

ATTENDANCE

ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES:

To receive the maximum benefit from classroom experiences and instruction, it is important that students report to school each day. However, when a student must be absent, the following procedures apply:

- Every day a student is absent, parents/guardians should call (412) 486-6000, press 2 before 9:15 a.m. to report the reason for the absence. An automated call will be sent for all absent students, even those whose parents/guardians have reported the absence.
- Upon returning to school, a student must bring:
 1. A written excuse signed by a parent/guardian stating the reason for the absence.
 - OR
 2. A medical excuse signed by a physician.
- A student who returns to school without a written excuse will receive a three-day grace period in which to bring a note. If a student does not bring in an excuse during the grace period, the absence will be considered unexcused. An unexcused absence **may** be adjusted if **an approved** written excuse is received.
- When a student arrives at school after 11:45 a.m., it will be considered a half-day absence.

UNEXCUSED ABSENCES:

- Failure to turn in a completed Educational Travel Form prior to travel.
- Failure to turn in an absence excuse by the third day after returning to school.
- Failure to bring in a note from a medical care provider after exceeding ten (10) parent/guardian notes.
- A parent/guardian note stating a situation other than illness or medical appointment will be reviewed by the administration and may or may not be approved.
- Excessive unexcused absences may result in a referral to the District Magistrate.

APPROVED ABSENCES:

- Medical excuses.
- A note from a parent/guardian for personal illness, quarantine or other exceptional urgent reasons (funeral). Parents/guardians may write excuse notes for up to ten (10) days. Absences exceeding ten (10) days will be considered unexcused unless they are medical, pre-approved educational travel, or for the observance of a religious holiday.
- Educational travel pre-approved by the administration: An Educational Travel Form must be completed and submitted five (5) school days in advance of any trip. Pre-approval travel forms are available in the Office and on the District website. A parent/guardian and all of the student's teachers must sign the form so that any academic concerns may be noted and addressed. **Family educational travel is limited to five (5) days per school year. The assignments are due the day the student returns to school.** These trips will not be approved if scheduled during PSSA testing or local standardized testing. If the school calendar changes for unforeseen reasons, each request will be reviewed on an individual basis.
 - If there is a pattern of missing school days beyond ten (10) and/or a pattern of tardiness, the building principal may determine that missing additional days is not in the student's best interest. Educational Family Trips may be refused for this purpose.
- Religious Holiday observance.

TARDY TO SCHOOL:

Students are expected to be in school on time. A child who arrives after the scheduled instructional time for the day (8:55 a.m.) is considered tardy. Tardy students must report to the Office with a written note stating the reason for being tardy. **Tardy to school is only excused for illness or medical appointments.** Parents/guardians are permitted to write ten (10) excuses for tardiness to school during the entire school year. Excessive tardiness may result in a referral to the District Magistrate.

EARLY DISMISSALS:

Early dismissals will be granted for the same reasons allowable for legal absences. Parents/guardians are encouraged to schedule appointments with doctors or dentists before or after school hours. **However, when emergency scheduling is required, parents/guardians should be mindful of the child's schedule and try to avoid missing academic subjects (for example, reading, mathematics, etc.).**

Students must bring a note (reason and time included) signed by a parent/guardian. At the designated time, students will be called to the Office and the parent/guardian will sign-out the student. Students returning to school must report to the Office before going back to class. The office must be notified no later than 2:45 p.m. for any dismissal changes.

AUTOMATED MASS COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

The Hampton Township School District utilizes Infinite Campus, an emergency notification system, which will notify you of school delays or cancellations due to inclement weather or contact you regarding attendance. In the event of an emergency at school, you can have peace of mind knowing that you will be informed immediately by telephone or email. Please be certain that the District has your most current information, ensuring that we have up to three (3) telephone numbers and an email address on record. If your information changes, please log into Infinite Campus and update your information as soon as possible. For assistance with login information email Jennifer Hearn, Jennifer.Hearn@ht-sd.org.

CHILDREN'S SCHOOL DAY

Kindergarten:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

Morning Session: 8:45 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

Afternoon Session: 12:50 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

One Early Dismissal Day Per Month:

Morning Session: 8:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Afternoon Session: 11:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

2-Hour Delay:

Morning Session: 10:45 a.m. – 12:40 p.m.

Afternoon Session: 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

<p>THERE IS NO SUPERVISION FOR CHILDREN ARRIVING BEFORE 8:15 A.M.</p>
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Note: If there is a 2-Hour Delay on a scheduled Early Dismissal Day, then the early dismissal day is canceled and students will follow the 2-Hour Delay schedule. The first such cancellation of the early dismissal will not be rescheduled; however, subsequent cancellations of early dismissals will be rescheduled. Parents would be notified of the rescheduled date.

Grades 1-5:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday:

8:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

One Early Dismissal Day Per Month:

8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.

2-Hour Delay:

10:45 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Health Information from the School Nurse

Winter brings with it many viruses that circulate in our schools. Allegheny County is seeing an increase in Covid-10, RSV and Influenza. Many times, it is hard to differentiate between the different types of respiratory viruses. Please see the chart below from the Mayo Clinic.

