JACKET JOURNAL

Dear Haynes Academy Families and Students,

Welcome to the 2026-2027 school year! We are excited to embark on another journey of learning, growth, and achievement with all of you. As we begin this new academic year, our goal is to ensure you remain informed and connected with all that is happening at Haynes Academy.

Our weekly newsletter, the Jacket Journal, will be sent out every Friday beginning on the first week of school. During July, Additional Jacket Journal's may go out if important information needs to be shared. The Jacket Journal will contain vital information, including Haynes' policies and procedures, updates from Jefferson Parish Schools, links, campus events, and much more. This newsletter is an essential resource for staying updated and should be considered our communication lifeline, designed to keep you in the loop and engaged with our school community. There is a lot of information contained in the newsletters. Please be sure to read it weekly.

We look forward to a wonderful year ahead filled with opportunities and success!



Sincerely,

Brent Vollenweider
Principal, Haynes Academy

Important Dates:

Aug 1, 2026	PTO: Back to School Breakfast 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Aug 7, 2026	**Smart Start Day:** Only grades 6, 9, and 12 report to school
Aug 10, 2026	**Smart Start Day:** Only grades 7, 8, 10 and 11 report to school
Aug 11, 2026	First Day ALL Students report to school
Aug 18, 2026	Back to School Night 5:00 - 7:00 PM
Aug 19, 2026	Picture Day
Sep 7, 2026	HOLIDAY: Labor Day NO SCHOOL
Sep 9, 2026	Interim Reports Issued
September 15-17	Parent Teacher Conferences (VIRTUAL)
Oct 8, 2026	End of 1st 9 weeks
Oct 21, 2026	PSAT Testing 9th -11th grade
October 9-12	HOLIDAY: Fall Break NO SCHOOL
Oct 21, 2026	Report Cards Issued
Nov 2, 2026	Professional Development Day NO SCHOOL
Nov 3, 2026	Election Day NO SCHOOL
Nov 18, 2026	Interim Reports Issued
November 23-27	HOLIDAY: Thanksgiving Break NO SCHOOL
December 21-22	Half Day: Final Exams
December, 23 - January 5	HOLIDAY: Winter Break NO SCHOOL

Shout Out:

Perfect Scores! Extraordinary Achievement!

Congratulations to Evelynn Boyd, Audriana Li, Abigail Duvoisin, Leonid Smyk, and Roy Dong on earning a perfect 36 composite score on the ACT during the 2025-2026 school year!

Achieving a perfect ACT score is an incredible accomplishment that reflects years of dedication, perseverance, and academic excellence. We are immensely proud of these outstanding Yellow Jackets for setting the standard of excellence and representing Haynes Academy with distinction.

Your hard work has paid off, and your Haynes family is celebrating this remarkable milestone with you. Congratulations on this well-deserved achievement!



FROM PTO:

Hi Jacket Families! School is approaching fast! Please RSVP for the Back to School Breakfast Buzz on August 1st from 10 am-12 pm! Take a tour of the school, pick up your students schedule, buy used uniforms, purchase Jacket Merch, sign up for Booster. Sign up for the Black and Gold Gala emails and get a picture with the Mascot. The RSVP Link can be found on the Flyer at the end of the Jacket Journal.

We will be hosting a beautification team project, Monday July 20th- July 24th, to help beauify our school campus before summer is officially over. If you are able to spare a few hours a day out of the week to participate we ask all volunteers to sign up for days they are willing to work. If you are able to work just an hour to the entire day.. we appreciate any help!

Schedule is as follows:

Monday 9:00am- Noon

Tuesday 9:00am- Noon

Wednesday 8:00am- Noon

Thursday 8:00am- Noon

Friday (if needed) 8:00am-11:00am

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!

Team work makes the dreamwork!

