



## Huntington High School

*"A Tradition of Excellence Since 1657"*

Mr. Brenden Cusack  
Principal

August 3, 2016

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been a very busy and exciting time here at Huntington High School as we prepare for the arrival of our students in September for the 2016-17 school year. The building has been humming with activities and sports along with facilities upgrades and maintenance. Next year promises to be *outstanding* as we open up with new course offerings, activities and innovations. I am eager to welcome your children to a new school year and am so looking forward to serving them in my second year as Huntington High School's Principal.

We are committed to providing our students with the best education possible. To this end, we are continuously changing and growing as educators who are also life-long learners. I am confident that during the upcoming school year and beyond, we will exceed your expectations in providing a safe, nurturing and academically rigorous learning environment.

Attached, please find a listing of important upcoming dates, information regarding the Community Service Requirement, which applies to all grades, a number of procedural reminders and information on how students can sign up for my "Text of the Day," which will provide students with a brief morning message that I will send out each day. Also, please be aware that progress reports and report cards are no longer mailed home. These will be posted on the Parent Portal, so please be sure to sign up on the district website at [www.hufsd.edu](http://www.hufsd.edu). Please see the attached list of frequently asked questions and answers regarding the Parent Portal.

Classes will commence on Wednesday, **September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2016**. Upon arrival, all students will report to the auditorium for a brief kick-off assembly.

Enjoy the rest of the summer and be sure to keep your kids *reading* over the next few weeks! I look forward to welcoming everyone back to school soon.

Yours Truly,

Brenden P. Cusack  
Principal

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## Important Dates for 2016 – 2017

<b>Freshman Orientation for <u>Parents and Students</u></b>	Wednesday	August 31 <sup>st</sup>	9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.-- Freshman Picnic
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### HHS Homecoming Weekend

September 29<sup>th</sup> through October 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursday	September 29 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	- Homecoming Dance
Friday	September 30 <sup>th</sup>	6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.	- Float Building
Saturday	October 1 <sup>st</sup>	11:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Homecoming Parade Football Game

<b>Meet the Teacher Night</b>	Tuesday	September 27 <sup>th</sup>	7:00 p.m.
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<b>Parent Open House</b>	Thursday	November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11:00 a.m.
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## Community Service Requirement 2016 – 2017

### For Students in Grades 9, 10, 11, and 12

During the 2016 – 2017 school year, all students in grades 9, 10, 11, and 12 will be required to complete a minimum of 10 hours of community service. Community service activities include clubs, honor societies, organizations or sports teams as listed on the "Community Service e-board." Students, with their parents' consent, can use other service for credit. Such service may include volunteering at local organizations such as senior centers, hospitals, soup kitchens, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc.

Each quarter, students will need to meet with their guidance counselor and hand in their completed "Community Service Record Form", for a minimum of 2 ½ hours and/or discuss available services they may consider to fulfill the required ten hours. Students will have up until the end of the fourth marking period to complete the ten hours. Completed service will be reflected in a passing grade for each quarter and will be identified on the student's transcripts as "P" or "F".



**Students in  
grades 9-12  
STAY  
CONNECTED!**

**Information**

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**Inspiration**

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**Imagination**

# **HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL TEXT OF THE DAY**

**7 AM message EACH DAY beginning 9/7/16**

Find out what's going on for the day with a daily message from the principal. Information about upcoming events, interesting quotes, videos and more will be shared. Sign up and be a part of it!

**PHONE:** TEXT @hhs16-17 to 81010

**INTERNET:** <https://www.remind.com/join/hhs16-17>

See Mr. Cusack for details



**SCAN TO SIGN UP**



## HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

**STUDENT HANDBOOK:** The 2016-2017 STUDENT HANDBOOK is a spiral bound, daily agenda/calendar containing important student/parent information ranging from a listing of student activities to procedures for securing working papers. We ask that you encourage your sons and daughters to use this STUDENT HANDBOOK as an organization and time-management tool. Where conflicts are noted between the Student Handbook calendar of events and the official district calendar, the district calendar dates should be followed. When you read the 2016-2017 STUDENT HANDBOOK with your child, please pay particular attention to the condensed form of the code of conduct.

