

Welcome Razorbacks

6th Grade Welcome Back - Parent Meeting

August 23, 2023



Agenda

- Meet the Team
- Mission and IB
- Technology
- Dress Code
- Procedures and Expectations
- Hogg PTA
- Upcoming Dates

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Hogg Mission Statement

*Our mission is to **collaborate** as a **community of learners** to transform students into **educated, creative, innovative, global citizens**. We aim to ignite and **nurture the potential of each student and learner** to become the best expression of him or herself.*

We are a neighborhood school with a global mindset.



One School, One Sound!

CORE VALUE 01

All students can
learn and reach
his or her
potential



CORE VALUE 02

Effective teachers
make the most
difference in
student academic
performance

CORE VALUE 03

For every child to
succeed, we must
hold students and
ourselves to high
expectations

WE BELIEVE

CORE VALUE 04

We value parent
engagement and
community
support

CORE VALUE 05

We rely on clearly
defined outcomes to
guide our work and
to which we hold
ourselves
accountable

CORE VALUE 06

We value equity
and commit to
reducing inequities
inherent in the
education system

As an IB World School we are dedicated to educating the whole child.



Balanced



Caring



Communicator



Inquirer



Knowledgeable



Open Minded



Principled



Reflective



Risk Taker



Thinker

1:1 - What does that mean?

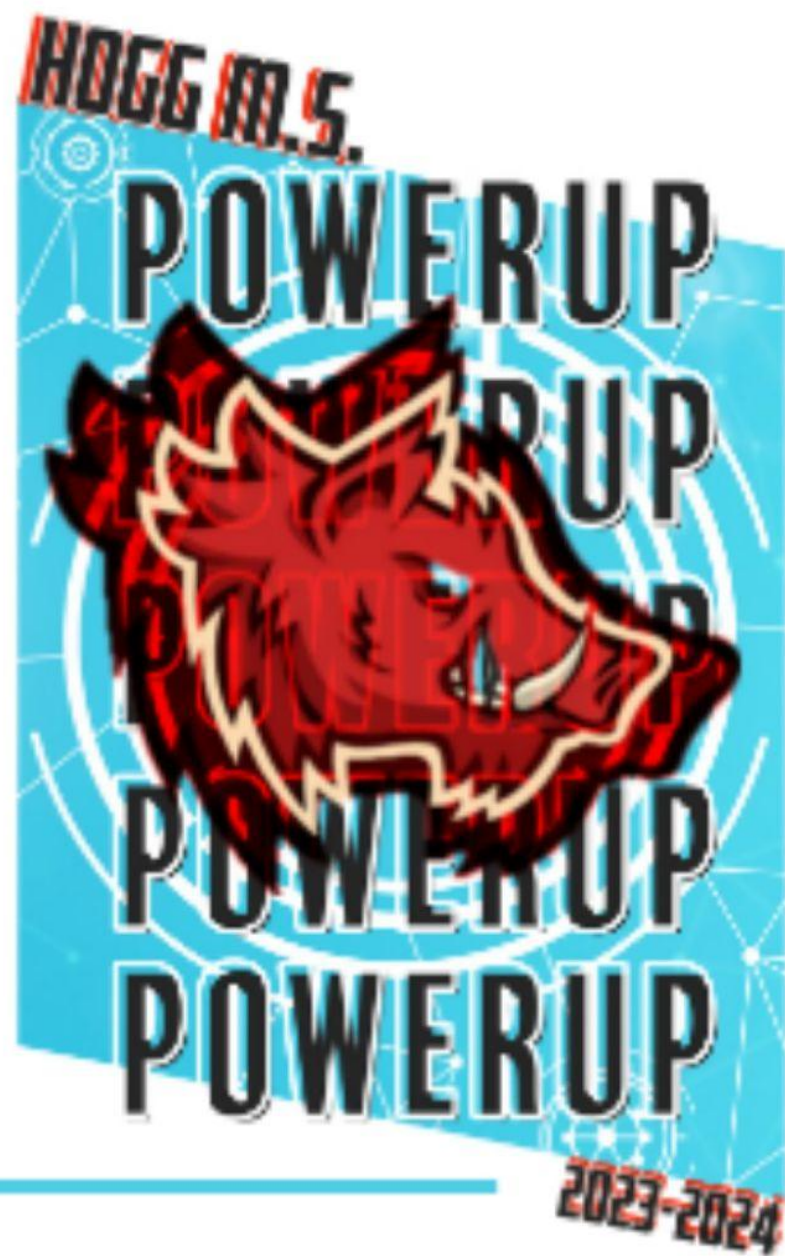
A key component of HISD's PowerUP initiative is ensuring that our schools, students, and staff have equitable access to technology—including devices, software, and infrastructure—which support 21st century teaching and learning.

