



## **HAMPTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT 2 GATOR HAPPENINGS NEWSLETTER**

September 7, 2020

The mission of Hampton County School District 2 is to provide a rigorous, personalized environment of academic excellence that prepares Each child, Each Day and in Every classroom to be college/career and citizen ready with no excuses.

### **Mr. Martin L. Wright, Superintendent**

#### **District-wide Closing on Fridays**



As part of our sanitation and disinfection plan for the district, Fridays are designated days for thoroughly cleaning of schools and district office. Closing the district on Fridays will give us the opportunity to implement our plan to protect the health, safety, and wellbeing of students, teachers, school staff, families, and communities as we prepare for educating students this Fall. Families needing to communicate with the schools, please email your child's teacher or call the school at the numbers listed below.

#### **School Contact Phone Numbers**



**Estill Elementary School (803) 625-5030**

**Estill Middle School (803) 625-5200**

**Estill High School (803) 625-5100**

In light of COVID-19 and with consideration for the health and safety of staff and students, please call and schedule an appointment prior to visiting the campus.

### **Need school technology assistance?**

Please call our Technology Department to schedule an appointment.

Ms. A'Kosha Hinkson  
Director of Technology  
(803) 625-5025

Mrs. Lashonda Mitchell  
Coordinator of Technology  
(803) 625-5023



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### Back 2 School **Grab-n-Go** Lunch Distribution

Starting Tuesday, September 8, 2020, the district will be providing breakfast and lunch for students utilizing the bus drop off method. Meals will be delivered according to students' bus route. But wait one minutes, what about car-riders? Students whom have the designation as car-riders will have lunch delivered to their home according to the physical address the district has on file in PowerSchool. Students' physical address will be used to assign bus route grab-n-go. For questions about the new school year's **Grab-n-Go** distribution process, please contact Ms. Debra Burison, Food Services Coordinator at 803.625.5029 or Mr. Marcus Livingston, Transportation Coordinator at 803.625.5022. Breakfast and lunch will be provided to hybrid designated students while attending in-person learning and while learning from home. Virtual learners will take advantage of the Grab-n-Go distribution daily.

## TEACHER OFFICE HOURS

Teachers will have office hours on Fridays during the morning hours from 8:00 am to 11:00 am. Please email your child's teacher, if you have any questions concerning their work or their grades. If you need to setup an appointment with the teacher, please make sure that you email the teacher at least two to three days in advance, so they will have adequate time to respond and schedule an appointment. Appointments can be made via Parent Square or you may email the teacher directly.



School uniforms are required for hybrid and virtual students.

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### **Expectations for Student Learning**

Students are the most essential key to ensure that learning takes place each day through both virtual and in-person instruction. The list below represents expectations for learning. This list is expected to be followed by all students in Hampton County School District 2. The expectations are as follows:

- Ensure that you know your username and password for all online learning and assessment platform, Microsoft Office 365, and login for device access.
- Check daily posting from your teacher(s). Expectations for the day should be posted by 8:00 a.m. the day class is meeting so that students and/or families don't need to continue to check back throughout the day for additional posts.
- Students need to complete learning activities for each class by the date identified by the teacher.
- Respond to any teacher email or question on assignments within 24 hours, Monday-Friday
- Establish a good workspace at home (Separate space, clean and organized, have all the tools/items you need, distractions set aside, etc.)
- Be sure to follow the set norms and participation expectations established by your teachers. The teacher will utilize the Effort Rubric to assess your participation. Participation will count toward 20% of the student's grade.
- Expectations for student interaction virtually with students and staff is the same expectation as if in the classroom
- Proper behavior and interaction with each other online is necessary. We expect the BEST from students at all times.
- Your teacher may be including videos, notes, & PowerPoint slide of materials to help you learn the content such as:
  - Written assignments, online quizzes, reading, or other work to be completed mostly independently may be included.
  - This may include live check-in via video or text chat during scheduled available time per class.
  - Videos or screencasts may be posted of presentations, explanations, etc.
  - Students may be asked to record themselves -- for language, talking through math problems, reading for fluency and comprehension, doing physical activity, music lessons, art projects, etc.
  - You will also be using additional features linked on the main course navigation that are useful in an online learning environment such as chat, collaborations and additional use of the Calendar for scheduling time during your teacher's office hours. Please reach out to your teachers, counselors, principals/assistant principals should you need extra support with your academics, workload or need to connect with an adult.