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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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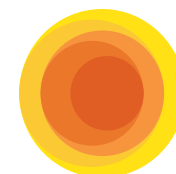
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2019-2020 SCHOOL CALENDAR

- First Day of School**
August 12, 2019

Labor Day •
September 2, 2019

End of 1st Grading Period
October 11, 2019

Veterans Day •
November 11, 2019

Fall Break •
November 25, 2019 – November 29, 2019

Students Return to School
December 2, 2019

End of 2nd Grading Period
December 20, 2019

Winter Break •
December 23, 2019 – January 3, 2020

Non-Student Day •
January 6, 2020

Students Return to School
January 7, 2020

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday •
January 20, 2020

Florida State Fair Day •
February 7, 2020

Presidents Day •
February 17, 2020

Strawberry Festival Day •
March 2, 2020
- End of 3rd Grading Period**
March 13, 2020

Spring Break •
March 16, 2020 – March 20, 2020

Students Return to School
March 23, 2020

Non-Student Day •
April 10, 2020

Non-Student Day •
April 20, 2020

Memorial Day •
May 25, 2020

End of 4th Grading Period
May 29, 2020

Last Day of School
May 29, 2020*

Early Release Dates:**
August 12, 19, 26
September 9, 16, 23, 30
October 7
January 13, 27
February 3, 10, 24
March 9, 23, 30
April 6, 13, 27
May 4, 11, 18, 29*

*Last Day of School (early release 2.5 hours early)
**Early Release (one hour early)

Non-student day •

- OTHER IMPORTANT DATES:**
- School Choice Expo at Florida State Fairgrounds**
November 1, 2019, 3 to 7 p.m.
- STEMpalooza at Glazer Children’s Museum**
December 18 - 19, 2019
- Great American Teach-In**
Thursday, November 21, 2019
- Scheduled College Nights:**
Monday, September 23, 2019 – Sickles High School
Tuesday, September 24, 2019 – Plant High School
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 – Chamberlain High School
Thursday, September 26, 2019 – Brandon High School
- Report Card Dates:**
Elementary
October 29, 2019
January 21, 2020
April 6, 2020
May 29, 2020
- Middle School**
October 29, 2019
January 22, 2019
April 8, 2020
June 11, 2020
- High School**
October 30, 2019
January 23, 2020
April 9, 2020
June 11, 2020
- Pasos Al Futuro:**
Orientation in Spanish for students and their families. Counselors are available to help you learn more about the school district and direct you to resources. Orientación español para estudiantes y sus familias. Los consejeros están disponibles para ayudarle a aprender más acerca de nuestro distrito escolar y dirigirlo a los recursos.
October 10, 2019 – Jefferson High School
October 17, 2019 – Leto High School
October 24, 2019 – Alonso High School
November 7, 2019 – Chamberlain High School
November 14, 2019 – Lennard High School
November 21, 2019 – Plant City High School
December 5, 2019 – Strawberry Crest High School



Hillsborough County School Board
Front Row: Jeff Eakins, Superintendent; Tamara P. Shamburger, Chair; Melissa Snively, Vice Chair
Back Row: Board Members Steve P. Cona III, Lynn L. Gray, Karen Perez, Cindy Stuart and Stacy A. Hahn.

Dear Families,

In Hillsborough County Public Schools, our employees are student advocates and will always go above and beyond to ensure student success. Over the past four years, we’ve raised our graduation rate more than 12 percentage points. We went from 73.5% in 2014 to 85.8% in 2018 and we are on track to reaching our goal of 90% by 2020.

As the eighth largest school district in the country, we are focused on giving students the skills they need to be prepared for life. This Parent and Family Guide is the perfect resource for a sample of services offered by our district and our partners. Inside you will find valuable information on important school dates and school choice options.

We are looking forward to this school year as we continue to focus on Early Learning, Equity, Literacy and Workforce Connections.

Thank you for entrusting us to empower the next generation of citizens in our community— your children, our future.

Sincerely,

Jeff Eakins

Jeff Eakins
Superintendent

Tamara P. Shamburger

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School Board Chair

SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

School Board meetings are aired on Hillsborough Schools TV, Spectrum channel 635, Frontier FiOS channel 32 and online at hillsboroughschools.tv. Meetings are held on Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m. and replayed Sundays at 10 a.m. School Board Recognition Meetings are aired Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. and replayed on Sundays at 6:00 am and 8:00 p.m. Visit our district website at hillsboroughschools.org and click on the board link, then the Board Meetings tab to view meeting dates, live webcasts and archived School Board meetings.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

For a complete listing of Hillsborough County Public Schools, please visit our district website at hillsboroughschools.org and access the SCHOOL SEARCH slide-out on the right side of the page.

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HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

VISION
Preparing Students for Life

MISSION
To provide an education and the supports which enable each student to excel as a successful and responsible citizen.

PARENT CHECKLIST

Here’s a checklist to help your child succeed in school...

ATTENDANCE

☐ I expect my child to go to school every day, be on time and stay for the entire day.

COMMUNICATION

☐ I call the school’s attendance line to report my child’s absence.

☐ I attend scheduled conferences and events and volunteer when I am available and needed.

☐ I ask for a conference with the teacher if I have a concern.

☐ I inform the teacher of anything that may have an effect on my child’s performance or behavior.

☐ I read and act on information sent home about my child’s progress and achievements.

☐ I talk with my child and know what he or she is doing and with whom.

HEALTH

☐ I schedule visits to the doctor and dentist.

☐ I set a bedtime that lets my child get nine hours of sleep.

☐ I talk with my child about the dangers of abusing alcohol and drugs.

INTEREST

☐ I set aside time each day for my child to share with me what he or she has done in school.

☐ I review my child’s report card and help him or her set goals for doing better.

☐ I read with my child every day.

