Using Home Access Center

Home Access Center (HAC) is a browser-based student information system that allows you to view student registration, report card, attendance, discipline, transcript, success plan, course request, classwork, and scheduling information as it is entered in the school district's database.

Home Access Center Menu

The menu options in the Home Access Center banner provide access to HAC's main pages. Clicking an icon displays a page with related tabs, each of which is a self-contained page of information on your student. For example, the Grades option displays a page with tabs on IPRs, Report Cards, and other subjects associated with grading. Clicking a tab displays the page indicated. Most HAC pages also include links that when clicked, display a window with additional details.

The following pages can be accessed using the menu options in the HAC banner.

Home		
Week View	Displays a student's attendance, scheduling, assignment, and discipline information for the current week. Previous and future weeks can also be displayed. Links are provided for viewing scores and other details on individual courses and assignments, accessing student fee information, and emailing teachers.	
Calendar	Displays a month-view of the student's attendance, scheduling, assignment, and discipline information, as well as activities and events. Checkboxes are provided for configuring the type of information that displays, while buttons are included for changing the calendar to a daily or week view. Previous and future months can also be displayed.	
School Links	Displays links that can be created in the HAC building configuration to enable access to other resources within or outside the district.	
Attendance		
Month View	Displays a month-view of the student's attendance that can be toggled to access all months within the current school year. A color legend identifies the type of attendance displayed. Place the mouse pointer over a day to view more detailed information on absences and tardies.	

Classes	Available for Secondary Students Only
Classwork	Displays course assignments, including the dates assigned, due dates, categories, potential points, and scores for the Gradebook assignments available in a class. When assignments are ordered by class, class average information is shown below the student's list of assignments.
	Teachers can select whether an assignment and its score should be published for HAC. However, unpublished assignments may be included in the student's averages for a course.

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Schedule	Displays the student's schedule for the entire year. Dropped courses may also be displayed. You can also select to display the list of requests for the next school year in a separate section at the bottom of the page. Links are provided for viewing detailed course information and sending emails to teachers.
Requests	Displays subject areas or departments for the building, depending on the building configuration, and allows guardians and students to select courses as requests for the next school year. A separate section lists the student's graduation requirements to assist with the requests if requests are entered by subject area. The credits for requested courses are tracked and can be compared against the required credits.
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Report Cards	Displays information from the student's most recent report card run. The page lists marks, comments, and absences related to the student's courses or competencies.
	Additional information can include the sum of earned credits for the report card run, class rank, and current, semester, and cumulative credits and GPAs. If comments were entered for the student, a comment legend appears below the report card information. In addition, you can select to view any previous report card run for the current year for which the data warehouse is available.
Transcript	Displays the student's transcript information based on the Transcript data warehouse. If your district has defined multiple views for transcripts to group courses differently (Yearly, Term, Report Card Run, or Subject Area), you can select the view to display.
	The following items also can display, depending on how the view is set up: sum of credits for the course group, GPA for the course group, and the GPA and class rank for the selected GPA type.
Test Scores	Displays all standardized test scores stored for the student in the eSchoolPLUS Test Center.
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Discipline	Displays all discipline incidents involving the student. The information includes the type of incident, category, location, date and time, and the student's role, such as offender, victim, or witness. Additional information on the incident can be viewed by clicking a link to display a popup window.
	To makes changes to any demographic information contact your child's school.
Registration	
Demographic	Displays the student's basic demographic information, including date of birth, gender, grade, building, house/team, and counselor. Additional information may also display, such as contact information, student and guardian addresses and phone numbers, medical emergency information, transportation to and from school, and sensitive information from the Personal page.

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Fees (PHS Only)	Allows guardians and students to view student fees and balances. The payment information shown is generated in eSchoolPLUS.
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My Alerts	Allows guardians and students to subscribe to alerts for sending emails on attendance, discipline, course averages, classwork, interim progress reports, report cards, and immunizations.
My Account	Allows guardians and students to change their HAC passwords and modify the challenge questions that are asked when users forget their passwords.
Logoff	Closes the current HAC session, and returns you to the Log On page.
Change Student	Allows guardians who have two or more students to display a pop-up window for selecting another student.

View another student

If you are a guardian for multiple students, you can quickly change the student you are viewing.

- 1. In the Home Access Center banner, click Change Student.
- 2. On the Choose Your Student pop-up, select the student to display.
- 3. Click Submit.

Attendance Month View Page

The Attendance Month View page enables you to view your student's attendance during any month in the current school year. If your student was absent or tardy on a date, the day will display with a colored background. The Color Legend below the month indicates the type of attendance each color represents.

Subscribe to attendance email alerts

- To subscribe to email alerts on attendance, check the "Alert me..." box above the month.
- To select the types of attendance to receive alerts for, click the "Limit Alerts..." link. In the Attendance Alerts window, check the boxes for the attendance of interest to you, then click **Save**.