To sign up for the beautification team project, click here:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D44ADAA2CA0FA7-64792448-campus#/

SMART START INFORMATION:

August 7	**Smart Start:** only Seniors, Freshman, and 6th grade attend school
August 10	**Smart Start:** only Juniors, Sophomores, 8th, and 7th grade attend school

Please refer to the dates above to determine when your child needs to report to school.

6th grade: When you arrive at school, you may have breakfast in the cafeteria or wait in the courtyard. Once the bell rings, you will report directly to the gym. When students arrive in the gym, they will meet their 1st period teacher. Then they will have scheduled times for a tour of the campus as well as a beginning of the school year meeting with Mr. Vollenweider.

7th -12th grade: When you arrive at school, you may have breakfast in the cafeteria or wait in the courtyard. Homeroom rosters will be posted throughout the courtyard. Once the bell rings, you will report directly to your Homeroom/1st period class. You will have scheduled times to meet in the cafeteria for your beginning of the year presentation with Mr. Vollenweider.

Clear Backpack Policy



Bag Policy:
Only clear, see-through tote bags, backpacks, or any similar articles are permitted. Clear bags are required to be transparent with no tint, iridescent or color and without frost. Bags must be stadium compliant. Mesh bags are no longer permitted.

- ONE, small, non-clear cosmetic bag will be allowed inside clear backpacks for personal hygiene items such as feminine products.
- Athletic bags and equipment bags will be allowed but must be checked in with the student's coach or sponsor upon arrival on campus.
- Pencil pouches should be clear
- Lunch kits do not have to be clear
- The bag must be clear, not cloudy.

Security Check:

Students will walk through metal detectors upon arrival. Students' bags will be checked every morning. Late students will have their bags checked and their body wanded in the front office prior to reporting to class.

Picture Day:

Picture day is on August 19, 2026. Students MUST be in their full uniform. **Students can NOT have facepaint, crazy hair, costumes, nor try to match their pre-k pictures. Our School Pictures are used for scholarship applications, ACT, PSAT, Student of the Year and many other different reasons. It is embarrassing to send organizations pictures of someone who took a silly picture.** These pictures are used for public release. Please take picture day seriously. Disciplinary action will be taken for students not following picture day guidelines.

Parent Notes:

Parent notes for unexcused absences will no longer excuse days for promotional purposes. If a student is absent from school, a doctor's note is needed to excuse the day. A parent note is now classified as Non-Exempt/Excused which will allow the student to make up the missed school work but will not excuse the day. Attendance/promotion policy is below.

Elementary/Middle Schools:

According to the policy a middle school student can miss no more than 14 days of school to be eligible for promotion. Remember, a parent note WILL NOT excuse any absent days from this count. A student who misses more than 14 days, will need doctor notes to excuse the excessive absences or the student will have to complete M.U.S.T (Make Up Seat Time) in order to pass the class. Failure to turn in Dr. Notes or complete M.U.S.T. will result in the student failing the class due to the attendance policy.

High School Students:

In order to receive grades for a semester/year, high school students can miss no more than 7 days per class in the first semester and 7 days per class in the second semester. Remember, a parent note WILL NOT excuse any absent days from this count. A student who misses more than 7 days in a semester, will need doctor notes to excuse the excessive absences or the student will have to complete M.U.S.T (Make Up Seat Time) in order to pass the class. Failure to turn in Dr. Notes or complete M.U.S.T. will result in the student failing the class due to the attendance policy.

Required Attendance:

All students are required to attend one day within the first 5 days of school. **Failure to attend Haynes Academy within the first 5 days of school**, **will forfeit your child's seat at our school.** Attendance will be taken at every period. Students need to make sure they are in class on time.

