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### Hempstead Public Schools

### **Board of Education**



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### Board of Education Schedule of Mtg.s • 6:00 pm

2024
August 21 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
August 28 (Wednesday)SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY/BOE Regular Meeting
September 11 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
September 18 (Wednesday) BOE Regular Meeting
October 9 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
October 16 (Wednesday) BOE Regular Meeting
November 6 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
November 13 (Wednesday) BOE Regular Meeting
December 4 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
December 11 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting

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Note: All Board of Education Mtg.s are held on Wednesdays, at 6:00 p.m., at the ABGS Middle School Band Box, unless otherwise is indicated in the schedule.

### 2025

January 8 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
January 15 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting
February 5 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
February 12 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting
March 12 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
March 19 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting
April 9 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
April 22 (Tuesday)BOCES Annual Budget Vote
5:00 pm
April 23 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting
May 13 (Tuesday)Annual budget Hearing
6:00 pm @ ABGS Bandbox
May 14 (Wednesday)BOE Work Study Meeting
May 20 (Tuesday) Annual Budget Vote & Elections 7:00 am to 9:00 pm @ ABGS Media Center
May 28 (Wednesday)BOE Regular Meeting
June 18 (Wednesday) Regular Meeting

### **Board of Education**

Office Hours: 8 am–5 pm April Keys, *District Clerk* • Phone: (516) 434-4000 ext. 4002

### **Central Administration**

Office Hours: 8 am-5 pm • Main Phone: (516) 434-4010

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Aug. 28 & 29	Superintendent's Conference Day
Aug.30 & Sept.2	Closed for Labor Day
Sept. 3	First Day of School for Students
Oct. 3-4	Closed for Rosh Hashannah
Oct. 14	Closed for Columbus Day
Nov.5	Closed for Election Day
Nov.11	Closed for Veterans Day
Nov.14	PreK & K Conf. Day-Half Day for Students
Nov.18	Conf.Day-Elementary-Half Day for Students
Nov.19	Conf. Day-Secondary-Half Day for Students
Nov.27	1/2 Day (District Wide Evacuation Drill)
Nov. 28-29	Closed for Thanksgiving Recess
Dec. 23 -Jan. 3	Closed for Holiday Recess
Jan. 20	Closed for MLK Holiday
Jan. 21 - 24	January Regents
Jan.29	Lunar New Year

Conf.Day-Elementary-Half Day for Students

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Feb.6	PreK & K Conf. Day-Half Day for Students
Feb. 17-21	Closed for Winter Recess
Apr. 14-18	Spring Recess
Apr. 21	First Snow Day
Apr. 7-May 16	Gr.3-8 ELA & Math, Science Gr. 5 & 8 Test
Apr.14-May 23	NYSESLAT Speaking
5-May	PreK & K Conf. Day-1/2 Day for Students
6-May	Conf. Day-Elem./Bil./ENL-1/2 Day for Students
8-May	Conf.Day-Second./Bil/ENL-1/2 Day for Students
May 12-23	NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, Writing
May 23	Second Snow Day
May 26	Memorial Day
June 3 & 4	New Regents in Science and Geometry
June 18-24	June Regents Exams
June 19	School Closed for Juneteenth
June 27	Last Day of School. Early Dismissal for students only

First/Last Day of School



April 21 -1st Snow Day (otherwise school closed)

May 23 - 2nd Snow Day (otherwise school closed)







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### Hempstead Public Schools

### Dear Hempstead Community,

The Hempstead Union Free School District's efforts to improve its schools have made a positive impact on scholars' academic growth. All schools and the district overall are now in GOOD STANDING with the New York State Education Department! This great feat is attributed to our school community and stakeholders working together to ensure we created a strong educational atmosphere and safe environment for our scholars. For the 2024-2025 school year, the district will continue to focus its fiscal and human resources on providing scholars with the skills and strategies needed to prepare them for college, career, and success in this everchanging world.

