



# Heights High School

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Virtual Learning Plan  
August 11, 2020



# Agenda

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- Virtual Learning Expectations
- Virtual Learning Schedules
- Attendance
- Grading Policy
- Where to Find Help
- Communication in the Virtual Setting
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# Two Learning Structures

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**Asynchronous:** HISD has adopted an asynchronous learning model for virtual instruction for the first six weeks of school. This means lessons will be developed that students can work through at their own pace with the guidance of a teacher (Learning Activities posted in the HUB).

**Synchronous Learning:** While the model was developed for asynchronous learning, students will have the opportunity to participate in synchronous opportunities each day (teacher led instruction through Microsoft Teams).

# Virtual Learning Expectations

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## Teachers:

- Provide instruction to students with an opportunity to apply learning and ask questions in a synchronous and asynchronous environment.
- Work with small groups for added support.
- Record a minimum of 2 grades per week in the gradebook.
- Use the HUB for all notes, announcements, and assignments.

# Virtual Learning Expectations

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## Students: Synchronous

- Highly Encouraged to attend live learning sessions.
- Interact with classmates and teachers to process learning
- Use video when bandwidth allows
- Engage in the lesson by responding to their teacher, asking questions through voice and responding in chat.
- Check HISD email daily.

## Students: Asynchronous

- Watch lessons recorded in Microsoft Teams
- Check the HUB and complete assignments for each class daily.
- Check HISD email daily.
- Schedule sessions with teachers during tutorial time for assistance.

# Virtual Learning Expectations

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## Parents

- Watch the HISD Parent Digital Learning Webinar

[HISD Online Course for Parents / The Virtual Learning Experience](#)

- Assist your students with creating a daily schedule based on the unique needs of your family.
- Designate a place where students will work, time for homework and time for breaks.
- Encourage physical activity each day.
- Check student's grades and attendance on Parent Connect.
- Contact the teacher if you have concerns.

# Virtual Learning Schedule



Heights will use a  
modified block  
schedule meeting all  
classes on Monday  
and an A/B for  
Tuesday - Thursday

# Monday Schedule

Tuesday - Friday



# Additional Information

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# Attendance

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- Attendance Counts.
- Students are counted as present if they attend a live class, log into the HUB and submit an assignment, or check in with their teachers otherwise.
- Students who have not had contact with their teacher by 3:30 pm will be marked absent.
- Phone calls made by 6:00 p.m.
- Absences can be cleared if student logs in by 11:59 p.m. to complete an assignment.
- The 90% rule is still in play.

# Grading Policy

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- Minimum of two grades per week
- Dual Credit/Dual Enrollment subject to the grading policies of the Institution of Higher Learning.
- All cycle grades will count toward final average.
- Semester exams will be given for all courses.

# Where to Find Help

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# Social and Emotional Support

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Freshman Counselor:	Andrea Hudson; <a href="mailto:Ahudson@houstonisd.org">Ahudson@houstonisd.org</a>
Sophomore Counselor:	Valerie Moctezuma; <a href="mailto:vmoctezuma@houstonisd.org">vmoctezuma@houstonisd.org</a>
Junior Counselor:	Emily Agness; <a href="mailto:emily.agness@houstonisd.org">emily.agness@houstonisd.org</a>
Senior Counselor:	Hossain Mazharian; <a href="mailto:hmazhari@houstonisd.org">hmazhari@houstonisd.org</a>
Community in Schools:	Joni Cooper; <a href="mailto:jonie.cooper@houstonisd.org">jonie.cooper@houstonisd.org</a>
Wrap Around Specialist:	Info TBD

# College and Career Support

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Carmen Schumacher: [cschuma2@houstonisd.org](mailto:cschuma2@houstonisd.org)  
twitter [@Heights2College](https://twitter.com/Heights2College)

Kalena Thwaites: info forthcoming

# Technology Help

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If you are experiencing technology issues, you can fill out a help ticket here:

<https://bit.ly/hhstechticket>

Helpful information can also be found at the Houston ISD H.O.M.E site:

<https://www.houstonisd.org/Page/180154>

# Communication



# Communication From the Principal

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Ms. Hampton will send campus updates every two weeks via school messenger that will come to the email address in our student information system. Please make sure your contact information is up to date.

First Virtual Coffee with the Principal, Sept 22 at 9:00 a.m.

# Remind 101

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Heights HS @hisdhs

Techtown @7g2kgk

Class of 2021 @e2kfdg

Class of 2022 @gd3hg6

Class of 2023 @eec4fd

Class of 2024 @6f279c

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[www.facebook.com/heightshspto](https://www.facebook.com/heightshspto)

[www.heightspto.org](http://www.heightspto.org)

# Teacher Communication

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The best way to contact teachers is by email. All teachers emails are included in the Heights Instructional Continuity Plan.

# Important Dates

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August 25th: 9th grade laptop pick up (last name A - G) 3:00 - 6:00

August 26th: 9th grade laptop pick up (last name H - M) 3:00 - 6:00

August 27th: 9th grade laptop pick up (last name N - Z) 3:00 - 6:00

August 29th: 9th grade laptop pick up 9:00 a.m. to noon

September 2nd: Back to School Virtual Meeting

September 3rd: Meet the Teacher (all grade levels)

September 8: First Day of Online Class

September 15: Virtual Open House

September 22: Virtual Coffee with the Principal