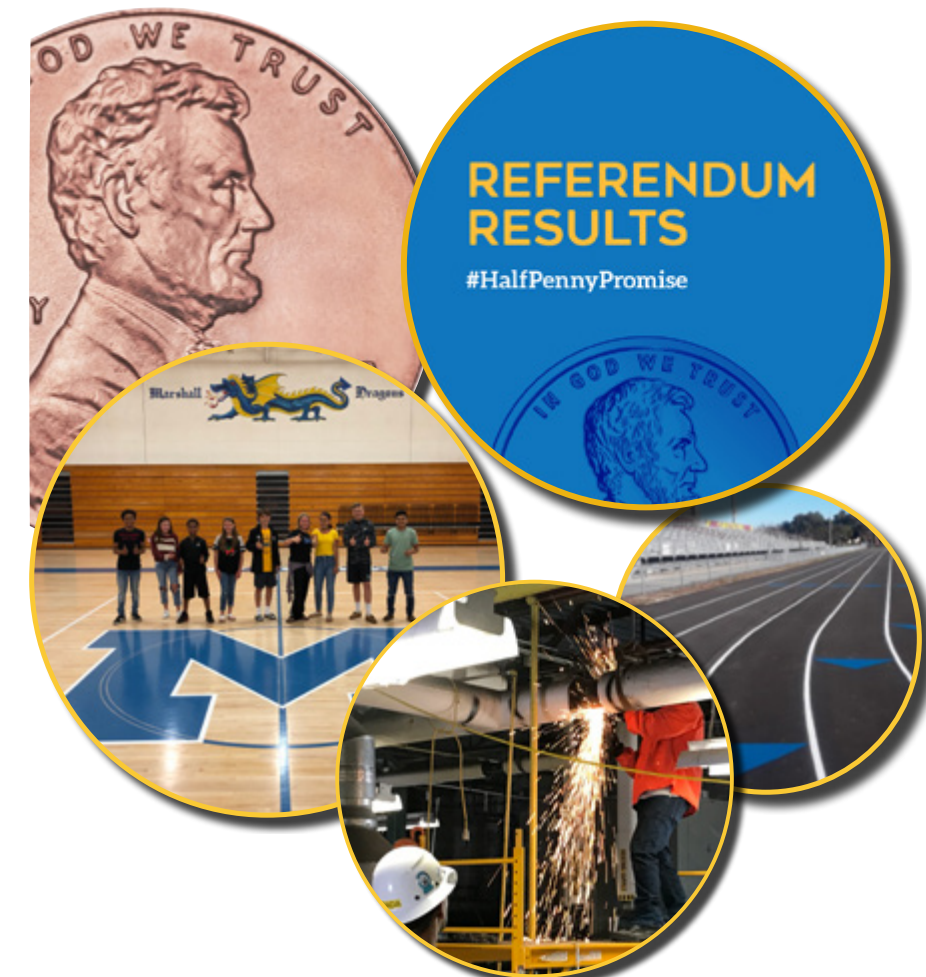
EXPECTATIONS

☐ I set high expectations for my child’s behavior and achievement at school.

☐ I expect my child to finish all class and homework assignments.

☐ I expect my child to respect others.

☐ I expect my child to get a high school diploma and seek additional education.



REFERENDUM RESULTS

#HalfPennyPromise

As soon as students, teachers and staff left for summer break, construction crews moved in to begin extensive work to overhaul or replace air conditioning systems. A total of **32 local companies, design professionals and construction companies** worked with our district’s Operations department and schools to get the first phase of 21 projects complete by the beginning of this school year.

This is all **thanks to taxpayers who approved the half-penny sales tax** in November 2018. This ten-year referendum will allow our district to complete **more than 1,700 school projects**, including **203 air conditioning overhauls** or replacements, **63 aging roof replacements** and **\$23 million in safety and security improvements**. In addition, a total of **\$25 million over ten years will be dedicated to transforming classrooms with technology** to develop job skills for tomorrow’s economy. **At least**

\$500,000 will be invested at every school operated by our district.

The Citizen Oversight Committee, an impressive group with a longstanding commitment to the children and families of Hillsborough County, will review the spending, progress and completion of all spending related to the **\$131 million a year generated by the half-penny sales tax**. We are all working to fulfill our #HalfPennyPromise to you: Spending your taxpayer dollars responsibly to improve the learning environment for Hillsborough County Public Schools students. To stay up-to-date on the latest happenings with referendum projects visit: hillsboroughschools.org/citizenoversight “Like” us on Facebook and “follow” us on Instagram: [@HalfPennyPromise](https://www.instagram.com/HalfPennyPromise)



IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTRY INTO FLORIDA SCHOOLS

Students in Pre-Kindergarten through 12th Grade who are coming into a Florida school for the first time must present an immunization record (DH 680) and a physical examination completed within the last 12 months.

The immunization record must show that the student has met the minimum state requirement. Immunizations are provided for free at the Health Department. For more information, visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go health” in the search box.

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR ENTRY

For students entering Pre-Kindergarten*, Kindergarten*, First, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh and Eighth Grades, the immunization record must show that the student has met minimal state requirements for vaccines.

- * **4-5 doses DTaP** (diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis)
- * **4-5 doses Polio** (Kindergarten)
- * **2 doses MMR** (measles-mumps-rubella)
- * **3 doses Hepatitis B**
- * **2 doses Varicella** (chicken pox)

Pre-Kindergarten

Students must submit an updated immunization record annually through Kindergarten and a school entry physical examination

- (Age-appropriate doses as indicated)
- Diphtheria-tetanus-acellular pertussis (DTaP)
- Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV)
- Measles-mumps-rubella (MMR)
- Varicella (chickenpox)
- Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib)
- Pneumococcal conjugate (PCV13)
- Hepatitis B (Hep B)

Kindergarten

* If the fourth dose of polio vaccine is administered prior to the fourth birthday, a fifth dose of polio vaccine is required for Kindergarten entry only.

* Varicella vaccine is not required if Varicella disease is documented by the health care provider. 1 dose Tdap (tetanus-diphtheria- pertussis) **for Seventh Grade**

- * An updated DH 680 form to include Tdap must be obtained for submission to the school.
- ** The final dose of the polio series should be administered on or after the fourth birthday regardless of the number of previous doses.

For students entering Ninth through 11th Grades, the record must show that the student has met the minimal state requirements.

- 5 doses DTaP** (diphtheria-pertussis-tetanus)
- 4 doses Polio**
- 2 doses MMR** (measles-mumps-rubella)
- 3 doses Hepatitis B**
- 1 dose Tdap** (tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis)
- 2 dose Varicella** (chickenpox) vaccine or have had the disease

For students entering 12th Grade, the record must show that the student has met the minimal state requirements.

- 5 doses DTaP** (diphtheria-pertussis-tetanus)

- 4 doses Polio**
- 2 doses MMR** (measles-mumps-rubella)
- 3 doses Hepatitis B**
- 1 dose Tdap** (tetanus-diphtheria-pertussis)
- 1 dose Varicella** (chickenpox) vaccine or have had the disease

NOTE: Four vaccines which may not be mandated for your child’s grade level, but are recommended to be discussed with your physician, are meningococcal meningitis, hepatitis A series, Influenza and Human Papilloma Vaccine series. The HPV vaccine has been approved for both males and females.

For 12th Graders, two varicella vaccines are not mandated.

If you have private health insurance or Medicaid, contact your physician or health care provider. If you do not have private health insurance or Medicaid, contact the Florida Department of Health, Hillsborough County Immunization Clinic for further information.

MENINGOCOCCAL DISEASE:

Although not required, a dose of MCV4 is recommended for children and adolescents 11-18 years of age. Meningococcal disease is a serious illness caused by bacteria. It is a leading cause of bacterial meningitis in children 2 to 18 years old in the United States. For those who have never gotten MCV4, a dose is recommended at high school entry but not required. Many colleges and universities require this vaccine. If you have any questions, please contact your health care provider.