As in previous school years, the district will continue to offer scholars a wide variety of well-rounded and challenging programs, such as International Baccalaureate Framework (IB), Advanced Placement Courses, Smart Scholars, STEM, Bilingual Classes, FLES, Jr ROTC, Career Technical Education, and Music and Arts. Expanding on these opportunities will give our scholars a chance to rise above their peers and prepare them for their future endeavors of post-secondary education and life. During the 2024-2025 school year, we will be adding the teaching of an all-inclusive account of American History using the BH365 curriculum for Black History and Latin History. Some of our scholars will also be exposed to the importance of agriculture as it relates to wellness and financial literacy. To create a better culture and climate for our scholars, there will be a districtwide implementation of Restorative Practices.

Thanks to the overwhelming support of our community, again, we were able to pass a bond that will address the needs of our facilities. In the next few years, all of our schools will be 21st century, state of the art buildings and will be properly heated in winter and cooled in the summer. As we open the school year, you will see a lot of construction happening in our schools as we continue to address the scope of work approved in the 2022 bond, and now in the 2024 bond. Shortly, work will begin on the new addition to the ABGS Middle School. As a result, we will have to change entrances and exits, as well as reroute our buses and other scholar drop off locations. More information regarding these matters will be addressed by the middle school administration and central office to ensure a smooth transition.

As always, I am truly grateful to our Hempstead Staff and Board of Education for their commitment to the progress our district is making academically, socially, and fiscally. We remain committed to serve our scholars with dignity and respect, as we hold them accountable to high standards and expectations in a supportive, positive, and safe learning environment. This is why we will be enforcing our district's policy (no. 5695) of no cell phone use during the school day. Many studies have confirmed cell phones are an impediment to learning and school safety. Therefore, it is the expectation that our scholars will adhere to the policy and procedures as outlined by their building principals as they return to school this Fall.

The Hempstead UFSD remains dedicated to creating an educational system where scholar's success is inevitable. We will continue to take measures to ensure that our scholars are ready to learn and maximize their potential every day! This year, it is all about #IMPACT!

Committed to IMPACT,

Regina Armstrong

Superintendent of Schools Hempstead Union Free School District



### Estimada Comunidad de Hempstead,

Los esfuerzos del Distrito Escolar Libre de Hempstead Union para mejorar sus escuelas han tenido un impacto positivo en el crecimiento académico de los estudiantes. ¡Todas las escuelas y el distrito en general están ahora en BUENA POSICIÓN con el Departamento de Educación del Estado de Nueva York! Esta gran hazaña se atribuye a nuestra comunidad escolar y a las partes interesadas que trabajan juntas para garantizar que creamos una atmósfera educativa sólida y un entorno seguro para nuestros estudiantes. Para el año escolar 2024-2025, el distrito continuará enfocando sus recursos fiscales y humanos en proporcionar a los estudiantes las habilidades y estrategias necesarias para prepararlos para la universidad, la carrera y el éxito en este mundo en constante cambio.

Al igual que en años escolares anteriores, el distrito continuará ofreciendo a los estudiantes una amplia variedad de programas completos y desafiantes, como el Marco del Bachillerato Internacional (IB), Cursos de Colocación Avanzada, Smart Scholars, STEM, Clases Bilingües, FLES, Jr ROTC, Educación Técnica Profesional y Música y Artes. Ampliar estas oportunidades les dará a nuestros estudiantes la oportunidad de elevarse por encima de sus compañeros y prepararlos para sus futuros esfuerzos de educación postsecundaria y la vida. Durante el año escolar 2024-2025, agregaremos la enseñanza de un relato integral de la historia de Estados Unidos utilizando el plan de estudios BH365 para Historia Negra e Historia Latina. Algunos de nuestros becarios también estarán expuestos a la importancia de la agricultura en lo que se refiere al bienestar y la educación financiera. Para crear una mejor cultura y clima para nuestros estudiantes, habrá una implementación de Prácticas Restaurativas en todo el distrito.

Gracias al apoyo abrumador de nuestra comunidad, una vez más, pudimos aprobar un bono que abordará las necesidades de nuestras instalaciones. En los próximos años, todas nuestras escuelas serán del siglo XXI, edificios de última generación y se calentarán adecuadamente en invierno y se enfriarán en verano. A medida que abrimos el año escolar, verán muchas construcciones en nuestras escuelas a medida que continuamos abordando el alcance del trabajo aprobado en el bono de 2022, y ahora en el bono de 2024. En breve, comenzarán las obras de la nueva incorporación a la Escuela Secundaria ABGS. Como resultado, tendremos que cambiar las entradas y salidas, así como cambiar la ruta de nuestros autobuses y otros lugares de entrega de los estudiantes. La administración de la escuela intermedia y la oficina central abordarán más información sobre estos asuntos para garantizar una transición sin problemas.

