



Huntingdon High School

“Expecting More, Doing More, Achieving More”

**Student Handbook
2024-2025**

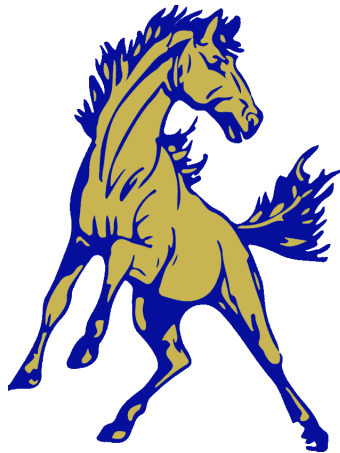


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School Mascot: Mustangs and Fillies

School Colors: Royal Blue and Vegas Gold

ALMA MATER

*High on Huntingdon's eastern border
Reared against the sky
Proudly stands our alma mater
As the years roll by.*

*"Forward" ever be our watchword –
Conquer and prevail.
Hail to thee our alma mater
Huntingdon, all hail!*

FOREWORD

On behalf of the faculty and staff, I welcome you to Huntingdon High School for the 2024-2025 school year. As your principal, I look forward to seeing how our united student body embraces high expectations and represents our community and school with the utmost integrity. Huntingdon High School has a very rich and proud tradition. With that in mind, there is a responsibility for myself, our teachers, and our students to expect more, do more, and achieve more as we set out to make this school year one of the most memorable in the proud history of Huntingdon High School.

The information provided in your student handbook is designed to assure you are provided a safe learning environment and have an opportunity to achieve success in all aspects of your high school experience. Our goal is for you to enjoy your time at HHS as we challenge you educationally and prepare you for the college or career of your choice. I encourage you to take pride in the appearance of our school and strive to be a student ambassador that embraces the high expectations that those who have come before you have established. Together, let's make this a great and unforgettable school year. Go Mustangs and Fillies!

Mr. Porsche McClerking
Principal

MISSION STATEMENT

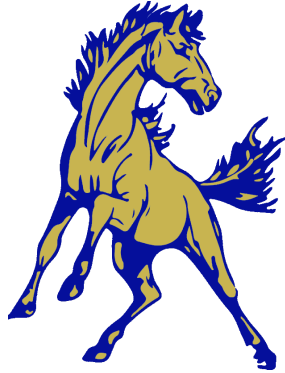
Huntingdon High School will provide a safe educational environment where all students can develop the skills needed to be productive toward a college or career path and be contributing members to society.

NOTICE

All teachers and paraprofessionals at Huntingdon High School are Highly Qualified. Should you desire any information as to the qualifications of your child's teachers and/or paraprofessionals, please contact the school.

It is the policy of the Huntingdon Special School District not to discriminate on the basis of sex, race, national origin, creed, age, marital status, or disability in its educational programs, activities or employment policies as required by Title VI and VII of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Title IX of the 1972 Educational Amendments and Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

HUNTINGDON SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024-2025 CALENDAR



HUNTINGDON SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 2024-2025 District Calendar

School In-Session **Staff Inservice***Admin Day Stockpile Prof. Development **Holiday / Vacation**

July 29	Administrative Day
July 30 - August 5	Staff Inservice
August 6	First Day of School (½ day)
September 2	Labor Day
September 12	Early Dismissal/PTC
September 13	Stockpile Professional Dev. (staff only)
October 8	1st Grading Period Ends
October 14-18	Fall Break
November 27-29	Thanksgiving Break
December 2	Stockpile Professional Dev. (staff only)
December 20	Last Day Fall Semester (1/2 day)
December 20	2nd Grading Period Ends
December 23-January 3	Christmas Break
January 6	Administrative Day
January 7	First Day Spring Semester
January 20	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
February 3	Stockpile Professional Dev. (staff only)
February 17	President's Day
March 12	3rd Grading Period Ends
March 24-28	Spring Break
April 7	Stockpile Professional Dev. (staff only)
April 18	Good Friday
May 22	Last Day of School (1/2 day)
May 22	4th Grading Period Ends
May 23, 27, 28	Discretionary Administrative

OTHER INFORMATION

Grading Period 1	August 6 - October 8 (44 days)
Grading Period 2	October 9 - December 20 (44 days)
Grading Period 3	January 7 - March 12 (44 days)
Grading Period 4	March 13 - May 22 (44 days)
Make-Up Days	Available Staff Development Days Feb. 17, March 24-28, End of Year
Parent-Teacher	September 12

*District Testing Schedule at www.huntingdonschools.net.

Fall Semester

July 2024						
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Spring Semester

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2024 Huntingdon High School XC Schedule

August 6	Jamboree at McKenzie
August 13	Dresden
August 20	Milan
August 27	Covington
September 5	Lexington
September 10	Huntingdon
September 17	Crockett County
September 24	Trinity Christian Academy
October 1	Best of the West (hosted by Obion County)
October 8	Hardin County
October 22	Martin Westview
October 29	Regional Meets (7A-AA at Martin)
November 7	State Meet (location TBD)

All meets begin at 4:30 pm



2024

Huntingdon High School
Golf Schedule



2024 Huntingdon High School Volleyball Schedule

August 3	FHU Play Day	Away	TBD	
August 19	Waverly	Away	5:00	JV/V
August 20	*West Carroll	Away	5:00	JV/V
August 22	*Humboldt	Away	5:00	V DH
August 26	Milan	Home	5:00	JV/V
August 27	*Riverside	Away	5:00	JV/V
August 29	*Trenton	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 3	*Madison	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 5	WTHEA	Away	5:00	JV/V
September 9	*Clarksburg	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 10	*Trenton	Away	5:00	JV/V
September 12	Westview	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 16	*Madison	Away	5:00	JV/V
September 17	*Riverside	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 19	WTHEA	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 23	*Clarksburg	Away	5:00	JV/V
September 24	*West Carroll	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 26	Fulton City	Home	5:00	JV/V
September 30	Union City	Home	5:30	JV/V
October 1	Waverly	Home	5:00	JV/V
October 3	Scotts Hill	Home	5:00	JV/V



2024 Huntingdon High School Fillies Soccer

August 3	Jamboree	Crockett County	TBA
August 6	Scrimmage	TBA	TBA
August 8	Scrimmage	TBA	TBA
August 13	Obion County	Home	6:00
August 15	Lexington	Away	6:00
August 20	Dickson County	Home	6:00
August 22	Crockett County	Away	6:00
August 27	McEwen	Away	6:00
August 29	South Fulton	Away	6:00
September 3	Gibson County	Home	6:00
September 5	Calloway County	Home	6:00
September 6-7	North Side Tournament	North Park/ Jackson	TBA
September 10	Henry County	Home	6:00
September 12	Trenton	Home	6:00
September 17	McKenzie	Away	6:00
September 19	Ripley	Away	6:00
September 24	Martin	Home	6:00
September 26	Milan	Home	6:00

District Tournament: September 30-October 11

Region Semifinal: October 15

Region Final: October 17

Sectionals: October 21

State Quarterfinals: October 25

State Semifinals: October 26

State Championship: October 28



2024 Huntingdon High School Mustang Football Schedule

Friday, August 23	McKenzie	Home
Friday, August 30	BYE	
Friday, September 6	Adamsville	Away
Friday, September 13	Columbia Academy	Home
Friday, September 20	Crockett County	Away
Friday, September 27	Milan	Home
Friday, October 4	Riverside	Away
Friday, October 11	JCM (Homecoming)	Home
Friday, October 18	Gibson County	Away
Friday, October 25	Camden (Senior Night)	Home
Thursday, October 31	Trenton Peabody	Away

All games are scheduled to start at 7:00 p.m.