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Our Student Nutrition Services Department (SNS) operates as a self-supporting \$143 million enterprise. Each day, more than 2,000 dedicated employees serve 232,000 nutritious meals to students. Some highlights of our program include:

- **Free Breakfast Program for All Students** – All students are offered a nutritious breakfast free of charge.
- **Reduced Meal Charges Eliminated** – The \$0.40 meal charge for reduced price lunches, required by federal statute, has been waived by our SNS program. Children who qualify for reduced price lunches through the meal application process receive their lunch free of charge.
- **Emergency Meal Policy** – If a child forgets their lunch money, the Emergency Meal Policy will be followed. Students in elementary schools are allowed to charge up to five consecutive meals. Students in middle and high schools are allowed to charge up to two meals. Students that are charged meals (up to the limit) will receive the same school lunch that other children are receiving. A la carte items are not sold to students with meal charges. Please see our website for the entire Emergency Meal Policy.
- **Nutrition Information** – Menus, nutrition information and allergens can be found on MealViewer, available via our website or as a free mobile app.
- **Special Diets/Meals** – If a child requires a diet substitute because of a medical condition, the parent is encouraged to complete a diet prescription form, which can be obtained from your school's SNS manager. A meal preference form can also be completed by the parent if other diet changes are required because of culture. Both forms, available on the SNS website, are required each year.
- **Meal Payment and Meal History** – Lunch prepayments and your student's meal purchase history are available online through My Payments Plus, available via our website or as a free mobile app.

SNS is happy to announce that student meal prices are staying the same for the 2019-2020 school year, once again. Breakfast is free for all HCPS students. Lunch meals are \$2.25 for elementary students and \$2.75 for middle and high school students. A variety of a la carte items are available daily at different prices.

Call 813-840-7066 or visit our website for more information and to apply for meal benefits. Go to hillsboroughschools.org and type “go SNS” in the search box.



Tips to Reduce Test Anxiety

The U.S. Department of Education defines test anxiety as “excessive worry about doing well on a test.” This creates new challenges for a student. Ultimately, the student becomes so upset about the test that he or she panics and then feels helpless about the subject matter. For information on handling test anxiety, visit fldoe.org.



Here are a few things you can do as a parent right before a test:

- Keep a positive attitude toward the test.
- Make sure that your child has a good night's rest.
- Keep a normal routine at home.
- Help your child relax.
- Give your child a good breakfast.

Helping Your Child Do Well On Tests

You can be a great help to your child with these test-taking tips from the U.S. Department of Education:

- Talk to your child about testing.
- Explain that tests are yardsticks that teachers, schools, school districts and even states use to measure what and how they teach and how well students are learning what is taught.
- Tell your child that occasionally, he or she will take “standardized” tests. Explain that these tests use the same standards to measure student performance across the state or even across the country.
- Encourage your child. Praise your child for the things he or she does well.
- Meet with your child's teacher as often as possible to discuss his or her progress.
- Ask the teacher to suggest activities for you and your child to do at home to help prepare for tests and to improve your child's understanding of schoolwork.
- Make sure that your child attends school regularly. Remember, tests reflect a child's overall achievement.
- Provide a quiet, comfortable place for studying at home and make sure that your child is well rested on school days and especially on the day of a test.
- Help your child avoid test anxiety by planning ahead, studying in advance and making sure your child understands the material.

Special Testing Accommodations

If your child is enrolled in an Exceptional Student Education or English Language Learner program or has a 504 accommodations plan, he or she may be eligible for special testing situations or accommodations. You may want to check with the school for more information well in advance of testing dates.

advocating for your child



STEP 1
Talk to your child's teacher

STEP 2
Talk to the Assistant Principal

STEP 3
Talk to the Principal

STEP 4
Call or email the Area Superintendent
Visit hillsboroughschools.org and search “go areas” to find your school's area.

Area 1: Lisa Yost | 813.272.3800

Area 2: Marcos Murillo | 813.631.4050

Area 3: Dr. Anna Brown | 813.558.1406

Area 4: Owen Young | 813.740.3710

Area 5: Sharon Morris | 813.707.7050

Achievement Schools:
Shaylia McRae (*Achievement Schools South Office*) and Michelle Fitzgerald (*Achievement Schools North Office*)
Main number: 813.272.4777

STEP 5
Call or email the Chief of Schools, Administration
Harrison Peters
Harrison.Peters@sdhc.k12.fl.us
or call 813.272.4071

STEP 6
Call or email the Superintendent
Jeff Eakins
Jeff.Eakins@sdhc.k12.fl.us
or call 813.272.4050

STEP 7
Call or email a School Board Member
hillsboroughschools.org/board
or call 813.272.4000

Hillsborough County Public Schools is committed to providing an educational setting that is safe, secure and free from harassment and bullying for all of its students and employees. Our district has a policy as part of a comprehensive plan intended to prevent bullying and harassment. You may view that policy and learn what is defined as “bullying” by going to hillsboroughschools.org and typing “bullying prevention” in the search box.



There are several ways for students and/or parents to report acts of bullying in our district:

- Verbally to an adult at school
- On a Bullying Reporting Form available in every school
- Via email or phone call to a school administrator, area superintendent or district office
- Online at our district's website, hillsboroughschools.org; type “bullying prevention” in the search box and click on the link next to the red stop sign. All reports go directly to the principal or assistant principal of the respective school to investigate and resolve.
- Call Crime Stoppers (1-800-873-8477); reports are sent to our district office.

EARLY CHILDHOOD LEARNING PROGRAMS

Looking for preschool for your young child? One of our many Bold Beginnings options may be right for you!

HEAD START is a program for at-risk 3- to 5-year-old children that promotes school readiness and the development of the whole child. The program delivers comprehensive services to children and families in core areas of early learning, health and family well-being, while engaging parents as partners every step of the way. Eligibility of students for the program is determined by age and income guidelines. Additionally, Head Start offers the state Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) Program during the school year at select sites. Hillsborough County Public Schools Head Start is a delegate agency of the Board of County Commissioners and serves under the umbrella of Hillsborough One. For more information, call (813) 740-7870.

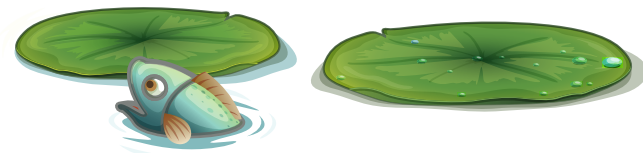


PRE-K EXCEPTIONAL EDUCATION provides special instructional services for children ages 3 to 5 with developmental delays or other disabilities. The Pre-K Exceptional Education program offers early intervention to improve each child's level of functioning and enhance successful entry into Kindergarten, with appropriate support based on individual need. To make a referral, contact Child Find at (813) 837-7777.

