

New Student Orientation

2025-2026



- Howard
Marching
Band
- Color Guard



Welcome
Allen Cosentino
Principal





Administrative Team



Mr. Cosentino

Principal

Mr. Scible

Asst. Principal - Grade 9

Dr. Saunders

Asst. Principal - Grade 10

Ms. Senisi

Asst. Principal - Grade 11

Ms. Armstead

Asst. Principal - Grade 12

Dr. Lauer

Athletics and Activities Manager



Student Services



Counselors

Mr. Glenn	A-C
Ms. Green-Lewis	D-I
Ms. Grieve	J-Me
Ms. Pappadeas	Mf-Si
Ms. Haines	Sj-Z

Student Services Staff

Ms. Isch: Career Readiness Advisor

Ms. Reynolds: Social Worker

Ms. Hurbon: Pupil Personnel Worker

Dr. Gosnell: School Psychologist

Ms. McCann: Registrar

Ms. Kwon: Registrar

Ms. Cleveland: Secretary

Student Supports (cont.)

- Ms. Burns: 9th Grade Team Leader
- Ms. Thompson: BSAP Liaison
- Ms. Isch: Career Readiness Advisor
- Ms. Cooper: Student Engagement Teacher
- Ms. Stark: School Nurse
- Ms. Adams: Health Assistant
- Cpl. Harrison: School Resource Officer
- Mr. Tunstall: Security Assistant



What to Expect During Your First Week

- Getting around the building
- Navigating the cafeteria
- Meeting new people
- Getting to school on time - get here early!
- Figuring out how stuff works
- Finding Support - We are here to help! Ask any staff member and we can point you in the right direction.

Ways That We Can Support You...

- Lions' Time - Every Wednesday
 - Will serve as a resource through high school
 - Activities and programs to support transition to high school
 - Same teacher each year
- 9th Grade Team and 9th Grade ITL
- BSAP Liaison
- Student Support Team
- School Counseors
- Student Voice Program
- Student Government

Cell Phones, Tablets, and Headphones/Airpods



In accordance with HCPSS personal device policy:

- No phones, tablets, iPads, headphones, or airpods out or in use during the school day (7:50-2:35)
- This includes in classrooms, hallways, lunch shifts
- Phones will be taken away by an administrator or security assistant for the first offense and anytime after that
- First time - student pick up
- Second offense + - Parent pick up

Daily Bell Schedule

Period 1	7:50-8:45
Period 2	8:50-9:40
Period 3	9:45-10:40
Period 4	10:45 - 12:45
A Lunch	10:45 - 11:15
B Lunch	11:15 - 11:45
C Lunch	11:45 - 12:15
D Lunch	12:15 - 12:45
Period 5	12:50-1:40
Period 6	1:45-2:35

Lunch Shifts

A Lunch	B Lunch	C Lunch	D Lunch
BCMS FACS JROTC Engineering/Tech English	Math Tutorials	Social Studies World Languages	Art Dance Music Theatre Health/PE Science

Before the First Day of School Checklist

- Check your schedule in HCPSS Connect/Synergy and make note of your 1st period class, teacher name and room number.
- If you are a bus rider, use the Bus Locator Tool to determine your bus stop. Write down/take a screenshot of your bus number and keep it in an accessible location.
- Turn on your HCPSS Chromebook and login. Be sure it is functioning properly. If you need to pick up a Chromebook, please visit the media center.
- Check your hcpss.inst username and password by logging into Canvas.

Are you new to Howard County?

- After our class rotations, you can stop by our media center and get your HCPSS Chromebook
- See Mr. Bulger or Ms. McGuigan

Before the First Day of School Checklist

- Bookmark hcpss.me or set it as your homepage. This will make accessing Canvas, GSuite, and other online digital resources fast and easy.
- Update your Canvas settings and notification preferences to ensure that you are receiving important information from your teachers.
- Pack your bag the night before! Bring paper, something to write with, planner/agenda book, a charged Chromebook, and a set of headphones. Teachers will share supply lists for each class during the first week of school.

Black Student Achievement Program

- Develop collaborative relationships in order to close opportunity and achievement gaps for students that identify as Black/African American.
- Facilitate equitable access to academic and enrichment programs
- Influence the development of positive learning behaviors
- Educate school community towards a deeper understanding of student group
- Engage families in educational process and social-emotional well being of their children



Student Government Association

SGA Exec Board

Grade Level SGA Representatives

9th Grade SGA Board

Homecoming Details

- Pep Rally - Friday, 10/3 During School
- Homecoming Football Game - Friday, 10/3 @ 6pm
- Homecoming Parade - Saturday, 10/4 in the morning
- Homecoming Dance - Saturday, 10/4 @ Howard



Class of 2029



Class board members organize and plan school activities such as homecoming (sophomore year), prom (junior year), class night, senior t-shirts, senior picnic (all senior year). In addition, each year the class board is in charge of building a float for the homecoming parade!

HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL

NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION



Dr. Brandon Lauer, AAM

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@sportshohs

<https://hohs.hcpss.org/athletics>

GET INVOLVED!

Participation provides a unique opportunity to promote fellowship, diversity, and the qualities of good citizenship.

OVER 75 CLUBS TO CHOOSE FROM

- Active Minds
- Alpha Achievers
- Art Club
- Best Buddies
- Chess Club
- Educators Rising
- Environmental Club
- Howard Cycling Club
- It's Academic
- Legacy Step Team
- Mock Trial
- Red Cross Club
- Robotics Club
- Science Olympiad
- Speech and Debate

AND SO MANY MORE...

SELECTION OF TEAMS

Fall

- Allied Soccer
- Cheer
- Cross Country
- Field Hockey
- Football
- Golf
- Soccer
- Volleyball

Winter

- Allied Bowling
- Basketball
- Cheer
- Indoor Track
- Wrestling

Spring

- Allied Softball
- Baseball
- Lacrosse
- Outdoor Track
- Softball
- Tennis

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

HCPSS Policy 9080

A Minimum of 2.0

Weighted GPA is
required for
participation in
Athletics.

- **1st Quarter Grades – Winter Sports**
- **2nd Quarter Grades – Spring Sports**
- **4th Quarter Grades – Fall Sports**

ATTENDING ATHLETIC EVENTS

- All tickets are \$4.00 + \$1.00 service fee
- All tickets can be purchased through GoFan
- We charge at Football games and Friday night games.



FOLLOW US!



Tryout and Participation
Information

[https://hohs.hcpss.org/
athletics](https://hohs.hcpss.org/athletics)



Weekly Schedules, Update,
and More!

IG: @sportshohs



Game schedule and results
available on County Sport
Zone

Support for Military Families

HOHS Website



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Parents

Support for Military Families

Howard County is home to a diverse community that includes active duty, guard, reserve, and veteran armed services members and their children, many of whom are students in the Howard County Public School System.

HCPSS ensures academic success and social-emotional well-being for our students in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps. We are committed to creating a welcoming and supportive environment and fostering strong bonds between schools, military service members and community organizations in order to support military-connected children and enhance the success of all students.

Also see [2023-2024 School Year](#) for related information.



HCPSS RESOURCES

CALENDAR: Subscribe to, or download the HCPSS academic calendar.

CONNECT: Access a variety of student information and classroom instructional tools.

GRADUATION

- [Howard County Board of Education Policy 8030 Graduation Requirements](#)

Howard High Food Pantry

Maintained by Howard High School

Available regularly for families and students

Information is shared through our Weekly
Newsletter

Next Food Pantry is 9/24 from 4-6pm

Today's Bell Schedule

Bell Schedule for Today

Period 1: 9:40 - 9:46

Period 2: 9:52 - 9:58

Lionstime: 10:04 - 10:10

Period 3: 10:16 - 10:22

Period 4A: 10:28 - 10:34

Period 4B: 10:40 - 10:46

Period 5: 10:52 - 10:58

Period 6: 11:04 - 11:10

*TAKE A PICTURE OF YOUR
SCHEDULE AND SAVE/SEND FOR
BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT!*

**When you finish going through
your schedule, return to any front
exit for our Community Fair!**

Community Fair

- Community fair from 11am-1pm
- DMV Taqueria, Althea's Soul Food, and snowballs available for purchase
- Community groups and parent organizations will share more information
- Spirit Wear Sales
- Students will learn more about clubs and activities at the school

Parent and Family Presentations

Howard High School PTSA



Email: hohsptsa@gmail.com

Website: howardptsa.givebacks.com

Howard High School PTSA

howardptsa.givebacks.com

HCDrugFree
Empowering the Community



We are always looking for awesome VOLUNTEERS!

Committees with openings include:

- ★ Spiritwear
- ★ Homecoming (donations, decorating, and volunteering on Oct. 4)
- ★ Wellness
- ★ After-prom
- ★ Senior Scholarships

and More! Bring YOUR ideas!