2024-2025 Huntingdon High School Mustangs & Fillies Basketball Schedule

Monday	Nov. 18	Bruceston	Home	6:00
Wednesday	Nov. 20	Carroll Academy	Home	1:00
Tuesday	Nov. 26	South Gibson	Home	6:00
Tuesday	Dec. 3	Westview	Home	6:00
Thursday	Dec. 6	Peabody	Home	6:00
Tuesday	Dec. 10	South Gibson	Away	6:00
Friday	Dec. 13	USJ	Away	6:00
Tuesday	Dec. 17	Clarksburg	Home	6:00
Thurs-Sat	Dec. 19-21	Frank's Christmas Shootout		TBA
Thurs-Sat	Dec. 27-30	HHS Point Guard Classic	Home	TBA
Friday	Jan. 3	Bruceston	Away	6:00
Saturday	Jan. 4	USJ	Home	3:00
Monday	Jan. 6	Henry County	Away	6:00
Tuesday	Jan. 7	Clarksburg	Away	6:00
Friday	Jan. 10	Stewart County	Away	6:00
Monday	Jan. 13	Henry County	Home	6:00
Tuesday	Jan. 14	Peabody	Away	6:00
Friday	Jan. 17	Camden	Home	6:00
Tuesday	Jan. 21	Waverly	Home	6:00
Friday	Jan. 24	Stewart County	Home	6:00
Monday	Jan. 27	McKenzie	Home	6:00
Friday	Jan. 31	Camden	Away	6:00
Tuesday	Feb. 4	McKenzie	Home	6:00
Friday	Feb. 7	Waverly	Away	6:00

Feb. 17-22: District Tournament @ Stewart County
Feb. 28-March 6: Region Tournament @ HHS
March 8: Girl Sectional (Sub-State)

March 10: Boys Sectional (Sub-State)
March 12-15: Girls State Tournament
March 19-22: Boys State Tournament

DAILY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

7:45	Dismissal Bell
7:50-8:00	Homeroom
8:04-9:14	1st Block
9:18-10:28	2nd Block
10:32-11:42	3rd Block
11:46-1:31	4th Block/ Lunch
Group 1	Lunch- 11:46-12:12 4th Block- 12:12-1:31
Group 2	4th Block- 11:46-12:12 Lunch- 12:12-12:38 4th Block- 12:38-1:31
Group 3	4th Block- 11:46-12:38 Lunch- 12:38-1:04 4th Block- 1:04-1:31
Group 4	4th Block- 11:46-1:04 Lunch- 1:04-1:30
1:35-2:45	5th Block
2:45	Dismissal

SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Huntingdon High School follows the 5 x 5 block schedule. As a general rule, the school follows this format:

- 2 semesters a year/ 2 quarters a semester
- 5 classes per day per semester
- 70 minutes in length per daily class
- 5 days per week
- 45 days per quarter/ 90 days per semester
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- 10 possible credits per school year
- 28 credits required for graduation
- 40 possible credits to earn

*All students that require remediation (based on RTI screening measures) will be assigned specific times to address these academic needs.

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE LAW

Ages of Compulsory Attendance – Every parent, guardian, or other legal custodian residing within the state of Tennessee, having control or charge of any child or children between the ages of six (6) and seventeen (17) years, both inclusive, shall cause the child or children to attend public or nonpublic school, and in the event of failure to do so, shall be subject to the penalties provided by law (TCA 49-6-3001).

ATTENDANCE POLICY

Good attendance is a state requirement for high school graduation. We consider good student attendance a vital and integral part of each course at Huntingdon High School. Additionally, each course will include comprehensive testing; therefore, attendance is vital for academic success.

The absence limit is 6 unexcused per class per semester. Beginning with the 7th unexcused absence, no credit will be awarded for each class the student has exceeded the limit. **In order for students to receive credit after six unexcused absences, students MUST attend Time for Time.** A parent or guardian may ask for an attendance hearing with the attendance review committee.

Time for Time- Time for Time can be served for each unexcused absence starting with absence #7. Time for Time will be offered one Saturday per month from 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Each Time for Time session will forgive one unexcused absence. Students **MUST** stay for the entire Saturday session. Students will not receive credit for time served if they are not present for the entire five hours.

TIME FOR TIME	
Time for Time absences reset each semester.	
3 CIU = 1 unexcused absence	3 LEU = 1 unexcused absence
** Any combination of the above equaling three will be an unexcused absence.	
7 unexcused absences will result in loss of credit of each class.	
Time for Time can be served for each unexcused absence starting with absence #7.	
Each Saturday served (8:00-1:00) will forgive the unexcused absence.	
In order to complete Time for Time, students MUST stay for the entire Saturday session. Students will not receive credit for time served if they are not present for the entire five hours.	

Excused Absence – **Absences accumulate for the entire year.** Students absent for any reason must bring a signed note from their parent/guardian. The note must include the reason for the absence and a telephone number where the parent/guardian can be reached to verify the note.

Excused absences will be allowed for the following reasons:

1. Personal illness
2. Death in the immediate family
3. Doctor's appointment which cannot be scheduled outside school hours.

Any other excused absences must have the principal's or assistant principal's approval. Driver's license testing will be excused 2 times per year with documentation. After 5 absences, a doctor's note will be required for the absence to be excused. A letter will be sent home from the school reminding parents when their child has accumulated 5 absences. Students who do not bring a written excuse to the assistant principal or designee will be given an unexcused absence regardless of the reason for the absence(s). Students will be given 3 school days upon return to school to submit proper documentation for an excused absence (even if the student is not in attendance each day during the 3-day period). Students will not receive an excused absence if they miss all day for an appointment of short duration.

If a student misses more than thirty minutes per block, he/she is considered absent for that class period. Students absent for school activities/trips are considered present if a School Sponsored Activity (SSA) form signed by all teachers is on file.

It is a parent/guardian(s) decision to take their student out of school. The school, however, determines if absences are excused or unexcused. Students who leave during the school day must sign out and the above policies apply.

Unexcused Absence – Once students accumulate 5 unexcused absences, they will be subject to truancy charges. Parents/Guardians will receive a letter from the district attendance supervisor notifying them of the absences. Continued unexcused absences will warrant truancy charges being filed with the Carroll County Juvenile Court System. Once a student accumulates 5 unexcused absences, he/she will not be allowed to attend school field trips during the school day.

Driver License – Students must attend school until they are 18 years old. To obtain a driver's license a student must comply with attendance rules. Failure to maintain progress may result in a student's license being revoked by the Tennessee Department of Transportation.

College Days – Students will be allowed 2 college days during the school year to visit or tour a college of interest. To be an excused absence, students must provide documentation from the college that he/she chooses to attend and is responsible for any missed class work.

EXCUSED vs. UNEXCUSED ABSENCES	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal illness • Death in the immediate family • Doctor's appointment 	Excused with note
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six or more absences 	Must have doctor's note; only five parent notes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Driver's license testing 	Excused 2 times per year with documentation
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Absences without note 	Unexcused
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 college days 	Excused with documentation

Late To School – Punctuality is vital to an effective learning environment and an important work skill. HHS strives to promote student responsibility and punctuality with consequences for being tardy on initial arrival to school. A student will be allowed 2 morning tardies (per semester) without penalty. Subsequent tardies will result in disciplinary action determined by school administration (After-School detention, In-School Suspension, Alternative School, etc.)

ABSENTEE PROCEDURES

1. Students who are absent must, upon their return to school, bring a signed parent note to the assistant principal or designee after morning announcements. These notes must be turned in to the assistant principal or designee after checking in with the homeroom teacher and morning announcements.
2. Tardy students will not be admitted to 1st period without an admit slip from the assistant principal or designee.
3. Students, age 18 or older, after 10 consecutive or 15 total unexcused absences will be considered "withdrawn".
4. All missed class work or tests may be made up, provided the student makes the request immediately upon returning to school and class time is not taken from other students. Students will have 5 school days to complete and turn in missed assignments that were given when absent.
5. High school students are required to be in attendance for a total of 3 hours and 15 minutes to be counted as present for the school day according to Tennessee State Law.

- 6. Students who represent HHS in after-school activities must attend a class period in order to practice or participate in that given activity. These activities will include, but are not limited to: cheerleading, athletics, band, field trips, and student competitions.

District Policy beginning with the 2023-2024 school year, three (3) unexcused tardies or early check-outs will equate to one (1) unexcused absence.

