

Welcome to Talbott Springs Back to School Night



JOIN THE TSES PTA!

¡ÚNASE A LA PTA DE TSES!



1 Please take out your cell phone.



2 Open your camera.



3 Scan this QR code.



4 Click **Membership**.



5 Select **Parent/Guardian** (unless you're one of the other types).



6 Hit **Buy Now**.



Sit back and feel proud that you helped the **TSES PTA** be able to host family events and get closer to our membership goal!



1 Por favor, saque su teléfono celular.



2 Abra la cámara.



3 Escanee este código QR.



4 Haga clic en **Membresía**.



5 Seleccione **Padre/Madre o Encargado** (a menos que usted sea de otro tipo).



6 Presione **"Buy Now"** (Comprar ahora).



¡Ahora siéntese y siéntase orgulloso(a) de que usted ayudó a que la **PTA de TSES** pueda organizar eventos familiares y acercarnos más a nuestra meta de membresía!

HCPSS Student Code of Conduct

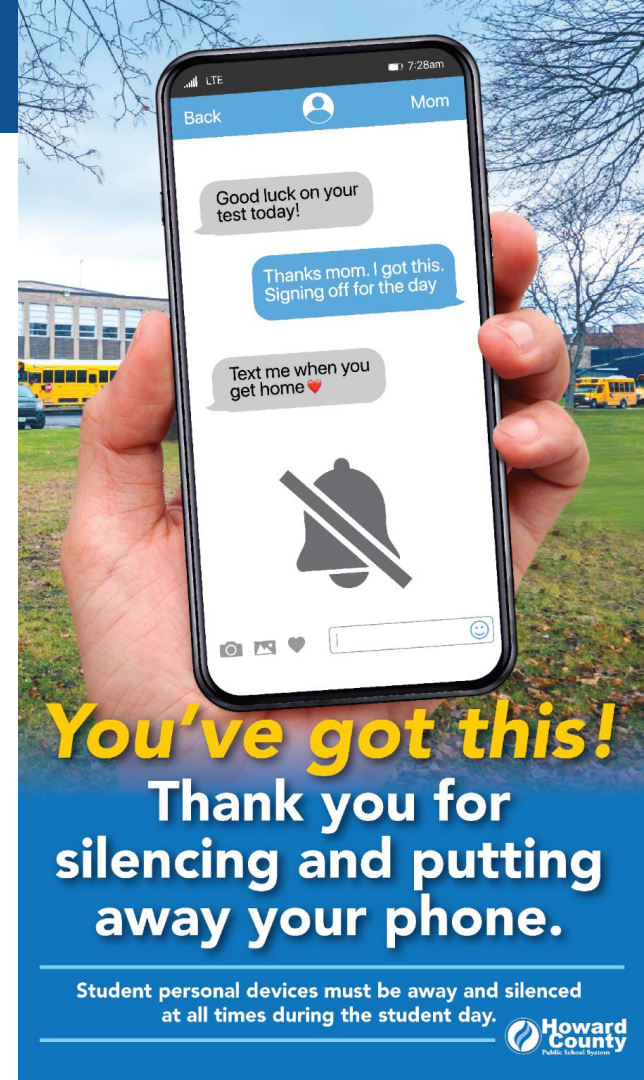


We view the student code of conduct as a team effort. There are responsibilities for staff, students, families and our community. Let's all do our part to make this year safe and successful for all!



Student Personal Device Use

- Personal devices may not be seen, heard, or be a distraction.
- Smart watches may be worn during the student day.
- Staff discretion is used on field trips.
- School administrators may authorize use of a personal device in rare instances (mainly emergencies).
- Personal laptops may be used for instructional activities in high school with teacher permission.
- **1st violation:** Device is confiscated. Student picks up at end of the day.
- **All other violations:** Device is confiscated. Parent/guardian must pick up.
- Personal devices for assistive technology may be used as defined in an **IEP/504/Health Plan**.