Como siempre, estoy realmente agradecido con nuestro personal y la Junta de Educación de Hempstead por su compromiso con el progreso que nuestro distrito está logrando académica, social y fiscalmente. Seguimos comprometidos a servir a nuestros estudiantes con dignidad y respeto, ya que los hacemos responsables de altos estándares y expectativas en un entorno de aprendizaje de apoyo, positivo y seguro. Es por eso que haremos cumplir la política de nuestro distrito (no. 5695) de no usar teléfonos celulares durante el día escolar. Muchos estudios han confirmado que los teléfonos celulares son un impedimento para el aprendizaje y la seguridad escolar. Por lo tanto, se espera que nuestros estudiantes se adhieran a la política y los procedimientos descritos por los directores de sus edificios cuando regresen a la escuela este otoño.

El UFSD de Hempstead sigue dedicado a crear un sistema educativo en el que el éxito de los estudiantes sea inevitable. ¡Continuaremos tomando medidas para asegurarnos de que nuestros estudiantes estén listos para aprender y maximizar su potencial todos los días! ¡Este año, todo se trata de #IMPACT!

Comprometidos con el IMPACTO.

Regina Armstrong

Superintendente de Escuelas Distrito Escolar Libre de la Unión de Hempstead

### **August Highlights:**

- Student/Parent Orientations / Open House
  Board of Education Mtg.: 8/28
  Superintendent Conference Days: 8/28, 8/29

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25	DPS Kindergarten Orientation 5:30PM RAHA: Kindergarten Orientation 4:30 p.m. Fall Sports Season Starts	New Employee Orientation 8:30 am - 12:30 pm - Rhodes Academy	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY	SUPERINTENDENT'S CONFERENCE DAY	30	31

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### **September Highlights:**

- Meet the Teacher Night
  Open School Night at Your Child's School
  Board of Education Mtg: 9/11, 9/19

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	LABOR DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	PRS ½ Day Pre-K and K FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS First Marking Period Begins	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS ½ Day Pre-K and K	BOS PBIS Assembly Grades 4,5,6	BOS PBIS Assembly Grades 1,2,3	
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	DPS Pride Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm		BOE Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm DPS 9-11 Remembrance Day (9 am, 10 am, 1 pm		HHS Varsity Football Game Home 6 pm	
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	BOS PBIS Kick-Off PRS Colors Spirit Week- Wear Red HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm Adult Education Classes Begin	<b>PRS</b> Colors Spirit Week–Wear Orange	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS Colors Spirit Week- Wear Yellow Teachers and Teaching Assistant Extended Wednesday	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox PRS Colors Spirit Week- Wear Green	<b>PRS</b> Colors Spirit Week–Wear Blue	<b>HHS</b> Varsity Football Game Home 3 pm
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	ABGS Meet the Teacher Night 6:00 pm DPS Back to School Night 5 pm HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	JS Open House 4-6 pm JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm PRS Hispanic Heritage Assembly-Pre-K PRS Meet the Teacher Night 5:30-6:30 pm RAHA PTO Meeting 5:15 pm RAHA Meet the Teacher Night 6:00 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm	ABGS Student of the Month/Parent as Partners 5:30 pm BOS Meet the Teacher Night PTSO Meeting PRS ASQ Support Workshop 8:30–9:30 am & 3:00 -4:00 pm	ABGS Back to School Dance 3:30 pm JS 25 Book Campaign Kickoff PRS Hispanic Heritage Assembly-K RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am	HHS Varsity Football Game Away 3 pm RAHA Welcome Back Fall Festival 10:00 am
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RAHA: Rhodes Academy for the Humanities and the Arts

JAM: Joseph A. McNeil School

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**DPS:** David Paterson School **PRS:** Prospect School



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### **October Highlights:**

- Hispanic Heritage Month
  Homecoming Parade and Celebration: 10/19
  Board of Education Mtg.: 10/9, 10/16

