

**Clemens
Crossing
*Elementary***

Back-to-School Night
2021-2022



VISION: Every student and staff member embraces diversity and possesses the skills, knowledge and confidence to positively influence the larger community.

MISSION: HCPSS ensures academic success and social-emotional well-being for each student in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps.



More information: www.hcpss.org/scta

School and System News and Information



Email

School news, HCPSS News,
emergency notices



Text

urgent/emergency notices
only



HCPSS website

www.hcpss.org

Systemwide news and
information resource



School website

cces.hcpss.org

School news, calendar, sports
and clubs, staff directory; more

Social Media

Clemens Crossing **Twitter:** [@hcpss_cces](#)



Clemens Crossing **Facebook:**

[facebook.com/clemenscrossingelementary](https://www.facebook.com/clemenscrossingelementary)

PTA Class of Facebook groups



HCPSS Twitter: www.Twitter.com/HCPSS

HCPSS Instagram: [instagram.com/hocoschools](https://www.instagram.com/hocoschools)



HCPSS Flickr: [flickr.com/photos/hcpss](https://www.flickr.com/photos/hcpss)

Superintendent Twitter: <https://twitter.com/mjmsuper>

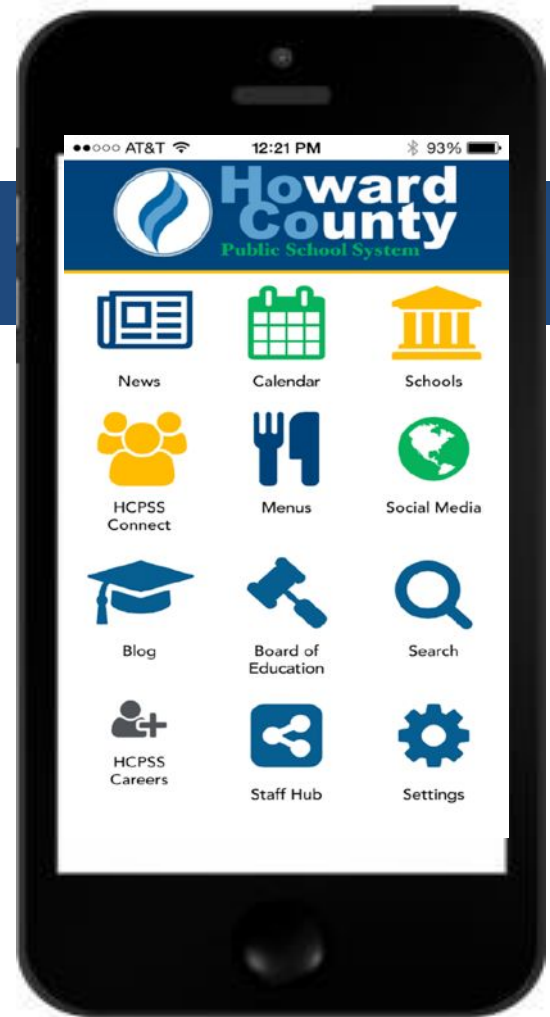
- School system news and announcements
- Upcoming events
- Opportunities to share input on HCPSS policies and decisions

- Cougar Comments newsletter
 - We do not send a lot of email out
 - Every Friday at 7:00 a.m.
 - Upcoming events
- Periodic email during the week as needed

HCPSS Mobile App

Free download on App Store:

- iPhone
- iPad
- Android



School Closings/Delays



www.HCPSS.org



@hcpss



HCPSS News



Hotline

410-313-6666



HCPSS Status

status.hcpss.org



HCPSS TV

42 Verizon / 72 Comcast

Mental Health – School-Based Supports

School Counselor: Mrs. Ann Rogers

School Psychologist: Ms. Samantha Nichols

Pupil Personnel Worker: Mrs. Melissa Gradey

More information:

www.hcpss.org/supports/mental-health-wellness

Mental Health Resources

Network of Care

Howard County Resources

Community-based Wrap-around Services

Foreign-Born Support Services/Bilingual Support Services

Howard County Health Department

[Guide to Community Services in Howard County:](https://www.acshoco.org/resources/guide-to-community-services/)

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**Synergy Student
Information System**

**Canvas Learning
Management System**

Family File

www.hcpss.org/connect

Update Student Information



- Parent contact information
 - Medical data and contacts
 - After-school transportation
 - Data privacy preferences
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- Athletic participation forms

www.hcpss.org/connect

HCPSS Connect: How to Get Help

Login Assistance:

