Hampton Township School District Rebecca J. Cunningham, Ed.D., Assistant Superinte



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January 6, 2022

Dear Hampton Elementary School Families:

Please pass the word along to your friends and family – 2022 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 <u>virtually.</u> To register, please access the HTSD website <u>www.ht-sd.org</u>. Within the District tab, click the "About" Tab. Access the "Moving to Hampton" tab. Once there, families will find instructions for 2022 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 4th.

Children ready to enter Kindergarten should be five years old by August 15, 2022. First graders should be six years old by August 15, 2022. 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, 2022. 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 Principal, Dr. Colleen Hannagan, 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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Hampton Township School District

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

2022**-**2023

VIRTUAL REGISTRATION

Families are encouraged to begin the process as soon as they are ready and to complete it by February 4th. 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
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Upload Completed Packets and Documentation to the Appropriate Elementary School.

Entrance Requirements

Kindergarten
Five (5) years of age by
August 15, 2022

Grade I
Six (6) years of age by
August 15, 2022



Administration Office

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



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.)

Spring Guest Substitute Teacher Training

Great schools need great teachers. If you are thinking about a career in education, returning to the workforce, or looking to work with children, the Hampton Township School District invites you to apply to the Guest Substitute Teacher program. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university is required; experience working in schools or with children is preferred. Schedules are flexible based on your availability.

Interested applicants should follow these steps:

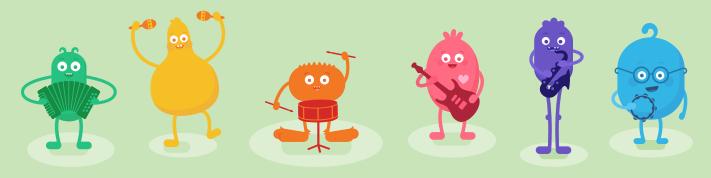
- 1. Complete a short online Guest Substitute Teacher application on the Careers page of our website (www.ht-sd.org) by January 25, 2022.
- 2. Attend an Information Session on January 26, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hampton Middle School Library. Additional details and information about the Guest Substitute Teacher Program will be provided at that time.
- 3. Selected candidates will be invited to a free one-day training program on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Guest Substitute Teachers will be paid \$100 per day for the first 30 days of substitute work, and \$120 per day for each day afterwards.

For additional information, please contact Dr. Rebecca Cunningham at (412) 492-6305 or email cunningham@ht-sd.org.



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Grades K-5 Digital Citizenship Curriculum Letter to Parents

Dear parents and caregivers,

Your child is taking part in classroom lessons from **Common Sense Education**. Common Sense helps kids learn the habits and skills they need to use technology safely and responsibly in school, at home, and beyond.

WHAT IS DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP?

Kids today may seem like experts at using technology, but the digital world requires all kinds of skills and habits that kids don't just pick up as they go. Digital citizenship helps them learn those skills.

The Common Sense lessons help kids in grades K-2 develop healthy media habits and learn how to be safe online. Lessons for kids in grades 3-5 continue to focus on screen time and online safety. Older kids also learn about how to recognize cyberbullying, what is and isn't OK to share online, and how to find credible news and information.

WHAT FAMILIES CAN DO

Common Sense Education provides resources to help you support your kid's learning. As we teach these lessons in class, we'll be sending home tip sheets, videos, and activities for you to do with your kids. You can visit the Common Sense website at www.commonsensemedia.org for more.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions. Working together with Common Sense Education, we can prepare today's kids to think critically and use tech in positive, creative, and powerful ways.

Sincerely,

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



Grades K–5 Family Tips

Help Kids Balance Their Media Lives



From phones and tablets to streaming movies and YouTube, tech and media are everywhere. Kids love easy access to shows, games, and information. Parents and caregivers love that kids can learn on the go (and stay busy when dinner's cooking). But it's easy to overdo it when the phone never stops pinging and the next episode plays automatically. Families can keep media and tech use in check by following a few simple practices.

Check out these 5 tips 2



Create screen-free times and zones.

Help kids take breaks from tech by limiting screen time in bedrooms, during study time, or at the dinner table.



Try parental controls.

Set content limits that make sense for your family. Alongside conversations about healthy media habits, use features such as content filtering, privacy settings, and time limits offered by the apps and platforms your family uses to help manage access and exposure to media.



Establish clear family rules.

Decide together what kind of media and tech is OK -- and when it's OK to use it. A family media plan can help get everyone on the same page.



Watch and play together.

Choose quality, age-appropriate media to enjoy with your kids. Visit commonsensemedia.org to find shows, games, and more.



Help kids identify healthy behaviors.

Practice talking about feelings -- both physical and emotional -- during screen and non-screen activities.