Symptoms of COVID-19, RSV and Flu

	COVID-19	RSV	Influenza
Onset of symptoms	Gradual	Gradual	Sudden
Cough	Common	Common	Common
Diarrhea	Sometimes	Rare	Sometimes*
Fatigue or tiredness	Common	Sometimes	Common
Fever	Common	Common	Common
Headache	Sometimes	Common	Common
Loss of taste and smell	Common	Rare	Rare
Muscle or body aches	Sometimes	Rare	Common
Runny or congested nose	Common	Common	Common
Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	Common	Sometimes	Rare
Sneezing	Common	Common	Common
Sore throat	Common	Common	Common
Vomiting	Sometimes	Rare	Sometimes*
Wheezing	Rare	Sometimes*	Rare

Experts say the only way to confirm a diagnosis is with testing. No matter the symptoms, people should stay home when sick and seek medical help if they experience any trouble breathing.

*MORE COMMON IN CHILDREN

SOURCE: CDC, MAYO CLINIC



Please keep in mind the following guidance when sending your child to school:

Fever- Student must be fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication. A fever is considered a temperature of 100.4 or above.

Vomiting/Diarrhea - Student should stay home for 24 hours from the last time they vomit or have diarrhea.

Covid-19- Students must quarantine for 5 days. After the 5-day quarantine, masks are recommended for 5 days. Please contact the school nurse.

Prevention- Encourage your child to:

Wash their hands frequently

Avoid touching their eyes, nose or mouth

Cough and sneeze into their elbow and use a tissue

Avoid close contact with people who are sick

No Name-Calling Week

Monday, January 23rd

This is the first day of **NO NAME-CALLING WEEK**.

Wear **WHITE**, the color of peace, to remind us that peace begins with each of us.

Tuesday, January 24th



Wear **RED**, the color of **courage**, to remind us to have the courage to be assertive and stand up for ourselves and for others.

Wednesday, January 25th

Wear **Hampton colors** to show that we are all united in our efforts to pay attention to how we speak to and about others every day.

#BETHEKINDKID



Thursday, January 26th

Wear **GREEN** to remind us that thinking about the feelings of others helps us to **grow** into better people.



Friday, January 27th

Wear **YELLOW OR GOLD** to remind us of the **golden** rule: to treat others as we want to be treated.

Hampton Township School District Kindergarten Registration and Grade 1 Registration for those new to Hampton Elementary Schools

2023-
2024

VIRTUAL REGISTRATION

Families are encouraged to begin the process as soon as they are ready and to complete it by February 3rd. Please register **ASAP**, so that the District can plan ahead for all students.

Central Elementary. (412-492-6320)

Poff Elementary. (412-492-6335)

Wyland Elementary. (412-492-6345)

Access www.HT-SD.org

Access About Tab

Access Moving to Hampton Tab

Access Register My Child Tab

Upload Completed Packets and
Documentation to the Appropriate
Elementary School.



WHAT IS NEEDED

- 1) Birth Certificate
- 2) Immunization Record
- 3) Proof of Hampton Residency:
 - a) Closing papers, lease agreement, rent receipt, or residency form
 - AND**
 - b) Utility bill, cable bill, paid wage tax receipt, driver's license, guardianship form, court order, etc. (These items must have the same address as those listed under "a" above.)

Entrance Requirements

Kindergarten

Five (5) years of age by
August 15, 2023

Grade 1

Six (6) years of age by
August 15, 2023



Administration Office

4591 School Drive
Allison Park, PA 15101
Website: www.ht-sd.org
412-486-6000

Michael R. Loughhead, Ed.D.,
Superintendent



Rebecca J. Cunningham, Ed.D.,
Assistant Superintendent

January 6, 2023

Dear Hampton Elementary School Families:

Please pass the word along to your friends and family – 2023 Kindergarten registration has begun!

Information regarding Kindergarten registration will be published in the local paper and placed on the HTSD Website (www.ht-sd.org). In the meantime, please spread the word to neighbors who may be new in the community or to those without children currently enrolled in the Hampton Elementary Schools. Registering on time is important so that the District can plan appropriately for the number of students who will be attending school in the fall.

Registration for Kindergarten and any first-grade students new to Hampton Schools will take place **virtually**. To register, please access the HTSD website www.ht-sd.org. Within the District tab, click the “About” Tab. Access the “Moving to Hampton” tab. Once there, families will find instructions for 2023 Kindergarten registrations under “Register My Child.” Upload completed packets and documentation to the appropriate elementary school.

All families are encouraged to complete the online registration process by February 3rd.

Children ready to enter Kindergarten should be five years old by August 15, 2023. First graders should be six years old by August 15, 2023. A birth certificate or other acceptable evidence of birth and proof of Hampton residency (**closing papers, lease agreement, rent receipt or residency form AND utility bill, cable bill, paid wage tax receipt, driver's license, guardianship form, or court order**) are necessary before children can be enrolled. Proof of immunization is necessary as well.