**STUDENT ID CARDS:** ID card pictures were taken at the end of the last school year for all returning students and will be distributed during the first two days of school. **Every student is required to carry his/her ID card at all times.** This card will serve to identify **student lunch periods** and will be used to purchase lunch as well as borrow library books. A fee of \$3.00 will be charged to replace a lost ID card. Students who do not have a new Huntington High School ID can obtain one during their lunch period.

**PUNCTUALITY:** Getting to school and classes on time is a pre-requisite for doing well in school. As in the past, tardiness, cuts and absences will be verified and communicated by computerized phone calls to your home twice a day. You may also obtain information on all absences and latenesses by checking the Parent Portal on a regular basis. **Please remember that student participation in class is a significant part of every grade and that tardiness, cuts, and unexcused absences will influence students' final grades.**

**PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS WHO MUST LEAVE SCHOOL DURING THE DAY:** Students must come to school with a note stating the reason and the time that you will need to pick them up from school. This note must be brought to the Attendance Office (room 117) first thing in the morning. They will be given a pass to leave their class at the time they will be picked up. This will not only allow your child to leave their classroom at a specific time and be waiting to be picked up, but will also **avoid having to call into the classroom and interfere with the lesson.** When picking up you must come in through the main doors of the building and sign your student out of school from either the front desk or the nurse's office. Please remember to make doctor appointments for after school and on non-school days whenever possible.

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**DRESS CODE:** All students are expected to give proper attention to personal cleanliness and to dress appropriately for school and school functions. Boys cannot wear shorts or pants with low waists that expose undergarments. The hem of girls' shorts or dresses should be no shorter than 3 inches above their knees. Halter tops, spaghetti straps, tube tops, plunging necklines or see through clothing cannot be worn in school at any time. Clothing that is vulgar, obscene, and libelous or denigrates others cannot be worn nor can any combination of clothing and/or items that law enforcement agencies consider gang related.

**LUNCH PRIVILEGE FOR SENIORS:** Please remember that in order to leave the building for lunch; students must surrender their ID card to security before leaving the school. Cards will be returned upon re-entry. Please note that all seniors who wish to opt for Lunch Privilege must complete the appropriate form. **Before the student may exercise his/her "senior privilege," parents are required to sign this form and return it to Ms. Denis in room 154.** Senior Privileges may be suspended or revoked due to any violations of the "Code of Conduct".

**PARKING PERMITS: IF YOU ARE A 12th GRADER WITH A SENIOR CLASS D LICENSE AND YOU INTEND TO DRIVE TO SCHOOL, YOU MUST REGISTER YOUR VEHICLE WITH THE SECURITY OFFICE.** Since there are only limited spots available for student parking, permits will be issued on a first-come-first-serve basis. **The first time vehicles may be registered is Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.** At that time, you must bring the vehicle which you wish to register as well as the registration and your Class D senior license. Please park in front of the school so that the security officers can place the parking permit sticker on the front and rear bumper of your car. **Seniors may register only one vehicle to their name and will receive an assigned parking spot (numbered).** Students parking in someone else's spot will lose their privileges for one month. Students who park in spots without a permit will have privileges revoked for the remainder of the year. Underclassmen who park without a permit will not be permitted to acquire their senior privilege the following year. In addition, **ANY** student parked illegally will be subject to a parking violation by the Suffolk County Police. Students may park in the student-designated area **ONLY**. Students may not park in the visitors' area or teacher's parking areas. While driving on school grounds, all school traffic safety regulations must be adhered to and will be strictly enforced.

**ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL:** Students must be in Period 1 at 7:25 AM. Please arrive early to avoid student lateness. **For arrival:** Do not use the Holdsworth Drive entrance, as this is a one-way exit during arrival time. When dropping off students, please refrain from double parking, switching drivers at curbside and U-turns. Please observe any direction from security, and be sure to move as far down the main roadway as possible. Prior to 7:45 AM, all vehicles must utilize the Holdsworth Drive exit. Arrivals after 7:45 may drop off directly in front of the Main Office, and must use the McKay Road exit. Students who arrive late to school, after 7:30, must sign in at the front desk. **For dismissal:** Enter from McKay Road only, stay to the right of the cones, proceed to the far end of the parking lot near the handball courts and remain in your vehicle. At this time, all vehicles must exit via McKay Road. Please remember that New York State law prohibits passing a school bus that is displaying a stop sign or flashing lights. The Huntington School District is extremely concerned about safety, and we thank you for observing our traffic patterns and procedures.

