



NORTH ATLANTA HIGH SCHOOL

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Below you will find information related to the policies, expectations and recommendations for the 2020 – 2021 school year.

STUDENT SCHEDULES

- Student Schedules will go live on the Infinite Campus Portal on Saturday, August 15, 2020.
- Schedules cannot be changed. If you feel you have an unusual or extenuating circumstance, please contact your scholar's counselor.
- **The chart below should be used to identify your counselor.**

Who Is My Counselor?		
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ACTIVITIES DURING RUNWAY TO LEARNING WEEK – VERY IMPORTANT!

- We have posted on our website details of activities happening during the week of August 17th, which is our Runway to Learning Week.
<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/domain/15435>
- We will have technology pick up, textbook pick up and arts' supplies and instrument pick up
- There will be many meetings and start of school activities as well.
- **We will have a TEST “GO TO CLASS” time on Thursday, August 20 from 10 to 11 am! Please log into your teachers’ Google Class Room to find their Zoom Room!**

OUR YEARLY AND DAILY SCHEDULE

- **This year, we will be operating on a 4 x 4 Block Schedule**, which is a change from our typical 4x8 schedule. **Please see the comparison below.**

LAST YEAR	THIS YEAR
Fall Semester and Spring Semester <i>Each semester = 18 weeks</i> Semester 1 August-December Semester 2 January-May	Term 1, Term 2, Term 3 and Term 4 <i>Each Term = 9 weeks</i> Term 1 Aug 24-Oct 23 Term 2 Oct 26-Jan 15 Term 3 Jan 18-Mar 19 Term 4 Mar 22-May 26
Students received final grades at the end of each semester	Students receive final grades at the end of each Term
Grades were posted to transcripts at the end of each semester	Grades are posted to transcripts at the end of each Term
-1 st half of a course was completed in fall semester -2 nd half of a course was completed in	-1 st half of a course is completed in Term 1 and 2 nd half of a course is completed in Term 2

spring semester -8 courses each semester -Classes met every other day -May have had one or two different classes in second semester	-1 st half of a course is completed in Term 3 and 2 nd half of a course is completed in Term 4 -4 courses each Term -Classes meet every day -Will have ALL different classes in second semester (Terms 3/4)
Example: -World History Part A completed by the end of the fall semester. -World History Part B completed by the end of the spring semester.	Example: -World History Part A completed by the end of Term 1. -World History Part B completed by the end of Term 2. -10 th Lit Part A completed by the end of Term 3. -10 th Lit Part B completed by the end of Term 4.
Example: Health completed at the end of the fall semester. Personal Fitness completed at the end of spring semester	Example: Health completed at the end of Term 3. Personal Fitness completed at the end of Term 4.

- **Our First Week of School Schedule**

North Atlanta High School's Virtual Bell Schedule				
Monday, Aug. 24 - Wednesday, Aug. 26, 2020				
Department Meeting/PLC Planning	8:15	8:50		35 min
1st Period	8:50	10:25		95 min
Break	10:25	10:35		10 min
2nd Period	10:35	11:30		65 min
LUNCH	11:30	12:10		40 min
3rd Period	12:10	1:25		75 min
Break	1:25	1:35		10 min
4th Period	1:35	2:50		75 min
Independent Practice/Pre-Arranged Tutorial	2:50	4:00		70 min

North Atlanta High School's Virtual Bell Schedule

Thursday, Aug. 27 - Friday, Aug. 28, 2020

Department Meeting/PLC Planning	8:15	8:50	35 min
1st Period	8:50	10:05	75 min
Break	10:05	10:15	10 min
2nd Period	10:15	11:30	75 min
LUNCH	11:30	12:10	40 min
3rd Period	12:10	1:25	75 min
Break	1:25	1:35	10 min
4th Period	1:35	2:50	75 min
Independent Practice/Pre-Arranged Tutorial	2:50	4:00	70 min

- Our **Daily Bell Schedule**. See below. This schedule is in effect every Monday through Friday, except Tuesdays, during the virtual learning period, when there is no advisory.