ATTENDANCE TIER INTERVENTION PLAN

**By state law, each school district is required to follow a tiered intervention plan in regard to compulsory student attendance. Below is an outline of steps that will be followed.*

- 5 Unexcused Absences - Attendance Letter & Attendance Contract
- 7 Unexcused Absences - Certified Letter & Individualized Attendance Assessment
- 9 Unexcused Absences - Final Intervention

ATTENDANCE		
TRUANCY (School year; DOES NOT START OVER AFTER CHRISTMAS)		
3 Unexcused Absences or 5 Parent Note Absences	Courtesy Letter	No action from parents
5 Unexcused Absences	Tier 1 Letter	Parents must sign the contract and contact admin; A doctor's note is required for any additional absences
7 Unexcused Absences	Tier 2 Letter	Parents have 3 days to set up a REQUIRED meeting
9 Unexcused Absences	Tier 3 Letter	Alan sends a certified letter
10 Unexcused Absences	File Truancy	
More than 30 minutes missed in a class= absence		

OPEN ENROLLMENT

HSSD has an open enrollment period that takes place during the summer. It allows students outside of the Huntingdon Special School District to enroll in our district. Students who are enrolled at Huntingdon High School under open enrollment policies sign a contract when enrolling. Students who are attending HHS under open enrollment are subject to losing this privilege if school policies and regulations are not followed. Any student who moves out of the Huntingdon Special School District, but remains enrolled at Huntingdon High School, will be subject to open enrollment procedures and policies.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

English-4 units

Math-4 units (Must include Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and one advanced Math)

Science-3 units (Must include Biology I, Chemistry I, and one additional lab science)

Social Studies-3 units (World History/Geography, US History/Geography, and American
Government/Economics)

Health/Wellness-1.5 units

Personal Finance-.5 units

Foreign Language-2 units

Fine Arts-1 unit (May be waived for non-university path to enhance elective focus)

Plan of Study-3 units

Electives-6 units

Total 28 units

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Distinguished Scholars program for Huntingdon High School has been implemented beginning with the freshman class of 2015-2016. The stipulations included in this program will govern the class ranking and the selection of the Valedictorian and Salutatorian of each graduating class beginning with the class of 2019 and thereafter.

- A. Class ranking for Distinguished Scholars will be determined by averaging only the 22 required courses. The remaining elective courses will be included in the total GPA, but will not affect class ranking.
- B. A student must maintain a 90 overall average in each required course. If a student's overall average in a course drops below 90 then the student will be put on probation for 1 semester. During the probationary semester a student must maintain a 90 overall average in all enrolled courses to be removed from probation, If the student's overall average drops below 90 in two or more courses in a given semester, then the student will be removed from the program. At any time the student does not receive course credit(s) due to attendance, he/she will be removed from the program.
- C. Distinguished Scholars will be given preferential ranking followed by students receiving a regular diploma.

Distinguished Scholar Required Courses

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR		
VOCATIONAL COMPLETOR	DUAL-ENROLLMENT COMPLETOR	AP COMPLETOR
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Courses PLUS • Complete 2 Vocational career clusters which MUST include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 4 TCAT classes OR ○ 2 WBL (placement must be aligned to post-secondary career) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Courses PLUS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Honors English 1 & 2 ○ DE US History ○ DE English 1 & 2 ○ Physics ○ Calculus • Top 10 Eligibility 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Core Courses PLUS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 3 AP courses ○ Honors English 1 & 2 ○ DE US History ○ DE English 1 & 2 • Top 10 Eligibility
<p>1. When completing freshman registration each student has the opportunity to to choose the Distinguished Scholar or Traditional Path. This will be the ONLY opportunity to choose your path.</p>		
<p>2. A student must maintain a 90.0 semester average in each required course. If a student's semester average drops below 90, he/she will be put on probation for 1 semester. If the student is unable to raise the semester average above 90 during the probationary semester, then the student will be removed from the program. If the student's semester average of two or more courses falls below a 90 in the same semester, the student will no longer be able to continue program.</p>		
<p>3. Distinguished Scholars will be given preferential ranking, which includes top ten, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AP Completor • Dual Enrollment Completor • Vocational Completor 		

*Students choosing to pursue the distinguished school program will be required to take Dual Enrollment classes if tuition is covered. If not, the student may enroll in the course equivalent at the school level.

STATE EXAMS

Students are expected to take end of course examinations in the following courses:

- English I, II
- US History
- Algebra I, II
- Biology I
- Geometry

*Students who fail to take a state exam will receive an “incomplete” and will be required to make up the exam at a designated date. Students who do not make up the exam due to unexcused absences will receive a zero. If the student’s absences are excused, his/her last common assessment grade will be used.

**Student scores will count 15% of the final grade in each course (with the exception of US History).

FINAL EXAMS

Students have the opportunity to be exempt from final exams in a course if they meet all of the following requirements:

1. No discipline referrals that require action (e.g. warning does not require action)
2. Maintain at least an A or B average in the class prior to the final exam (rounded to the nearest tenth)
3. Not miss more than 3 excused OR unexcused days each semester
4. Have no more than 2 unexcused check-ins or outs
5. Have no more than 3 excused check-ins or outs per block

*Students who are exempt from final exams may still take any of their final exams scheduled if they choose in order to improve their average. The results from the final exam can only improve their final average. We encourage students to take the final exam, especially if there is an EOC exam in that class. EOC scores may affect final average, and scores are not always returned before the final exam.

*Students who are required to take their final MUST take it during the assigned time or during the time assigned by administration. There will be NO early finals given.

*Students who are taking their final, must be present at the beginning of the class period. Disciplinary action may be taken if students are not present at the assigned time.

*Students who are NOT exempt for the final and skip, will be given a zero for the final exam.

EXEMPTIONS FOR FINALS	
To be exempt from finals, students must meet the following categories:	
“A” or “B” in the class	
3 excused OR unexcused absences (or less)	Principal approved School Sponsored Activity (SSA) is the only absence that will not count against exemption. Checking in after 11:30 or leaving before 11:30 will count as an entire day absence for exemption.
Have no more than 2 unexcused check-ins or outs	
No detentions	
No more than 2 excused check-in and/or left early per block.	

GRADUATION WITH HONORS AND DISTINCTION

Students who score at or above all of the subject area readiness benchmarks on the ACT or equivalent score on the SAT will graduate with honors. Students will be recognized as graduating with “distinction” by attaining a B average and completing at least one of the following:

1. Earn a nationally recognized industry certification
2. Participate in at least one of the Governor’s Schools
3. Participate in one of the state’s All State Musical organizations
4. Be selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semifinalist
5. Attain a score of 31 or higher composite score on the ACT
6. Earn 12 or more semester hours of transcribed postsecondary credit

TRI-STAR GRADUATE

Students who are recognized as “Tri-Star Graduates” have completed the following:

1. Capstone Industry Certification
2. 19 or above on ACT
3. Maintain a B average

ACADEMIC LETTER

To receive an academic letter, students must earn 85 or higher in all classes the previous year. Freshman students will not be recognized until the fall semester of their sophomore year. Transfer students must be enrolled for 2 semesters to be eligible.

GRADING POLICY/REPORT CARDS

The teacher determines grades after carefully considering the pupil’s ability, achievement, attitude, conduct, effort, and attendance. Formal report cards will be sent home every nine (9) weeks. Student progress reports will be sent home at 3 week intervals between the formal 9-week report cards.

Marking Cards and Permanent Records – Numeric grades are assigned for each grading period, semester exams, and semester averages. The following grading scale will be used:

A: 90-100 B: 80-89 C: 70-79 D: 60-69 F: Below 60

Course Requirements – Students are required to enroll in at least ten (10) classes per year, including activities and athletics.

Determining Classification – Students will be classified according to the number of credits earned:

- 10th Grade – Minimum 4 credits
- 11th Grade – Minimum 12 credits
- 12th Grade – Minimum 20 credits

COURSE OFFERINGS (2024-2025)

ENGLISH	AGRICULTURE																												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> English I, II, III, IV Honors English I & II Creative Writing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriscience Ag Mechanics Ag Power and Equipment Agricultural Fabrication Small Animal Science Large Animal Science Veterinary Science Plant and Science Hydroculture Greenhouse Landscaping Floral Design 	MATH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I & II Geometry I Math Reasoning Pre-Calculus Calculus 	SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology I & II Chemistry I & II Physics 	SOCIAL STUDIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> World History US History American Government/Economics 	TECHNOLOGY/BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Computer Science Foundations Web Design Foundations Web Development Coding I & II Audio Production 	VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visual Art I, II, & III Instrumental Band I & II General Music Theatre Arts 	FITNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lifetime Wellness PE/Personal Finance Football Weightlifting I, II, III, IV Basketball (girls and boys) 	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spanish I & II 	TEACHING AS A PROFESSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching as a Profession I, II, & III 	HEALTH SCIENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Therapeutics Anatomy and Physiology Rehabilitation Careers Nursing Education & Clinicals Nutrition-Intro to Human Studies 	STEM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> STEM I, II, & III Bio-STEM I 	JAG TN	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> JAG III & IV 	OTHER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Journalism (by application) Driver's Education Work Based Learning ACT Prep 	DUAL ENROLLMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> US History Psychology English 1 & 2 College Algebra Plant Science Animal Science Nursing Services TCAT programs Speech Horticulture American History (SDC) 	ADVANCED PLACEMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biology Art (2D, 3D, or Drawing) Calculus Language & Composition US History Human Geography Psychology Computer Science Principles
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SENIOR RANKING

Grades will be calculated to four places past the decimal to determine senior class rank. Special Education, Band, Weightlifting, Football, Basketball, and Journalism classes will not be used to determine rank. Rank will be determined at the end of the year.