Email Today! hohsptsa@gmail.com



FOOD RAFFLES GAMES
TIXS ON SALE NOW →





Howard High School PTSA
howardptsa.givebacks.com

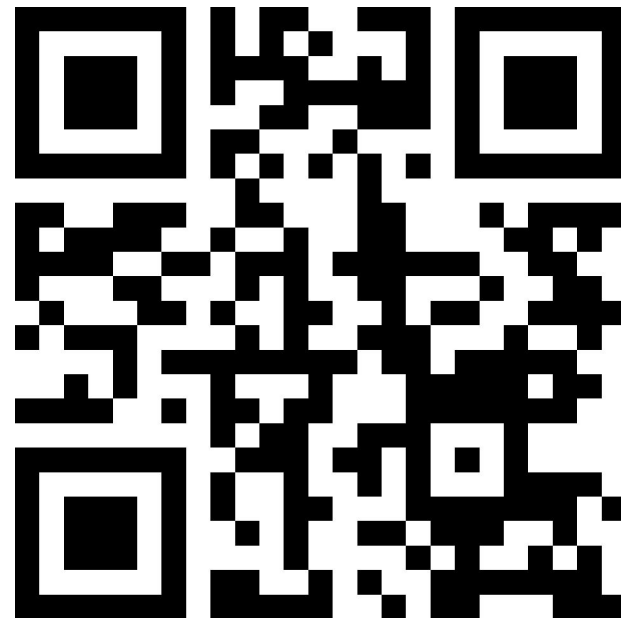


Spiritwear:

Please come see us during the
Community Fair! New and Classic
styles available!



***Join, Donate, and
Volunteer today!***



Use your Camera to Scan above

Lions Pride
Athletic Boosters

Howard High School, the Pride of Howard County



Who Are We?

What do we do?

- The Athletic Boosters for Howard High School
- Promote School Spirit and Community Pride
- Support Student Athletes and Coaches

- Provide financial support to the AAM and school
- Run the concession stands
- Organize several large events
- Identify Corporate Sponsors
- So much more!

2025-26 Officers

President: Kyra Hall

Vice Presidents: Angie Bartlett and Matt McAdams

Treasurer: Heather Fagan (Jennifer “JJ” Johnson)

Secretary: Stephen Greene

Membership Chair: Melanie Brooks

Social Media Chair: Dan Abate



Top 5 Needs

1. Members
2. Active Participation (September 10th @ 7pm in the Media Center)
3. Concession Help
4. A Concession Team
5. Corporate Sponsors



WE ARE THE LIONS, THE PRIDE OF HOWARD COUNTY
THE LIONS' PRIDE ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB, INC.
WWW.HOWARDLIONSPRIDE.ORG

WALK WITH PRIDE JOIN US TODAY



Our funding comes directly from
Sponsors, Fundraising, and
Memberships.



OUR PURPOSE

We serve to:

- promote school spirit
- provide concession stands for all home events
- organize fun events surrounding the year's sports calendar
- help the HoHS Athletic Director with coach needs and wants
- FOSTER AND BUILD A HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY

WHY SUPPORT US?

Our annual hopes/plans:

- Consistently be able to provide at least \$40,000 toward HoHS Athletics
- Granting ALL team/coach wishes
- MANY MANY Corporate/Business Partners
- Consistently be able to plan and execute annual events:
 - Craft Fair, Homecoming, Golf Tournament, Silent Auction, End-of-Year Celebration, and more

HOW DO WE SERVE?

We are pleased to help out with the Athletic Department costs including:

- Maintenance and improvements to the weight room
- Improvements to the concession stand/press box
- Uniforms for all sports
- Fees for our coaches to attend state-required clinics
- Howard High sponsored tournaments
- Subscription for an online game film service
- Support competitive HoHS athletic-based clubs

Follow us!!!

Website: <https://www.howardlionspride.org/>

Facebook: Howard HS Lions' Pride

Instagram: howardhs_lionspride





Goal: To foster and maintain musical excellence at Howard High

We support all of the musicians at Howard mainly through
volunteering and fundraising.

- Guest Clinicians • Accompanists • Printed Music • Instruments • Instrument Repair • Instrument Accessories • Stage Set-up
- Uniform Costs and Maintenance • Awards • Scholarships
 - Transportation • Logistics



<https://www.hhsmusicboosters.com/>

Check out our website and
Join Us Today!

Our first meeting is Tuesday,
September 16th at 6:30pm in the
Band/Strings Room, F120.



Health Room

Karen Stark - Cluster Nurse

Q and A

Students, Admin, and Counselors

Community Fair

- Food trucks
- HC DrugFree
- Grassroots
- Howard County Health Department
- PTSA
- Lions Pride Boosters
- Student Services/PPW
- Spirit Wear Sales
- School Supplies
- Student Clubs and Activities