Mindfulness Club for Kids (MC4K)

In this after school program, students in grades 2-5 will learn about mindfulness. Elementary School Counselors, Mrs. Kinney and Mrs. Maley, will help students to build mindfulness skills. Mindfulness is the awareness of one's present state, emotions, and surroundings. This program will help students learn to focus on the present, strengthen their self-control, be aware of their surroundings, be aware of their emotional state, and accept themselves for who they are. Each week students will participate in various fun mindful activities such as: create a Mindfulness Bottle, practice relaxation poses, play fun mindfulness games, and learn about positive self-statements that they can use in their everyday lives.

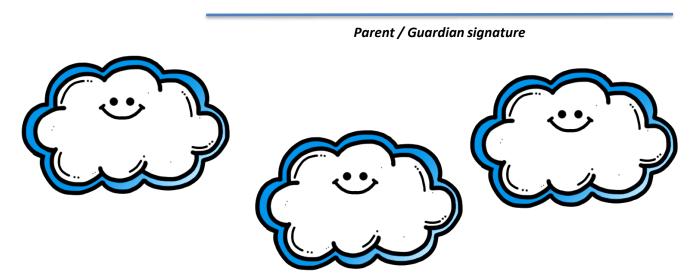
This after school club will be held from 3:45-4:45 at <u>Poff Elementary</u> on the following **DAYS:**, **1/24**, **1/31**, **2/7**, **2/14**, **2/22** (Tuesday), **3/7.** Registration is \$50 per student and includes all materials and instruction. If paying by check, please make it payable to "Melissa Maley."

To register, please send the completed form (below) with payment to your child's school office in an envelope labeled "School Counselor- After School Club." All registrations should be sent to school by Thursday, 1/20. Please email any questions you may have to maley@ht-sd.org or kinney@ht-sd.org. If the cost is prohibitive, please contact Mrs. Maley or Mrs. Kinney with any questions. (Please note- an additional Mindfulness Club for Kids after school program will be offered at Wyland Elementary starting 3/22. Please look for additional information.)

*We will continue to follow all school mitigation strategies .*This activity is offered as an additional opportunity for students and is not sponsored by the Hampton Township School District.

Student's name:	Parent / Guardian's name:
Grade/Teacher:	Phone:
School:	Email:

My child has my permission to attend the Mindfulness Club for Kids on the dates listed above, and I will make the necessary transportation arrangements.









Join Poff's #bethekindkid Club support of the American Cancer Society Daffodil Days® campaign.

This spring brings a new tool in the fight against cancer: flowers. Daffodils are a universal symbol of hope and life, and they're at the center of the American Cancer Society's Daffodil Days® campaign. A newer addition to the Daffodil Days campaign is a bunch of multicolored tulips. This year's campaign will deliver thousands of flowers across the country to raise awareness and funds for the fight against the

The Kind Kids will be collecting orders now for delivery the week of March 21, 2022. Options include:

- One bunch of daffodils \$10
- One potted mini-daffodil plant \$15
- One bunch of assorted tulips \$15
- The Gift of Hope your \$25 donation provides flowers to local hospitals/cancer centers

To place an order, submit the form below with cash or a check made out to the American Cancer Society. Contact adamsm@ht-sd.org, rein@ht-sd.org, or arledge@ht-sd.org for information.

Orders and payment are due by February 16, 2022.

Name	Cell Number	Email

	Quantity	Price/Item	Total Due
Bunch of Daffodils		\$10	
Potted Mini-Daffodil Plant		\$15	
Bunch of Assorted Tulips		\$15	
Gift of Hope Hospital Delivery		\$25	
Total Enclosed			

Be a part of something bigger than yourself



Hampton High School and Community Blood Drive

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26
7 A.M. TO 7 P.M.
HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL
AUXILLARY GYMNASIUM
2929 MCCULLY ROAD
ALLISON PARK, PA 15101

To make an appointment:

Students:

See Ms. Haynes, School Nurse.

Community members:

Visit vitalant.org, then click on "Make an appointment" or "Donate" and search with group code HS010029 or call Melanie Haynes at 412.492.6384.

APPOINTMENTS RECOMMENDED





Hello Team Poff!

We have had such a wonderful start to the school year. We were able to host the back to school bash, a book fair & celebrate Halloween with some very fun classroom parties - all thanks to our amazing parent volunteers!

If you haven't already had the chance to register with Poff PTO please submit this Google Form. Registering your family allows us to keep you in the loop of all the fun and exciting things we plan each year. Your addition to our directory makes it easier for our event coordinators and homeroom parents to contact you about class parties, fundraisers, events & upcoming volunteer opportunities.

Thank you!

Poff PTO

*Please do not complete the form if you already registered at the beginning of the year

Please direct any questions to secretaries.poffpto@gmail.com

Please consider supporting HAEE with your holiday shopping this year

Amazon Smile will donate to HAEE with every purchase you make this season! Details on signing up below. Thanks for your support!





Same products, same prices, no cost to you

AmazonSmile has the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping as the Amazon you know.