RIGOR POINTS

Due to state policy, students enrolled in honors courses will receive 3 additional points on their final average. Students enrolled in dual enrollment classes will receive 4 additional points on their final average. Students enrolled in Advanced Placement (AP) courses will receive 5 additional points on their final average.

CREDIT RECOVERY

Students will be expected to enroll in credit recovery if course credit is not earned with at least a grade of 60. Students must earn an average of at least 50 to be eligible for credit recovery. Students will be expected to complete course credits online with the supervision of a designated certified staff person. *Edgenuity* will provide the online instruction and assessment for students to recover course credit. Credit recovery will be offered after school hours and in the summer. Students will be expected to complete the online course within a calendar year or the student will be required to retake the course. Students who miss 4 times in a given semester will be withdrawn from the program. Parent consent will be requested at the conclusion of a course that a student does not earn credit. To be removed from credit recovery, a student must earn a score that when averaged with the original course grade is at least a 60.

BETA CLUB

Beta Club – Membership in the Huntingdon High School Beta Club shall be by invitation only to students who have met the academic requirements of Beta and displayed the principles of character, leadership, and service. Below are the bylaws of the HHS Beta Club that each student shall adhere to for participation:

ARTICLE II: Standards of Membership

Gaining Membership: The grade levels from which members may be drawn shall be 9-12. Students must have a 90 or above at both semesters' end (for students previously in grades 9-11) or year's end (for students previously in 8th grade) to be eligible for membership. Membership will only be offered during the fall semester of each year. A student will be offered membership only once during their time at Huntingdon High School. If a student refuses membership once offered, it will not be offered again.

Grade Requirements: Members must maintain at least an 87 in ALL classes each

semester to be considered an “active member” of this club. A grade of 86-80 in a class will result in the member being placed on PROBATION until the next grading period. Probation: A member who is on probation cannot participate in any Beta Club activities until the probationary period is over (the next grading period). If a 12th grade student is on probation at the time of graduation, he/she will not graduate as a member of Huntingdon High School Beta Club.

ARTICLE III: Loss of Membership

Attendance: A member of this chapter of National Senior Beta will be dropped from membership if he/she misses more than 3 club meetings (but is present at school that day). Being late to a meeting three times is equivalent to one absence.

Grades: A member of this chapter of National Senior Beta will be dropped from membership if they receive the following:

- Two grades of 86-80, either in one grading period or in two consecutive grading periods.
- A “C,” “D,” or “F” in any grading period

STUDENT CONDUCT

Students are representatives of HHS at functions on and off campus and are expected to conduct themselves in a mature manner showing pride in and respect for both our school and community. The following are expectations for student conduct:

1. Students will be in the classroom before the tardy bell rings.
2. Students will not run or “horseplay” in the building or on school grounds.
3. Students arriving before 7:45 a.m. will report to the gym or library. Students who choose to eat breakfast will eat in the cafeteria.
4. Students should not wear hoods or hats in the building.
5. Students will enter the building immediately after arriving on campus.
6. Students will not congregate or sit in the halls preventing the flow of traffic.
7. Students will not bring Mace, inappropriate sprays, or harmful chemicals to school.
8. Students will not leave campus without permission from the office. Students must sign out. Any student signing out of school during the school day must have parental permission. Permission may be obtained by:
 - a. The parent/guardian reporting to the office and signing out a student.
 - b. The parent/guardian calling the school and speaking with school administration.
 - c. The parent/guardian sends a note requesting the student be allowed to sign out. A telephone number should be included in the note. The parent/guardian may be contacted to verify the note.
9. Students will not go to parked cars without authorization from the principal or his designee.
10. Students will not be allowed to receive lunch at school from outside retail sources (i.e. Wendy’s, McDonalds, Sonic, etc).
11. Students will not take food/drinks into the classroom unless permission is granted.
12. Students will not be allowed to pick up schedules or register for the next year with

- any outstanding debts.
13. Students will board buses in the designated areas only.
 14. No loitering on campus after 3:00 p.m.
 15. Students cannot bring visitors to school.
 16. Students are not to bring items to school to sell to other students. Any private invitation to birthday parties or other events should not be passed out at school.
 17. Students will not use profane or indecent language.
 18. Students will follow legitimate requests made by teachers or school administrators.
 19. Students will not give or receive help on examinations.
 20. Students will not engage in misbehavior which will cause bodily injury to another or self.
 21. Students will not engage in improper use of computers or other electronic equipment.
 22. All school policies apply to extracurricular events.
 23. Students will respect school property and the property of others.
 24. Ear phones/ear buds will not be worn in the hallways. They will only be allowed in the classroom upon teacher permission and in the cafeteria when administration permits.
 25. Food/Drinks are not allowed in the gym during the school day except when allowed during break.
 26. Students removed from school events by school or game officials will be suspended from future schools events based on the following:
 - 1st offense-2 weeks
 - 2nd offense-Rest of school year

***3 or more infractions will prevent a student from attending student events such as intramurals or field day.

****Students who break school rules while attending a school event off campus will not be allowed to attend other school events off campus the remainder of the school year.

COMPUTER/ELECTRONIC USAGE

Huntingdon High School is pleased to offer computer, network, and Internet access to our students. While our intent is to make access available to further educational goals and objectives, students and employees may find ways to access other materials as well. We believe that the benefits from access to the Internet, in the form of information resources and opportunities for collaboration, exceed any possible disadvantages. Ultimately, parents and guardians are responsible for setting and conveying standards that their children should follow on the Internet just as they do on the use of all media information sources such as television, telephones, movies, and radio. Any violation of the Network and Internet Rules may result in disciplinary action up to and including suspension and/or expulsion. When applicable, law enforcement may be involved.

CHROMEBOOK AGREEMENT

To promote technology integration into classroom instruction all students in grades K-12 will be provided the following devices: Chromebook (grades 3-12), Samsung Tablet (grades PK-2). Students in grades 3-8 will have access to a Chromebook only at school and will not be allowed to carry the device home unless the district determines the need for distance learning. Students in grades 9-12 will be permitted to use the Chromebook and power cord at school and home. Device support will be provided by each student's designated school and staff.

1. Huntingdon SSD Internet Policies and Procedures will be strictly enforced when accessing the Internet. Students who bypass the filtering process will be in violation of school board policy. Violation of these policies may result in disciplinary action.
2. According to Huntingdon SSD Policies and Procedures and stated in the District Student-Parent Handbook, students and parent/guardian are responsible for all items assigned to them at the school level and the board may require restitution of property at market value or damages where appropriate.
3. Swapping, reconfiguring, or tampering with hardware or existing software will result in disciplinary action. This includes, but is not limited to, the following:
 - a. Altering or removing any software setting(s) or hardware components
 - b. Deleting programs or altering setups
 - c. Installing unauthorized software or downloading unauthorized files, viruses, games, programs, or other electronic media - prohibited for student and parent/guardian
 - d. Changing the device login settings
 - e. Putting physical marks or deliberately damaging any storage cases or equipment such as removing keys or defacing hardware
4. Any inappropriate use, unattended computer, or destructive care of a computer or its case will result in:
 - a. Parent/guardian notification
 - b. Disciplinary sanctions as outlined in the Student Handbook.
5. The computer being issued is an **educational tool and should only be used in that capacity**. Once the computer and power cable are issued to the student and his/her family, **the student is responsible for it at all times**. Any inappropriate or destructive use of the computer or power cable should be reported to the teacher immediately.
6. The computer should be in the possession of the student to whom it is assigned or locked in a secure location at all times. The computer should be kept away from food and drinks. The computer should never be left unattended (during lunch, in the locker room, after school, before-during or after extra-curricular activities, etc.). If a computer is found, it must be turned in immediately to the school office.
7. The student is to use only his or her assigned computer.