Visit the Bold Beginnings web page to learn more about all of these programs and meet Ready Freddy to sign up for Kindergarten: SignUpForKindergarten.com



VOLUNTARY PREKINDERGARTEN (VPK) is designed to prepare children for Kindergarten and build a foundation for their educational success. It is a state-funded program that is free for all 4- and 5-year-old children who will be eligible to attend Kindergarten in the fall of the following school year. Hillsborough County Public Schools offers both school-year and summer-session options. VPK programs are also available at eligible private facilities for the school year, the summer, and for specialized instructional services. For more information on the Hillsborough County Public Schools VPK program, parents may call the VPK office at (813) 272-4840. Parents must apply online for a VPK certificate at: <https://familyservices.floridaeearlylearning.com/Account/LogOn>. Completion of the online application requires an active email address and the ability to upload documents.



PARENT RESOURCES

MENTORING

Mentoring helps students succeed, achieve and graduate from school. The role of a mentor is to provide a listening ear, valuable guidance and academic assistance to help students experience greater success. As students begin to realize that their mentor cares, school absenteeism decreases, academic performance improves and self-esteem increases. Any responsible adult who is willing and able to share time with a student on a consistent basis can be a mentor. All you need is one hour a week. Mentoring opportunities are provided in partnership with several local organizations. To become a mentor, call our Volunteer Services Department at 813-231-1870.

PARENT UNIVERSITY

Parent University is a FREE conference supporting the academic life of children in Pre-K through 12th Grade and beyond. Sessions will be focused on academic and support programs in Hillsborough County Public Schools, effective strategies families can use to help every child succeed, and ways to advocate for the resources necessary for our public schools.

Participants will attend a general session followed by two classes. Free childcare is provided for children in grades K-5 only (advance reservations are required).

The next Parent University will be in the fall. Sign up to be informed of the next session: all4schools.org/Hillsborough

PTA/PTSA

Parent Teacher Associations (PTA) and Parent

Teacher Student Associations (PTSA) provide a way for parents, teachers, administrators, students and community members to advocate for better laws and programs to support student achievement and help prepare them for life. The goal of the Hillsborough County Council PTA/PTSA is to strengthen communication and participation between county units, local PTA/PTSA units, and Hillsborough County Public Schools.

They work together to bring home, school, community and places of worship together, to improve the school and community that supports all of our children: "Every Child, One Voice." Contact your child's school for more information and visit hccptapsa.org

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Our Outreach Coordinators help strengthen parent/family and community partnerships, promote academic achievement, provide advocacy support, and assist in developing cross-cultural competency district-wide. Reach out to one of the coordinators for assistance in navigating your child's school.

Hispanic & Multicultural Outreach Coordinator: Araseli Martinez-Peña, 813-272-4428

African American & Multicultural Outreach Coordinator: Lanita Lucas, 813-272-4767

VOLUNTEER SERVICES

The Volunteer Services Department is committed to working with volunteers and community partners. We serve as a liaison to link volunteers and community partners with our schools.

Volunteers and community partners are saying You Empower Students (Y.E.S.) every day with the skills, knowledge and attitudes that are necessary to "Prepare Students for Life."

Volunteer opportunities to say "Y.E.S." include school based volunteers, business & community partnerships, mentors, speaker and enrichment programs, classroom presentations and days of service.

Individuals interested in volunteering in Hillsborough County Public Schools complete an HCPS volunteer application and are screened and registered by Volunteer Services. For more information, visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go volunteer" in the search box. Make this your year to say Y.E.S. to becoming a volunteer in your child's school.

FULL SERVICE AND PARENT RESOURCES CENTERS

The mission of the Full Service Centers is to provide district-wide accessible, quality support to families and individuals who are working toward increased self-sufficiency as well as personal and professional productivity.

The Full Service team coordinates the services of schools, multiple agencies, community partners, and other support systems to provide educational opportunities, effective case management and other pertinent resources to students, parents and community. The centers prepare parents in how to effectively advocate for the needs of their children and offer expertise in properly navigating and integrating educational systems with external resources.

The Full Service Centers are two facilities (Sanchez and Just) with one mission. The Sanchez Full Service Center is located in East Tampa at

2100 E. 26th Avenue and the Just Full Service Center is located in West Tampa at 1315 W. Spruce Street. The facilities also offer meeting space for community activities and nontraditional educational opportunities with child care. For more information, call 813-272-0673 (Sanchez) or 813-274-7982 (Just).

SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)

The School Advisory Council (SAC) is a team of individuals from various segments of the community—parents, teachers, students, administrators, support staff, business/industry representatives and other interested community members. The purpose of the SAC is to assist the principal in developing and evaluating the results of the school improvement plan and the annual school budget.

The responsibility of the School Advisory Council is to provide parents, citizens, faculty, staff and students an opportunity to participate in the development of educational priorities, assessment of a school's needs and identification of local resources. Underlying the law that created these councils is a belief that all children can learn, and that the public schools can and will change to better prepare students for the workplace.

Each public school is unique. It has its own community setting, resources, challenges and—most importantly—a student population unlike any other. The people best suited to decide what will be effective in helping our students learn are the people closest to each school: the principal, faculty and staff, parents, students, local business leaders and community members. These "stakeholders" are represented on your advisory council. To learn more about SAC, contact your child's school.

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STATE AND DISTRICT EXPECTATIONS

The Florida Standards and the Next Generation Sunshine State Standards for all elementary, middle and high school content areas can be found on our district website, hillsboroughschools.org. Type “go fsa” in the search box. If you don’t have access to a computer, you can call or visit your child’s school to set up a time to view a copy of the standards.

PERSONALIZED ACADEMIC AND CAREER PLAN

Students will begin career exploration and educational planning during their middle school years. These students will develop a four-year academic and career plan for high school that will be shared with their parents. Prior to the beginning of the Ninth Grade year, students will create an academic and career plan that aligns with their goals for after high school. This plan will be reviewed annually for any necessary revisions.

ATTENDANCE

Our district has set up a web page that houses PDF maps of every school’s attendance boundary, a link to the locator and link to the attendance boundary changes page. Visit hillsboroughschools.org and enter "go maps" in the search box.



ACHIEVEMENT SCHOOLS

Achievement Schools are supported in an unprecedented way to level the playing field for our district’s students. We are putting our best leaders and teachers into our 50 schools with the highest needs, providing the right resources and implementing innovative programs for sustained student success. Since launching the multi-year initiative in 2018, we have seen progress in school culture and student academic performance. For more information about Achievement Schools and our goals: hillsboroughschools.org/AchievementSch.

SCHOOL READINESS PROGRAM

Funded by the Early Learning Coalition of Hillsborough County, the School Readiness program provides financial assistance for child care and early education to low income working parents and families referred by partner agencies. The goal of the School Readiness program is to provide safe, healthy and quality early educational experiences that support enhanced outcomes for children, their families and the surrounding communities. To enroll and learn more, visit elchc.org/programs_services/school-readiness.