1. 1:1 is shorthand for one-to-one. This means there will be one laptop for each student to use for learning at both school and home.
2. With greater access to technology also comes the need for educators and parents to work together to help students understand how the digital world works.
3. This year we will continue use Canvas and encourage parents to be Canvas Observers.

For more information about PowerUP requirements please visit Campus (Hogg's) website.



Ms. Aguilar Instructional Technologist



Digital Safety :

Keeping All
Students Safe
Online Everyday



Importance of Digital Citizenship in the 21st Century

WHY Digital Safety?

Digital Safety promotes responsible use of digital devices. We strongly encourage Parents/guardians to:

- Model positive behavior
- Routinely monitor students' use
- Hold students accountable for behaviors at home





WHAT are responsible use?

Acceptable Activity for Home and School students are expected to follow network etiquette at all times. This includes:

- Being courteous to others
- Eliminating the use of profanity
- Maintaining login information private
- Alerting an adult of suspicious or inappropriate activity

Creating Digital Citizens by...

1

Internet Safety

Houston Independent School District has adopted an Acceptable Policy that maintains compliance with Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)

2

Privacy

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) ensures that the privacy of student records is protected through the use of usernames and passwords

3

Improper Actions

Students are not allowed to use district-managed devices in a manner that causes harm to others, damages the device, violates copyright laws, or sends potentially harmful data/information to others.

4

Accountability

The HISD Code of Conduct outlines the possible consequences for violating these rules. Consequences may range from campus disciplinary actions to legal action as determined by the level of misconduct.

Collaborating at Home

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Digital Awareness



Digital Footprints

As tweens and teens start sharing content and engaging with others online, it's important for them to understand the tracks they're leaving behind and what those tracks might reveal. Digital footprints can be positive or negative, depending on how someone uses the internet. Parents can help guide kids toward creating the kind of footprint they can be proud of. Talk with your child about what would and would not be appropriate to share online.



Social Media

With smartphone and other internet-enabled devices becoming more popular among young kids and adolescents, it often opens the door for minor to have access to social media. Social media can be a positive tool..when used appropriately. It connects people to others all over the world and allows everyone to stay in touch with friends and family members. However, parents must adapt to this digital age of parenting to help children navigate it safely.



Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying includes sharing, sending, or posting negative or harmful content about another person. This includes spreading rumors, threatening others, or sharing private information about someone else that could embarrass someone.

Cyberbullying can happen anywhere electronic communication is involved, such as text messages, online games, social media sites, email, or instant messaging.

Notify the school immediately if you find evidence of it.