Generate donations

AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of all eligible purchases to your favorite charity when you shop.

Search on "Hampton Alliance for Educational Excellence" to choose HAEE

HAEE is the Hampton Alliance for Educational Excellence, an all-volunteer, non-profit board that raises funds to support excellence and innovation by awarding grants to teachers, students and administrators plus giving scholarships to graduating seniors. HAEE has been supporting the Hampton Township School District for 30 years and has awarded nearly one million dollars in grants and scholarships.

PTO Membership Drive

The POFF PTO does many activities like the Back to School Bash including the Book Fair, Dances, Spelling

Bee, Ice Cream Social and much, much more! Other examples are things like additional class room supplies, recess items like outdoor sporting equipment or indoor games for our kids. Just a few

examples of the activities and items provided by the Poff PTO.

To continue our efforts we ask for suggested monetary contribution of \$20 per family but any

contributions will be helpful no matter if \$1 or \$100. If you already donated, thank you so much. If you

have not, please think about supporting our efforts to enhance our children's elementary school

experience.

You can send money one of two ways:

1. Pay with PayPal via: paypal.me/PoffPTO Note: Please send as "Friends and Family" (No PayPal

fee will be charged to the PTO if sent this way- Please DO NOT select "Goods and Services" as

that will apply a fee to the transaction).

2. Cash or check contributions can be made to "Poff PTO" & delivered to the school in a sealed

envelope labeled "PTO Contributions".

Please Note: By having a student at Poff, you are automatically enrolled in the PTO, you do not need to

donate to become a member or to be involved with our efforts. We welcome everyone that wants to

enhance our children's elementary school experience.

PTO General Meeting

Meeting Dates: 9/30/21, 11/18/21, 3/24/22, 5/19/22

Location:

Will be held on one of two ways (in person at Poff or via Google Meetings), please refer

to thee Facebook Poff PTO page or Poff papers for more details



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to dining services with Metz Culinary Management at Hampton Township School District for the 2021-22 school year. We look forward to providing the highest level of service to your child(ren) this year.

Hampton Township School District will be providing free meals to all students in all buildings during the breakfast and lunch periods.

We are actively preparing for how food service will operate on a day-to-day basis in the new school year, and are working with the District administrators each step of the way. Metz Culinary Management wants to assure you that our primary concern is the **safety** of all involved. We are committed to the highest level of sanitation, safety, and service. You can expect the following from our highly trained, professional team members:

- Our team members will practice social distancing during our shifts and service.
- We will require frequent handwashing.
- Our team members will work diligently on disinfecting tables and high touchpoints in the cafeteria and work areas.

In addition to the safety measures listed above, Metz Culinary Management will continue to use deposit envelopes for the students and staff to assist with the safe method of making payments. Students and parents will have access to these envelopes and of course you can still make electronic payments, which is encouraged. The deposit envelopes are to be filled out and handed to a cashier in the cafeteria in the morning or in the cafeteria line during lunch. The cashier will deposit those funds in the account later in the day and no change will be given, which will greatly assist with keeping physical contact to a minimum.

Our menu options will be prepared to the highest safety standards and will include a variety of fresh fruits and vegetables, whole grain breads, and an entrée, sandwich, or salad selection that your child will love while providing them with nutritious meal.

We are proud of our relationship with Hampton Township School District and are honored and proud to serve your child(ren). Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Mindy Baginski Food Service Director 412-492-6390





















High-quality health care coverage from CHIP helps keep kids strong

CHIP COVERS

- Routine check-ups
- Prescriptions
- Hospitalization
- Dental
- Eye Care
- Eyeglasses
- · Behavioral care
- Specialty care
- More

CHIP covers uninsured kids up to age 19 in Pennsylvania. It doesn't matter why your kids don't have health coverage right now; CHIP may be able to help. Most kids receive CHIP for free. Others can get the same benefits at a low cost.

CHIP is brought to you by leading health insurance companies who offer quality, comprehensive coverage.

There is no limit on income. If your income is below CHIP guidelines, your child may be enrolled in Medical Assistance.





¿Necesita cobertura médica para sus hijos?

CHIP CUBRE

- · Chequeos de rutina
- Recetas médicas
- Hospitalización
- Servicios dentales
- · Cuidado de la vista
- Anteojos
- Salud del comportamiento
- Atención especializada
- Mucho más

CHIP cubre a niños sin seguro hasta los 19 años en Pennsylvania. No importa cuál sea la razón de que sus hijos no tienen cobertura médica ahora; CHIP puede ayudarle. La mayoría de niños reciben CHIP gratis. Otros pueden obtener los mismos beneficios a un bajo costo. CHIP es traído a usted por las principales compañías de seguros médicos que ofrecen cobertura de calidad e integral.

Si sus ingresos son menos de las pautas indicadas por CHIP, su hijo podría ser inscrito en Asistencia Médica.