FAMILY LITERACY SERVICES

The Adult Education program provides educational opportunities to more than 30,000 adult students 16 years of age or older in the areas of adult basic education (ABE), general educational development (GED), adult high school credit, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), citizenship, vocational preparation instruction, workplace readiness skills, family literacy and career/technical educational opportunities. The CARIBE program provides free English language classes and vocational/career training to adult foreign nationals who enter the United States with refugee status. For more information, call 813-231-1972. Short-term, customized courses are offered to address community interests and needs, such as workforce development and recreation/enrichment classes. Call 813-740-7750.

FLORIDA DIAGNOSTIC AND LEARNING RESOURCE SYSTEM (FDLRS)

FDLRS is a statewide network that provides support services to educators, families of students with exceptionalities and community agencies throughout Florida. FDLRS centers provide services in the areas of Child Find, human resource development, parent services and technology; call 813-837-7777. For parent services, call 813-837-7732 (English) 813-

837-7728 (Spanish). Learn more at fdlrs.mysdhc.org.

FLORIDASHINES

FloridaShines provides free resources for students to learn about degrees, access their transcript, register for online classes, and/or check out a book from any of Florida’s 40 state college or university libraries.

- To view a transcript, please visit <https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/get-ready-for-college>
- Scroll down under Get Ready for College
- Click on blue “check now” button
- Select Hillsborough
- Enter student’s last name
- Enter student’s Florida Identification Number

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAMS (HOST)

Our district offers fee-based before school, after school and summer programs for school age children attending select elementary and middle schools. For information on HOST, Hillsborough Out of School Time, call 813-744-8941 extension 1, ask at your child’s school or visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go host” in the search box.

MATH HOMEWORK HOTLINE

Do you need help on your math homework?

Call in to Math

Homework Hotline

between 5:30 pm and 7:00 pm on Thursdays with a math problem. Our teachers are ready to take your questions beginning at 5:30 pm (phone lines are only available during the live show). The show airs from 6:00 pm-7:00 pm on Thursday evenings, online at hillboroughschools.tv, on Spectrum channel 635 and Frontier channel 32.

During the live broadcast, students can call 813-840-7260. Learn more by visiting mhh.mysdhc.org

MULTI-TIERED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT (MTSS)—RESPONSE TO INTERVENTION (RTI)

Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) promotes school-wide practices that ensure the highest possible success for all children. MTSS evolved from the Response to Intervention (RTI) and Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports (PBIS) frameworks. MTSS is an evidence-based model that uses data-based problem-solving to integrate instruction, assessment, and intervention designed to meet the academic, behavioral and social emotional needs of all students. The integrated instruction and intervention is delivered to students in varying intensities (multiple tiers) based on student need to prevent

later academic and behavioral difficulty. Additional information and resources for families can be found at Florida’s MTSS website: Florida-rti.org/parentResources

MYSLOT

Have you visited mySPOT? Visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go myspot” in the search box to connect to mySPOT, our student-parent online toolkit with connections to many district resources, including Edsby, MyOn Reader and the Student Handbook.

PARENTLINK

Principals use ParentLink to communicate important information directly to parents and families. ParentLink is also used by our district to communicate important events, updates about our district and emergency information. The ParentLink system uses your contact information at your child’s school, so it is important to keep this up to date. For more information on how to update your contact information, or to learn more about ParentLink, contact your child’s school.

PARENTS’ RIGHT TO KNOW

Parents have the right to know and review the professional qualifications of classroom teachers and paraprofessionals who instruct their children. Specifically, federal law allows parents to ask for the following information:

- Whether the Florida Department of Education has licensed or qualified the teacher for the grades and subjects he or she teaches.
- Whether the Florida Department of Education has decided that the teacher can teach in a classroom without being licensed or qualified under state regulations because of circumstances.
- The teacher’s college and major; whether the teacher has any advanced degrees and if so, the subjects and degrees.
- Whether any teachers’ aides or similar paraprofessionals provide services to your child and, if they do, their qualifications.
- The level of achievement of your child on each of the state academic assessments. To request and receive information, parents should contact their child’s school.

PEACHJAR

Peachjar is an e-flyer system used by our district to distribute flyers electronically to families while automatically posting them directly to each school’s website. Parents receive district approved e-flyers directly to their email inbox. Additionally, readers can forward e-flyers to friends and family or share them on social media to boost

participation. Peachjar is just one more way our district communicates with the community while saving time, money and trees. For more information about Peachjar, call 813-272-4048

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Scholarship opportunities are available for students on our district website. Visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go scholarships” in the search box.

SCHOOL COUNSELING K-12

School counselors work with students individually, in small groups and in classroom guidance settings, focusing on academic advising, personal/social development, mental health awareness and wellness and college/career planning. School counselors collaborate with parents, teachers, administrators and outside agencies and organizations in order to provide the best educational environment and support for all students. For more information, contact the school counselor at your child’s school.

HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS MENTAL HEALTH PLAN

There is an increased awareness of mental health services for students, which was supported by the Florida Legislature in 2018 and 2019. The Hillsborough County Public Schools Mental Health Plan aims to coordinate, collaborate, document, and monitor the mental health services provided to students.

Hillsborough County Public Schools mental health team assists schools in promoting school-wide mental health awareness, suicide prevention and threat assessment initiatives, social emotional learning (SEL) skill building, trauma informed practices, school-wide character education, bullying prevention, behavior management systems, and substance abuse awareness efforts. These initiatives are designed to increase mental health awareness and identification of mental health illnesses such as anxiety, depression or suicidal ideation in students.

Our Mental Health Plan also aims to promote and provide students and staff with tools to build a strong school culture and nurturing environment that focuses on the whole child. By delivering positive interventions for challenging behaviors, as well as targeting mental health interventions, we hope to ensure students’ emotional well-being and mental health needs are being met.

Our mental health team includes district mental health clinicians who have an advanced degree along with licenses in advanced clinical training. These clinicians provide direct services to schools and students from a basis of an interdisciplinary

team that works with school staff on specific case management, student referral needs and threat/suicide assessment procedures.

These initiatives are in addition to the existing services provided by school-based school counselors, school psychological services, school social work services and school health services. Additionally, our district has partnered with Central Florida Behavioral Network, Inc. to provide direct mental health services for students. To find student services information and resources, visit hillsboroughschools.org/student-services. For information about the mental health team and to obtain a copy of the Hillsborough County Public Schools Mental Health Plan, visit hillsboroughschools.org/mentalhealth.

SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Psychological services are available at all public school sites within our district, for students from Pre-Kindergarten to 12th Grade. School psychologists help children and youth succeed academically, socially and emotionally. They collaborate with parents, educators and other professionals to create safe, healthy and supportive learning environments for all students.

Services provided by school psychologists include assisting in the selection and progress monitoring of academic and behavioral interventions implemented to support students, conducting psychoeducational assessments, offering counseling and various services that are tailored to meet student needs and supporting staff and parents through consultation activities.