8. The student is responsible for fully charging the computer each night. Computers should be brought to school every day for use during classes. Failure to return the computer to school for classroom use may result in disciplinary action.
9. If the computer is lost or stolen while signed out to you, the school principal must be notified immediately. In addition, the board may require restitution of property at market value or damages where appropriate.
10. The student will return the computer to the school at the end of each semester and/or when requested by school administration. If not returned, the computer will be considered lost or stolen.
11. The student will return the computer to school if he or she transfers to another school. If the computer is not returned, it will be considered lost or stolen.
12. The parent/guardian will supervise student use of the computer at home.
13. The student/parent/guardian will not attempt to repair the computer nor attempt to clean it with anything other than a soft dry cloth.
14. The student/parent/guardian will report any problems with the computer to the school.
15. The school system assumes no responsibility for any unauthorized charges, including but not limited to credit card charges, long distance telephone charges, equipment and line costs, or for any illegal or unauthorized use of its computers such as copyright violations.

Computer/Network Rules and Guidelines

1. Huntingdon SSD maintains administrative control so that, at any time, a teacher or HSSD employee may access any information on the student computer including email and Internet history.
2. HSSD acceptable use policies and procedures should be followed at all times.
3. A student who violates any HSSD policies and procedures will be subject to disciplinary sanctions as outlined in the Code of Student Conduct.
4. Personal information should never be shared over the Internet. If a student is asked for personal information, a teacher or administrator should be notified immediately.
5. The student/parent/guardian is not permitted to view, send, or display obscene, profane, lewd, vulgar, rude, disrespectful, threatening, or inflammatory language, messages, or pictures.
6. The student/parent/guardian is not permitted to use the computer in any way that would cause harm to others or damage to their property.
7. If a student is harassed online in any way, a teacher or administrator should be notified immediately and appropriate measures will be taken to address the concern.
8. As required by the Children's Internet Protection Act, a current filtering solution is maintained by the district for school computers and school and home use on the mobile computer. The district cannot guarantee that access to all inappropriate sites will be blocked. It is the responsibility of the user to follow guidelines for appropriate use of the network and the Internet. HSSD will not be responsible for any problems suffered while on the Internet. Use of any information obtained through the Internet is at the user's own risk. If a student accidentally accesses

an inappropriate website, this should be reported immediately to a teacher or administrator. The student should close the site, but note the web address, date and time of this incident.

9. HSSD will not serve as the Internet Service Provider (ISP) for home use. However, HSSD will provide filtering of the mobile computers while connecting to the internet from home. If the parent/guardian chooses for the student to access the Internet from home, the parent/guardian must contract with an ISP (e.g, Charter, AT&T, etc.)
10. Electronic communication should be used only for appropriate, legitimate, and educational purposes.
11. The student/parent/guardian must comply with all copyright laws.
12. Access to any unreported inappropriate sites or involvement in online harassment will result in:
 - a. Parent/guardian notification
 - b. Disciplinary sanctions as outlined in the school handbook

BREAK

Students will have the opportunity to earn a break by following expectations established by school administration. The following guidelines are expected during break and are not limited to:

1. The school will not provide change for use of the drink/snack machines.
2. The school will not be responsible for lost money.
3. Each student is responsible to clean up after themselves. This includes any spills, wrappers, cans, bottles, and paper.
4. All food/drinks must remain in the gym.
5. All food/drinks must be finished before class starts.
6. All food/drinks must be purchased before entering the gym.
7. Students must remain in the gym during break unless they are attending school related events or obligations (club meetings, class assignments, etc.)

GENERAL SCHOOL RULES

Visitors – All visitors are required to report to the front office and sign in before visiting anyone in the school building.

Telephone – Student use of the telephone is limited to the front office before and after school. Teacher approval is required for all calls during the school day. Incoming calls will be accepted in emergencies only. All calls will be logged.

Halls – Students are expected to walk in the hallways, classrooms, and common areas. Students are not to congregate in hallways between periods and lunch. Public display of affection – kissing, embracing, caressing, etc. will not be allowed. Students are not to have earbuds or headphones out in the hallways. Hoods/hats will not be allowed inside the building.

Lunchroom – Students are expected to go to the lunch area in an orderly fashion. Students must report directly to the cafeteria at lunch and remain there. Students should clean up their eating area prior to returning to class.

Bullying/Intimidation – Students shall be provided a safe learning environment. It shall be a violation of school policy for any student to bully, intimidate, or create a hostile educational environment for another student.

Harassment, bullying, and intimidation occurs if:

1. The act takes place on school grounds, at any school-sponsored activity, on school-provided equipment or transportation, or at any official school bus stop, if the act either physically harms a student or damages his/her property, or knowingly places the student in reasonable fear of such, causes emotional distress to a student or students, or creates a hostile educational environment.
2. The act takes place off school property or outside of a school-sponsored activity, an act of harassment, bullying or intimidation occurs if the act is directed specifically at a student or students and has the effect of creating a hostile educational environment or otherwise creating a substantial disruption to the education environment or learning process. These acts may also take place through electronic means. Alleged victims of the above-referenced offenses shall report these incidents immediately to a teacher, counselor, or building administrator.

**A substantiated charge against a student may result in corrective or disciplinary action up to and including suspension.

Fighting – Students are always expected to conduct themselves in an orderly and respectful manner. Those students who abuse the rights of others and resort to fighting will face the following consequences at a minimum:

1. 5 days of Alternative School
2. 10 days of Alternative School
3. 15 days of Alternative School

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

Lockers – A student shares a locker with the school as co-tenant, and the school administration has the right to conduct periodic searches. Students are not to enter lockers not assigned to them without the student tenant’s permission. Stealing will not be tolerated.

Cell Phones –

1. Students may possess cell phones at school so long as such devices are turned off and stored in backpacks, purses, or personal carry-alls. Students are allowed to use their cell phones until the school day begins at 7:50. At this time, ALL cell phones are to be stored away and out of sight for the remainder of the school day. Cell phones are expected to remain off and not seen unless directed otherwise by the principal or assistant principal. Students who violate this policy will be sent to the office where further consequences will be given.
2. Students will be provided an area to turn in cell phones at the beginning of each class. Students will be allowed to pick up their phone at the end of class.
3. During times of testing and other student evaluations, students are to turn in their cell phones and smart watches until the test is complete in order to not compromise test security and avoid cheating.
4. Any phone calls needing to be made should go through the school office.
5. Cell phones may not be used by a driver of an automobile while the automobile is in motion on campus.
6. Any extension of a cell phone such as a smartwatch that can be distracting to the learning environment will be taken up if students are using it during class time.(Cell phone consequences will apply for smartwatches as well.)
7. In permitting possession of cell phones, the school and its employees are not liable for the loss or damage of the device and its misuse by another person.
8. Students are expected to use sound judgment when using their cell phone and inappropriate pictures or videos will warrant disciplinary action. If the phone causes any disruption in the educational process, the phone will be confiscated according to the following guidelines:

1st offense After School Detention is assigned. The phone is kept in the office the remainder of the school day and will be returned to the student at the end of the day.

2nd offense After School Detention is assigned. The phone is kept in the office the remainder of the school day and will be returned to the student at the end of the day.

3rd offense After School Detention and the phone is kept in the office for the remainder of the day and must be picked up by the parent/guardian or parent designee.

4th offense After School Detention and the phone is kept in the office for the remainder of the day and must be picked up by the parent/guardian or parent designee.

5th offense The student will receive 5 days of Alternative School.

** Offenses do not start over. Administration will determine appropriate consequences for further offenses.**

These offenses do not start over at the beginning of the second semester.

Refusal to surrender the device to a staff member could result in alternative school placement or punishment deemed necessary by school administration until the phone is surrendered to school administration.

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

Other Electronic Devices – Students may not possess any electronic device including but not limited to: pagers, toys, games, CD players, radios, iPods, MP3 players, iPads, etc. at the school or on the school campus unless approved by the **principal or assistant principal**. Any electronic devices brought to school and not approved by school administration will be confiscated according to the cell phone policy guidelines.

(For consequences, refer to the cell phone consequences.)

These offenses do not start over at the beginning of the second semester.