More information regarding the Attendance policy can be found here:
Haynes Attendance Policy

Excuse Notes:

All excuse notes regarding a student absence should be submitted to
Roxane.Manale@jpschools.org

School Arrival and Dismissal:

Students can arrive no earlier than 7:45 AM. Carpool ends promptly at 4:05pm. Please make sure your child is picked up before this time. For information regarding how to enter the car rider line and how to leave please click this link: **Car Rider / Bus Arrival Information**

***It is important that all families follow the arrival and dismissal procedures. Please do not cut your fellow Haynes families in line and disrupt the flow.**

Car Riders/Walkers:

Students will follow the blue lines on the map. Students will enter through the main front gate. All walkers must be approved. If you are interested in your child being a walker, please contact Caleb.Glueck@jpschools.org. **Walkers must live within 1 mile from the school.**

***All families will receive a new number for their car each year. Previous year numbers cannot be used. The new number will be given to you on the first day of school as you arrive. The number hangs from your rearview mirror. In order for dismissal to run smoothly, make sure your child learns their number**

Bus Riders:

Bus riders will arrive in the back parking lot by student parking. They will enter through the gym. Bus drivers will reach out to families prior to the start of school. If you have questions regarding bus routes or driver questions, please contact transportation.

Contact information can be found here: **JP Transportation Dept**

***In order to ride a bus home, a student must ride the bus to school one time in the AM before they are allowed to take a bus home. If you are bringing your child to school via car on the first day of school, your child cannot ride the bus home.**

Student Drivers:

You will turn down Division Street to enter the Student parking lot. Once parked, they will enter the campus by using the gate entrance next to the gym and report to the courtyard or the cafeteria for breakfast. Students will wait in the courtyard, in the middle of the school, for the bell signaling the start of the school day. A student driver who is late to school must check in at the front office prior to heading to class. Arrive early enough to park and make it to class on time. Parking is not an excuse for being tardy to class. If you are tardy, the gate will be locked. You will have to walk around the school and come to the front office to get a tardy slip

Parking Passes (student drivers):

Parking passes will be available in the front office. Parking passes cost $4.00 and can be paid for using www.Schoolcashonline.com. Bring all of the following with you when you come to the front office to obtain your parking pass:

- Copy of a completed Haynes Student Parking Tag Registration Form
- Copy of student's Driver's License
- Proof of valid automobile insurance
- Receipt of payment from School Cash Online

You MUST complete a new form every year. The form can be found here: **Student Driver Registration** ***Bring in the completed forms and documentation to Mrs. Patricia Smith in the front office. Tags will be available beginning the first full week of school.**

Early Release Students:

ALL SENIORS HAVE A FULL DAY OF SCHOOL ON AUGUST 11, 2025. THERE WILL BE NO EARLY RELEASE ON THIS DAY. All Early Release students and parent/guardian must fill out and agree to the terms of the Early Release Contract and turn it in to their counselor.

NOCCA Students:

All Early Release students and parent/guardian must fill out and agree to the terms of the NOCCA Early Release Contract and turn it in to their counselor.

Athletes:

Student athletes who have sporting bags need to drop their sporting bags off into their corresponding locker room when they arrive at school. Coach will make sure the room remains locked.

PE Uniforms:

All students MUST dress out each day for PE. Students will NOT be allowed to wear their PE uniforms to other classes. PE uniforms can be purchased at Schummachers. Schummachers is located at 3601 Hessmer Ave, Metairie, LA 70002

School Supplies:

Middle school students will follow the district's universal school supply list for students in grades 6th-8th. Please click here, JP School Supply List to access the middle school supply list.

The district's list for grades 9-12 is more extensive than what is required for most of our students at Haynes Academy. As supplies for high school courses are course-specific, we ask that you wait until the first day of school to receive the supply list from your child's teachers

Student Fees:

All students are required to pay student fees. Students may receive a 50% reduction in some student fees if their family meets the guidelines for the JP Schools economic waiver. The Haynes Academy Students Fees for the 2025-26 school year are posted here:

Haynes School Fees

If you need to file for a reduced fee waiver, please contact Tanya.Heck@jpschools.org or Carol.Moise@jpschools.org to get the Jefferson Parish School Economic Waiver form.