School psychologists also collaborate as team members to complete suicide assessments and threat assessments. All school psychologists have advanced, post-graduate degrees and many have specialized training and experiences in crisis intervention, bilingual assessment, and behavior analysis. For additional information, call 813-273-7095 or visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go psychological” in the search box.

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORK SERVICES

School social work services are available in all district elementary, middle and high schools and in special programs, including Head Start, School Readiness, District Wide Attendance, Fostering Education and Students in Transition. School social workers, through their unique training and practice, provide a variety of professional services which foster students’ physical, social, emotional and academic growth. They promote and support the educational process by meeting the individual needs of students and families within the community. School social workers serve as liaisons

between the school, family and community agencies.

They provide outreach services to students and their families to help them address problems that interfere with student success. These services include providing crisis intervention and counseling, strengthening and supporting parent and family involvement, planning and developing school-based interventions with educators, engaging community resources and assessing the need for special services. School social workers are often involved in helping students and their families with learning, behavior or attendance concerns while strengthening home, school and community partnerships.

School social workers have Master’s degrees in social work and many are licensed as mental health professionals. School social workers in our district bring experience working in various agency settings. They are trained to utilize a strength-based perspective and are experts in navigating the systems that influence students and families. Call 813-273-7090 or visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go social” in the search box.

TITLE 1: VIRTUAL PARENT ACADEMY

The purpose of Title I is to provide supplemental funding that may be used to provide additional instructional staff, professional development, extended learning programs and other strategies for raising student achievement in high poverty schools.

Critical program elements are:

- Comprehensive needs assessment and school-wide plan
- Support for Title I Focus and Priority schools
- Support for neglected and delinquent and migrant students
- Coordination of services for homeless students in non-Title I schools
- High-quality teachers and paraprofessionals
- Professional Development

The mission of Virtual Parent Academy is to provide parents, families and the community with the necessary tools and skills to support students academically, socially, and emotionally, while building a cornerstone to a healthier and safe community. These live, FREE, one hour workshops/ webinars focus on three key pillars:

Student Achievement - provides information and strategies for parent to support their child’s learning at home.
Parent Advocacy - provides information and strategies to teach parents how to advocate for their child.

Personal Growth - helps build parents confidence and provides them with opportunities for personal growth. Please visit our website to access the catalog of courses: hillsboroughschools.org/parentacademy

RIGOROUS ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

SPRINGBOARD

SpringBoard, the official pre-AP curriculum designed by the College Board, is a unique, comprehensive program that enables students to build the skills and understanding they'll need for success in AP courses and after high school opportunities. SpringBoard provides rigorous English and mathematics curricula for all students in Grades 6-12, and builds students' critical thinking skills in reading, writing and mathematics. SpringBoard strategies are in alignment with Florida Standards. For additional information, please contact the school counselor at your child's school. You may also visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go springboard" in the search box or call 813-272-4221.

ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION (AVID)

AVID is a national program that helps students reach their goal of entering a college, university or other institution. AVID's mission is to close the achievement gap by preparing all students for college readiness and success in a global society. AVID equips students with the necessary skills to be successful at the middle school, high school and college levels by enrolling them in rigorous college prep courses such as Advanced Placement and honors.

The AVID elective class offers academic support for students and provides key learning skills, such as organization, note taking, collaboration, test taking and reflective writing. AVID students also have access to tutors for all core academic areas. AVID is available in every high school and middle school. For more information see the AVID coordinator or school counselor at your child's school or visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go avid" in the search box.

ACADEMICALLY GIFTED PROGRAM (AGP)

Gifted program services are provided for students who meet the state's criteria for classification as gifted. In Florida, students who are considered gifted are those with superior intellectual development who are capable of high performance. Services for gifted students are designed to provide enrichment and/or acceleration opportunities aligned with the student's Gifted Education Plan (EP). The process for gifted identification includes screening, referral and evaluation. Parents who believe their child may be gifted may contact the school's guidance counselor to initiate the identification process. For more information about the Gifted program, visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go gifted" in the search box.



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INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE

International Baccalaureate (IB) is a rigorous pre-university course of study that meets the needs of highly motivated and academically talented students. It provides students with the intellectual, social and cultural preparation necessary for life. Entrance into a high school IB program is a competitive process that begins when a student enters middle school.

Hillsborough County Public Schools also offers IB programs at some elementary, middle and K-8 magnet schools. The IB program offered in Kindergarten through Grade 8 aims to teach the whole child through the process of inquiry, global education and project-based learning. Selection for elementary, middle and K-8 IB programs is done via computer selection. For more information, go to hillsboroughschools.org and type "go choice" in the search box.

HILLSBOROUGH VIRTUAL SCHOOL

Hillsborough County Public Schools offers a full-time and a part-time program in Grades K-12 with more than 110 online course options, including robust and rigorous honors and Advanced Placement courses. All courses are taught by our district's highly qualified and Florida-certified professional educators. The Hillsborough Virtual School program prepares full-time students to take all standardized tests instituted by Hillsborough County Public Schools and the State of Florida. A full-time high school diploma option is available. Contact the Hillsborough Virtual School office at 813-983-7278 or visit online at virtual.mysdhc.org.

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Dual Enrollment is the process by which an eligible middle or high school student is enrolled in a college course and the credit earned applies toward both a high school diploma and a college degree or postsecondary career and technical certificate. Refer to the Hillsborough County Public Schools Student Handbook for more detailed information, including eligibility criteria.

COLLEGIATE ACADEMIES

Collegiate Academies provide students with the opportunity to earn an Associate of Arts degree in a collegiate atmosphere while receiving the supports provided in a high school environment. Students encounter rigorous Dual Enrollment coursework concentrated at the Collegiate Academy, which allows them to earn enough credits for their AA degree and/or carry all credits earned to a four-year university following graduation.

Students must maintain their grade point average to take full advantage of this Magnet program and they receive academic and career advisement from both our district and our collegiate partner, Hillsborough Community College, as they move through their four years of high school. Their life-changing goal: Obtaining both a high school diploma at their high school graduation, and their college degree at their college graduation—all within a few weeks of one another! Visit hillsboroughschools.org/choice to find your nearest Collegiate Academy high school.

STEM EDUCATION

The Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education Department facilitates STEM education for ALL students in Hillsborough County Public Schools. Our approach to STEM education includes a network of collaborating partners, including institutes of higher education, business partners, philanthropic organizations and many science-rich institutions. Through the use of experiential hands-on learning, a constructivist approach to education, and cross curricular collaborations between Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Career and Technical Education we ready our students for college and career success, thus preparing them for life.

The STEM Department collaborates and hosts many STEM-centric competitions, opportunities and experiences for our district's students ranging from local robotics competitions to the HCPS STEM Fair and the Student Spaceflight Experiment Program to the International Space Station. To learn more about STEM programs in our district, call 813-272-4622 or visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go stem" in the search box.



EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION

Exceptional Student Education (ESE)

There are clues that can tell you your young child needs extra help and attention. For example, he or she may:

- Have health problems
- Seem to have problems seeing or hearing
- Seem to have problems walking or moving
- Seem to have problems speaking or understanding you

Children with special needs can benefit from getting help when they are very young. If you think your infant or toddler has special needs, contact the University of South Florida Department of Pediatrics Early Steps program for children birth to age 3. For children ages 3 to 5, contact Child Find at 813-837-7788 to request information about services that can help your child and family.

ACCOMMODATIONS*

Provisions will be made for students who have been determined eligible for Exceptional Student Education (ESE), and for Individual Educational Plans (IEPs) that document the need for accommodations, specially designed instruction and/or related services.

- Accommodations are the provisions that regular and special education teachers make to adjust for students with disabilities for instruction and testing/assessments.
- Accommodations involve a wide range of techniques and supports that help students work around the limitations placed upon

them because of their disability.

- Accommodations change how instruction or assessment is delivered, as opposed to modifications, which change what is to be learned by the student.
- The IEP team determines the accommodations, specially designed instruction and/or related services that are needed for a student.

Remember, you don't have to do it alone. Determining needed services and accommodations for students with disabilities is an IEP team responsibility. Collaborate and consult with an ESE teacher, general education teacher, school psychologist, school social worker, ESE parent liaison and other school and district personnel. All services and supports required to serve the individual needs of each student are documented on the student's IEP.

The majority of students who have been determined eligible for ESE are expected to work toward the state standards for a regular diploma in a general education classroom setting with appropriate services, supports and accommodations. A small percentage of students with disabilities may be working toward the state standards for Access Points. The IEP team determines these decisions, with the parent serving as a vital member of the team.

INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT (IDEA)

The federal Individuals with Disabilities

Education Act (IDEA) ensures that students with disabilities receive a free, appropriate public education. The U.S. Department of Education asserts that IDEA will:

- Raise expectations for children with disabilities
- Increase parental involvement in the education of their children
- Ensure that regular education teachers are involved in planning and assessing children's progress
- Include children with disabilities in testing, performance goals and reports to the public
- Support quality professional development for all personnel who are involved in educating children with disabilities
- Expand a proportionate share of funds each year in providing services to parentally placed private school students with disabilities

JOHN M. MCKAY SCHOLARSHIPS

The John M. McKay Scholarship option is a state-operated voucher program for exceptional education students with Individual Education Plans and for students with 504 plans. For questions regarding the John M. McKay Scholarship program, visit floridaschoolchoice.org, call the Florida Department of Education Office of Independent Education at 800-447-1636 or call our school district's Exceptional Student Education office at 813-273-7513.

KEEPING GOOD RECORDS

Parents can help themselves, their child and the service providers by keeping their own records. This will make going to meetings and talking to the service coordinator much easier. It also will be helpful if the family ever moves to another county or state. Some families keep a folder at home that includes:

- Evaluation and assessment results
- The written family support plan and updates to the plan
- Letters you have received from public agencies or your service coordinator
- Records or reports from doctors or other people who have worked with your child
- Letters or notes from you to public agencies or your service coordinator
- Notes and dates of telephone calls, meetings, conferences and visits

For more information, visit hillsboroughschools.org and type "go ESE" in the search box, or call the ESE Department at 813-273-7025.

*Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act protects persons with disabilities from discrimination; ensures persons with disabilities Equal Access to such programs; and requires programs to make Reasonable Accommodations, where necessary, to provide such access. Students who have been determined eligible as a student with a disability under Section 504, may be eligible for accommodations as documented in their 504 Plan.





TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Each school day, more than 91,000 Hillsborough County students board school buses to travel to and from school. It is a responsibility we take very seriously. It provides a gateway to education for students all over Hillsborough County who otherwise could not get to and from school.

Your child's school bus information is now available on hillsboroughschools.org/busstops. If you have additional questions, please contact your child's school.

Now Hiring Bus Drivers! We are currently looking for dedicated individuals who want to join a team that has placed students first in the decisions it makes—preparing students for life.

To learn more about Transportation Services in Hillsborough County Public Schools, visit hillsboroughschools.org/transportation or call **813-982-5500**.



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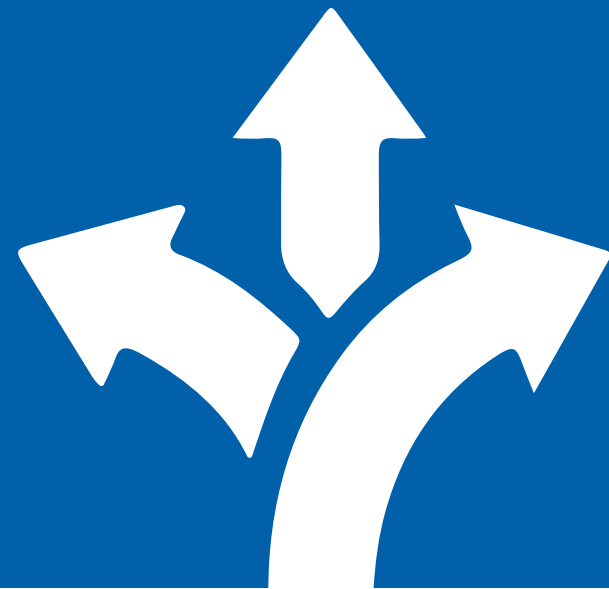


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HILLSBOROUGH CHOICE OPTIONS

Hillsborough Choice Options are a variety of education opportunities parents can choose based on their child's needs or interests. To view a full listing of choice options and application dates, visit hillsboroughschools.org/choice.

- Attendance Area Schools
- Career & Technical Education
- Charter Schools
- Hillsborough Virtual School
- Home Education
- Magnet Schools and Programs



Magnet Schools

Magnet schools offer programs of study for students wanting to explore areas that spark their interests. These programs create a special theme that runs through the entire school, connecting each subject and class to the Magnet school's unique program. Themes include International Baccalaureate, Collegiate Academy, Environmental Science, Medical Studies, Criminal Justice, Performing and Technical Arts, STEM, Architecture, Law and many others. Magnet schools are offered at the elementary, middle and high school levels. An application is required for each Magnet school. Visit the district website and search "go magnet" to find out more information on programs, application dates and school contact details. You can also call the Choice Information Line at 813-272-4692.

Career and Technical Education (CTE)

Career and Technical Education programs focus on Florida's 17 career clusters, developing skills that prepare students for jobs in the workforce of the future. Students in CTE programs take a hands-on approach to learning, with engaging classes that connect to real-world job skills. In addition, career academies are small learning communities that consist of teams of academic and CTE teachers who share groups of students, monitor achievement and implement integrated curricula. Career and Technical Education typically leads to valuable industry certifications and strong partnerships with schools and businesses that create a strong future after high school. CTE prepares students for higher education, the workforce and adult life. For more information, call Career and Technical Education at 813-231-1860 or visit hillsboroughschools.org/CTE.

