

Tuesday, August 8, 2023

Thank you to everyone to came out for Meet the Teacher! It was so nice to have our families back and we hope you received all of the information you need for a great first day! We look forward to the first day of school tomorrow, Wednesday, August 9. Doors will open at 7:15 a.m. and school starts at 8 a.m. (Middle and High School students, please be seated in the Performing Arts Center by 7:50 a.m. for morning announcements.)



CAR LINE

If you attended Meet the Teacher last night, you probably noticed new lines and designated parking spots. There will be plenty of staff members in the parking lots to direct you on the first days of school.



Families dropping off will use the same entrances as last year. Car line tags, which were issued to kindergarten through third-grade families, indicate you should drop off and pick up on the elementary side. That is the Old Lowe Road entrance - also entry to The Den. <u>Click here</u> to see a video elementary school created for guidance.

We ask for your patience and grace during the first week of school. We want to make a good impression on our new families, and the car line always moves more slowly the first few days as everyone gets used to the routine.

Please note, students will not be dismissed from the front office after 2:15 p.m. until dismissal is over (without prior permission).

STUDENT PARKING AND PASSES

If your student will be driving to school and parking in the student parking lot (located in front of the Performing Arts Center), he or she MUST have a parking pass. You will find the <u>application form here</u> on our website under <u>Parents & Students/News, Documents & Forms</u>.

- o Parking passes are \$20 per vehicle.
- o Students must provide a driver's license and proof of insurance to receive a pass.

COMMUNICATION

Please make sure you are signed up for ParentSquare to receive all school communication! <u>Click here</u> for directions which you will find on our website. It's free!



• We will also communicate with you via our website, and we often share pictures of our students throughout the school day and at special events on social media (Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter) pages.

MEDIA OPT OUT

To give you a "picture" of what goes on inside, we often post images on social media and on our website. If you would like to opt out and not have your child featured in pictures or videos

posted on social media, the HPA website, yearbook, or marketing materials, please fill out <u>this</u> <u>form</u> and email it to **thedifference@hpaspart.org.** (You may have filled out this form during registration, but do not hesitate to fill it out again to ensure we have it on file.) Otherwise, look for your child in pictures and videos we take and post throughout the school year.

Facebook: /HighPointAcademySpartanburg Instagram: @hpaspartanburg

BREAKFAST & LUNCH

We are delighted to be able to offer complimentary breakfast and lunch to every student during the 2023-2024 school year. Our <u>Grizzly Café</u> features a variety of student-inspired menu items, nutritional programs, and innovations for the school year. We partner with Chartwells K12 and Nutrislice to offer a range of options and flavors.

- To see the breakfast and lunch menu, <u>click here</u>.
- You can also download the menu app on your phone. If you would like instructions, please <u>click here</u>.

We want to ensure all of our students have the nutrition they need to succeed! For more information regarding Food Service, please contact our Food Service Director, Ms. Edwards, at 316-9788, ext. 157, or tedwards@hpaspart.org.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

If your child is new to High Point Academy this school year and receives special education services (IEP), you should have been contacted by your child's special education teacher. If you have not been contacted regarding your child's special education program, please contact Dr. Paulette Mizzell at 864-316-9788 or <u>pmizzell@hpaspart.org</u>. In addition, if your child had a Section 504 plan at his or her previous school, please contact Tammy Goodlett at <u>tdqoodlett@hpaspart.org</u>.

TESTING DATES

As a public charter school, High Point Academy must administer tests required by the State Department of Education. Please <u>click here to find testing dates</u> for the 2023-2024 school year. We ask that you make every effort to have your child at school on time every day and particularly on testing dates.

SENIOR MAKE-UP PICTURES

If you were unable to make the Senior Picture sessions, the make-up date is Monday, August 28. <u>Click here to schedule your session</u>. These pictures will go in the yearbook (at no cost), and there is also an opportunity to purchase casual pictures. If you opt to add a casual session, the cost is \$25. We are looking forward to a great school year! We know you have a choice. Thank you for choosing High Point Academy and for supporting our students and their success! The HPA Team

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FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL: Wednesday, August 9 SCHOOL DOORS OPEN: Monday - Friday at 7:15 a.m. FRONT OFFICE HOURS: 7:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL HOURS: 8 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. MIDDLE SCHOOL HOURS: 8 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. HIGH SCHOOL HOURS: 8 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL: Report to Performing Arts Center for announcements before first period. AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM: After school. - 5:30 p.m. UNIFORM STORE HOURS: Monday - Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m ONLINE UNIFORM STORE: 24/7