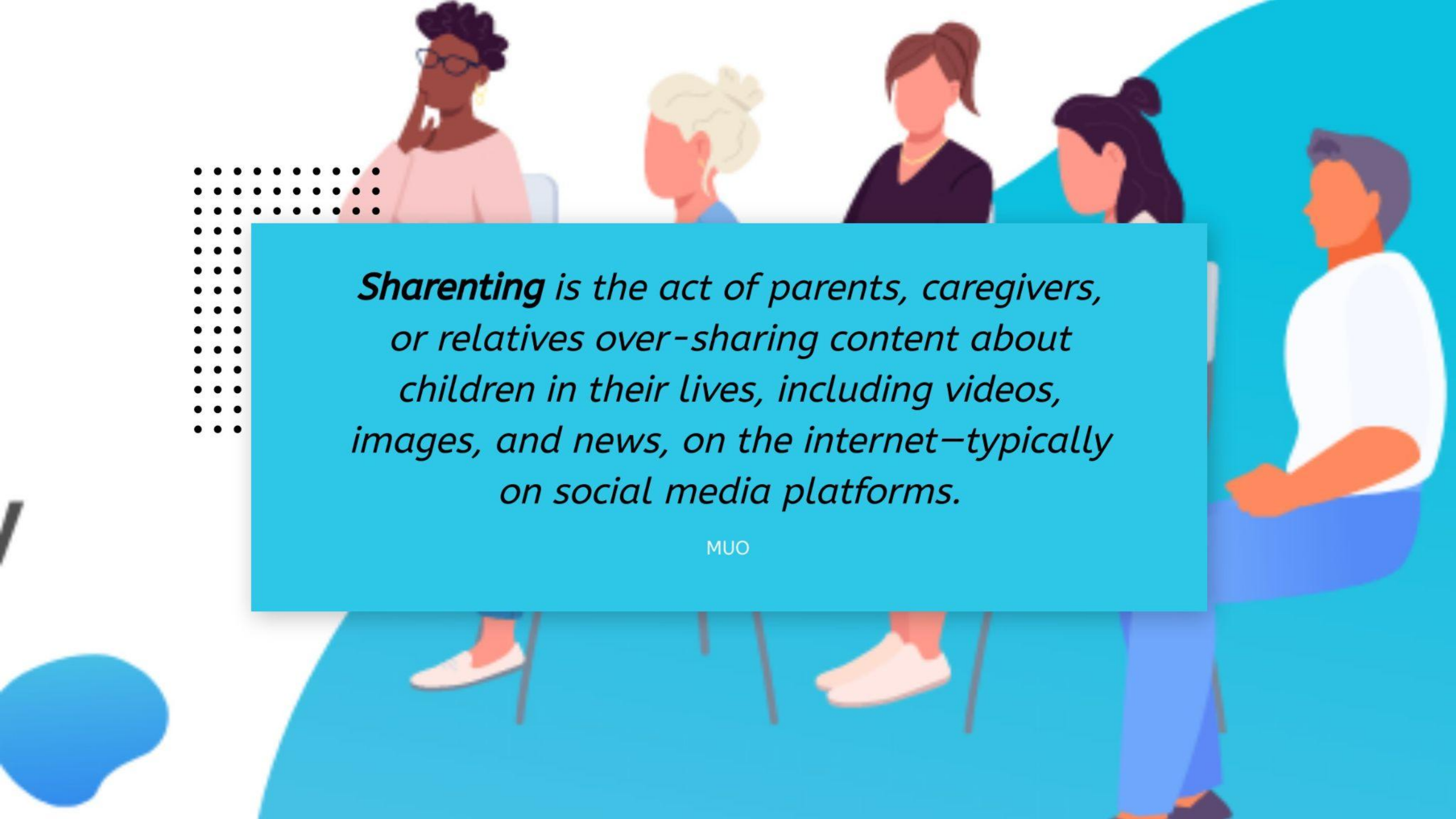
What Can You Do?

C-Copy (or screenshot) the offending text or comment.

B- Block the bully on social media platforms and all mobile devices.

R-Report any and all incidents to school leaders or proper authorities.



An illustration of a diverse group of people sitting in a circle, viewed from behind. The group includes a Black woman with glasses and a pink top, a blonde woman, a woman with brown hair in a ponytail, a woman with dark hair, and a man with grey hair in a white shirt. They are seated on a light blue curved surface. A large, semi-transparent blue rectangle is centered over the group, containing text. To the left of this rectangle is a vertical column of black dots. The background is white with some blue abstract shapes at the bottom left.

***Sharenting** is the act of parents, caregivers, or relatives over-sharing content about children in their lives, including videos, images, and news, on the internet—typically on social media platforms.*

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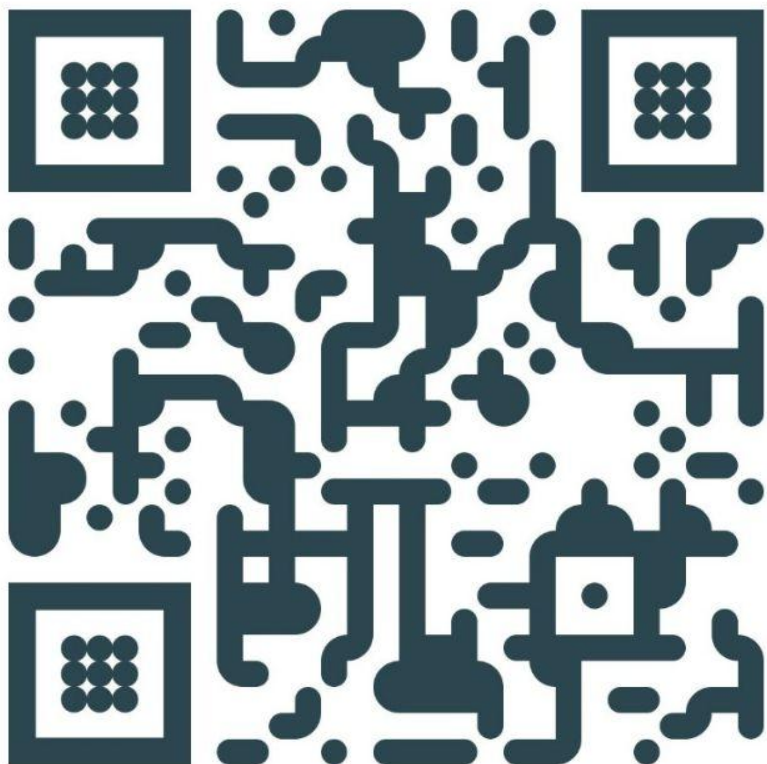