Hillsborough Virtual School

Hillsborough Virtual School (HVS) is a school choice option for students in Grades K-12. HVS students are served by highly qualified Hillsborough County teachers for each class online. Students log in, receive curriculum, complete assignments and take quizzes and tests online. They have full access to their teachers for each subject, who they can communicate with via email, phone/text, instant message, or virtual classroom. We offer online courses to eligible students in a variety of ways: Full-time, co-enrolled (part-time), credit recovery and home education. Students planning to take a class as part of, or in addition to, their school day during the 2019-20 school year can enroll in classes now! Co-enrollment will remain open until February 2020. For more information, call 813-983-7278 or visit the HVS website at virtual.mysdhc.org.

Charter Schools

Charter schools are independent public schools operated by a non-profit organization. They hire their own teachers, design their own academic program and control their own finances. They have their own board of directors that makes decisions for the school. All charter schools must provide a curriculum that meets the Florida Standards and Next Generation Sunshine State Standards. These schools must also hire certified teachers. In Florida, charter schools are accountable to the school district in which they reside for student academic performance and fiscal management, but they are not managed by the district. For additional information, call the Charter Office at 813-272-4049 and visit hillsboroughschools.org/charter.

Home Education

Home education, as defined by Florida law, gives parents the freedom to choose and direct the educational programs that best meet the needs of their child. Parents are responsible for all aspects of the student's home education program. High school students do not earn a diploma as a home education student. Call the home education office at 813-609-6816 for more information or hillsboroughschools.org and type "home education" in the search box.

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District Bilingual School Counselor / Guidance School Counseling Services

Bilingual school counselors address the needs of K-12 refugee, immigrant and English Language Learner (ELL) populations. Bilingual school counselors directly assist school-based counselors and staff in the coordination and delivery of guidance services to international students and their families. These services include, but are not limited to, the evaluation of international credentials for K-12 student placement, Spanish language educational forums for students/parents, advocacy on K-12 school and district Parent Leadership Council, participation in community and district-based groups that address the needs of the Hispanic community in Hillsborough and development of in-service training for K-12 school counselors and other school personnel on international education trends. For assistance, call 813-273-7336, 813-273-7552 or 813-273-7556.

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English Language Learners (ELL) Programs & English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) Services

Districts are required to provide appropriate educational programs and services for all students who are classified as English Language Learners (ELL). School districts throughout the state are mandated by federal and state laws to survey and screen all students who are new to our district to determine their levels of English proficiency. Districts are also required to provide appropriate education programs and services for all students who are classified as ELL. Our district provides English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) services to more than 27,000 students. Students who have a language other than English spoken in their home and who, after assessment, are determined to be limited in their English proficiency are eligible for ESOL services. For more information, please call the ELL department at 813-273-7511.



ADULT EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- **Adult Education ABE / GED Programs Online and On Campus**
- **Underage GED Program (16- and 17-year-old, who are not enrolled in K-12)**
- **Adult ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages)**
- **Adult High School – standard diploma online and on campus**
* Adult High School Co-enrolled Credit classes (created for students in high school who need to make up credits failed)
- **Family Literacy Services – (Childcare services for parents in ABE /GED or ESOL)**
- **National Farm Worker Jobs Program (for migrants)**
- **Adult Literacy Volunteer Programs through SERVE**
- **Adult Career Services Center-Career Pathways Services**
- **Citizenship Classes**



For more information, please contact the **Adult and Career Services Center** at 813-231-1907, visit hillsboroughschools.org and type “go adult-ed” in the search box or contact one of our **Adult Education** locations:

Bowers/Whitley Adult School	813-463-9528
Brandon Adult School	813-744-8131
Chamberlain Adult School	813-631-4500
Gary Adult High School	813-740-7660
Jefferson Adult School	813-356-1288
Lennard Adult School	813-658-2075
Leto Adult School	813-872-5300
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HTC PROGRAM Clusters

- Agricultural Food & Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Business Management & Administration
- Education & Training
- Energy
- Health Science
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Human Services
- Information Technology
- Law, Public Safety & Security
- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales & Service
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Abuse Hotline (children, disabled or elderly).....	2-1-1 or 800-962-2873 or 800-453-5145
Adult Emergency Services	813-272-2958
Crime Stoppers (crimestopperstb.com).....	1-800-873-TIPS (8477)
Children’s Crisis Center	813-272-2882
Crisis Center of Tampa Bay Inc.	813-964-1964
Life Center of the Suncoast	813-237-3114 (support for grief counseling)
Poison Information Center	813-844-4444 or 800-222-1222
Suicide Prevention Services	2-1-1 or 800-273-TALK (8255) or 813-234-1234
Teen Link Helpline	813-236-TEEN (8336)
The Spring (domestic violence)	813-247-7233

District Office Phone Numbers

Academic Support and Federal Programs	813-272-4875
Adult Education	813-231-1907
Career and Technical Education	813-231-1860
Charter Schools	813-272-4049
Chief of Schools, Administration	813-272-4071
Choice Options & Magnet Office	813-272-4692 (Student Planning & Placement)
Communications	813-272-4060
Community Engagement and Philanthropy	813-272-4431
County Council of PTA/PTSA	813-272-4979
Deputy Superintendent, Instruction	813-272-4895
Deputy Superintendent, Operations	813-272-4986
Early Childhood (Pre-K Exceptional Education).....	813-744-8941, ext. 291
Elementary Education	813-272-4455
Exceptional Student Education	813-273-7025
FDLRS	813-837-7777 (Florida Diagnostic and Learning Resources System)
FDLRS Parent Services	
English	813-837-7732
Spanish	813-837-7728
GED Testing	813-231-1650
School Counseling Services	813-273-7346
Head Start	813-740-7870
Health Services	813-273-7020
High School Education	813-272-4451
HOST: Hillsborough Out of School Time (K-12)	813-744-8941
Meal Status / Meal Prepay	1-866-544-5575
Middle School Education	813-272-4862
Migrant Title I	813-757-9331
Parent and Family Engagement	813-272-4494
Programs for English Language Learners	813-273-7511
District Administrative Center	813-272-4000
School Boundaries	813-272-4608
School Readiness Programs	813-744-8941
School Social Work	813-273-7090
Security Services	813-623-3996
Student Attendance	813-273-7345
Student Nutrition Services	813-840-7092
Application Center (Free School Meal Benefits).....	813-840-7066
Superintendent’s Office	813-272-4050
Teen Parent Program	813-272-4674
Title I Office	813-272-4875
Transportation (School Buses).....	813-982-5500
Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten (VPK) – School District Programs	813-272-4840
Workforce and Continuing Education	813-231-1907 (Hillsborough Technical Colleges)

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