Contact the school office



Guides and Resources:

hcpss.org/connect



Password Reset Guide:

hcpss.org/f/connect/synergy-parent-access.pdf

Canvas: What to Expect



Course Homepage:



Overview



Student privacy information



Resources



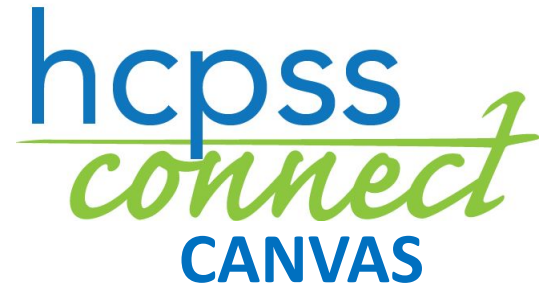
Calendar dates/events



Assignments & Gradebook

Announcements

Student skill building (grade appropriate)



New! Updated Interface

Have Canvas Questions? Click the **Orientation** box on the Canvas homepage to access Parent Guides



Orientation

Assessments at the Elementary Level

- MCAP (Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program)
- MAP (or Measures of Academic Progress)
- CogAT (Cognitive Abilities Test)
- MISA (Maryland Integrated Science Assessment)



Interactive School Menus on Nutrislice



- Food descriptions
- Nutrition and allergens
- Carb counts
- Pre-payment links
- FARMS application link
- Breakfast and lunch menus

- <http://hcpss.nutrislice.com>
- Free iPhone or iOS app
- HCPSS Mobile App

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Qualifying families can receive free or reduced-cost:



HCPSS - FAMILY FILE (EMERGENCY FORM)

MAIN NAVIGATION

- Students ✓
- Parents/Guardians ✓
- Emergency Contacts ✓
- Medical ✓
- Arrival/Departure ✓
- Media ✓
- Data Confidentiality ✓
- Student Creative Work ✓
- PTA Directory / School Directory ✓
- Submit ✓

Thank you. You have successfully submitted the family file information.



Click the below link to download the printed emergency procedure card:

[\[Download \]](#)

Free and Discounted Benefits

The FARMs program provides families with significant benefits to help you save money. Eligibility is based on family size and income, and enrollment is confidential.

[Log out](#)

- School meals
- Health insurance
- HCC tuition
- SAT, ACT and AP exam fees
- Camps, sports, child care
- Many other benefits

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Step 1: Visit www.hcpss.org/farms/

Step 2: Click “Apply Online” to **begin** the online application process

How to Apply

Please submit only one application per household. Families that need computer or language assistance to apply online, please contact your child’s school.

View the [federal income eligibility guidelines](#).

Online

APPLY ONLINE

(ADDITIONAL LANGUAGES AVAILABLE)

- After the online application has been submitted and reviewed, eligibility notifications will be sent via email/mail.

HCPSS WEBSITE



Howard County Public School System

Getting Started

Household Information

Students

Children (Non-Student)

Signer's Information

Getting Started

What you will need to provide during the application process:

- The name and **current** income of every member of your household
- The school and grade of every student in your household
- Your electronic signature
- (Optional) A valid email address or phone number for district communication about the status of the application.

If you are ready to get started, click the button below to begin the online application process.

BEGIN ONLINE APPLICATION PROCESS

APPLICATION

Student Technology Use in Elementary School

Students may use their personal technology:

- When permitted by a teacher or administrator
- Before and after school

Devices must remain off and in backpack at all other times

Personal devices are *not* required for school

All students are issued a school system laptop

- **K-1:** HCPSS laptops remain at school
- **Grades 2-5:** Students bring HCPSS laptops back and forth

HCPSS Policy 8080: “Responsible Use of Technology, Digital Tools, and Social Media” <https://policy.hcpss.org/8000/8080/>

What Your Child Will Learn Guides



On Canvas via
HCPSS Connect

www.hcpss.org/connect

Curriculum content
overview for each

- Grade (PreK – 5)
- Subject area

LGBTQIA+ Youth



New web page:

<https://www.hcpss.org/supports/lgbtqia-youth/>

Optional pronoun settings:

<https://news.hcpss.org/news-posts/2021/04/optional-pronoun-settings-in-canvas/>

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
information:

<https://www.hcpss.org/diversity/>

2021-2022 Fall Instruction

Information and updates:
www.hcpss.org/2021-2022/

Answers to frequently-asked questions:
help.hcpss.org

Community News and Programs

Find activities and resources for students and families offered by many community non-profits and agencies

- Search by keyword, ages or topic



community-programs.hcpss.org