* Refusal to surrender the device to a staff member could result in alternative school placement or punishment deemed necessary by school administration.

**Students who wish to bring and use their personal laptop computer, kindle, Ipad, etc. for an educational purpose (i.e. course work, research, etc.) must have the approval of school administration prior to bringing the device to school. Failure to comply with this rule will result in the consequences in the cell phone policy.

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

***** Ear buds/headphones should only be used for instructional purposes during instructional time if the assigned class teacher deems it necessary. Ear buds/headphones should only be connected to school assigned chromebooks.**

DRESS CODE

Students shall dress in a clean, neat, and modest manner so as not to distract or interfere with the operation of the school. Students should be well groomed at all times. The following guidelines are the minimum expectations for student dress code and are not an all-inclusive list:

1. Hair should be neat and worn out of the eyes. Haircuts, hairstyles, or hair color that is non-traditional to the point of causing a distraction is not allowed.
2. Sufficient underclothing is required.
3. When shorts, dresses, and/or skirts are worn, the length of the garment must extend to the student's fingertips when the student holds their arms to their side with shoulders down.
4. Students will wear clothing with sleeves over the shoulders and that covers the stomach. Midriff will not be exposed at any time. If a student raises his/her hands above the head and the stomach shows, the shirt will not be allowed in school.
5. Students will not wear clothing that is see through, backless, or shows cleavage. No under garments should be seen.
6. Students may wear clothes with holes, tears, patches, or frays as long as skin does not show. Skin can only show below the knee.
7. Students will not wear sagging pants. All pants will be worn at the natural waistline and all shirts will be the proper fit. A belt will be worn if needed. If a belt is worn it will be buckled.
8. Form fitting garments, such as leggings and yoga pants, can only be worn if the bottom is completely covered (even when a student sits, bends over, squats, raises his/her arms above head, etc.).
9. Caps, hoods, bandanas, chains, sunglasses, picks, ropes, spikes, and combs will not be allowed to be worn.
10. Any clothing advertising or promoting tobacco, alcoholic beverages, drugs, violence or profanity, or any other inappropriate phrases or pictures will not be allowed.
11. Students may not wear clothing or accessories which display words or images that are deemed to offend other students on the basis of sex, race, national origin, ancestry, handicapping conditions, etc. (Malcolm X, rebel flags, etc.)
12. Clothing cannot be worn wrong side out.
13. Trench coats, muscle shirts, and tank tops are not to be worn.
14. Pajamas, sleepwear, and house shoes are not to be worn.
15. Pants must be buttoned and zipped.

While not considered student dress, the following can cause distraction to the normal educational process and will not be allowed:

*Body piercing (tongue ring, eyebrow, etc.) except for traditional piercings (ears and small stud or hoop in side of nose only) will not be allowed. Piercings with spikes or gauges will not be allowed.

*Fingernails that are excessively long

*Tooth coverings (grills or fangs)

Clothing worn too short, too low, or too tight is considered a distraction and administrative judgment will take precedent. If any student has a concern about the appropriateness of an item, he/she would do best by not wearing it. When in the opinion of administration and/or teacher, a student is not properly dressed or exhibits grooming which is detrimental to the school environment, appropriate action will be taken. Students found in violation of the school dress code will NOT be allowed to return to class until the offense is corrected.

Violation of dress code policies will result in the following disciplinary actions:

<u>1st offense</u>	Warning, efforts will be made to contact the parent and the student will be sent home to change.
<u>2nd offense</u>	After-school Detention, efforts will be made to contact the parent and the student will be sent home to change.
<u>3rd offense</u>	After-school Detention, and student will be sent home for the rest of the day with an unexcused absence.

* Students continuing to break dress code rules will be sent to alternative school or additional punishments will be considered.

**Missed class time will count as an unexcused absence. If a student cannot be picked up, he/she will be assigned in-school suspension for that day.

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

After School Detention

After school detention will be scheduled weekly and will extend the school day until 5:00 p.m. Students assigned detention will be expected to be in the designated area by 3:00 p.m. Students who fail to report to detention will be assigned a 2nd detention and will be expected to serve them consecutively. Failure to serve both detention will result in 5 days Alternative School.

In-School Suspension (ISS)

In-school suspension is a supervised detention during the regular school day. The student's class work is completed in the ISS classroom. ISS is a restrictive environment for students with serious and/or repeated behavior problems at school. There is no tolerance for misconduct (behavior, refusal to work, sleeping, etc.) in ISS.

Alternative School

The Carroll County principals and superintendents have created an Alternative School to serve the high schools in Carroll County. Placement of students in the Alternative School will be the result of chronic or severe behavior problems.

1. Students will be placed in Alternative School for a minimum of five (5) days.
2. Students/Parent/Guardian(s) are responsible for their transportation to and from Alternative School. Classes will be held at the Carroll County Vocational Center in Huntingdon.
3. Students will be required to bring their own lunch.
4. If a student is assigned to the Alternative School, he/she will not be allowed to participate in any extracurricular activities at the home school site or away venue.

Exception: If a student completes Alternative School time, he/she could participate in activities that occur following the end of that school day.

5. A suspended student's instructor will be responsible for sending work to the Carroll County Technical Center. The instructor will also grade and evaluate all completed work.
6. Students sent to Alternative School will be required to take final exams and state mandated exams.
7. Students must complete all work before returning to regular classes.
8. If a student is absent from Alternative School, he/she must complete the assigned time before returning to HHS.
9. Students assigned to the Alternative School will not ride school buses.
10. Parents must accompany the students on the first day of alternative school.

PLAGIARISM

Huntingdon High School's mission is to provide an educational environment where students can develop the skills needed to be productive in a college or career path. The faculty and staff at Huntingdon High School believe that it is important to have a clear policy that addresses plagiarism and all other academic cheating in an attempt to ensure that our students are college and career ready.

Definition

Huntingdon High School defines cheating and/or plagiarism as the "borrowing" or "copying" of someone else's words or work and attempting to pass it off as your own. Plagiarism involves all of the following:

- Stealing and passing off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own
- Using another's work without crediting the source
- Presenting as new and original when the work derived from an existing source
- Using artificial intelligence (AI) to write an entire assignment or parts of an assignment

In class, plagiarism might involve one or more of the following:

- Turning in someone else's work as one's own
- Copying words or ideas from someone else without giving credit
- Failing to put a quotation in quotation marks
- Giving incorrect information about the source of a quotation
- Changing a few words but copying the major portion of a source without giving credit
- Copying so many words or ideas from a source that it makes up the majority of one's work whether one gives credit or not
- Using artificial intelligence (AI) to complete homework, write an essay or assignment, or parts of an essay or assignment

Plagiarism and cheating will not be tolerated in any course. Students who are found to plagiarize information or cheat will be given a 0 for the assignment. For the 1st offense, students will have 3 calendar days to correct the mistake and submit the assignment to the course instructor for a maximum score of 50 if all requirements are met. After the first offense, students will receive a 0 for any assignment they are found to plagiarize information or receive assistance. Any student who is found to have cheated on an assignment will receive an after school detention.

For English Language Arts classes, if plagiarism is detected by Turnitin.com's Originality report as being 35%, the student will receive a zero. The student may rewrite the essay and present the essay in extemporaneous form to receive credit for the assignment. Turnitin.com alerts students to how much of the paper has been plagiarized before it is submitted.

PARKING AND VEHICLES

Parking is provided for teachers and students. Students should not sit in vehicles while parked on campus. Any vehicle located on school grounds is subject to search in accordance with Tennessee law (TCA 49-6-4204). Students driving motor vehicles to school must:

1. Provide proof of liability insurance before receiving a parking permit.
2. Park in his/her assigned space and have parking tag visible by attaching to rear view mirror.
3. Observe safe driving rules.
4. Not block driveways or building entrances.

5. Not interfere with the use of school buses.
6. Use the vehicle only on streets and driveways.
7. Have a valid Tennessee driver's license.
8. Not be in the parking lot during school hours.
9. Not drive to Vocational School unless permission has been granted from parents, HHS administration, and the Vocational School principal.
10. Have approval from HHS administration to operate a motor vehicle on the HHS campus.
11. Avoid leaving valuables in the vehicle and lock the vehicle.
12. Not be playing loud music while entering, exiting, or on campus.
13. Not sell or give parking permits to anyone.

