

August 23, 2018

Dear Families,

As we prepare to begin what is sure to be an amazing first year at Hanover Hills Elementary School, we wanted to take a moment to update you on our staffing and schedule. This year, our first year as Huskies, will be a journey filled with excitement and promise. As a school, we are committed to the Howard County Public School System's vision of ensuring that every student and staff member embraces diversity and possesses the skills, knowledge and confidence to create a positive and welcoming school community.

Our devoted staff are busy preparing for your student's arrival. Our fantastic front office team is registering new families, ordering needed materials and updating student files. Our hard working and conscientious custodians have spent the entire summer thoroughly cleaning and preparing the facility. Finally, our much-appreciated PTA steering committee is gearing up to create an amazing PTA program, one that will welcome families, provide volunteer opportunities, and offer other exciting events and programs. We are indeed a caring and dedicated school community with the common goal of nurturing our respected future learners.

At Hanover Hills Elementary, we truly value a strong home-to-school connection. We encourage you to contact us with any questions or concerns, and to stay in the know about your child's studies, assignments and school activities. We extend a special, yearlong invitation to all of our new families to join us at school activities and events whenever possible. If our recent Popsicles on the Playground event is any indication of how involved our school community will be, we certainly look forward to the exciting journey ahead!

Enjoy these remaining summer days with your family. From the entire Hanover Hills staff, we welcome you and look forward to a very positive and productive year together!

Warmly,

Troy Todd and Leslie Harmon.

For more information on our staff and school news, visit hhes.hcps.org!

Hanover Hills Staff

We are delighted to present our staff for the 2018 - 2019 academic year:

Administration

Troy Todd | Principal

Leslie Harmon | Assistant Principal

Front Office Staff

Alisha Brackney | Principal's Secretary

Lisa Arseneault | Teacher's Secretary

Melanie Facchiano | Teacher's Secretary

Regional Early Childhood Center (RECC/PK)

Kelly Chiarella | MINC-P (Team Leader)

Paula Livingston | Preschool Teacher

Teresa Garcia | PreK Teacher

Niki Francis | PreK Teacher (AM)

Nicholas Lange | PreK Para-educator

Bonnie Luman | Preschool Para-educator

Yetta Roggeron | MINC-P Para-educator

Kindergarten

Amy Bilal | Team Leader

Brittany Butler

Stephanie Geddie

Emily Nupp

Ayla Safren

Kathryn Callahan | Para-educator

Alix West | Para-educator

First Grade

Tameka Brookins | Team Leader

Summer Appler

Katie DeLisle

Emily Ladd

Katelyn Lozupone

Tamekah Wilkins | Para-educator

Second Grade

Lauren Bonnette | Team Leader

Caroline Arnold

Katherine Bezold

Natalie Curry

Pamela Commins

Lauren Braxton | Para-educator

Third Grade

Megan Jefferson | Team Leader

Afrika Burnett

Emily Kirshenbaum

Kathryn Rafferty

Albert Yoo

Matthew Prestbury | Para-educator

Fourth Grade

Crystal Bennett | Team Leader

Tynisha Armstead

Katherine Jacobs

Christopher Lewis-El

Fifth Grade

Nena Hupp | Team Leader

Ashley Anselmi

Matthew Seiger

Raea Wilson

April Jackson | Para-educator

Special Education

Kathleen Collins | Team Leader

Paige Baner

Megan Hale

Christine Albano | Para-educator

Michaela Fraser-Salcedo | Para-educator

Nathaniel Norris | Para-educator

Sarah Ritter | Special Education Teacher (ALS)

Apollonia DeLeon | Para-educator (ALS)

Kelly Olsen | Crisis Intervention

Keemie Hampton-Titus | Regional Program

Sayard Meyenberg | Regional Program

Brianna Yerashunas | Regional Program

Marion Adams | Para-educator (Regional)

Tyler Green | Para-educator (Regional)

Carlos Romero | Para-educator (Regional)

Specialists

Sharon Allen Davis | Speech Language

Carrie Farrington | Speech Language

Shari Lorch | Occupational Therapist

Katherine Carrocio | Vision Teacher

Claire Hanlein | Physical Therapist

Instructional Support Team (IST)

Michaeline Van Reenan | GT (Team Leader)