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	DPS Hispanic Heritage Month Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm	JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration 4:00 pm RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm	BOE Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm PRS PTO Meeting 5:30–6:30 pm	HHS Varsity Football Game Home 4:30 pm RAHA Hispanic Heritage Celebration	BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast RAHA Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm 1st Progress Report for Middle and High Schools is Mailed out Today	District Hispanic Heritage Celebration– <b>HHS</b> 2 pm
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13	COLUMBUS DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	DPS Digital Citizen Week RAHA Spirit Week	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm DPS Student of the Month/PTO Meeting 5:30 pm Teachers and Teaching Assistant Extended Wednesday 16	ABGS Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration	BOS Hispanic Heritage Celebration	Homecoming Parade 9 am-Homecoming Varsity Football Game HHS 3 pm
	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm RAHA Book Fair Begins	ABGS Student of the Month/Parent as Partners 5:30 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm Teacher's Choice Extended Wednesday for Teachers and Teaching Assistants		DPS Hispanic Heritage Celebration (9 am, 10 am, 1 pm) PRS Breast Cancer Walk RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am RAHA Book Fair Ends Varsity Football Game Away 6:30 pm	
20	BOS Picture Day PRS Fall Festival Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	22	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm JS Fall Picture Day PRS IEP Parent Workshop RAHA Fall Picture Day	BOS PTSO Meeting/ Pumpkin Patch BOS 25 Book Campaign/ Character Day DPS Character Day Parade/Unity Day PRS Storybook Character Day RAHA Character Day	25	26
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### **November Highlights:**

- Daylight Savings Time Ends: 11/3 (clocks are turned backward 1 hour)
- Parent / Teacher Conferences
- Board of Education Mtg.: 11/6. 11/13
- District Musical Annie: 11/21, 11/22, 11/23
- Happy Thanksgiving

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					ABGS Costume Celebration 3:30 pm PRS Care and Share Project	<b>HHS</b> Varsity Football Game Away 3 pm
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	HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm	ELECTION DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	BOE Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm		ABGS Honoring Veterans BOS IB Showcase Grade 4 RAHA Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm	
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10	VETERANS' DAY OBSERVED SCHOOL CLOSED	BOS Picture Day DPS PTO Meeting/ Thanksgiving Community Dinner 5:30 pm JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Share the Warmth Clothing Drive 4:00-5:00 pm RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm First Marking Period Ends	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox Second Marking Period Begins Teachers and Teaching Assistant Extended Wednesday	BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast Pre-K & K Parent/Teacher Conferences Half Day for Students/Community Expo First Report Card Distributed 11/14, 18 & 19, 2024	JS Fall Book Fair PRS Who We Are Day	16
17	JS Fall Book Fair Winter Sports Starts HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm Parent/Teacher Conferences Elementary Half Day for Students	BOS Picture Day JS Fall Book Fair Parent/Teacher Conferences Secondary Half Day for Students	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm	District Musical-Annie HHS 6 pm ABGS Student of the Month/Parent as Partners 5:30 pm	District Musical-Annie HHS 6 pm DPS Harvest Festival PRS Community Helper Visit RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am	District Musical-Annie HHS 2 pm
24	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm	1/2 DAY THANKSGIVING RECESS (District Wide Evacuation Drill)  27	THANKSGIVING SCHOOL CLOSED	THANKSGIVING RECESS SCHOOL CLOSED	30

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### **December Highlights:**

- Winter / Holiday Concerts and Showcases
  Board of Education Mtg.:12/3, 12/11
  District Celebration of Lights: 12/14

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		HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm (remote) Teachers and Teaching Assistant Extended Wednesday	HHS Winter Concert and Art Show 6 pm	BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast BOS IB Showcase 5th Grade DPS Bring Your Parent to School Day 9 am/1 pm JS Holiday Photos RAHA Holiday Photos 2nd Progress Report for Middle and High Schools is Mailed out Today	District Celebration of Lights-HHS 2 pm
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	BOS Holiday Boutique DPS Holiday Spirit Week PRS Holiday Spirit Week RAHA Holiday Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	ABGS Student of the Month/Parent as Partners 5:30 pm BOS Santa Pictures DPS Student of the Month /Winter Concert/PTO Meeting 5:30 pm JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Winter Concert 4:00 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm JS: Holiday Dance (Grades 1-3) PRS: Holidays Around the World Celebration	BOS-Winter Concert and Art Showcase JS: Holiday Dance (Grades 4-6) PRS: Holidays Around the World Celebration RAHA Holiday & Art Showcase	DPS: Holiday Assembly 9am, 10am, 1pm RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am Adult Education Closed for the Holiday Recess	
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### **January Highlights:**