Please note, only the yearly school fee of $60 is applicable to this waiver. All student fees can be paid using School Cash Online, which can be found here: School Cash Online

Cashless:

To improve efficiency and accuracy in our financial processes, we are transitioning to a cashless payment system for items, fees, activities, sports, and similar expenses. Any payment over $5 will be processed through School Cash Online. School Cash Online provides an electronic receipt immediately upon payment, allowing you to keep a clear record of all fees you have paid. This system benefits both our bookkeeping process and your ability to track payments, while also eliminating the risk of lost paper receipts through students.

PSAT:

Grades 9-11 will take the PSAT test on Wednesday, October 21, 2026. This is a mandatory test for all 9th - 11th grade students. The cost of this test is $18.

Google Classroom:

Teachers will be using Google Classroom to provide instruction, resources, assign homework, communicate information such as upcoming assignments and tests, etc. It is recommended that parents also access their child's Google Classroom to stay up to date. Your child will also be able to access other Google Classrooms such as the School Wide Classroom, Counseling Classroom, Club Classrooms, etc.

Chromebooks:

All Haynes Academy students will be issued a chromebook for the school year. Parents/guardians must complete an electronic device agreement and technology use agreement form in order for students to be issued a chromebook. Chromebooks will be given out by our Librarian, Charon Whelan, during the first full week of school.

Beginning of the Year Forms:

Students will receive all required school forms from their homeroom teacher. Forms are due back to their homeroom teacher by Friday, August 21, 2026.

Communication:

Teachers can be reached by email Monday - Friday from the hours of 8:10 am - 3:35 pm. If you reach out to a teacher via email, teachers have 24 hours to respond to your email during their work week. If you email a teacher on a Friday, you may not receive a response until Monday, the next school day.

Required Safety and Fire Drills:

- Lockdown Drill: One (1) lockdown drill per school year must take place within the first 30 school days. (submit documentation on/before Sept.30)
- Tornado Drill: One (1) drill per semester.
- Evacuation Drill: One (1) Evacuation drill per school year.
- Shelter in Place Drill: One (1) Shelter in Place drill per school year.
- Single Point of Entry Drill: One (1) each nine weeks.
- Fire Drills: Two (2) within the first (2) two weeks of school and monthly thereafter until the end of the school year and/or the end of summer program.
    - **First (2) fire drills for the 25-26 school year are due by August 29, 2025

- Metal Detector Screenings: 4 required searches per month for walk-through searches.
- Random Searches: unannounced, non-individualized searches conducted by school officials to maintain a safe environment. These searches, often involving metal detectors or drug-sniffing dogs, are used as a preventative measure and do not require individualized suspicion of wrongdoing.
    - Middle/High Schools (grades 6-12) are required to submit (2) monthly drills due by the 15th and the 30th of each month

Student Schedules and Schedule Changes:

Student schedules should be available in the Student Progress Center (SPC) around the first week of school. **If possible, please print them as students will not be allowed to access their schedules from their phone due to state law changes regarding cell phones on campus.**

High school students who need to discuss schedule changes will be given the opportunity when they arrive on campus. **DO NOT reach out about schedules or schedule changes until schedules have been released via the SPC.**

- Schedule changes are only going to be made if a student is accidentally scheduled in a class they have already taken, or the class wasn't requested by the student.

- Schedule changes will not be permitted for a student to be with friends or because of their dislike of an instructor.

- Classes are only offered at certain times. There isn't always a possibility for a student to have all the classes they requested.

Middle school schedules will not be changed. Middle school students that are not scheduled for band class and would like to be in band or are talented but not scheduled in a talented class may reach out to Caleb.Glueck@jpschools.org

Dual Enrollment:

SCA funds at Haynes Academy can no longer pay for any off campus dual enrollment course. Our SCA budget is limited and the funds are solely allocated for our on campus DE classes that we offer. If a student chooses to enroll in a dual enrollment class off campus, the student/family is responsible for all costs associated with the course.