If you do not select the types of attendance, you will receive alerts for all attendance regarding your student.

Classwork Page

Use the Classwork page to view your student's assignments as they relate to either courses or competencies, depending on your display settings. This page only includes assignments and scores that teachers have selected to publish.

To display the Classwork page for courses (default view), click Classes on the HAC menu.

Quick View versus Full View

Two views have been provided for assignments. You can switch your view by clicking the appropriate button:

- Quick View Displays basic assignment information to help you get an at-a-glance view of upcoming assignments and how your student scored on completed assignments.
- Full View Displays additional fields related to averaging assignment scores so you can see more detail about your student's average for the class.

Subscribe to classwork email alerts

- · To subscribe to an email alert based on either the assignment average or class average, check the appropriate "Alert me..." box above the classwork detail.
- To receive alerts for averages below a certain percentage, enter the number (1-150) next to "below." For example, if you want alerts for averages below 70%, enter 70.
- To receive alerts for averages above a certain percentage, enter the number (1-150) next to "above." For example, if you want alerts for averages above 90%, enter 90.
- Leaving both fields blank allows you to receive alerts for all courses or assignments, regardless of their averages.

Discipline Page

The Discipline page lists discipline incidents involving your student as an offender, victim, or witness. Incidents are listed from newest to oldest. The Discipline page's Incident and Role columns display links you can click for additional details on an incident.

To display the Discipline page, click Student Support on the HAC menu.



Subscribe to discipline email alerts

- To subscribe to email alerts on discipline, check the "Alert me..." box above the list.
- To select the types of discipline incidents you would like to receive alerts for, click the "Limit Alerts..." link. In the Discipline Alerts window, check the boxes for the incidents of interest, then click Save. If you do not select any box, you will receive alerts for all incidents involving your student.

Fees Page

The Fees page displays billing and payment information on your student's school-related fees. The page lists individual line items showing each type of fee and its respective balance, as well as the total outstanding balance from all fees.

To display the Student Fees page, click Registration on the HAC menu, then click the Fees tab.

Report Card Page

The Report Card page displays your student's most recent report card, if available. The report includes the student's courses and descriptions, class periods, teachers, rooms, credits attempted and earned, rank information, attendance, grades, and comment codes. A grading scale is provided to explain certain marks, while the legend at the bottom of the page provides a key to the comments your student has received.



To display the Report Card page, click W Grades on the HAC menu, then click the Report Card tab.

Subscribe to report card alerts

To subscribe to report card email alerts, check the "Alert me..." box above the course listing. The alerts include courses, grades, credits, teachers' names and comments, and other information from the student's report card.

Schedule Page

The Schedule page displays your student's schedule for the current school year. Classes that your student has dropped display at the bottom of the list with a Dropped status. This page also displays a list of the course requests for the next school year.



To display the Schedule page, click **Classes** on the HAC menu, then click the **Schedule** tab.

Test Scores Page

The Test Scores page displays your student's standardized test scores. For each test, the listing includes the test, test date, subtests, and scores, as well as the grade and age of your student at the time the test was taken.



To display the Test Scores page, click Grades on the HAC menu, then click the Test Scores tab.

Transcript Page

The Transcript page displays your student's academic information from the current and previous years. such as courses, credits, grades, and GPAs. The page also displays personal information, including the student's address, phone number, and birth date. You can choose from several views for grouping a transcript's courses, including Year, Term, Subject Area, and Report Card Run.



To display the Transcript page, click Grades on the HAC menu, then click the Transcript tab.

Week View Page

The Week View page displays the following information for your student:

- Scheduling
- Assignments
- Course Averages
- Attendance
- Discipline Incidents

You can view information for the current week, as well as previous and future weeks in the current school year. In addition, you can use the page's links to access detailed information on these records.

To display the Week View page, click III Home on the HAC menu.

Send an email to a course's teacher

• To send an email to a teacher, click the teacher's name in the class column, if the name appears as a link. Your email window displays with the teacher's address inserted in the To box.

My Account

Use the My Account option to view your account data. Your account data includes your user name, address, email address, and the last date and time that you accessed Home Access Center.

Additionally, you may be able to change your password and enter challenge questions to be used if you forget your username or password.

To display this page, move your pointer over your user name in the Home Access Center banner. Then, select **My Account**...

What are challenge questions?

Challenge questions are used to verify your account information if you need to reset your password. The Log On page has a Forgot My Username or Password link. When you click the link, an email including a link to reset your password will be sent to the email address provided to the school district. When you click the link in the email, you will be prompted to answer your challenge questions.

