



Hoover Happenings

Message to Families

Dear Hoover Students and Families,

Thank you for your continued support and effort as we focus on the fourth quarter and provide our students with an opportunity to finish the year successfully. While we all understand that safety is the top priority, I know everyone was disappointed to hear that school will be closed for the rest of the year. Please continue to communicate with your teachers and administration; we are here for you, even if it has to be from a distance!

Last Wednesday was Administrative Professionals' Day, so I want to take a moment to recognize our incredible front office staff, clerks, and assistants! Administration surprised these special ladies with a visit and a small token of our appreciation. They are all working tirelessly in this remote environment to support our teachers, parents, and students, and we are so grateful for this amazing group.

Thank you to Corporal Smith and Mr. Linde who are conducting home visits to check on students and families and support them in any way they can. We are so appreciative of their willingness to make this effort to ensure every family remains connected to Hoover and receives assistance, if needed.

We hope you all had the opportunity to view [this video](#) last week. We miss you all so much, and look forward to when we can see you again.

Stay safe,

Cathy McNutt, Principal, Hoover Middle School

Latest Updates

Our administrative staff will be serving at food distribution sites on the following dates. We hope to see our families at our locations!

- 4/27: Mrs. McNutt, Harbor City; 4/28: Mr. Linde, Harbor City; 4/30: Dr. Ferreira, Sabal

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 4-8. Please remind your teachers of how essential they are to you!

Fourth quarter interim grade reports will be posted to Focus on April 29. Please continue to check your student's grades regularly in Focus to ensure they are making adequate progress in all of their classes.

Need to contact us? Email HooverMiddle@brevardschools.org, or reach out to a specific individual through his or her email. Please check Focus for teachers' specific contact information.

In case you missed it above, click on [this link](#) to view a slideshow from Hoover faculty and staff.



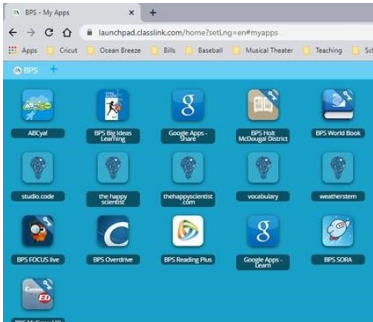
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Tech Talk: Focus, Google, and More

Confused about Google Apps share? Please follow these instructions.

- Make sure to use the brevardschools.org website to access Launchpad.
- When on the Launchpad, make sure to use the **Google Apps-Share** icon (there is also a *Google Apps-Learn* icon on the Launchpad; this is for elementary students and will generate the "account disabled" error if a middle or high school student tries to use it).
- Make sure to access Google Classroom by using the "waffle" symbol on the upper right side of the **Google-Apps Share Drive**.



Access everything you need through Launchpad. It is the "go-to" platform for accessing Focus, Google Classroom, the school website, and resources. This is the first "place" students should go every day.

Students must log in to Focus **EVERY DAY** for their attendance. Click the "I Am Present" button. On the Focus calendar, parents and students can view due dates for all classes. Please check each class, including electives, daily.

The [Secondary Instructional Continuity Plan](#) is an excellent resource for curriculum and technology support. A link to the plan is on every students' Launchpad.

Your child's email address is **studentnumber@share.brevardschools.org**. (Example: 1234567@share.brevardschools.org). To access it, simply click the Office 365 app within Launchpad. **Students should always use this email address when contacting their teachers.** Using a personal email address or trying to email through FOCUS does not work as well.

Is your child still having trouble accessing email? Students do have two email accounts: Office 365 Outlook and Gmail. This [video](#) will help you learn how to access both.

Does your child need to upload videos or photos from their phone to Google drive? See [how](#).

If you child is using Zoom or Google Hangout to communicate with teachers, please ensure your child is not activating his or her video. Students are not permitted to use video with these platforms.

If you still need a laptop or internet access, please email HooverMiddle@brevardschools.org.

Students can access the Speak Out app in Launchpad. If your child needs to report a concern, please direct him or her to this app.

While email is the best form of communication, sometimes a phone call is necessary. Reach out to teachers—hearing someone's voice can make all the difference for everyone.

Food Distribution Sites 10:30am-1:30 pm
Atlantis Elementary
Audubon Elementary
Cambridge Elementary
Cape View Elementary
Central Middle
Coquina Elementary
Creel Elementary
Discovery Elementary
Endeavour Elementary
Fairglen Elementary
Golfview Elementary
Harbor City Elementary
Jupiter Elementary
McAuliffe Elementary
Mila Elementary
Mims Elementary
Oak Park Elementary
Palm Bay Elementary
Pinewood Elementary
Port Malabar Elementary
Riviera Elementary
Sabal Elementary
Saturn Elementary
Sherwood Elementary
Sunrise Elementary
Turner Elementary
University Park Elementary

Media Center and Other News

Hoover's Media Center now has a Google Classroom of virtual resources! This is the place to find everything you will need to keep you reading and learning (eBooks, audiobooks, and more) as we work from a distance. Please join the Google Classroom to view resources and materials to help you. Updates take place daily. Mrs. Wood even has a joke for the week. **Media Center Google Classroom Code: jczxves**

Sunshine State Young Readers Award (6-8) 2020-2021 Book List: The new SSYRA 6-8 title list for 2020-2021 was just announced. Click here to view the reveal video: <https://youtu.be/EX33rWYHtEo> Click here to view the annotated list of titles: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=11TCCuj0hl8KGGirheG8-S9kfzMlaz3kC> Click here to see the book covers: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1W0ltvQ2jMHFw7TDo0d2KU6TxuakdTjVP> Media Specialists are working to have electronic copies of all of these titles added to students' BPS Sora (OverDrive) accounts so they may start reading these titles very soon! Please contact Mrs. Woodbrey if you have questions or need assistance: Woodbrey.ana@brevardschools.org

Please [click here](#) for all of the latest news from Brevard Public Schools.

Currently, registration for school year 2020-2021 is on hold. Once we have a new process in place, we will communicate the details through Blackboard message, Hoover Happenings, and our website. Melbourne High School registration is also on hold. Please do not scan or email packets to the school. They will communicate their updated process once it is in place.

Anyone interested in trying out for Satellite High Cheer should email Toni Gaskins-Stillion at Satellitevarsitycheer@gmail.com with your contact information.

Creating a schedule for your child will help him or her to be successful. Students are used to a schedule at school, so dedicate set times for schoolwork, meals, exercise, and family activities. Every day, school should have an end time.

This year, students will not have final exams in any class. Year-long grades will be calculated by averaging semesters one and two.

Sadly, Gradventure, our eighth grade trip, was cancelled. We have submitted reimbursement paperwork to the district office, and they are working as quickly as possible to process refunds. The district is handling all Gradventure and Gradbash (high school seniors) trips, so we appreciate your patience as we work to refund your payment.

Please check out the Guidance tab on our school webpage for resources to support your student's social-emotional health. Currently, our mental health curriculum is on hold, per the Florida Department of Education's direction.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes is going virtual! Please join the google classroom with the following code: r7a7udb.

School will remain closed for the rest of the academic year. Any new information on events and school access will be distributed through BPS and Hoover communications.