

Huntsville High School

Supporting Students with IEP's



September 2016, 9

Huntsville, Ontario

Upcoming Dates – Semester 1

09/01 – Grade 9 Orientation Day 9:00

09/06 – *First day of school*

Other dates coming up – Be sure to check our website:

Photo Day, Spirit Week, Progress Reports, and Parent Teacher Interviews.

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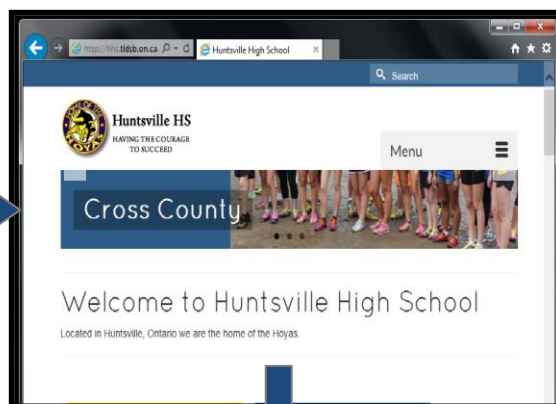
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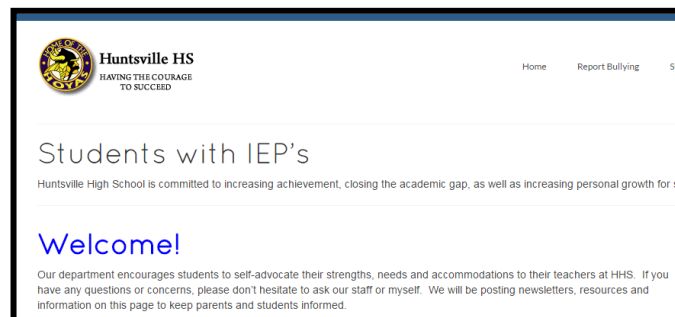
www.hhs.tldsb.on.ca

All information related to school academics and activities are posted on the website for easy access all year round. Daily, weekly and semester wide information helps students and families navigate HHS. Staff names, extensions and emails can also be found on the website.



Students With IEP's:

There is also a section devoted to students with IEP's. This part of the site contains copies of newsletters, workshops for parents and students, staff information as well as transition information for students preparing for post-secondary.



IMPORTANT REMINDER

Please make a guidance appointment with your son/daughter if there are concerns about timetables, graduation, post-secondary. Emailing and phoning ahead helps to streamline concerns.

Guidance – 705-789-5594 Ext. #224



Individual Education Plans (IEP's):

Currently, teachers have access to last year's TLDSB IEP's for students. These are documents that will be revised with teachers, students and family input every year.

Jill Klodnicki, Head of Specialized Services as well as individual teachers, will meet and discuss your son/daughters IEP with them during the first few weeks of the semester. On Parent Teacher Interview night, the IEP's for 2016-2017, will be available for you to review and make changes.

We value your input and communication, so please let us know if you or your son/daughter has concerns or questions. IEP's are working documents and need to be updated and clarified each year. New teachers may not know your son or daughter's strategies. Clear language and communication earlier in the school year, within the IEP document, is very helpful.

The Specialized Services Department at HHS can help students by:

- ✓ Receiving information that your son/daughter needs support with their IEP via email or phone call
- ✓ Staff meeting with them early in the semester to discuss their IEP and accommodations
- ✓ Reviewing strategies and adding new strategies to their tool box to support learning
- ✓ Include your family in team meetings to discuss areas of need
- ✓ Looking at various non-traditional programs that can support students in their learning – e.g. virtual learning, co-operative placements, SHSM, etc.
- ✓ Utilizing the Homework Club to support learning. Every day from 3:10 – 4:00.
- ✓ Meeting every Spring at an IPRC to discuss your child's courses and programming if they are identified.



Technology:

Technology is becoming increasingly important at HHS. Please chat with your son/daughter about using equipment that would benefit them in their classes. Many students use board issued laptops as well as their own laptops, Ipads, notebooks, netbooks, e-readers and cell phones. These pieces of technology allow for students to become increasingly independent as well as becoming more aware of their personal learning style. Technology will benefit them in future courses, province wide test and post-secondary courses. Please contact Jill Klodnicki if your son/daughter needs a refresher in using their technology.

Board issued technology arrives in early August/September and will be ready to access!

All TLDSB Schools are using Google Drive Technology.



This technology allows:

- ✓ Students to work online (at home, the local library, community spaces, etc.)
- ✓ Tasks/Work to be saved automatically
- ✓ Work to be shared with teachers, by typing the teachers name, to be graded or to receive feedback
- ✓ Features that can sync the calendar to their Smart Phone for organization
- ✓ Various programs that mimic Microsoft office: PowerPoint, Excel, Word, etc. for free

Education Quality and
Accountability Office



Province Wide Testing:

EQAO testing is done in grade 9 and 10.

Grade 9:

In grade 9 your son/daughter will write the grade 9 math EQAO provincial test if they are taking the applied or academic grade 9 math course. The material on the test will be covered during the course.

They will write the test over two days, a week or two before final exams of the semester.

Accommodations for the test are available and students are encouraged to talk with their teacher or Jill Klodnicki about accommodations that will ensure success.

Grade 10:

The literacy test will be written province wide for students in grade 10 during the Spring. Students will be exposed to literacy curriculum in their essential, applied and academic classes.

Students must attempt the test to pursue their OSSD. If they do not pass they have the option of re-writing the test during the next school year or taking the literacy course.

Accommodations for the test are available and encouraged to ensure success. Various workshops are available to every grade 10 student to prepare them for the testing curriculum and environment.

Homework Club- Room 324

Homework help is available every day after school.

From 3:10 – 4:00 every day there are school Educational Assistants ready to support students with their course work. Drop-ins or referrals are welcome!



Looking forward to working with your family this year! Please don't hesitate to call, email or come into the school in person to discuss concerns or questions.