North Atlanta High School's Virtual Bell Schedule			Total Time
Department Meeting/PLC Planning	8:15	8:50	35 min
1st Period	8:50	10:05	75 min
Break	10:05	10:15	10 min
2nd Period	10:15	11:30	75 min
LUNCH	11:30	12:10	40 min
3rd Period	12:10	1:25	75 min
Break	1:25	1:35	10 min
4th Period	1:35	2:50	75 min
Independent Practice/Pre-Arranged Tutorial	2:50	4:00	70 min

- Our **Advisory Bell Schedule**. We will hold advisory every Tuesday, beginning September 2nd. We will follow this schedule:

North Atlanta High School's Virtual Bell Schedule with Advisory			Total Time
Department Meeting/PLC Planning	8:15	8:50	35 min
1st Period	8:50	10:05	75 min
Break	10:05	10:15	10 min
2nd Period	10:15	11:30	75 min
LUNCH	11:30	12:10	40 min
3rd Period	12:10	1:25	75 min
Break	1:25	1:35	10 min
4th Period	1:35	2:50	75 min
SEL/Advisement	2:50	3:35	45 min
Independent Practice/Pre-Arranged Tutorial	3:35	4:00	25 min

*For students-- It should be noted that students should be prepared to complete all learning tasks with the understanding that the time required to do so may exceed the minutes noted in the bell schedule, such as with homework. This is no different from learning that happens in a traditional setting.

ACCESSING INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY PROGRAMS—MYBACKPACK, IC, ZOOM

- Your scholar must utilize his/her district Username and Password to access key district accounts that are essential to virtual education. (Note: most students from APS know this already)
 - **Username** = 1st initial of **FIRST NAME** + **LAST NAME** (up to 7 letters) + **last 4 of Student ID #**.
 - **Password** = **Lunch ID #** (NOT student ID, which may be different if coming from a charter)
- **MyBackPack is THE key portal for the valuable instructional technology resources needed for virtual learning.** This requires your scholar to log-in with their district information, as described above. The link to MyBackPack is <https://launchpad.classlink.com/atlanta>
 - Once logged-in with district credentials, most programs are Single Sign On (SSO), so they typically will not need to keep entering UN/PW each work session.
 - A note about Zoom: Students should access ZOOM ONLY through MyBackPack

Related to access, what if my child is having problems with his/her student account access?

- For student access issues (i.e. Username/Password), please contact our Media Specialist, Ms. McCall at lmccall@apsk12.org

OK. SO I HAVE MY SCHEDULE, BUT HOW DO I KNOW WHERE TO GO ON DAY ONE?

- Ultimately you will “GO TO CLASS” on Day One through each teacher’s **Google Classroom Page**.
- **We will have a TEST GO TO CLASS time on Thursday, August 20 from 10 to 11 am! Please log into your teachers’**
- To begin the year, we will share the Google Classroom Codes in two ways:
 1. **The Google Classroom Code will be printed on the schedule with each class.** See the image to the right for a sample
 2. **We are also developing an easy-to-navigate Portal for you to find the Google Classroom Code for each teacher.** *This Portal will be made available during the Week of August 17. We will share the link once it is ready and published.*
 3. **The link to Google Classroom is <https://classroom.google.com/>**
 4. **Students MUST be logged into their APS Google account not their personal account.**

	Term 1 (08/24/20- 10/23/20)
01	60.0710005-4 Spanish I SEMEXANT, MOISE GC HIJKLMN Rm: 2229
02	27.1990005-6 GSE Algebra I WINTAKER-BROWN, ALLISON GC abcdefg Rm: 2192

TEXTBOOKS

- Most of our textbooks offer digital versions, which is the preference during virtual and in-person school. The teachers will share this information on their syllabus.