You've got this!
**Thank you for
silencing and putting
away your phone.**

Student personal devices must be away and silenced
at all times during the student day.

HCPSS Emergency Communications

In the event of an unscheduled closing, information will be shared with the community through the following:

HCPSS status website (<https://status.hcpss.org>)

HCPSS homepage (<https://www.hcpss.org>)

HCPSS Status Information Hotline – 410-313-6666

HCPSS News email and text message

Full details online at

www.hcpss.org/emergency-closings

(or scan code with your phone's camera)



Receiving Emails and Texts



Utilizing contact information submitted through the Family File, parents and guardians automatically receive emails from HCPSS and our school.

To comply with FCC & wireless carrier requirements, parents/guardians must opt in one time to receiving text message alerts. To opt in or confirm sign up, text the word “YES” to 67587 **from the mobile number on file** in HCPSS Connect Family File.

Unsubscribing to either an HCPSS or school email, will remove you from receiving all email messaging—including emergency notifications!

Please contact the front office if you believe you are not receiving emails and/or text messages.

School Communications

HCPSS offers a multitude of communications platforms.
From our school, you may receive messages from:

Phone Calls – The TSES main number is 410-313-6915. Please save this to your contacts to avoid phone calls being routed as "unknown callers."

Emails – Direct messages from staff to parents/guardians are sent to parent/guardian email on file (contact our front office to update your email). All emails will come from an @hcpss.org address. Staff will never email from a personal email account. Please be vigilant when clicking on any links in and/or downloading files attached to emails.

School Communications, cont.

Canvas – Learning Management System (grades, course notifications, etc.)
Email notifications will come from notifications@instructure.com. You can set your own notification preferences. A Parent's Guide to Canvas is available at <https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/9495>

SchoolMessenger – Schoolwide messages (newsletters, alerts)
Email comes from the school; links may display as schoolmessenger
Texts come from 67587

TalkingPoints – Schoolwide messages; staff direct messages for two-way conversations
Sent via text to parent/guardian mobile number & received in language identified for parent/guardian in HCPSS Synergy
Option to use the TalkingPoints app, offering additional features

2026-2027 Student Meals

Students whose families do not qualify for free or reduced priced lunch will be required to pay full price.



DAILY MEAL PRICES

Student Breakfast

Breakfast – \$2.20

Reduced Price Breakfast – \$0.00

Free Breakfast – \$0.00

Student Lunch

Elementary School Lunch – \$3.00

Middle/High School Lunch – \$3.50

Reduced Price Lunch – \$0.00

Free Lunch – \$0.00

Milk (1/2 pint) – \$0.60

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

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

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

HCPSS WEBSITE

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.

APPLICATION

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

Free and Reduced-Price Meals (FARMs)

Qualifying families can receive free or reduced-cost:

The screenshot shows a web application titled "HCPSS - FAMILY FILE (EMERGENCY FORM)". On the left is a "MAIN NAVIGATION" sidebar with a list of items, each with a green checkmark: Students, Parents/Guardians, Emergency Contacts, Medical, Arrival/Departure, Media, Data Confidentiality, Student Creative Work, PTA Directory / School Directory, and Submit. The main content area displays a confirmation message: "Thank you. You have successfully submitted the family file information." Below this, there are two redacted lines of text, each preceded by a green checkmark. A link is provided to "Click the below link to download the printed emergency procedure card:" with a "[Download]" button. A blue button labeled "Free and Discounted Benefits" is prominently displayed. Below it, a paragraph states: "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." At the bottom of the main area is a blue "Log out" button.

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

Title I Schools



- Enhanced programs, services, and enrichment
- Family engagement opportunities
- Title I Annual Meeting
- More info:
[www.hcpss.org/academics/
title-i-program/](http://www.hcpss.org/academics/title-i-program/)

FARMs Application & Title I Eligibility

How does filling out your FARMs form impact the school's Title I eligibility?

- Determines Title I status
- Complete the form by **October 31**

You're Invited!

