



# Grade Orientation

August 19, 2023

# HAIS Mission Statement

Through **international studies**, a **personalized environment**, and **college preparatory curriculum**, the Houston Academy for International Studies will prepare students for active roles as **global citizens**.

# Start of School

**Monday, August 21st - **Start** of Regular term HCC classes**

\*Student would have **self-enrolled** in these courses

\*If students do **NOT** attend, they can be dropped by the professor

**Monday, August 28th - First day of school for HISD**

Must be **present** on the first day of school

**Tuesday, September 5th - **HCC** cohort classes start**

## 2023-2024 Academic Calendar Houston Independent School District

July 2023							August 2023							September 2023						
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# Grade AVID Teachers -

Jeremy Smith



Linda Hopson



Margaret Nance



Ratmany Kang





# HAIS Bell Schedule

Attendance **MATTERS!**

Being on time to class is **VERY** important!!

Students **MUST GO** to HCC **in person** when the location of the course is HCC

MON/WED A Day	TUES/THURS B Day	FRIDAY C Day
1 <sup>st</sup> PERIOD 7:50-9:20	6 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 7:50-9:20	1 <sup>st</sup> PERIOD 7:50 - 8:33
2 <sup>nd</sup> PERIOD 9:25-10:55	7 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 9:25-10:55	2 <sup>nd</sup> PERIOD 8:35 - 9:18
1 <sup>st</sup> LUNCH (3 <sup>rd</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> LUNCH: 11:00-11:40 AVID: 11:40-12:20	1 <sup>st</sup> LUNCH (3 <sup>rd</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>9<sup>th</sup> &amp; 11<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> LUNCH: 11:00-11:40 AVID: 11:40-12:20	AVID/CLUB 9:20 - 10:10
2 <sup>nd</sup> LUNCH (3 <sup>rd</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 12<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> AVID: 11:00-11:40 LUNCH: 11:40-12:20	2 <sup>nd</sup> LUNCH (3 <sup>rd</sup> /8 <sup>th</sup> ) <b>10<sup>th</sup> &amp; 12<sup>th</sup> Grade</b> AVID: 11:00-11:40 LUNCH: 11:40-12:20	4 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 10:10 - 10:53
4 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 12:25-1:55	9 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 12:25-1:55	5 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 10:55 - 11:38
5 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 2:00-3:30	10 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 2:00-3:30	LUNCH <b>ALL GRADE LEVELS</b> 11:40 - 12:30
Tutorials Daily 3:40 – 4:30 PM by Grade Level Please see each teacher for Tutorial Times		6 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 12:32 – 1:15
		7 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 1:17 – 2:00
		9 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 2:02 – 2:45
		10 <sup>th</sup> PERIOD 2:47 – 3:30

**\*ADA time is 9:45am daily**

# Attendance Matters!

- Students must turn in their attendance excuse notes when they return to campus.
- **Any notes turned in after one week from when the student returns, are NOT valid.**
- The only excuse notes accepted are from doctors, parents stating the student is/was sick, and family emergencies.
  - Vacations, out-of-town/traveling, and weather are not excused absences. Weather absences are only excused when HISD excuses them.
  - Students marked absent or tardy due to HISD transportation are corrected to Present (if the student checks into the Main Office when the bus arrives).
- Students must sign out for ALL HCC classes
  - If students fail to sign out, they must follow the HAIS attendance protocol (posted around the school)

# Attendance Matters!

- Students and parents must monitor their attendance via HISDConnect.
  - If there is an error, please reach out DIRECTLY to the TEACHER. The attendance clerk cannot change a teacher's incorrect entry.
- NGs are generated when students miss more than 10% (about 4) of the class meetings. **ALL absences (excused or unexcused) count towards NGs.**
- All NGs must be resolved by the end Summer School 2024.
- Communication is KEY!
- Students are responsible for missed lessons/assignments during any absence

# HAIS Allowable Dress

1. All students must have a student ID badge worn on a lanyard and visible at all times on HAIS campus.
2. Students must dress in clothing that includes both a shirt with pants, shorts or a skirt or the equivalent (a dress).
3. Clothing must cover areas from one armpit to the other. Tops must have shoulder straps. Shirts must come to the top of the pants at the waist at minimum and shorts/skirts/dresses should be long enough to cover to approximately the mid-thigh.
4. Clothing must cover undergarments.
5. Shoes must be worn at all times and must be safe for a school environment (pajamas, house shoes, or slippers shall not be worn).
6. Hats and other headwear must allow the face to be visible. Hoodies must allow the student's face and ears to be visible.
7. Clothing must be suitable for all scheduled classroom activities, including physical education, science labs, and other classes where unique hazards or specialized attire or safety gear is required.



# Non-allowable Dress

1. Clothing may not depict, advertise, or advocate the use of alcohol, tobacco, marijuana or other controlled substances nor may it display or imply vulgar, discriminatory, or obscene language or images.
2. Clothing may not depict or imply pornography, nudity, or sexual acts.
3. Clothing advocating or depicting violence, criminal or gang related activity is prohibited.
4. Clothing may not be see-through.