- In general, even during in-person school, we do not issue a textbook to every student, instead we utilize classroom sets. Textbooks serve as resources, they do not drive instruction.
- We have posted information on which classes require a physical textbook and about the plans for textbook pick up. That information is linked at:
<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Domain/15426>

ATTENDANCE EXPECTATIONS

- ATTENDANCE WILL BE TAKEN EVERY DAY, EVERY CLASS
 - Teachers have 3 options—***Present, Absent, Tardy***
- To be considered PRESENT, a student must attend the synchronous online session for the class based on our Virtual Bell Schedule (shared above).
- It is an expectation that students will turn on their cameras during their class time. This will ensure teachers can take accurate attendance.
- Students will be marked Tardy if they are late to the online session. While we want every student to be on time each class, we highly prefer them being tardy over not showing up at all.
- Our Attendance Office will have access to TWO additional attendance codes. We will need parents/students to inform the teacher and attendance office when one of these situations occurs:
 - **Absent Due to Lack of Technology**
 - Meaning the student could not attend class due to an issue with or lack of technology
 - **Participated in Asynchronous Learning**
 - Meaning the student viewed the class and finished the work outside of school hours.
- Additionally, for excused absences/tardies (such as for doctor’s visits or illness), please submit the necessary documentation to our attendance office at kjackson@apsk12.org

GRADING: What can I expect on a 4x4 schedule?

- Infinite Campus remains our official gradebook.
 - Parents/Guardians, ensure you have Infinite Campus Parent Portal Access
 - If you need assistance, go to this site:
<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/domain/11609>
- You can expect at least 16 grades per quarter (or 8 every 4.5 weeks). These should be evenly distributed over time (about 2 per week) and fairly distributed across grading categories.
- **IMPORTANT** (we can’t say this enough): On a 4x4 schedule, students earn FINAL Grades that post to official transcripts EVERY QUARTER (10/23/2020; 1/15/2021; 3/19/2021; 5/26/2020).
- Makeup Work Deadlines on 4x4 Schedule, 2020-2021 School Year

One credit courses August 2020 through January 2021		
Part A (first semester): 8/24-10/23	Midpoint: 9/23	Deadline 9/21 for assignments 8/24-9/18
		Deadline 10/14 for assignments from 9/21-10/9
Part B (second semester): 10/26-1/15	Midpoint: 12/2	Deadline 11/16 for assignments from 10/14-11/13
		Deadline 1/5 for assignments from 11/16-12/18.

One credit courses January 2021 through May 2021		
Part A (first semester): 1/19-3/19	Midpoint: 2/18	Deadline 2/8 for assignments 1/19-2/5
		Deadline 3/8 for assignments from 2/8-3/5
Part B (second semester): 3/22-5/26	Midpoint: 4/28	Deadline 4/19 for assignments from 3/22-4/16
		Deadline 5/17 for assignments from 4/19-5/14.

½ credit courses August 2020-October 2020		
½ credit course 8/24-10/23	Midpoint: 9/23	Deadline 9/21 for assignments 8/24-9/18
		Deadline 10/14 for assignments from 9/21-10/9

½ credit courses October 2020-January 2021		
½ credit course 10/26-1/15	Midpoint: 12/2	Deadline 11/16 for assignments from 10/14-11/13
		Deadline 1/5 for assignments from 11/16-12/18.

½ credit courses January 2021-March 2021		
½ credit course 1/19-3/19	Midpoint: 2/18	Deadline 2/8 for assignments 1/19-2/5
		Deadline 3/8 for assignments from 2/8-3/5

½ credit courses Marcy 2021-May 2021		
½ credit course 3/22-5/26	Midpoint: 4/28	Deadline 4/19 for assignments from 3/22-4/16
		Deadline 5/17 for assignments from 4/19-5/14.

