

FRESHMAN ATTENDANCE STATISTICS!

- * Students absent less than 5 days in one semester have an **87%** chance of graduating in four years.
- * Students absent between 5 – 9 days in one semester have a **63%** chance of graduating in four years.
- * Students absent between 10 – 14 days in one semester have a **40%** chance of graduating in four years.
- * Students absent 2 weeks or more in one semester are likely to fail at least two freshman courses, even with high test scores in middle school.

COME TO SCHOOL
EVERY DAY!

FRESHMAN ACADEMY VISION

Our goal is to have 100%
of freshman
graduating from high school
in four years or less.

**ASK YOUR GUIDANCE
COUNSELOR ABOUT:**

- Honors Classes
- Pre-Advanced Placement Classes
- Advanced Placement Classes
- Future Dual Enrollment



QUICK FACTS ABOUT HCHS:

- MascotHornet
- School Colors..... Kelly Green and White
- School Websitewww.hainescityhighschool.com
- Polk County School Board 863-534-0500
- Transportation (Bus information).....863-534-7304
www.polk-fl.net/transportation/busdelays.aspx

PEOPLE YOU MAY NEED TO KNOW:

- School Principal Sue Braiman
 - Asst. Principal of CurriculumPatricia Butler
 - Asst. Principal of Administration.....Al McDaniel
 - Asst. Principal of IB.....Steve Scheloske
 - Freshman Academy Dean Lori McKown
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 - Freshman Academy Guidance Counselor Viola Leone
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 - School Resource Officer Officer Jeff Moore
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 - Freshman Academy Secretary Yasmin Corchado
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- (including all attendance issues)

CREDITS NEEDED FOR PROMOTION TO THE NEXT GRADE:

- [Credits are earned by **PASSING** classes]
- 1 semester class passed = 0.5 credits
- 2 semester class passed = 1.0 credit
- To move to the 10th grade – 4 credits needed
- To move to the 11th grade – 10 credits needed
- To move to the 12th grade –17 credits needed

**Welcome to the
Haines City
Freshman Academy!**



Haines City High School

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- Freshman Academy Phone..... 863-419-3125**
- Freshman Academy Fax..... 863-419-3149**
- Main Campus Phone..... 863-421-3281**
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Freshman Academy

THE PURPOSE OF A FRESHMAN ACADEMY

- To ensure freshman student success
- To facilitate a smooth transition from middle school to high school
- To create a school within a school in which freshmen are teamed to provide students with a small learning community of support
- To provide rigorous core academics
- To help freshmen assimilate into the high school setting by participation in elective classes, clubs and student organizations on the main campus

A SUCCESSFUL STUDENT

Research supports that successful students are involved in their own education and have strong ties to their school. We encourage all students to be involved in their classrooms and to join extracurricular activities. This will build strong school ties, a purpose, and a feeling of accomplishment. A successful student is a happy and involved student.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF STUDENTS?

Haines City High School students are expected to complete all of their homework, use a planner, and demonstrate respect for themselves, their peers and staff. We advise them to make good choices and choose their friends, words, and actions carefully.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF PARENTS?

Parents are expected to provide their students with the tools necessary to be successful and productive students. Although high school students are responsible for their own success, parents are still needed to monitor, guide, and support. Please check Parent Portal for grades. Call or email teachers with any specific questions that might arise. Check the HCHS website on a regular basis and call or email the counselor for additional help or support for your student.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM OUR STAFF?

Teachers want your student to be successful in the classroom. Teachers will provide the tools necessary for your student to reach his or her full potential. They will communicate with expectations, deadlines, and grade requirements to your child. They will hold them to high standards. A guidance counselor will be available for all freshmen. The counselor serves as a mentor to At-risk freshmen. She provides information related to course offerings, social services and tracking student progress.

The Freshman Academy Dean is involved with all freshmen by presenting clear expectations of behavior, tracking student attendance as well as providing academic support.

FINAL THOUGHTS

As parents, your role is as important as ours in helping your child achieve academic success. Remember that we all want the same results: successful students. We will work together, stay focused, and succeed!

Haines City High School Freshman teachers:

- desire that all students are known, valued and inspired.
- guarantee students have a support system within their own grade level.
- create a collaborative culture to meet the academic needs of each student.
- strive to be consistent with rules, expectations and classroom procedures.
- provide a more individualized instruction despite a large high school population.
- want the absolute best for your student.

