroll on this trip—before it fills up**



I look forward to seeing you there!

Mrs. Miller & Dr. Grier
Group Leader



Scan to RSVP

https://bit.ly/4fpf1Jb

Can't make the meeting?
Opt to get info when you RSVP!

For more information contact me
deanna.miller@henry.k12.ga.us
colandra.grier@henry.k12.ga.us

EDUCATIONAL TOURS

HENRY COUNTY SCHOOLS

FOCUS: ON

CREATING A DISTRACTION-FREE LEARNING ENVIRONMENT

2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR

FOCUS: ON



WHY IS HENRY COUNTY SCHOOLS MAKING THIS CHANGE?

Continuing in the 2026-2027 school year, HCS will implement distraction-free learning environments in accordance with Georgia's Distraction-Free Education Act to help students stay focused on learning. Research shows that limiting personal electronic devices during the school day can improve:

- ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
- STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
- CLASSROOM PARTICIPATION
- SOCIAL INTERACTION
- SCHOOL SAFETY & COMMUNICATION

OUR GOAL IS SIMPLE: MORE LEARNING. FEWER DISTRACTIONS.

WHAT DEVICES ARE INCLUDED?

The policy applies to personal electronic devices, including:

- Cell phones
- Smartwatches
- Earbuds/headphones
- Tablets
- Personal laptops
- Devices used for texting, calling, internet access, gaming, recording, or social media.

WHAT ARE STUDENTS EXPECTED TO DO?

During the instructional day, personal electronic devices MUST BE:

- **OFF**
- **OUT OF SIGHT**
- **UNUSED**

Students may use school-issued technology when directed by their teacher.

ARE THERE ANY EXCEPTIONS?

Yes. Students may use a personal device if:

- It is required by an IEP, 504 Plan, or medical accommodation.
- A teacher specifically authorizes its use for instruction.
- School administration approves its use for a special circumstance.

HOW CAN I REACH MY CHILD DURING THE SCHOOL DAY?

If you need to contact your child during school hours:

CALL YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL OFFICE

- School staff will make sure important messages are delivered promptly.
- Likewise, if a student needs to contact a parent or guardian, school staff will assist them.



WHAT HAPPENS IF A STUDENT VIOLATES THE POLICY?

Students who use personal electronic devices during the instructional day may receive consequences consistent with the Henry County Schools Code of Conduct, including:

- Reminder or verbal warning
- Parent/guardian notification
- Device confiscation
- Discipline referral
- Additional disciplinary action when appropriate

HOW FAMILIES CAN HELP

- Talk about the importance of staying focused during class.
- Encourage your child to keep devices put away during school.
- Review the expectations together before the first day of school.
- Contact the school office if you need to communicate during the school day.

TOGETHER WE CAN KEEP THE FOCUS ON LEARNING.

Henry County Schools appreciates the partnership of students, families, and staff as we create classrooms where every student can learn, participate, and succeed.