Parents of children who do not meet the above-mentioned age requirements must submit a written request for early admission to the building principal by April 15, 2023. This request should state reasons why early admission to school is appropriate for the child, including information and test data from the school(s) he or she may have attended previously. Admission will be based upon the recommendation of the school in which the student seeks enrollment and the authorization of the Principal and Superintendent.

Thank you for sharing this important information with the Hampton Community. If you have any questions, please reach out to Central Elementary Principal, Dr. Amy Kern, at 412-492-6320; Poff Elementary Acting Principal, Dr. Michael Silbaugh, at 412-492-6335; or Wyland Elementary Principal, Dr. Laurie Tocci, at 412-492-6345.

Sincerely,

Rebecca J. Cunningham, Ed.D.
Assistant Superintendent

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Attention!
5th Grade Parents



It is baby photo time!

It is our tradition at Central Elementary School to include a baby photo of each 5th grader in our yearbook. Using TreeRing, this has never been easier. To upload your child's baby photo, first order a yearbook! Go to www.TreeRing.com. You will be prompted to upload a photo during the ordering process.

No baby photo? No problem! Just try for a photo of your child under 4 years old. The best photo is a close-up on their face.

Please upload your photo by April 14th!

Questions?

Contact Trish Buben at tab190@gmail.com

YOU



Need to Order the
Central Elementary School, Allison Park
Yearbook Today

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to www.treering.com/validate
- 2 Enter your school's passcode:
1016188115863306

Regular Price: **\$21.00**

*Does not include sales tax, if applicable

Deadline: **Apr 21**

TreeRing



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Your child is taking part in classroom lessons from **Common Sense Education's K-12 Digital Citizenship Curriculum**, designed to educate and guide young people to harness the power of the Internet and digital tools so they can become safe, responsible, and respectful digital citizens.

WHAT IS DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP?

Digital media and technology is evolving at a rapid pace, bringing with it amazing opportunities as well as real risks for our children. On the positive side, young people are using the Internet and mobile technologies to create, connect, explore and learn in ways never before imagined. Challenges from harmful behaviors, cyberbullying to digital cheating, are surfacing in schools and in homes across the country. Young people face ethical challenges daily without a roadmap to guide them.

WHAT COMMON SENSE EDUCATION TEACHES

The core message of the curriculum is one of empowerment: With powerful digital tools that allow for creation and communication comes great responsibility. The curriculum centers on 8 main categories based on the digital ethics research of Dr. Howard Gardner and The GoodPlay Project at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO

Common Sense Education takes a whole-community approach to digital citizenship by providing parent resources to help you support your kid's learning. As we engage in these lessons in class, we will be sending home parent tip sheets, videos, and an occasional activity worksheet for you to do together with your kids. You can visit the Common Sense website at www.commonsense.org for more parent resources.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Raising and educating young people in today's 24/7 digital media environment is one of the most exciting and overwhelming challenges that parents and schools face today. Working together with **Common Sense Education**, we can raise a generation of kids who become smart, responsible, and respectful digital citizens.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Casey
Library Media Specialist
Central Elementary School*

To learn more about Common Sense Education's tools and resources, visit www.commonsensemedia.org/educators.

Hampton High School Girls Lacrosse

Cupid's Pajama Party



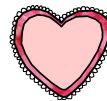
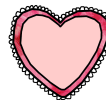
Bring your friends and come dressed in your favorite PAJAMAS to this fun-filled Valentine party complete with CUPID-CRAZY games and activities...and a delicious popcorn snack bar! Tell your mom and dad to take advantage and plan a date night out too!! Let us know ASAP if you're coming so we can save you a spot!!

Friday, February 10th, 2023

Dropoff 6:00pm - Pickup 9:00pm

Middle School Cafeteria

donation: **\$40.00** for one child (K-5th grade)/**\$75.00** for two siblings



Child's name: _____

Grade: _____

Parent Name: _____

Phone number: _____

Email: _____

Elementary School: _____

Friend to be placed in same group: _____

Please make checks payable to Hampton Girls Lacrosse or venmo payment to Denise-Balason.

Forms/payment can be returned no later than **Friday, January 27th** to Chris Pryal at 4668

Windward Court, Allison Park, PA 15101. Questions? Contact Chris Pryal at clpmo4@gmail.com.

*please note: We would appreciate venmo payments as "payment between friends" to avoid venmo fees.

A picture of those completed forms can then be emailed to Chris Pryal. Thank you for supporting HHS Girls Lacrosse.



PLAY SOCCER !

HAMPTON SOCCER CLUB

SPRING 2023 REGISTRATION DETAILS:

OPEN: Monday January 16 at 8:00am

CLOSE: Monday January 30 at 11:59pm*

**Please do not wait - wait-list (team roster restrictions) and late fees will apply after regular registration time period*

**Birth years
2003 to 2018**

- Spring season runs from late March to early June (weather dependent)
- Fun, recreational competition; u11+ opportunities for more competitive 'Travel' experience (roster size / commitment dependent)

HamptonSoccerClub.org/registration