Cellphone Policy Reminder:

No students shall possess, on his person, an electronic telecommunication device throughout the instructional day. If a student brings an electronic telecommunication device in any public elementary or secondary school building or on the grounds thereof during an instructional day, the electronic device shall either be turned off and properly stowed away for the duration of the instructional day or prohibited from being turned on and used during the instructional day.

9TH Grade Google Classroom and Email Access:

9th grade students will have a new password and at the moment cannot access their google classroom accounts or their email. Once students enter high school, their password is changed by the parish to give them access to our Jefferson Parish Email Accounts. Students will receive their password and login information in their welcome packets.

Important Update for the 26-27 School year and beyond

Late Work and Make Up Work Policy

Haynes Academy holds students to high expectations in order to ensure they're prepared for their future. Meeting deadlines and being held accountable for completing their schoolwork in a timely fashion is incredibly important preparation for their futures. Because of this, Haynes has a campus-wide late work policy that will be used in every teacher's classroom.

For student athletes and those attending school sponsored field trips, the expectation is that students reach out to their teachers before the missed class(es) for their work and to plan any make-up dates. It is the responsibility of the student, not the teacher, to reach out regarding assignments.

If a child received an assignment at school but is absent on the date an assignment is DUE, the child is expected to turn in that assignment on the day he/she returns to school.

Please read this policy and familiarize the expectations to avoid any misunderstandings.

Policy:

Late major/minor assignments will affect a student's grades. The following policy is in effect for our entire student body.

Late Work (not due to an excused absence)-
Turning an assignment in late will affect a student's grades in the following ways:

- **Assignments categorized as participation are not eligible for submission after the original due date provided by the teacher of record. A 50% F will be earned.**
- **For assignments that are categorized as major or minor, they may be turned in on the next day their class meets and in exchange they will have 10 percentage points deducted from their earned grade. This opportunity qualifies as their opportunity for grade recovery.**
- **Major/minor assignments submitted later than one day earn a 50% F and are ineligible for grade recovery. Students may submit this work for teacher feedback, as long as that is the teacher's policy. This ensures that students do not fall behind in academic progress.**
- **Students that miss an assessment will be given an alternative version of the assessment. These assessments must be completed within three days of their return. Students should communicate with their teacher to establish the make-up time and location.**
- **Students with "extended time" on their IEP/IAP must turn in work on the date their individual assignments are due, per the teacher.**

*Make-Up Work (due to an excused absence**)-*
When a student is absent from a class and is excused, the following guidance must be followed to earn a grade for their missed work:

- Students absent for one to two days are given three days to complete all make-up work due while they are absent. For example, a student absent on Monday only would have until the end of the school day Thursday to complete all missed assignments from Monday.
- Students absent for three to five days are given one calendar week from their return to complete all make-up work due while they are absent. For example, a student absent Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday would have until the end of the school day on the following Thursday to complete all missed assignments.
- Students out six or more days must meet with their teachers to determine a plan for completion of work in a timely fashion.

In all cases of a student being absent and wishing to complete make-up work, it is the responsibility of the student to communicate with their teacher about makeup work. If a student fails to discuss their responsibilities with their teacher, within the time frames listed above, they will earn 50% for all missed work including major assessments.

Special note for students with the "extended time" notation on a 504 or IEP document:
Extended time students fall within the above categories as the student is given extended time to make up their work. In this instance, students would have to communicate with their teacher on the exact due date plan for them to ensure accommodations are met.

If there is any confusion regarding this portion of the policy, please reach out to the assigning teacher for specifics regarding their expectation.

****Types of Excused Absences**

- Exempted and Excused: The student is allowed to make up missed work and the absence is not counted against attendance requirements. Examples are doctor appointments and/or extended illness

documented by doctor's note, court, death in immediate family, or religious holidays with proper verification.