We RISE Together

A family-centered evening to learn, connect, and support student success.

Learn

Understand the Title I program, funding, and school practices.

Connect

Meet other families, community partners, and school staff.

Collaborate

Share feedback that helps strengthen academic and behavioral success.

« SCAN TO RSVP »



DATE

Wed, Sept. 23

TIME

6:00–8:00 PM

PLACE

TSES Cafeteria

Talbotts Springs Elementary School • Cafeteria

TSES TITLE I ANNUAL MEETING

2026–2027 School Year



RSVP by 9/18/26

Coming Soon! Look out for our 2026-2027 Year at a Glance

TALBOTT SPRINGS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



YEAR AT A GLANCE 2026 - 2027



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

- 8-16 Kindergarten Playdate 3-4pm
- 8-21 Open House (10am RECC/ PreK; 12:00 COMPASS, 12:30 Kindergarten, 1:30 New Students, 2:00 1st - 5th Grade)
- 8-24 First Day of School!
- 9-8 Hearing & Vision Clinic
- 9-8 K-2 Back to School Night 6-7pm

SEPTEMBER

- 9-9 Band/Strings/Orchestra Orientation Grades 4-5 6-7pm *Virtual*
- 9-10 GT (5:30) & 3-5 Back to School Night 6-7pm
- 9-16 Hearing and Vision Rescreening
- 9-16 Hybrid PTA General Meeting 6-7:30pm
- 9-23 Annual Title I Family Night 6:00-8:00 pm
- 9-29 PTA Restaurant Night (Wendy's)

OCTOBER

- 10-6 Hispanic Heritage Month Guest Readers
- 10-8 Hispanic Heritage Celebration 6-8pm
- 10-12 Fall Picture Day
- 10-14 Grade 3 and 4 Title I Family Program (Literacy - Writing) 6-8 pm
- 10-14 PTA Restaurant Night (Red Robin)
- 10-10 Green Apple Day 10am-12pm
- 10-22 Family School Partnership Canvas/Gradebook Night 6-8pm
- 10-27 PTA Trunk or Treat 6-7pm
- 10-30 Career Day

FEBRUARY

- 2-3 PTA Restaurant Night (Chipotle)
- 2-4 5th Grade Title I Middle School Transition Night 6-8pm
- 2-11 Title I Math Data Conferences 12-2
- 2-11 - 2-12 Math Parent-Teacher Conferences
- 2-19 PTA Hearts & Hightops 6:30-7:30pm
- 2-25 Black History Month Celebration 6-8pm
- 2-23 Black History Month Guest Reader Day

MARCH

- 3-2 Reading Night and Book Fair 6:15-8pm
- 3-9 PTA Restaurant Night
- 3-10 Hybrid PTA Meeting 6-7:30 pm

APRIL

- 4-5 Spring Picture Day
- 4-10 Garden Workday 10am-12pm
- 4-14 International Night 6-8pm
- 4-23 Field Day
- 4-26 PTA Restaurant Night (Honeygrow)

NOVEMBER

- 11-11 Hybrid PTA General Meeting 6-7pm
- 11-17 PreK and Kindergarten Title I Family Program (Literacy - Handwriting) 12-2pm
- 11-16 - 11-20 American Education Week
- 11-20 Trot for Talbott
- 11-23 Title I Literacy Data Conferences 12-2
- 11-23 - 11-24 Book Fair & Literacy Parent Teacher Conferences
- 11-25 PTA Restaurant Night (Panda Express)

DECEMBER

- 12-11 Dental Clinic
- 12-13 Picture Day Retakes
- 12-10 Family School Partnership Primary (K-2) Homework Workshop Night 6-8pm
- 12-18 PTA "Snowed In" 6:30-7:30 pm