- Happy New Year
  Board of Education Mtg.: 1/8, 1/15
  Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday: 1/20
  Lunar New Year: 1/29
- Check Testing Dates

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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm Adult Education Classes Begin for New Students	All-County Div. 5 Music Festival – HHS 4-8 pm JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm (remote) RAHA College Day Teacher's Choice Extended Wednesday for Teachers and Teaching Assistants	All-County Div. 5 Music Festival – HHS 4-8 pm PRS MLK Spot of Kindness Day	All-County Div. 5 Music Festival – HHS 4-8 pm ABGS MLK Celebration 1:30 pm DPS Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration 9 am, 10 am, 1 pm	
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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	JS Fall Picture Day Retakes	LUNAR NEW YEAR SCHOOL CLOSED	ABGS Student of the Month/Parent as Partners 5:30 pm Second Marking Period Ends	RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am Third Marking Period Begins	
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### **February Highlights:**

- African American History Month
  Happy Valentine's Day
  Parent/Teacher Conferences
  Board of Education Mtg.: 2/8, 2/15

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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	Parent/Teacher Conferences Secondary	<b>BOE</b> Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS	Pre-K & K Parent/Teacher Conferences Half Day for	<b>RAHA</b> Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm	
	HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm	Half Day for Students	Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry	Students	Transfer Pro-	
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	DPS Black History Month Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Black History Celebration 4:00 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm Teachers Extended Wednesday	ABGS Student of the Month/Black History Month Celebration 5:30 pm BOS African American History Celebration PRS Black History Celebration RAHA Black History Celebration	ABGS Black History Month Celebration  DPS Black History Month Celebration 9 am, 10 am, 1 pm  PRS Black History Celebration  HHS Young Men's Empowerment  RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting	
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### **March Highlights:**

- Daylight Savings Time Starts: 3/9 (clocks are turned forward 1 hour)
  Women's History Celebration Month
  Music in Our Schools Month / Youth Art Month

- Board of Education Mtg.: 3/12, 3/19

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	PRS Read Across America Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm	PROS Toileting Workshop	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm	JS Spring Picture Day	PRS Reading Playdate RAHA Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm	
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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	PRS Spring Egg Hunt RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm	BOE Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS: PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm Teachers and Teaching Assistant Extended Wednesday		BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast RAHA Women's History Celebration 3rd Progress Report for Middle and High Schools are Mailed out Today	<b>DPS</b> Hop-A-Thon for Muscular Dystrophy
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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm Spring Sports Start		BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox DPS PTO Meeting 5:30 pm Teacher's Choice Extended Wednesday for Teachers Adult Education Six (6) Hour Defensive Driving Session I	BOS IB Showcase Grades 1-3	RAHA Spring Picture Day	District Art Exhibition – HHS 2 pm
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23	BOS Senior Photos HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm  24  RAHA Book Fair Begins HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Women's History Celebration 4:00 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm Adult Education Six (6) Hour Defensive Driving Session II	ABGS Student of the Month/Women's History Month Celebration 5:30 pm	DPS: Women's History Month Program 9 am, 10 am, 1 pm RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am RAHA Career Day	
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### **April Highlights:**

- Earth Day
  Check Testing Dates
  High School Musical–Shrek: 4/4, 4/5
  Board of Education Mtg.: 4/9, 4/23

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		ABGS Spring Concert and Art Showcase 5:30 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm	RAHA Spring Concert & Art Showcase 5:30 pm	HHS Musical – Shrek 6 pm BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast JS Bunny Hop Picture Day RAHA Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm RAHA Book Fair End	HHS Musical – Shrek 2 pm and 6 pm
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	PRS Earth Day Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th	RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th	BOE Work Study Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox PRS: PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th Third Report Card Distributed 4/9 to 4/11, 2025	PRS Earth Day Celebration NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd- 8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th Third Marking Period Ends	PRS Earth Day Celebration NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd- 8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th Fourth Marking Period Starts	
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### **May Highlights:**