Driving to school is a privilege. Students who do not comply with the above expectations and/or model safe driving may lose that privilege at the discretion of the administration. Students who are driving recklessly on campus will be suspended from driving on campus. Students who drive a vehicle to school without a parking permit will be assessed a \$5.00 fine.

TOBACCO USAGE

The possession and/or usage of any tobacco product will not be permitted in the school building or on school property. The use of any tobacco product will also be prohibited at all school functions.

Penalties for Tobacco/Hemp/CBD Usage – According to Tennessee law (TCA 39-17-1505), it is illegal for all people under the age of twenty one (21) to use, possess, or purchase tobacco/hemp products. This law also compels school principals to issue citations to any student under the age of twenty one (21) for use or possession of tobacco products. This citation will be transferred to the Juvenile Court of Carroll County. The fine accompanying this citation is approximately \$50.00 for the first incident with larger fines for each succeeding incident. In addition to the court ordered fines, students will receive school punishment as well. This punishment will apply to any HHS student, not just those under the age of twenty one (21):

1st offense – 10 days Alternative school

2nd offense – 15 days Alternative school

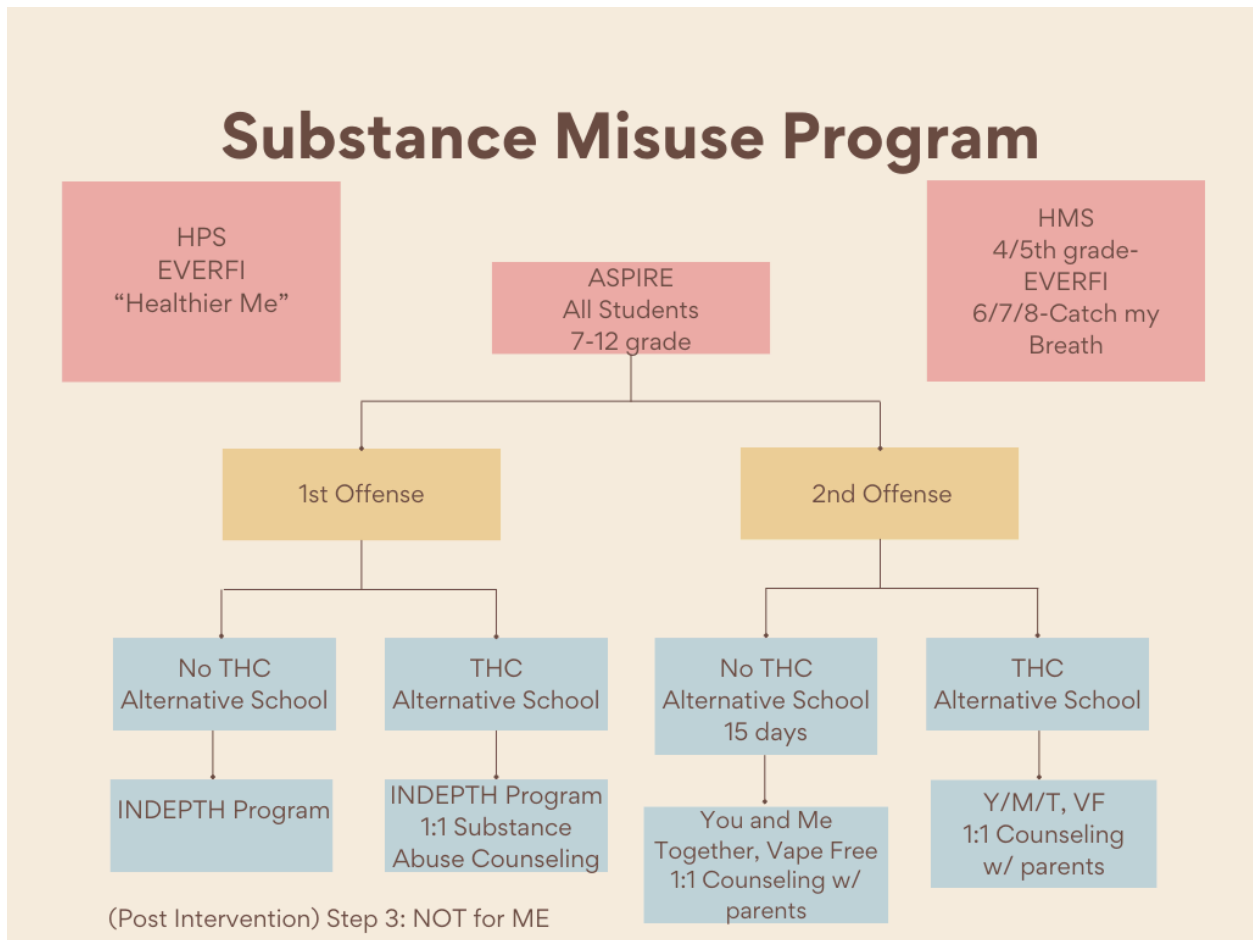
3rd offense – 20 days Alternative School

*Repeated violations could result in referral to the school board for possible expulsion.

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

HSSD has implemented the Aspire program starting in the 2024-2025 school year. Students will have access to the program and will be expected to complete the initial phase of the program to educate themselves on the dangers of tobacco and vape usage.

Students who are in violation of tobacco or vape policies will not be allowed to return to school until the following steps have been completed:



DRUGS AND ALCOHOL

No use or possession of alcohol or drugs will be permitted at school or at any school activity or event, such as banquets, ball games, class activities, trips, etc. Students suspected of use or possession of alcohol or drugs can expect the following:

1. Principal contact
2. Parental contact
3. Local police contact
4. Suspension from school
5. Drug test administered by designee of Director of Schools

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

REPLICA WEAPON POLICY

Any replicas of weapons are strictly prohibited at Huntingdon High School at any time, or in school vehicles and/or buses or off the school grounds at a school - sponsored activity, function, or event. The replica weapon is anything that can be used, designed to be used, or intended for the purpose of threatening or intimidating another person or persons includes, but is not limited to BB gun, pellet gun, air-soft gun, knives or tasers. Possession of any of these items will result in appropriate disciplinary measures from school administration. **Students will receive a minimum of 20 days at alternative school for their 1st offense.**

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

WITHDRAWAL FROM SCHOOL

A student withdrawing from school, for any reason, must report to the office and complete withdrawal procedures. Procedures include returning textbooks, library books, or other school materials and paying owed charges. Transfer of credits and release of records may be delayed if withdrawal procedures are not completed.

LIBRARY

The library opens at 7:30 a.m. All students are expected to be quiet, orderly, and courteous in the library. Please do not damage books, magazines, or library materials. If you need help finding books or materials, do not hesitate to ask the librarian. Detailed rules regarding use of the library are available from the librarian.

ATHLETICS

The purpose of the Huntingdon Athletic Department is to build teams that will represent the school and the community in competitive interscholastic contests. To participate, a student must meet the standards of the Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) and abide by the rules established for team conduct. Coaches of each sport will be required to provide a code of conduct to all team members which will be signed by students and parents. Students found in violation of school rules and/or the team's code of conduct will be subject to discipline from coaches and school administration. The goal of the athletic program is to teach a winning attitude, sportsmanship, teamwork, and leadership to promote and reward excellence. Details on eligibility are available from the coach of each sport or the athletic director.

SUSPENSION OF PUPILS BY PRINCIPAL

Any principal or principal-teacher of any public school in Tennessee is authorized to suspend a pupil from attendance at school. This includes the school's sponsored activities and from bus transportation. The suspension must be for a good and sufficient reason. Good and sufficient reasons for such suspension may include, but shall not be limited to:

1. Willful or persistent violation of the rules of the school or truancy
2. Immoral or disreputable conduct or vulgar/profane language
3. Violence or threatened violence against the person of any personnel attending or assigned to any public school, or the property of any person attending or assigned to the school
4. Inciting, advising or counseling of others to engage in any acts herein before mentioned
5. Marking, defacing or destroying school property
6. Possession of a pistol, gun or any firearm on school property
7. Possession of a knife on school property
8. Assaulting a principal or teacher with vulgar, obscene or threatening language
9. Unlawful use or possession of a drug
10. Any other conduct prejudicial to good order or discipline in any public school.

