

Good evening JFA Family,

Thank you for an amazing first week of school! Your support with the arrival and pickup process is greatly appreciated. I want to reiterate the importance of being present at school and on time. Instruction begins at 7:50 a.m. Attendance is essential to the learning process.

Absences

The Texas Education Code requires that a student be in attendance for 90% of the days a class is offered during a semester in order to be awarded credit for that class (TEC 25.092). (In a block class, a student loses credit after six absences. *Additionally, HISD states that students with three or more unexcused absences in any credit course will have their credit withheld and an asterisk (*NG) will appear on the student's report card.* Excessive absences will lead to denial of the credit regardless of a passing grade. We want to ensure that all scholars are successful, please help ensure that our scholars arrive at 7:50 a.m. We need your support, thank you!

School Supply

If you would like school supplies, please submit a Student Assistance Form (SAF) to your Wraparound Resource Specialist, Ms. Mendoza. Please see flyer for more information.

HISD Connect – Parent Portal

On September 10, 2021, we will be sending each student with information on setting up the HISD Connect Parent Portal account. This will allow you to monitor your student's grades and attendance. I highly encourage you to create an account so you may track your scholar's progress, dual credit courses are not on Parent Connect.

How-To Videos for HISD Connect – Parent Portal:

1. [Getting Started with HISD Connect Parent Portal](#) – How to create your account and associate your student's information.
2. [Completing Forms in HISD Connect Parent Portal](#) – How to navigate to and complete forms after you are logged in to Parent Portal
3. [Student Verification in HISD Connect Parent Portal](#) – How to complete the Student Verification steps after you are logged in to Parent Portal.
4. [HISD Connect Parent Portal: A Complete Guide](#) – How to create your account, associate your students information, complete forms and complete Student Verification in Parent Portal.

Events

Event: Dual Credit Parent Meeting

Date: Thursday, Sept. 9th, 8:30 am (in person) & 5:30 pm (virtual)

Presentation: Dual Credit Expectations

Event: Certification Program Parent Meeting

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 14th, 8:30 am (in person) & 5:30 pm (virtual)
Presentation: Health Science Certification information and requirements
Architecture Design Certification information and requirements

Event: Virtual Open House

Date: Tuesday, Sept. 21st, 2021

- Presentation: 5:00-5:30 p.m. General Session for Open House
- 5:30-7:00 Grade-Level Info

Event: Title I Parent Meeting

Date: Thursday, Sept. 30th, 8:30 am (in person) & 5:30 pm (virtual)

Presentation: Campus Updates

Reminders

September 6, 2021: Labor Day Holiday

September 11, 2021: TSI testing on campus (8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.)

September 16, 2021: Fall Holiday

September 17, 2021: Teacher Service Days (no students)

August 23-October 1: 1st Week Grading Cycle

October 8, 2021: Report Card Date

We strive to ensure that parents/guardians are involved at JFA, please feel to e-mail, contact me at (713)733-1111, or my Google number (832)942-8407. Please leave a message with your name, scholar's name, and call back number, thank you.

Take care and stay safe!