Happy Mother's Day
District Music Showcase: 5/20
Memorial Day: 5/26
Annual Budget Hearing: 5/13
Budget Vote and Election: 5/20
Board of Education Mtg.: 5/14, 5/28
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11	PRS Multicultural Spirit Week HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading & Writing	Annual budget Hearing 6:00 pm @ ABGS Bandbox RAHA Parents as Partners Meeting 5:30 pm HHS Tri-M Honors Society Induction Ceremony – HHS 6 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading & Writing	BOE Work Study Meeting @ 6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm PRS: PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30 pm NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading & Writing	PRS Multicultural Celebration HHS Content Honor Society Induction Ceremonies NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading & Writing	PRS Multicultural Celebration NYS ELA & MATH EXAMS GR 3rd-8th NYS SCIENCE EXAM GR 5th & 8th NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, & Writing	17
18	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	Annual Budget Vote & Elections 7:00 am to 9:00 pm @ ABGS Media Center District Music Showcase - A/O Front Lawn 9AM NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, & Writing	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, & Writing	RAHA 6th Grade IB Exhibition NYSESLAT Speaking NYSESLAT Listening, Reading, & Writing 4th Progress Report for Middle and High Schools is Mailed out Today	Second Snow Make-Up Day (Otherwise School Closed)	24
Memorial Day Village Ceremony and Parade	MEMORIAL DAY SCHOOL CLOSED	BOS Picture Day	BOE Regular Meeting @6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm DPS: K-3 Field Day	3rd Annual Visual and Performing Arts Award Night – HHS 6PM ABGS Student of the Month/ Parent as Partners 5:30 pm BOS PTSO Meeting DPS K-3 Field Day Rain Date JS PTO Meeting 3:30 pm JS Spring Concert 4:00 pm RAHA Field Day	ABGS IB Exhibition 9 am Media Center BOS Career Day DPS Career Day RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am	31
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### **June Highlights:**

- Happy Father's Day
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  Moving Up and Graduation Ceremonies
  HAVE A HAPPY and SAFE SUMMER!
- Board of Education Mtg.: 6/18

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	ABGS 8th Grade Awards 5:30 pm PRS Toileting Workshop HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	NYS New Regents in Science and Geometry	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm NYS New Regents in Science and Geometry Adult Education High School Equivalency Graduation	ABGS Fun Day 10 am DPS 4-6 Field Day JS Career Day RAHA Field Day (rain date)	ABGS 8th Grade Trip DPS 4-6 Field Day (Rain Date) JS Field Day RAHA Scholar of the Month Ceremony 2 pm	
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	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm HHS PTSA Meeting 6 pm	ABGS 8th Grade Dance BOS Father's Day Sale PRS Pre-K and K Transitional Meeting RAHA Parents as Partners Honors & Dinner 5:30 pm	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30–2:30 pm BOS Father's Day Sale	ABGS 7th Gade Awards 5:30 pm BOS IB Exhibition Grade 6 JS Student Government Field Trip HHS Senior Scholarship and Awards Ceremony	ABGS End of the Year School Dance BOS Student of the Month and Attendance Breakfast DPS Special Person's Day JS Field Day (Rain Date)	RAHA Father & Son Sports Day
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15	HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm	PRS Fun Day – Pre-K	BOE Regular Meeting @ 6:00 pm, in the ABGS Bandbox  ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm JS: Family Fun Day PRS: Fun Day - K NYS REGENTS EXAMS Adult Education Classes End	JUNETEENTH SCHOOL CLOSED	DPS: Kindergarten Moving Up 9:30 am JS: Moving Up Ceremony 9:30 am HHS BOS – Moving Up Ceremony 9:30 am HHS RAHA Health & Safety Committee Meeting 8:00 am NYS REGENTS EXAMS	Hempstead Got Talent - HHS 2 pm
	PRS Moving Up Spirit Week RAHA Moving Up Ceremony 5:00 pm HHS Curriculum Council Meeting 2 pm NYS REGENTS EXAMS	PRS Prekindergarten Moving Up NYS REGENTS EXAMS	ABGS Food Pantry Distribution 12:30-2:30 pm DPS Moving Up Ceremony 9:30 am HHS PRS Prekindergarten Moving Up	ABGS Moving Up Ceremony 10 am BOS PTSO Meeting PRS Kindergarten Moving Up	LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (Early Dismissal for Students Only) FOURTH MARKING PERIOD ENDS Fourth Report Card Mailed HHS Graduation 9 am (Tentative)	
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**ABGS:** Alverta B. Gray Shultz Middle School **JS:** Jackson School