With the influences of social media it is easy for children to want to mirror what they see which can be dangerous. With parent support we can prevent toxic trends.

Dove



PowerUp23



HOGG PowerUp Parent Digital Safety Course Quiz

Please complete each required section below to confirm that you have completed the **DIGITAL SAFETY COURSE**.

Complete cada sección requerida a continuación para confirmar que ha completado el **CURSO DE SEGURIDAD DIGITAL**.

[Sign in to Google](#) to save your progress. [Learn more](#)

* Indicates required question

PLEASE TYPE YOUR FIRST & LAST NAME BELOW: *I confirm that I have carefully read the information in the DIGITAL SAFETY COURSE and agree to the terms of use and expectations for my student's participation in the PowerUP Chromebook program at Hogg Middle School.* *

POR FAVOR ESCRIBA SU PRIMERO Y APELLIDO A CONTINUACIÓN:
Confirmo que he leído detenidamente la información del CURSO DE SEGURIDAD DIGITAL y que acepto los términos de uso y las expectativas para la participación de mi estudiante en el programa Chromebook de PowerUp en Hogg Middle School.

Bell Schedule

- Homeroom
 - Community Circles
 - Organization Skills
 - SEL Lessons
- Block Schedule
 - Monday & Wednesday - Red Days
 - Tuesday & Thursday - White Days
 - Fridays - Alternate Red & White Days
- Friday - Advocacy (Clubs!!)



2023-2024 Bell Schedule

Monday-Thursday Schedule

Red Days: Monday & Wednesday
White Days: Tuesday & Thursday

Homeroom	8:30 - 9:00am	
Period R1/W1	9:04 - 10:08am	
Period R2/W2	10:12 - 11:16am	
Period R3/W3	11:20am - 1:00pm	A Lunch 11:20am - 11:50am
		B Lunch 11:55am - 12:25pm
		C Lunch 12:30pm - 1:00pm
WIN	1:04 - 1:44pm	
Period R4/W4	1:48 - 2:52pm	
Period R5/W5	2:56 - 4:00pm	

Friday Schedule

Rotating Red/White Days

Homeroom	8:30 - 9:00am	
Period R1/W1	9:04 - 10:08am	
Period R2/W2	10:12 - 11:16am	
Period R3/W3	11:20am - 1:00pm	A Lunch 11:20am - 11:50am
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		C Lunch 12:30pm - 1:00pm
Advocacy	1:04 - 1:44pm	
Period R4/W4	1:48 - 2:52pm	
Period R5/W5	2:56 - 4:00pm	

A typical student schedule is eight classes over ten periods, with reading and math everyday and all other classes every other day

