

HUNTINGTON HIGH SCHOOL

IMPORTANT REMINDERS

STUDENT HANDBOOK: The 2015-2016 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 2015-2016 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 26th 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 studentdesignated 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. <u>For arrival</u>: 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. <u>For dismissal</u>: 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.