**BOE:** Board of Education

**BOS:** Barack Obama School

**DPS:** David Paterson School

JAM: Joseph A. McNeil School

**HS:** High School

PRS: Prospect School

**RAHA:** Rhodes Academy for the Humanities and the Arts

**ESAP:** Empire State After School Program



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### SCHOOL DIRECTORY

### Hempstead High School 201 President Street • 434-4200

7:25 am-3:45 pm • Grades 9-12

Principal: Dr. Stephen Strachan

Assistant Principal: Dr. Kristin Kelly

Assistant Principal: Ms. Natalia Reyes Assistant Principal: Dr. Clemente J. Robles

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Assistant Principal: Ms. Sionery Villar

Dean of Students: Mr. O'Neil Glenn

Dean of Students: Ms. Jennifer Garcia

### Alverta B. Gray Schultz Middle School

70 Greenwich Street • 434-4300

8:20 am–3:10 pm • Grade 7

7:30 am-2:29 pm • Grade 8 **Principal: Ms. Lisaura Moreno** 

Assistant Principal: Ms. Betsy Benedith

Assistant Principal: Ms. Rowena Costa

Assistant Principal: TBD

Dean of Students: Mr. Keith Saunders

Dean of Students: Damaris Hardial

### **Barack Obama School**

176 William Street • 434-4400

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades 1-6

Principal: Ms. Rozella Fibleuil
Assistant Principal: Ms. Madeline Baez

### **David Paterson School**

40 Fulton Street • 434-4450

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades K-6

Principal: Mrs. Laura Caines-Giralde

Assistant Principal: TBD

Dean of Students: Ms. Joy Thompson

### **Jackson School**

451 Jackson Street • 434-4650

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades 1-6

Principal: Mr. Richard Brown

Assistant Principal: Ms. Stacey Lagnese Assistant Principal: Mr. Richard Mata-Castro

### Joseph A. McNeil School 335 South Franklin Street • 434-4500

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades 1-6 **Interim Principal: Renee Wright** 

Assistant Principal: Dr. Juanita Winfield Dean of Students: Ms. Rachel Blount

### **Prospect School**

265 Peninsula Boulevard • 434-4700

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades Pre-K-K Principal: Ms. Carole Eason

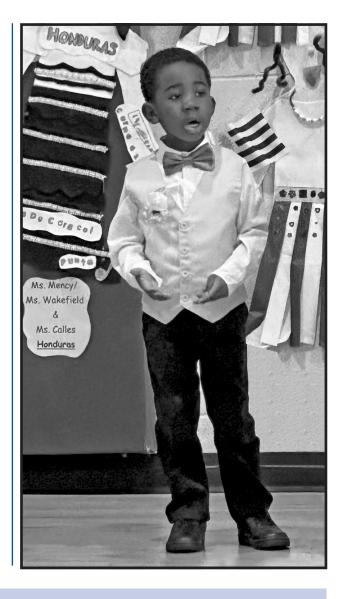
Assistant Principal: Ms. Keesha Keller

### Rhodes Academy for the Humanities & the Arts

270 Washington Street • 434-4800

8:35 am-3:05 pm • Grades K-6 Principal: Dr. Sheena Burke

Assistant Principal: Ms. Jaelle Mann-Tineo Assistant Principal: Ms. Jasmine Shepherd Dean of Students: Ms. Pamela Green



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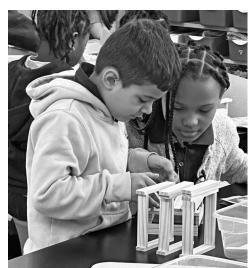


















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