# eSchoolData Parent Portal F.A.Q.

## 1. What is the eSchoolData Parent Portal?

- 1 The eSchoolData Parent Portal is a highly secure, internet-based application through which parents and guardians are able to view district permitted details of their student's academic record. Through the Parent Portal, parents and guardians have instant access to important information such as assignment grades, student schedules, attendance information, progress reports, report cards, transcripts, assessment scores, course requests, immunization details, discipline incident information, bus assignments, or fees.

## 2. How do I register for a Parent Portal Account?

- 1 Go to [www.hufsd.edu](http://www.hufsd.edu), access the portal on the dropdown menu to the right, select "parent portal" then click on "online registration" on the logon screen. Be sure to enter the student's name, grade level, school and **complete 9 digit ID number**. The 9 digit school ID is unique and is assigned to each child when registering into the district. Parents can either contact the guidance department or refer to previous schedules, progress reports or report cards sent home to locate the ID number. *The school ID number is not related to a social security number.*

## 3. What if I forget my password?

- 1 If you forget or misplace your password, go to your Parent Portal Log In Page. Click on the link "Forgot your password? Click here to retrieve it." You will see a new page, enter either your UserID or email address. Hit the "Request Password" link. You will receive an email with a link to the "Change Password" page.

## 4. What if I do not receive a response email about my password inquiry?

- 1 First, check your spam folder. Your email rules and/or SPAM filter may be set to block delivery of emails sent from the Parent Portal. Then, be sure to add the Parent Portal email address to your address book, add the address to your list of approved senders. This will ensure that future emails from the Parent Portal will be properly received.

## 5. What computer hardware and software do I need to use the Parent Portal?

- 1 To effectively access your Parent Portal account, you need a Macintosh (OS X 10.5) or Windows PC (Windows XP Professional) with an internet connection. For the best browsing experience, we recommend Safari 5.0, Google Chrome 27, or Internet Explorer 8.0, or later. We also recommend having Adobe Acrobat Reader™. This PDF reader is available for free download at [www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html](http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html).

## 6. How can I change the email address associated to my Parent Portal account?

- 1 The email address associated with your account can be changed by clicking on the "My Account" icon on your personal home page. Then, click "Update Account Info" from the tabs on the left and enter your new email address. Click "Save."

## 7. Who is eligible to register for a Parent Portal account?

- 1 Only parents and guardians of currently enrolled students who are also flagged to receive correspondence are eligible to register for an eSchoolData Parent Portal account.

## 8. Where can I access the eSchoolData Parent Portal from?

- 1 You can access the eSchoolData Parent Portal from anywhere you have access to a computer and internet access.

## 9. When are progress reports and report cards posted on the Parent Portal? How often is the data updated?

- 1 Dates of each posting are provided on the school district calendar.

## 10. What if I think there is incorrect information displayed on the Parent Portal?

- 1 Contact the guidance department and speak to your child's counselor.

## 11. Who can I talk to regarding attendance related issues?

- 1 Call the High School Attendance Office at 673-2100.



## Preguntas comunes acerca del portal de eSchoolData (Parent Portal) para los padres

### ¿Qué es el portal para los padres de eSchoolData?

El portal para los padres de eSchoolData es una aplicación muy segura, basado en el internet en que los padres y tutores pueden ver los detalles del registro académico de su hijo(a) que el distrito escolar permite. En el portal, los padres y tutores tiene acceso inmediato a información importante tales como las notas de sus tareas, el horario, asistencia, informes de progreso, informes de calificaciones, expediente académico, los resultados de los exámenes, pedidos de cursos, vacunas, información disciplinaria, asignaciones de autobús o cargos.

### ¿Cómo puedo establecer una cuenta de eSchool?

Visite [www.hufsd.edu](http://www.hufsd.edu), oprima el menú desplegable "Quick Click Bar" y seleccione "Parent Portal." Haga clic en "online registration" en la primera página. Rellene con el nombre del estudiante, grado, escuela y **el número de identificación de 9 dígitos**. La identificación de 9 dígitos es única y cada estudiante la recibe cuando se matricula en el distrito escolar. Los padres pueden comunicarse con el departamento de asesoramiento o buscar el número en los horarios, informes de progreso o informes de calificaciones que ya fueron enviados a la casa. *Este número no tiene nada que ver con el número de seguridad social.*

### ¿Qué hago si no recuerdo mi contraseña?

Si se le olvida la contraseña, visite la página del portal para los padres. Haga clic en el enlace "Forget your password? Click here to retrieve it." Irá a una página nueva, donde escribirá su nombre de usuario o su email. Oprima "Request password." Recibirá un email con un enlace que le llevará a la página para cambiar la contraseña "Change Password."