- Non-Exempt and Excused: Absences incurred due to personal illness documented by parental notes. The student is allowed to make up missed work and absences are considered when determining whether the student meets attendance requirements. Therefore, the instructional minutes missed must be made up to receive credit for the course/school year completed.



BELL SCHEDULE:

Middle School Bell Schedule		High School Bell Schedule	
Homeroom	8:15 - 8:20	Homeroom	8:15 - 8:20
1st Period	8:20 - 9:55	1st Period	8:20 - 9:55
2nd Period	9:58 - 11:33	2nd Period	9:58 - 11:33
Lunch	11:36 - 12:19	3rd Period	11:36 -1:11
3rd Period	12:22 - 1:57	Lunch	1:14 - 1:57
4th Period	2:00 - 3:35	4th Period	2:00 - 3:35


Haynes Swim Team
GIVE BACK NIGHT
felipe's
TAQUERIA
2004 Metairie Road
Thursday, July 30th | 5 - 8PM


HAYNES ACADEMY
BACK-TO-SCHOOL
BREAKFAST
Come get the
BUZZ!
AUGUST 1
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM
GET YOUR SCHEDULE
HAYNES
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HAYNES MERCH FOR SALE
SCHOOL TOURS
Light Breakfast Served


HAYNES
ACADEMY
You're Invited!
BACK TO School NIGHT
TUESDAY
AUGUST 18, 2026
5:00 PM – 7:00 PM
MEET YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER!
PLEASE HAVE YOUR CHILD'S SCHEDULE HANDY.
Let's start the year together!


HAYNES ACADEMY
PTO
Kickoff
&
KICKBACK
Meet other PARENTS.
Enjoy light APPETIZERS.
Learn how TO GET INVOLVED!
WRONG IRON
3532 Toulouse St
New Orleans
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
7 PM
We can't wait to see you there!

HTTPS://HAYNESACADEMYPTO.ORG

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ORDERS WILL BE DELIVERED TO STUDENTS IN 1-2 WEEKS AFTER SCHOOL STARTS

HAYNES ACADEMY
HAYNES Family
PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

HOODIES, SPIRIT SHIRTS, MAGNETS, EARRINGS, AND MORE!



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Haynes Academy PTO
Come Join Our Team

- All Families are members
- Attend a meeting
- Join our Gala Committee
- Attend Yearly Gala

Have questions?
Email PTO President Mitzi Lampo at haynespto@gmail.com

Yellow Jacket's Booster Club:
Come help make your child's athletic experiences memorable!
Open to all Middle School and High School parents.
Become a member today. Meetings are 1st Wednesday of every month.
Email yellowjacketsboosterclub@gmail.com for additional information and a listing of available sports liaisons.

Quick Reference Guide

Haynes Academy For Advanced Studies

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MS Assistant Principal: Mr. Glueck
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Joceyln.Miles@jpschools.org

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Technology Help Desk
504-365-5304

Suicide Hotline
Dial 988

Important Websites, Policies, Procedures, and Information

School Website	Haynes School Website
Uniform Policy	Haynes Uniform Policy
How to arrive on campus:	Car Rider / Bus Arrival Information
Haynes Academic Dishonesty Policy	Haynes Academic Dishonesty Policy
Haynes Course Catalog	Course Catalog
Haynes School Fees	Student Fees
JP Procedures and Policies	23-25 JP Procedures and Policies
Jefferson Parish Substance Abuse Policy	Jefferson Parish Substance Abuse Policy
ASA Academic Dismissal Policy	ASA Academic Dismissal Form
Middle School A/B Day Calendar	Haynes Middle School A/B Day Calendar
End of Year/Grade Level Field Trip Policy	Haynes Attendance Field Trip Policy
Dance Attendance Policy	Haynes Dance Attendance Policy
Student Progress Center	Student Progress Center
School Cash Online	School Cash Online
AP Self Study Policy	Haynes AP Self Study Policy
Make Up/ Late Work Policy	Haynes Late Work and Make Up Work Policy