MEETING: 8:00 – 9:00 AM

2020-2021 THEME: PREPARE. PROTECT. CONNECT!

Stay Connected to School-Wide & Principal Updates with REMIND:

FRIDAY, SEPT 25, 2020. IS THE FINAL DATE TO COMPLETE YOUR DECISION FOR FACE-TO-FACE OR VIRTUAL. Reminder, Parents: You have the option to change for the next six weeks. Changes from one learning format to another cannot change during the six weeks cycle. If you do not respond, the option is automatically face-to-face. Only parents can complete the form.

Links to help you:
- HISD Connect through PowerSchool: LINK
- How to Complete online forms: LINK
- How to choose virtual or face-to-face instruction: POWERPOINT INSTRUCTIONS

CALENDAR ACTIVITIES/DEADLINES
Oct 1 NHECHS Open House, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, refer to EVENTS section on the school website
Oct 12 All Faculty/Staff return to campus. Final Week of all Virtual Instruction
Oct 16 End of First Six Weeks; Turn in all Enrollment forms
Oct 27 SAT School Day exam – seniors only
Oct 29 PSAT School Day exam – 9th – 11th grade. 11th grader can qualify for National Merit Scholar
Nov 3 Election Day; NHECHS is a voting site.

School virtual hours are 7:50 am – 3:30 pm

- School Improvement Goals
  - 80% meet TSI Criteria by 10th grade, with 10% point growth each subsequent year
  - Increase SAT Math to 550
  - Increase SAT Reading/Writing to 600
  - STAAR Results at Meets Grade Level or Above (All Subjects) at 95%
  - Increase Attendance Rate to 98.5%

- Magnet School Updates
  - Magnet Recruitment process has begun!
  - Reminder: Parent and student commitment to the magnet agreement: academic commitments, attendance, behavior

- Grade Reporting Dates

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• Update on New Staff
  o New Social Studies Teacher: Sandra Buso – start date TBD

• TSI Testing Update: TSI testing resumes October 3. The first Saturday group that was postponed will test that morning from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. Priority, thereafter, will be for students currently enrolled in Algebra 2A. These students MUST meet the TSI math testing requirement in order to take the Algebra 2B dual credit course (Math 1314). These students will be notified through their HISD account early next week to sign-up for their testing dates. Parents, please have your son/daughter check HISD email daily.

• STAAR Testing
  o Students who did not pass an EOC-tested course for the year for the 19-20 school year or by summer 2020, must take the STAAR exam in December. This is a graduation requirement
  o All students this year in an EOC tested course will be required to take the STAAR

• Learning Expectations
  o Camera Use During Instruction (reminder): Students are required to be engaged in instruction on MS Teams during the synchronous time. They are not required during instruction to be on camera, but they must respond to teacher questions verbally and on the chat-line, participate in discussions and group work, etc.
  o Note-taking. Students need to take notes on content learned, not just refer back to powerpoints and teacher-provided notes. Article on the benefits of good note-taking
  o Remember, the grades are a reflection of the student learning, not just completion of work.

• Attendance
  o Remember our NHECHS attendance goal: 98.5%, Currently, we are at 97.1%.
  o Student attendance counts toward credits and is noted on the student’s report card.
  o There are no excused/unexcused absences during remote learning. The student is either absent or present.
  o Most importantly, a student who is absent is not learning.

• Reopening Plans: LINK
• Naviance: Scholarships available at all grades. Students may start looking as early as 9th grade.
• Schedule Changes: Deadline for schedule changes is September 29, 2020, 15 days after the first day of school.
• Technology: If you need a laptop and/or hotspot, please contact Ms. Gilda Torres. She will respond immediately to provide support. Her contact information is as follows: 713.253.0406; email: gtorres8@houstonisd.org
• Student Communication: All students must communicate via HISD emails, not personal emails, and faculty/staff will respond to HISD emails. Students may directly call their teacher via Teams.
• Enrollment updates: Call or email Ms. Tavira to ensure all enrollment forms are current.
• Q & A