Red Day

Monday & Wednesday

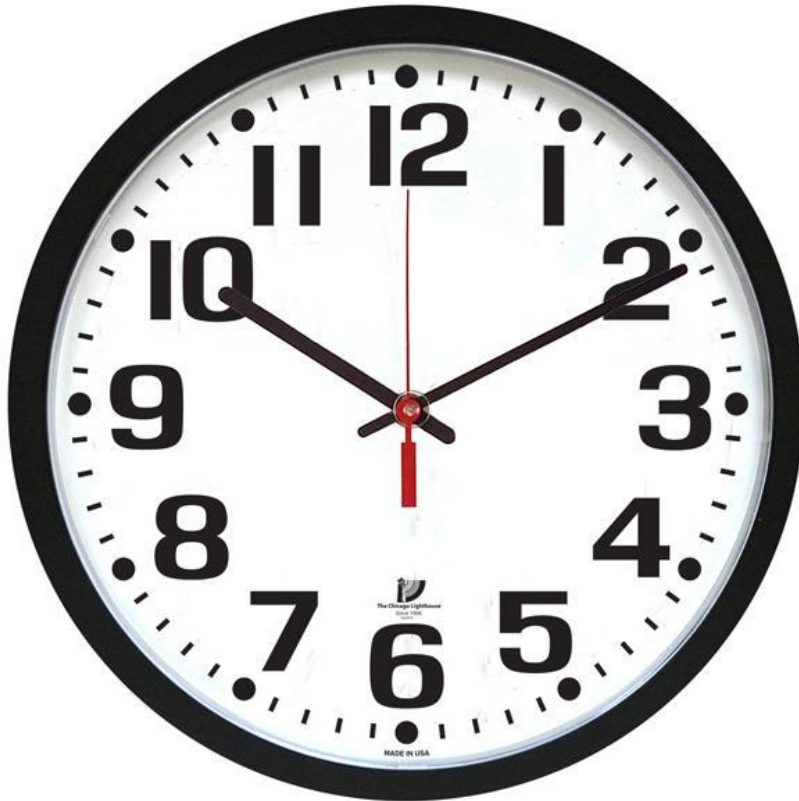
- Homeroom
- R1 – Math
- R2 – Science
- R3 – ELA-R
- R4 – Squash
- R5 – World Cultures

White Day

Tuesday & Thursday

- Homeroom
- W1 – ELA-R
- W2 – Math
- W3 – Graphic Design
- W4 – Beginning Spanish
- W5 – Orchestra

What time does school start and end?



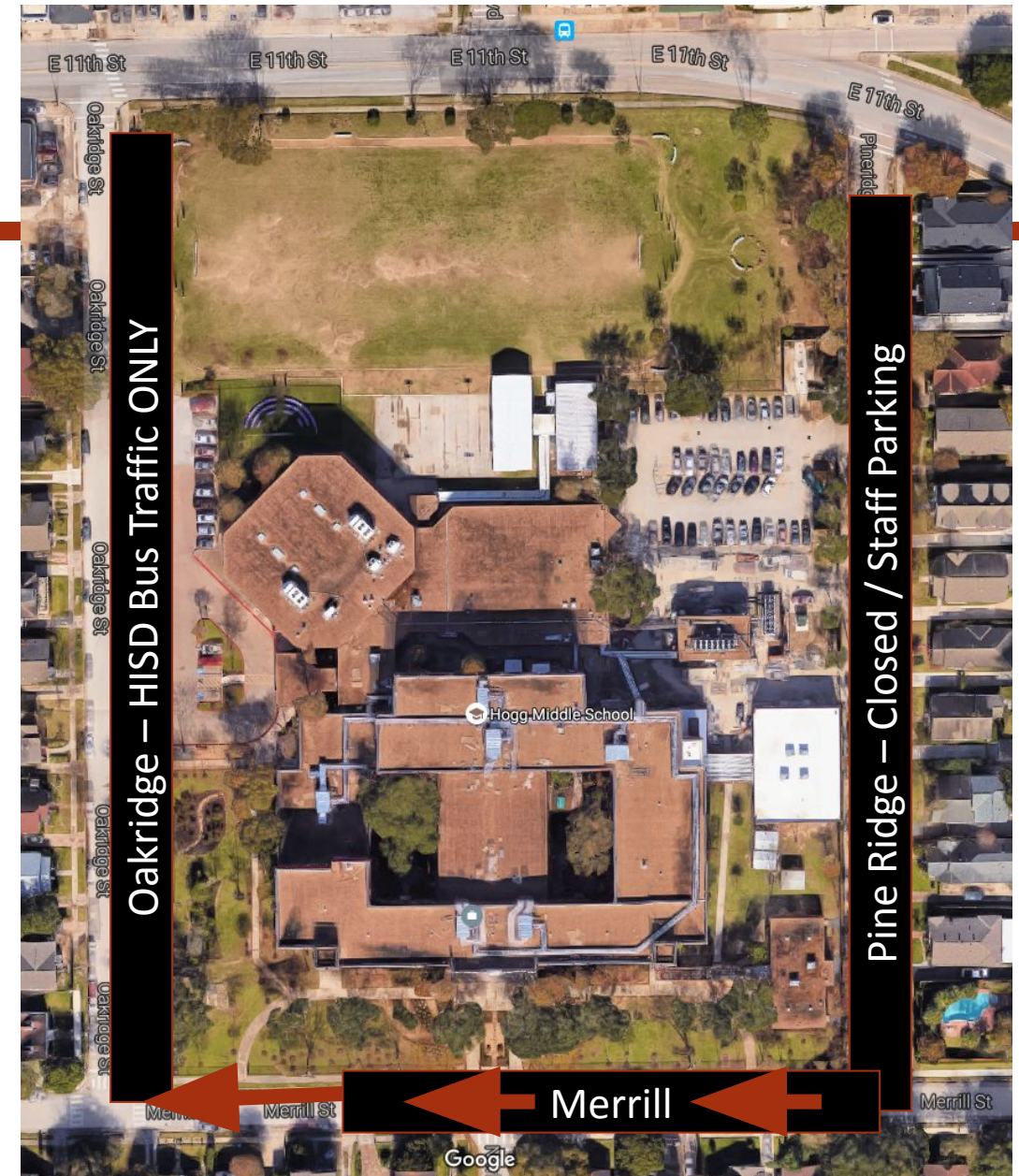
- Earliest Drop-off @ 8:00 am
- First Bell @ 8:25 am
- **Tardy @ 8:30 am**
- School Ends @ 4:00 pm
- At dismissal, all students must exit the building
- If they are staying for tutorials or extra-curricular activity, they must re-enter from the mall-area
- For safety reasons ALL students who are not in after school activities must be picked up by **4:15 pm**