### ¿Qué hago si no recibo un email después de pedir ayuda cuando no recuerdo la contraseña?

Primero, véase su carpeta de spam. Es posible que las reglas de email y/o el filtro de spam bloquean el envío de emails de Parent Portal. Después, asegúrese que agregue el email de Parent Portal a sus contactos e indicar que el email es aprobado. Esto asegurar que emails futuros no serán bloqueados.

### ¿Qué hardware y software para la computadora necesito para usar el portal para padres?

Necesitará Macintosh (OS X 10.5) o Windows PC (Windows XP Professional) con una conexión de internet. Para explorar el internet mejor, recomendamos Safari 5.0, Google Chrome 27 o Internet Explorer 8.0 o recién. También recomendamos Adobe Acrobat Reader™. Está disponible en [www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html](http://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html)

### ¿Cómo puedo cambiar mi email conectado con la cuenta del portal?

El email conectado con la cuenta del portal se puede cambiar en la parte "My Account" en la página "Personal home page." Después, haga clic en "Update Account Info" en el lado izquierdo y escriba su email nuevo. Haga clic en "Save."

### ¿Quién puede tener una cuenta con el portal para los padres?

Solamente los padres y tutores que tienen estudiantes matriculados actualizados que han marcado en su preferencia que quiere recibir correspondencia pueden tener una cuenta de eSchoolData Parent Portal.

### ¿De dónde puedo acceder mi cuenta del portal?

Puede acceder la cuenta de cualquier computadora que tiene una conexión al internet.

### ¿Cuándo se comparten los informes de progreso y calificaciones en el portal para los padres? ¿Con que frecuencia está actualizada la información?

Las fechas de actualización se pueden encontrar en el calendario del distrito escolar.

### ¿Qué hago si la información en el portal es incorrecta?

Comuníquese con el departamento de asesoramiento y hable con el consejero de su hijo(a).

### ¿Con quién puedo hablar si tengo preguntas acerca de la asistencia de mi hijo(a)?

Llame a la oficina de asistencia de la escuela secundaria al número 631-673-2100.





## Membership Drive 2016-17

Please consider becoming a member of our Huntington High School PTSA. (Parent-Teacher-Student Association).

Your support is what makes our Huntington High School PTSA a success. Our goal is to ensure a positive high school experience for all of our students by bringing in programs that correspond with curriculum, social and emotional issues or help fund a project within the building.

Being a member ensures you will receive monthly emails that let you know what is happening in the school, from events to date changes, guest speakers, as well as information we get from administration. Bonus - You'll also save money with Member Benefits Providers such as Hertz, LifeLock, Staples, Sylvan and more!

Please consider joining us! Single membership is just \$10.00; membership for students is \$7.00. You can send cash or a check made payable to HHS PTSA.

Drop membership dues with member information in the PTSA Mailbox in the Main Office or mail to HHS PTSA, Oakwood & McKay Roads, Huntington, NY 11743.

Laurene Napurano (laurenen@optonline.net)  
Membership Chairperson

# Thank you for supporting your PTSA!

- Single Membership** \$10.00
- TWO MEMBERSHIPS** \$18.00
- Student Membership** \$7.00 each
- FACULTY/STAFF MEMBERSHIP** \$10.00
- # of Students:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Email(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Suggestions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone (optional):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Emails will only be used for PTSA purposes*

# JOIN THE HHS PTSA

## \$10.00

FIND US ON FACEBOOK 

Receive important monthly emails

Find us on [www.hufsd.edu](http://www.hufsd.edu)  
Click on our schools, hhs, pta



### HHS PTSA 2016-17 Board

Nancy DiGiacomo, Deb Chin, Deb McGinniss, Sandy Saginaw, Peggy Low,  
Donna Kye, Terri Ehrman, Toniann Mangan, Laurene Napurano

## HHS PTSA FUND MANY PROGRAMS:

- It Can Wait / Don't Text and Drive
- Motivational Speakers
- Adirondack chairs for HHS courtyard
- Scholarships for Seniors