

HOPEWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL 13060 COGBURN ROAD · MILTON, GA 30004

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Michael LeMoyne Principal July 20, 2023

Hello Hopewell Parents and Families,

The first day of the 2023-2024 school year is only a couple weeks away! I am looking forward to a successful school opening and a great school year. I hope you and your students are ready to go as we continue to strive for excellence and demonstrate our Mustang PRIDE!

Today, I wanted to share some information with you about upcoming events and other back-to-school information.

Student Schedules

HMS student schedules are expected to be available in the Infinite Campus Parent Portal on July 31st. We will also have hard copies of schedules on Information Day (see additional information about that event below). If your student is enrolled at HMS and you have never set up a Parent Portal Account, please visit https://www.fultonschools.org/infinitecampus. This will take you to a page with information about how to set up that account. Newly enrolled students may not have the ability to set this up right away, and there is often a brief delay as the enrollment processes.

Information Day is August 3rd!

Our first event of the year, our annual Information Day, will take place on Thursday, August 3rd. Information Day is for all families, including rising 6th graders from our feeder schools and new students who have recently registered. The time range of the event will be 9:00AM-12:00PM (in one-hour increments based on last name). The schedule for attendance is as follows:

9:00-10:00 – Group 1 (Last Names A-H) 10:00-11:00 – Group 2 (Last Names I-O) 11:00-12:00 – Group 3 (Last Names P-Z)

More information about this event will be sent a few days prior. Although your attendance is not required, Information Day provides both students and parents the opportunity to meet teachers, staff, and other Hopewell families. The following information and services will also be available on August 3rd.

Student Schedules*
Medication Forms
Free/Reduced Lunch Applications
Pay \$20 locker/activity fee to get locker (Cash or Money Order)

PTA will also be selling memberships and spiritwear on Information Day, and we are encouraging all staff and students to wear their HMS gear on Fridays throughout the year to show their HMS spirit!

Student Tours for New Students



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HMS will offer opportunities for new students to tour the school prior to our Information Day. If your student is newly registered at HMS and did not attend HMS or one of our elementary feeders last year, please visit the HMS website to sign up for a tour. This is not for 6th graders who had the opportunity to visit HMS last spring with one of our feeder schools.

Top Locker Incentive and PTA Membership

Once again, we will be teaming up with our PTA to offer a Top Locker Incentive option to those that purchase a PTA membership online. The Top Locker Incentive helps to support our PTA's annual membership drive, which is our PTA's only fundraising initiative, and they appreciate your support. The first 200 people who purchase a membership with the PTA on their website will be guaranteed a top locker for their child (you still need to pay the locker/activity fee described below to receive the actual locker). Their website will go LIVE for membership on July 27th at 9am. A separate email will be coming out soon with information about how to register on the site to create your account (doing this prior to the morning of the 27th is recommended if you want to try for the top lockers).

Locker/Activity Fees Can Be Paid Now!

We will be collecting our locker/activity fees of \$20 through our Online School Payments system. Head to our website and click on the "Online School Payments" tab (or download the OSP app on your phone) and look for "Locker Sales 2023-2024". Make sure you save your receipt for your Locker/Activity Fee payment.

If you are not able to pay this fee online, you can do so on Information Day. No personal checks will be accepted, cash or money orders are acceptable forms of payment.

Please email our Registrar, Vickie Pavane, at pavane@fultonschools.org if you are unable to make this payment. She will reach out with some information about how to proceed.

Supply Lists

Our updated supply lists are posted on our website (https://www.fultonschools.org/domain/6542), and we are asking families to provide students with a small device bag (no larger than 16"x12") to carry their school-issued laptops and chargers during the school day. Large student bags/backpacks make movement in the classrooms and hallways more difficult, and create other safety risks as well. These should be left in students' lockers during the school day. If you are unable to provide this bag for your child, we will have something for them to use when we distribute devices (we do not have a device deployment date yet).

Student Accident Insurance

Fulton County Schools offer our families an opportunity to elect to purchase Accident Insurance. Please click on the link below to find more information about this program.

Risk Management / Risk Management (fultonschools.org)

Lunch/Cafeteria Information



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The HMS Cafeteria will be charging for meals this year. Click on this link (School Nutrition (fultonschools.org)) for more information about the FCS School Nutrition Program. You can view menus and meal prices, add money to your students' lunch accounts, and apply for Free and Reduced Lunch Status by visiting the site linked above. Please note, if you qualify for Free and Reduced Status, you must complete the application for the 23-24 school year. And, whether you qualify for Free or Reduced status, your student's meals will be free this year! If you applied and qualified for Free/Reduced prices last year, you have until September 20th to renew. After that date, meals will be full price if you do not submit a new application.

We will continue to ask parents not to drop off lunches for students during the school day, and students having lunch delivered from a service like UberEats or GrubHub is absolutely not permitted.

Residency Verification for 6th and 7th Graders

All 6th and 7th grade families will be required to provide proof of residency this year. Families who enrolled as new-to-FCS this year will have provided this information during the registration process and will not need to do so again. Look for more information soon about how we will collect this information.

Stay Tuned for Updates

We will continue to send updates via email as the beginning of the year approaches. You might also want to check the school website if you have questions, as many of the answers will be found on the website and in the updated Student/Parent Handbook that will be posted soon!

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on August 3rd!

Sincerely,

Michael LeMoyne Principal Hopewell Middle School

Save the Dates....

8/3 – Information Day

8/7 – First Day of School

TBD – 6th Grade Curriculum Night

TBD - 7th Grade Curriculum Night

TBD – 8th Grade Curriculum Night

9/4-9/6 – No School for Students