Drop off & Pick up

Merrill is one way with traffic flowing east to west.

This is the ONLY student drop off & pick up!

Please respect traffic signs, neighbors, and staff working together to get your students to and from campus safely



Drop off & Pick up

**Oakridge & Pine Ridge
will be closed for...**

Drop Off - 8:00-8:25am

Pick Up - 4:00-4:15 pm

**(PLEASE refrain from using these streets they
are for students with special needs & HISD
buses to drop off and pick up)**



Hogg Heaven

Hogg Heaven provides a quality after-school program with expanded learning opportunities that support developmentally appropriate cognitive, social, physical, and emotional outcomes. In addition, Hogg Heaven will offer a balanced program of homework help, structured activities created by the staff, and outside social distance play time.

Hours of operation are 4:00pm to 6:00pm on regular school days.

Our general schedule is as follows:

- 4:00 - 5:00pm: Students meet in the cafeteria for homework time.
- 5:00 – 5:30pm: Structured Activity
- 5:30 - 6:00pm: Outside time

Flexible payment options for the program:

- Monthly Cost - \$300/6 weeks
- Semester Cost - \$700/semester



For additional information you can look at the Hogg Middle School website or directly contact Ms. Johnson (cjohns78@houstonisd.org)

Morning Arrival

- EVERY DAY students are expected to walk in school with their school uniform on and Id's visible.
- 6th grade will enter through the front of the school, pick up breakfast and report to the auditorium. Students will sit by homeroom teacher.
- **Students arriving after 8:30am are tardy.**
- If a student arrives after 8:30 am, the student and parent must sign the tardy log located in the foyer and will receive a pass to class.

Lunch Time

- Students will eat lunch in the cafeteria. No food allowed outside.
- Students are allowed to eat with friends!
- Weather permitting students will get to outside 15 min after lunch has started.

We are a Title I campus: All students will be provided with a free breakfast and lunch.

Please do not send a food delivery service or drop off food for students.

School Supplies

- Students ONLY need a backpack with paper, pencils, and pens for the first day of school
- Please do NOT send all supplies at once
- Students will drop off supplies in their respective classes as teachers request them
- Homeroom supplies can be dropped off anytime during the first week of school

Can my child have a cell phone?

- Students are NOT permitted to use cell phones, smart watches, tablets, airpods, or any other non approved digital device while on campus.
- Failure to adhere to this policy will result in your child's phone being immediately confiscated and turned into the office. (Yes, even if as parents you call or text)
- A parent/guardian will have to pick up the cell phone and pay a \$15 fee.

Dress Code

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.

We are committed to meeting the needs of our students and families. For assistance with uniforms please contact:

- 6th Grade - Mrs.. Sevilla - nadia.sevilla@houstonisd.org
- 7th Grade - Mrs. Villarreal - avillar7@houstonisd.org
- 8th Grade - Mrs. Segovia – vsegovia@houstonisd.org
- All grades - Mrs. Moreno, our Wrap Around Specialist.