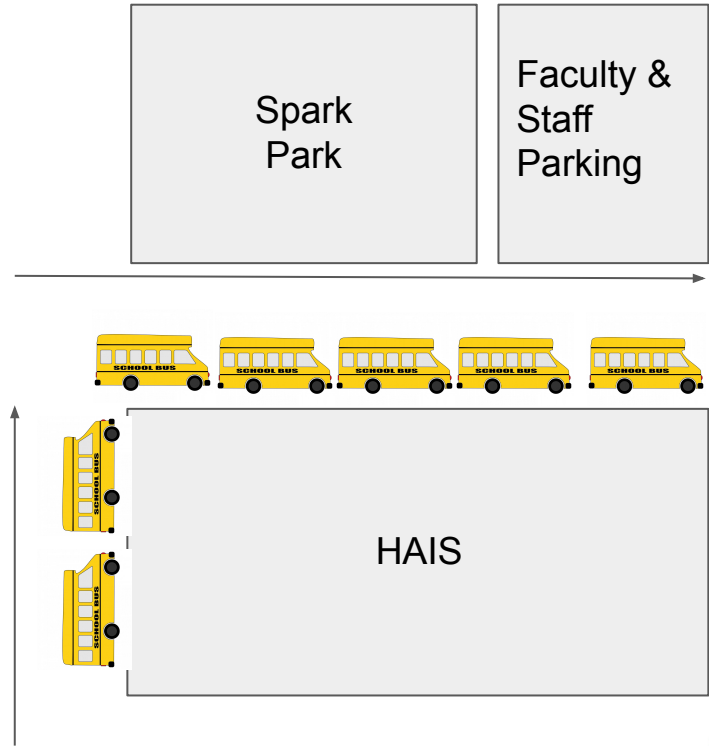
# HAIS Drop Off/Pick Up Expectations

For the safety of our students, we ask that parents/guardians please pickup and dropoff on the left side of Stuart St.

The right side is a dedicated HISD bus line.

Busses roll at approximately 3:35/3:40.

Families cannot block the one flowing feeder lane.





# Student ID Badges

Monday—Friday, 8am to 5pm (Appointments are NOT required)

## Central College

1300 Holman (Harmon Building, 2nd floor 216.1)

## Houston Community College Information

### Grades at HCC:

Only HCC professors and students have access to HCC grades in real time

### FERPA Waiver:

HCC professors cannot share grades with parents

# HCC Expectations

- Maintain eligibility at HCC
  - TSI passing scores
  - Passing all courses
  - No holds on student accounts
- Be sure to sign out from HAIS for attendance for HCC courses
- Go to HCC for all class with the location identified as HCC on your HAIS schedule
- Be where you are supposed to be!
- HAIS Shuttle makes multiple routes
- Treat all HCC staff members with respect
  - Arrive to class on time and prepared
  - **Professors dismiss the class not the student or HAIS shuttle**
- Only the students have access to HCC course and grades (not Dean)

# What to Expect - 1st Day of School

7:15 - 7:45 AM	Arrival/Breakfast Find AVID classroom from posted lists
7:50 AM	Report to AVID Pick-up schedule Complete registration paperwork
8:30ish AM	Report to 1st Period Rest of the day follows regular A- Day bell schedule

- Schedules will be given to students MONDAY MORNING
- Schedules will be explained by AVID teachers Monday morning
- Please do not park in parking lot. All parking lots are assigned to faculty and staff

# Grade Level Expectations

- 2 college applications completed and submitted
- Schoolink all “to do” items completed
- Military - Speak to local recruiter and take ASVAB test
- Apply for Scholarships
- No “NG’s”
- Capstone Project uploaded to portfolio
- Internship
- Industry Based Certifications
- Graduate



# Supply List - Update by Grade Level

Fully charged laptop

Books from and for Nance, Smith and Advocacy (Provided to you in class)

Journals for Do Nows, College Math prep, and Scholarship Writing workshop (Provided to you already)

# Summer Assignments

Locate and acquire an internship.

Create an ApplyTexas account and CommonApp

Locate the HISD College and Career website for scholarships and news about FAFSA and other applications.

# AVID This Year

## What is AVID?

AVID is a course designed to give the skills that will allow them to be successful in college courses and future careers

## How does this look for 12th Grade?

Each cycle we will be focusing on a different skill and working to better ourselves in that area

**Cycle 1** - College Applications, Schoolink Profile, and reading!

**Cycle 2** - PhoenixFest and FAFSA Data Gathering

**Cycle 3** - Final College Applications and Extra Scholarship Applications

## Big Brothers/Big Sisters

This year our seniors will be participating in the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program through AVID.  
More information will be given later in the year



# Advice for Success

1. **Come to class on time!** Important information is stated in the first minutes of class.
2. Regularly attend all classes!!! No NG'S!!!
3. Communicate your **NEEDS**!



# Team Contact Info

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# Student Info Survey

Create a QR code for information





# Student Life

# Get Active!



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