JANUARY

- 1-6 Hybrid PTA Meeting 6-7:30pm
- 1-7 Family School Partnership Intermediate (3-5) Homework Workshop Night 6-8pm
- 1-12 String-A-Palooza Concert 7:00pm (4th and 5th Grade)
- TBD PTA Restaurant Night
- 1-21 Grade 1 and 2 Title I Family Program (Social Emotional Learning) 12-2pm
- 1-25 Winter Music Concert @ OMHS 6:30pm
- 1-28 Young Authors Contest Breakfast 8-8:30am

MAY

- 5-6 Family School Partnership Meeting (Social Emotional Learning) 6-8pm
- 5-8 Garden Workday 10am-12pm
- 5-12 Hybrid PTA Meeting 6-7:30 pm
- 5-17 PTA Restaurant Night
- 5-18 Spring Concert at OMHS 6:30-8:30pm
- 5-26 Transition to Kindergarten Family Program 5-7pm
- TBD 5th Grade SCH

JUNE

- 6-2 Hybrid PTA Meeting 6-7:30pm
- 6-3 Kindergarten Promotion* 9:00am
- 6-4 PTA Summer Kick Off 6:30-7:30 pm
- 6-7 5th Grade Promotion* 9:00am
- 6-8 Last Day of School*
*Pending Winter Weather
- TBD PTA Restaurant Night



Additional dates will be added throughout the year. **Bolded events** are funded by Title I.
Last updated 9/2/26

This is a draft. Some dates still need to be finalized. Thank you!

The Ready to Read Act

Maryland's Ready to Read Act requires that students at risk for reading difficulty receive timely intervention.

Beginning with the 2026–2027 school year, HCPSS is putting this into practice through Student Reading Improvement Plans (SRIPs), in line with Maryland State Board of Education policy.

MSDE and HCPSS are committed to every student's early literacy success.

Who Gets a Student Reading Improvement Plan?

Kindergarten through Grade 3 students with a DIBELS score of **“Well Below”** receive a Student Reading Improvement Plan (SRIP), developed within 30 days of the assessment.

If your child has reading goals on an IEP, **that plan takes the place of the SRIP.**

A SRIP is a reading plan designed to improve your child's reading skills through targeted instruction and support.

What a SRIP Provides



Targeted Reading Instruction



Progress Monitoring



A Goal Addressing Your Child's Learning Gap



Ongoing Family Communication

Communication



Home Connect Report

Shares your child's DIBELS results and skill-by-skill progress, three times a year.



Notification Letter

If your child will have a SRIP, you'll get a letter by October 15, 2026.



New This Year: Email

You will receive an email from the school with the SRIP attached..

You'll also get ongoing updates from your child's classroom teacher or interventionist.

How You Can Help and Resources

Ready to Read Act & MTSS Resources

- ELA in HCPSS <https://www.hcpss.org/academics/english-language-arts/>
- Ready to Read Act details <https://www.hcpss.org/academics/english-language-arts/ready-to-read-act/>

The best ways to help at home: read together every day, talk about what you read, and celebrate your child's progress — big and small.



**HOWARD COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

SCHOOL BASED WELLNESS CENTER

Health care during school at NO COST!

ENROLL TODAY!

Howard County
PUBLIC SCHOOLS SYSTEM

**SCAN THE QR CODE FOR
MORE OR TO ENROLL**



TO ENROLL:
Talk to the nurse in the Health Office,
scan the QR Code or go to:
bit.ly/SchoolBasedWellnessCenters

CONTACT INFO:
HowardSBWC@howardcountymd.gov



**HOWARD COUNTY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

CENTRO DE BIENESTAR ESCOLAR

Atención médica durante la escuela
¡SIN COSTO!

¡INSCRÍBASE HOY!

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**ESCANEE EL CÓDIGO QR
PARA OBTENER MÁS
INFORMACIÓN O
INSCRIBIRSE**



PARA INSCRIBIRSE:
Hable con la enfermera de la Oficina
de Salud, escanee el código QR o
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School Based Wellness Center

Be Involved

Community Advisory Council



Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee



Thank you for coming!