What can 6th Graders wear to class?



Wednesdays-
College Shirts



Fridays-
Hogg Spirit Shirt

**Pants MUST be properly fitted
around the waist.**

What CAN'T students wear to class?



No sweatshirt or jackets with hoods are permitted.

What CAN'T students wear to class?



Bottoms, including jeans, must be free of designs, rips and holes.

What CAN'T students wear to class?



**No leggings,
jeggings or joggers.**

What CAN'T students wear to class?



**No Slides,
Flip-Flops, House
Shoes or Sandals**

What CAN'T students wear to class?



**No Fishnets or
patterned tights**

What CAN'T students wear to class?



Jean and athletic shorts are not permitted.

What about student ID's?

- For **SAFETY** and security reasons, ID badges are issued to all students within the first two weeks of school.
- ID badges must be visible with a lanyard around students' neck at ALL times while on campus.
- IDs should NOT be altered in anyway.
- The first ID badge is on us. If it is lost or broken, a replacement will need to be purchased for \$5.

Schedules

- **Schedule changes will occur if...**
 - Students are missing one of the eight required classes.
 - Students are in the wrong level class.
- To request a schedule change, **the student must complete the request form found in their AP's office and submit it to their AP with a parent's signature.** We ask you to model open-mindedness regarding class schedules. We do our best to accommodate everyone's elective choices, but core classes always take precedence.
- Direct requests from parents will not be accepted. A schedule change request **MUST** be submitted by the deadline (TBD).

Schedules

Remember: Changes are discretionary because we want our students to learn to be open minded and balanced.

Razorback Athletics



- 6th Grade can participate in club sports!
Swimming, Baseball, Softball, and Razorettes.
- All paperwork must be turned in before students are able to practice with the team. Paperwork includes: sports physical, insurance, and athletics packet.
- Students and parents will be held to a Student-Athlete Code of Conduct. It outlines expectations such as practice attendance, grade requirements, pick up times after practice, and general student-athlete requirements. All athletes and parents will be required to sign and adhere to this at the start of each season.

Grades

- Grades will be taken during each grading cycle of the 2023-2024 school year.
- All cycle grades will be used in the calculation of the final average for any class.
- Teachers must update grades weekly.
 - 2 grades per week for double block classes
 - 1 grade per week for single block classes
 - Please email the teacher of record to discuss grades and **allow for 48 hours to respond**. Next, email the grade level principal if needed.



Get Connected. Make Your Voice Heard.
Memberships \$10
Join Now!



Make it Shine Fundraising Campaign

This initiative gives families & businesses the opportunity to invest in our public school in the long term and help Make It Shine. How can you help?

- **Fall Auction - A Night in Paris 11/11/23**
- **Spring Community Fundraiser - La Loteria & Picnic 3/2/24**
- **Annual Parent Donations**
- **Spirit Nights**



Hogg PTA Gives Back

PTA Raised over \$100,000 in 22/23 School Year

- Teacher Grants Awarded for Mathematics, Science, Art, Engineering, Language, Sports, Technology, Band, Advocacy, and Library
- Teacher Classroom Funds (\$200 Gift Cards to Each Teacher)
- Hogg Murals and Campus Beautification Projects
- Field Maintenance
- Teacher Appreciation Events
- Field Trips
- End of Year Activities
- And more!

Save the Date

PTA Sponsored Events

- First Day of School & Parent Coffee (Vineyard Church): August 28
- Hogg Campout (all grades at Stephen F Austin State Park): September 23-24
- Hispanic Heritage Night: Late-September 2023
- A Night in Paris **PTA Auction: November 11, 2023**
- STEAM Night: January 2024
- Black History Night: February 2024
- La Loteria PTA Spring Fundraiser: March 2, 2024
- Literacy Night: April 2024

Important upcoming dates



Save
the
Date

Event	Date
First Day of School	August 28, 2023
Labor Day – No School	September 4, 2023
**Open House	September 21, 2023
End of Cycle 1	October 30, 2023
Fall Holiday – No School	September 25, 2023
End of Cycle 2	November 10, 2023
Thanksgiving Break	November 20-24, 2023

Stay Informed

Following us on Social Media

- Facebook: @HoggMS
- Instagram: @hoggrazorbacks
- Twitter: @Hogg_Razorbacks



Sign up for the Razorback Express.

- www.houstonisd.org/hogg
- Sent every Friday



Additional Questions or Concerns

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