Kathleen Barbagallo | GT Resource Teacher

Kristen Mangus | Math Support Teacher

Sara Wolfson | Reading Support Teacher

Stacey Darchicourt | Reading Specialist

Kristie Sachs | Reading Specialist

Student Services Team (SST)

Jeff Leard | School Psychologist

Alesia Blosser | School Psychologist
Xiomara Medina | School Counselor
Christina Hines | Alternative Education Teacher
Muhammad Bilal | Alt Ed Para-educator
Shereima Smith | Pupil Personnel Worker

ESOL

Joanna Del Toro | ESOL Teacher
Michelle Levin | ESOL Teacher
Cherry Portz | ESOL Para-educator

Related Arts Team

Thomas DeWees | Technology Teacher
Jennifer Patel | Technology Teacher
Alanna Berman | Art Teacher
Michael Van Meter | Art Teacher
Lindsay Moraczewski | Music Teacher

Sarah Childress | Music Teacher
Margaret Shorb | Band Teacher
Alicia Barker | Strings Teacher
Ryan Hurd | Physical Education Teacher
Whitney Smith | Physical Education Teacher
Joshua Griffis | Physical Education Teacher
LaTisha Davis-Robinson | Media Specialist
Valarie Graham | Media Specialist
Devin Trost | Media Para-educator

Custodial Staff

Mike Couser | Day Chief Custodian
Steve Stevenson | Night Chief Custodian

Cafeteria Staff

De'Shaun Hammond | Cafeteria Manager

Student Placement

A great deal of time, effort and thought has gone into the process of student placement for the 2018-2019 school year. Each of our grade level team leaders received feedback from your student's previous teacher, which allowed them to balance the needs of each student both academically and socially. Our class lists were structured to provide equitable class sizes at each grade level. **Please Note:** The month of September is often a time of transition. As we get to know your student through observation and assessment, class placements may change. Any changes will be communicated by the classroom teacher. We appreciate your understanding and flexibility.

Families who have updated their student's Emergency Card via the Family File on the HCPSS Connect will be able to log into their student's Family File on Monday, August 27th at 9:00 AM to view their student's homeroom assignment. Please Note: Kindergarten students will be placed into color groups during the first week of the academic year and will receive their homeroom assignment on Friday September 7th. **If your student's Family File has not been completed, the Homeroom Teacher will not be available to view online.** For more information, please visit: <https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/family-file-flyer.pdf>

Important Dates

- Wednesday, August 29th - Hanover Hills Ribbon Cutting Ceremony at 5:00 PM. Please join us as we officially open the doors of HHES for the first time! In addition to our ceremony, the community will be invited to tour our building. Food Trucks will be on site for families!
- Thursday, August 30th - HHES Open House from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM
 - 9:00: Kindergarten Orientation
 - 9:30: Our vision for the 2018-2019 school year!
 - 10:00-12:00 PM: Classroom Visits
- Monday, September 3rd - Labor Day (Schools and Offices Closed)

- Wednesday, September 5th - PreK/RECC Orientation (A letter with more information was sent home to families in these programs.)
- Monday, September 10th - Rosh Hashanah (Schools and Offices Closed)
- Tuesday, September 11th - Back to School Night for Grades K-2
 - 6:00: Gifted and Talented Program Information Session - Come here more about our GT Program and what we will be offering this year!
 - 6:30: Grade Level Presentations
- Wednesday, September 12th - Back to School Night for Grades 3-5
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 - 6:30: Grade Level Presentations

Please Note: Back to School Nights will provide important classroom information that is geared towards our parents and guardians.

Opening School Information

- First Day of School: Tuesday, September 4th
- School Hours: 8:50-3:20 PM
- Bell Schedule:

School Doors open at 8:30 AM	• Late Bell: 8:50 am	• Instruction Starts @ 8:50 am
	• Announcements: 8:35 AM	• Dismissal: 3:20 pm

Every minute with our students counts, so we ask that you work diligently to have your student at school on time each day. If you are bringing your child to school by car, please take into consideration the amount of morning traffic when making plans for your arrival time. **Students who do not arrive by 8:50 AM, will be marked absent/tardy and will require a parent to sign them into school.** We appreciate your support and understanding.