Create challenge questions

The first time you log into HAC, you will be asked to enter challenge questions and answers. You may also be asked to create challenge questions the first time you log in if your school district has just implemented challenge questions.

- 1. In a Question field, enter the text for the question you want to answer.
- 2. In the Answer field, enter the text for your answer. If you use any capital letters, they will not be required when you answer a question later, for example, with the name of a pet or school.
- 3. Repeat steps 1-2 until you have entered all questions and answers.
- 4. Click Continue to Home Access Center.

Change your challenge questions

- 1. Log on to Home Access Center.
- 2. Move the pointer over your user name in the banner. Then, click My Account.
- 3. In the Challenge Questions section of the My Account page, make changes to your questions and answers as needed.
- 4. Click Update Challenge Questions.

Change your password

The following procedure describes how to change your password in Home Access Center.

- 1. Log on to Home Access Center.
- 2. Move the pointer over your user name in the banner. Then, click My Account.
- 3. In the Change Password section of the My Account page, enter your current password in the Old Password field.
- 4. In the New Password field, enter your desired password. A black dot displays in place of each character you type.

Recommendation: Use a mix of character types - upper and lower case letters, numbers, and symbols. To keep your password secure, do not use something easy to guess, such as your child's nickname or birth date.

- 5. In the Confirm New Password field, enter your new password again. A black dot will display in place of each character you type.
- 6. Click **Change Password**. Your password will be updated and the following message displays above the password fields: Your password has been changed successfully.

Forgot your user name or password

The Log On page includes a Forgot My Username or Password link that you can click if you need to reset your password. When you click this link, the Forgot Username or Password page displays, allowing you to request to reset your login information.

To reset your login information, you will be required to answer challenge questions. If you have not previously defined challenge questions for Home Access Center, you need to contact your school district to reset your password.

- 1. On the Forgot Username or Password page, enter either:
 - Your Home Access Center username.

or

- The email address you supplied to your school district in your contact information.
- 2. Click Submit.
- 3. Check your email for a "Reset your Home Access Center password" message from the district. If you do not receive an email, contact your school district.
- 4. In the Reset your Home Access Center password email, click the Reset your Home Access Center password link.
- 5. On the Challenge Questions page, answer the challenge questions to restore access to Home Access Center.
- 6. Click Continue.
- 7. If you answered the challenge question(s) correctly, the My Account page displays. If you do not answer the challenge questions correctly, you may try again or contact your school district for assistance.
 - If you also forgot your username, refer to the Logged in as field on the My Account page.
- 8. In the Change Passwords section of the My Account page, enter the new password for your Home Access Center account login, confirm the new password, then click **Continue to Home Access**Center.

Recommendation: Use a mix of character types - upper and lower case letters, numbers, and symbols. To keep your password secure, do not use something easy to guess, such as your child's nickname or birth date.

My Alerts

Use the My Alerts option to access and change settings for the types of email alerts you would like to receive for your student.

To display this page, move your pointer over your user name in the Home Access Center banner, then select **My Alerts**.

Subscribe to HAC Alerts

The My Alerts page includes checkboxes for the following types of alerts. If you are a guardian who can access multiple students in HAC, a separate set of boxes displays for each student. Checking a box enables the type of alert indicated.

- Attendance Allows email alerts to be sent when absence, tardy, and attendance codes are
 entered for your student. You can limit the alerts to certain codes. When the Attendance box is
 checked, its description becomes a link. Click the link to display a window listing the available
 codes. To receive all alerts, leave the Any box checked. To select individual codes, uncheck the
 Any box, check the boxes for the codes you want, then click Save.
- Course Average (N/A Elementary) Allows email alerts to be sent on your student's course averages. To limit the alerts to averages outside a range, enter the bottom of the range in the below field for example, 75 for averages less than 75 and the top of the range in the above field for example, 89 for averages of 90 or greater. Enter whole numbers; decimals are not allowed. To enable alerts for all averages regardless of their level, leave the two fields blank.
- Discipline (N/A Elementary) Allows email alerts to be sent when your student is involved in a
 discipline incident. You can limit the alerts to certain types of incidents. When the box is checked,
 its description becomes a link. Click the link to display a window listing the available discipline
 codes. To receive all alerts, leave the Any box checked. To select specific codes, uncheck the Any
 box, check the boxes for the codes you want, then click Save.
- Classwork (N/A Elementary) Allows email alerts to be sent on averages for class assignments.
 To limit the alerts to averages outside a range, enter the bottom of the range in the below field for
 example, 75 for averages less than 75 and the top of the range in the above field for example,
 89 for averages of 90 or greater. Enter whole numbers; decimals are not allowed. To display
 averages for all assignments regardless of their level, leave the two fields blank.
- Report Card Allows you to receive alerts when Report Cards become available.

Note: When you leave the My Alerts page, all of your entries are saved automatically.