Alternative placement during an investigation- Huntingdon High School reserves the right to place any student who is currently under investigation at alternative school while the investigation is taking place. These incidents could include, but are not limited to, threats made inside or outside of school that could potentially cause harm to other students, social media posts that creates a hostile or dangerous educational environment, and/or violent actions that take place inside or outside of school

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

ZERO TOLERANCE

Zero Tolerance offenses (TCA 49-6-3401) on school property or any school sponsored function will result in the student being expelled for a period of not less than one (1) calendar year. The director of schools may modify this expulsion on a case by case basis.

Zero tolerance acts are as follows:

1. Unlawful possession of any drug including any controlled substance. This also includes any form of THC in any type of puff/vapor stick or any related product. All drugs/puff/vapor sticks are subject to be tested.
2. Battery on a teacher, administrator, school employee, or school resource officer
3. Unauthorized possession on school property of a firearm or weapon

**** Any incident which could be considered zero tolerance will follow the procedures and protocols put in place by the director of schools.**

****Principal's discretion will also be used as each situation will be treated on a case by case basis. The principal or assistant principal has the authority to amend if deemed necessary.**

MILITARY RECRUITER CONSENT

According to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, it is acceptable for military recruiters to access your child's name, address, and telephone number from your child's educational records unless the parent/guardian declines this option. Parents/guardians will have the option of granting consent when they sign the parent consent form at the beginning of the school year.

2024-2025 CARROLL COUNTY SCHOOLS BUS RULES

Students have the privilege of bus transportation in Carroll County. In order to maintain that privilege, students are expected to abide by the rules of conduct. These rules apply while students are on the bus or on school property while waiting to board or transfer buses or while students are exiting the bus. More than one infraction may occur during one bus route. A student who is suspended from one bus is suspended from all county buses for transportation to and from school. The rules listed here are an outline of minimum consequences. Offenses will be documented and, if possible, parents will be notified. Students may not continue bus transportation upon the fourth violation of any sort.

A. Any offense such as carrying a weapon or other offense deemed a serious endangerment or serious sexual misconduct (serious as determined by the principal and Carroll County Schools Transportation Department) will result in suspension from bus transportation for the remainder of the year. Zero Tolerance policies will be in effect.

B. Possession of tobacco products/vapes, smoking/Vaping, possession of matches or lighters, Sexual misconduct, willfully distorting Camera system, or other offense deemed an endangerment (by the principal and Carroll County Schools transportation Department), Destruction of property, throwing objects, or fighting (as determined by the principal). (SUSPENSION FROM BUS UNTIL PAYMENT FOR DAMAGE IS COLLECTED.)

1st Offense- Payment of property damages and 5 (five) days suspension from bus transportation

2nd Offense- Payment of property damages and 10 (ten) days suspension from bus transportation

3rd Offense- Payment of property damages and suspension from bus transportation for the remainder of the school year.

C. Horseplay, not being seated in assigned seat, profanity, or possession of food or drink. (SUSPENSION FROM BUS UNTIL PAYMENT FOR DAMAGE IS COLLECTED.)

1st Offense- warning from the driver or principal.

2nd Offense- 3 (Three) Days suspension from bus transportation.

3RD Offense- 10 (Ten) Days suspension from bus transportation.

4TH Offense- Suspension from bus transportation for the remainder of the school year.

LARGE ITEMS (18 INCHES) BALLOONS, AND GLASS CONTAINERS ARE PROHIBITED ON BUSES. AUDIO DEVICES AND OTHER NOISE PRODUCING INSTRUMENTS ARE ALSO PROHIBITED.

**After a ten-day suspension or third offense, the student and his/her parents must meet with the bus driver, bus department representative, and the principal before the student begins to ride the bus to school again.

** Parents/Guardians should not approach the bus to speak to the bus driver. For communication or safety concerns, contact Carroll County Schools Transportation department at (731)418-3034.

MEDICATION

If under exceptional circumstances a child is required to take non-prescription or prescription medication during school hours and the parent cannot be at school to administer the medication; only the principal or the principal's designee will assist in administering medication. The medication must be delivered to the principal's office in person by the parent or guardian of the student and the proper paperwork must be completed. For the student's safety, the parent must submit the original bottle of medication that has not been previously opened. Students should never be in possession of any non-prescription or prescription medication at school or on school buses. The only exception is medication used for asthma (inhalers) and epipens. Any student needing to carry an inhaler or epipen must notify the office and complete the proper paperwork before bringing to school. The parent or guardian shall be responsible for informing the front office of any changes in the student's health or change in medication.

HEALTH RECORDS

In accordance with state law, immunization certificates are required for students to attend Huntingdon High School. The following are required for high school attendance:

DTAP – 4 doses HEP B – 3 doses
POLIO – 4 doses MMR – 2 doses
VARICALLA – 2 doses or history of disease

HEALTH SCREENINGS

HHS is using the Pacer program in Physical Education classes and as a result, 9th grade Wellness and Physical Education students will be screened for Height, Weight, Blood Pressure, Vision, Hearing, and Body Mass Index. If a parent/guardian does not want their child's BMI figured then please let the school nurse know at the start of the school year. Coordinated School Health enters this data and sends it into the state without your child's name. These screenings remain private and are not shared with anyone other than the school nurse and Coordinated School Health.

FOOD SERVICE

Students will not be allowed to charge more than \$10.00 in the cafeteria for lunch and/or breakfast. Reminders will be sent home with students notifying them of lunch charges. Breakfast will be free to all students. Lunch is \$2.75. Please contact Denise Wortham, HHS Food Service Manager, at 731.986.4865 or by email at cafhs@huntingdonschools.net if you have any questions.

TEXTBOOKS

Parents are responsible for textbooks given to students for instructional purposes by the Huntingdon Special School District. The following regulations pertain:

1. Textbooks must not be defaced, marked in with a pen, or pages torn. Textbooks must be kept clean and returned to the teacher when the student leaves school or is promoted to the next grade.
2. Students will be fined if textbooks are defaced.
3. If a student damages a book, he/she must pay for it on the following basis: NEW condition (full price); USED condition (pro-rated costs according to the age of the book).
4. If a pupil loses a book, he/she will pay for the book according to Board Policy.
5. Students will not receive credit for work unless books are returned and fines settled.

Most textbooks at the high school are now accessible online; however, if hard back textbooks are issued to students to use at home, parent/guardians(s) would be responsible for replacement costs if the book(s) are damaged or not returned to the school.

Title	Cost
TN Senior Bridge Mathematics	\$70.00
Prentice Hall Literature Common Core, grade 9	\$84.97
Prentice Hall Literature Common Core, grade 10	\$84.97
Prentice Hall Literature Common Core, grade 11	\$86.97
Prentice Hall Literature Common Core, grade 12	\$86.97
Elements of Language, 3rd Course (9)	\$73.15
Elements of Language, 4th Course (10)	\$73.15
Hodges' Harbrace Handbook, 16 ed, c. 2007 (English grade 11 & 12)	\$64.46
Business & Professionals Communications	\$88.95
Business Management	\$95.50
Spanish Autentico	\$81.97
Glencoe Health 11th Edition 2009	\$66.99
Glencoe Physical Science, 1st ed, 2010	\$69.99
Modern Biology (1), Holt/McD., 1st ed, 2009	\$76.95
Biology (2), Mader, Glencoe/McG. Hill, 9th ed., 2007	\$112.00
Chemistry: Matter and Change (1), Glencoe/McG., 1st ed., 2008	\$74.49

Chemistry (2), Glencoe/McG, 7th ed, 2007	\$133.47
Physics: Principles and Problems, Glencoe/McG., 10th ed., 2009	\$73.50
U.S. History: Reconstruction to the Present	\$101.97
Economics, Pearson	\$82.47
Magruder's American Government, Prentice Hall	\$84.97
World History, Pearson, Modern Era	\$92.47
Personal Finance Literacy, Pearson 2nd ed., 2014	\$80.97
Davis Publications, Inc. Experience Painting (Visual Art)	\$65.95

RTI2 SCREENINGS AND INTERVENTIONS

Per state law, each Tennessee school is required to implement the Response to Intervention and Instruction (RTI²) framework for identifying and addressing specific learning needs of its students as it relates to age-appropriate academic skills. Initially, students receive a benchmark test in the spring semester of their freshman year to test for learning deficits in Math Computation, Math Application, Reading Fluency, and Reading Comprehension for the upcoming school year. If students qualify for intervention based on a specific criteria then they will be enrolled in a course to receive specific research-based intervention to address their learning deficits.