Highland High School Back to School FAQ

Where is the supply list for the High School? I keep checking the website and I can't find anything!! What do they need to bring on the first day of school??

There is no specific supply list for students at the high school. Each teacher will have their supply list that they will share with their students during the first week of school. All that we ask students to bring with them on the first day of school is a few notebooks, a few folders, and pens and pencils.

My new student does not have an iPad yet. When will this be available to them??

Once a student enrolls and registers in the guidance office with our registrar, their information will be shared with our technology department, which will then begin the process of getting them their own iPad. Once the iPad is ready for the student, the Technology Department will locate the student and make sure they get the iPad to them. This will take place within the first few days we are in school.

I heard that all students at the high school do not get assigned lockers. Is that true?

That is true. Lockers are not used by most of our students during the school day. We allow students to have backpacks during the school day to carry their materials. If you would like your student to have a locker, please fill out the form here, and we will assign them a locker for them to use during the school day. Locker Form

When does the school open on the first day of school, and where does my student go? Students can enter Highland High School through two entrances. Those entrances open at 7 am on all days we are in school. The main entrance of Highland High School (Door B), located on the far west end of campus, will be open, as well as Door P on the far east side near the pool and middle school.

What are the school hours?

The first class period of the day begins at 7:30 am each day, and students are expected to be in the classroom by 7:30 am. The School day ends at 2:40 pm.

What bus will my student ride, when are they going to be picked up and where, and how will I get that information?

Bus routes for all School Town of Highland students will be posted on the district website on Monday, August 4th, 2025. If you have any further questions about bus pickup, please call our transportation department at (219) 924-4730.

My Student is in the Hammond Area Career Center, this is new!! Where do I get information about this???

ACC students will report to the building on Wednesday, August 13th, promptly at 10:00 am, and report to the LGI of the high school. At this meeting, we will be going over transportation requirements, policies, and procedures for all ACC students. These students are not required to

report to the building before the meeting. The ACC students will have their first day at the ACC on Thursday, August 14th.

Where does my student go on the 1st day of school?

All students will report to their 1st period class on Wednesday, August 13th, 2025. A list with the locations of all students' 1st period classes will be posted in the student commons on the wall by the LGI and library. Student schedules will be available to students and parents on RDS after 5 pm on Tuesday, August 12th.

My student has an incomplete schedule during the 1st day of school. What should they do?

We ask that students report to the classes that are on their current schedule. If there is a class period where a class is not assigned and they have a "hole" in their schedule, please report to the guidance office at the beginning of that specific class period that does not have a class in it. The guidance office will not change any schedules during the first week of school. We ask that all students and parents email the appropriate guidance counselor with questions about their schedules, and they will follow up with you.

How will my student and I get information about upcoming events and information throughout the school year?

Please make sure that your student joins the HHS Main Office Google Classroom for the grade that they will be in for the 2025-2026 school year. This code will be shared with them during the first week of school.

Also, please check your RDS parent access account to make sure all of the phone numbers and email addresses listed are up to date. Highland High School sends out "Thursday Thoughts" each Thursday evening during the school year with all pertinent information. Also, an email copy of the "Thursday Thoughts" will be sent to the parent email address listed in RDS.

What is Highland High School's daily schedule?

Highland High School operates on a modified block schedule. The schedule will include Traditional Days (Green) and Block days (Gold and Blue days). On a Traditional day, students will have every class period (1st-8th). On Gold Days, students will have periods 1,3,5, and 7, and on Blue Days, students will have periods 2,4,6, and 8. The first day of school is a Traditional day; all students will report to their 1st period class.

Here is a copy of our bell schedule. HHS Daily Bell Schedule 2025-2026 (Modified Block) which can also be found on our website.

Is there a calendar denoting the schedule for what day is each day of the school year? Yes, there is! Please make sure to keep this calendar accessible during the school year because it will be your best resource for keeping track of what days classes will meet. Taking a picture of the calendar will be very helpful.

Here is a copy of the Highland High School calendar HHS 2025-26 calendar.pdf which can also be found on our website.

My student is going to leave early during the school day. What do I need to do?

Please send a note in the morning stating what time they will be leaving during the day. All students leaving early must go through the main office. The main office will send an e-Hall pass requesting the student to report to the office when it is time for them to leave for their appointment. We also ask that if they see a Dr. that they return with a doctor's note.

Is there an attendance requirement for students who participate in extracurricular activities or dances?

Yes, students must attain 90% or better full-day attendance to be eligible to participate in extracurricular activities or attend school dances. See the following document about this requirement.

Attendance Requirement for students participating in extras and dances

What is the new policy for Highland High School students regarding Personal Electronic Devices (Cell Phones)?

Highland High School students are required to have their phones put away at all times during the school day. Please see the following document about this policy.

■ No Cell Phone /Electronic Policy