TECHNOLOGY

- Information was shared about the APS Technology Survey. This data is being used to obtain accurate numbers related to students that are in need of a Chromebook and/or hotspot for internet access. If you have not already done so, please complete the District Tech Survey at <http://tinyaps.com/?techsurvey>. It will remain open through Day One.
- Our NAHS on-site drive-thru technology distribution days are August 17- August 21. Sign Up to pick up the devices after you complete the survey here:**
tinyaps.com/?NAHSTech
- It is an expectation that students will turn on their cameras during their class time. This will ensure teachers take accurate attendance.
- After those dates, North Atlanta High School is slated to be a Cluster Technology Hub for those still needing the technology required for successful virtual learning. Once we get details about how the hub will work, we will share them with the NAHS Community.
- Please know that we are committed to ensuring that EVERY student at NAHS has what they need to be successful during this time. Do not hesitate to reach out to us if you are having issues.
- If you have technical problems during virtual learning, contact the Service Desk at 404-802-1000.**



QR Code for Tech Survey

NUTRITION

- This year, we are no longer a part of the CEP program that provided free breakfast and lunch to all students. Instead we are an FEA school. This means that that students at FEA schools must apply to qualify for free or reduced meals by completing the [online FEA form](http://tinyAPS.com/?FEANAHS) <http://tinyAPS.com/?FEANAHS>
- Free meals will continue for all students enrolled in an APS school last year for the first 30 days of school.
- However, after the first 30 days of school, students at FEA schools will pay full price for meals until their FEA application is approved, and their eligibility status is sent to the school. Students new to APS cannot receive free or reduced meals until the FEA application is completed and eligibility is determined.
- Please note that FEA status also plays a role in eligibility for certain fee waivers, such as for the ACT, SAT, AP and IB Exams.
- **We need every family to complete the FEA form.**
- On Monday, August 17 from 3:00 to 6:00pm, there will be another food distribution at the hubs APS has denoted.
- Starting August 24 – the first day of school – APS meals will only be distributed to APS students. All APS families must pre-order meals for each week through the [MySchoolBucks online pre-order system](http://tinyAPS.com/?NAHSMyschoolBucks).
<http://tinyAPS.com/?NAHSMyschoolBucks>
- **Those orders must be placed no later than one week before distribution.** For example, for the first meal distribution on **Monday, Aug. 24, families should order no later than 11:59 p.m. on Monday, Aug. 17.**
- Once in the pre-order system, you can select whether you will pick up the meals at one of the school sites or if your meals should be delivered via a school bus route. Families paying for meals will need to submit payment through the MySchoolBucks online payment system. Schools will not be collecting money for school meals.
- For more information, please visit the APS Nutrition page at <https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/63224>



QR Code to Access FEA Application



QR Code to Access My SchoolBucks
for online ordering

REGISTRATION

Due to COVID-19, we are utilizing online registration via our district's online registration portal

<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/enrollment>
or use the QR Code Below



We will offer limited **On-Site Registration by Appointment Only**

To Schedule an Appointment Contact
Ms. James-Miller, Clerk
mjames@apsk12.org or
404-802-4758

STAY CONNECTED! HOW DO I STAY INFORMED?

• Our PRIMARY COMMUNICATION AVENUES

• Infinite Campus Robocalls / Messages:

- **ENSURE your contact information is accurate in Infinite Campus.** It is critical that NAHS is able to contact your family directly to ensure you receive the information.
- All contact information (phone numbers and email addresses) can be updated from the Parent Portal account. Visit our Infinite Campus Parent Portal Help Page for instructions on how to set up a Parent Portal Account
<https://www.atlantapublicschools.us/Page/48412>.

• Additional Avenues for Communication

- Make sure to utilize the wide variety of online resources and social media sites to stay informed about school and district news and events.
 - North Atlanta App – Essential for communication. Go to either Apple App Store or Android play store and search North Atlanta.
 - Weekly Warrior Email – Sent out every Sunday by PTSA. Includes information about different things happening at school, including important dates and celebrations of students' successes. Go to this site
<http://tinyAPS.com/?WarriorWeeklyEmail>
 - School Facebook page -
<https://www.facebook.com/NorthAtlantaHighSchool/>
 - Join our **PTSA**, the **North Atlanta Foundation** and the **NAHS Sports Boosters Club**
 - PTSA Website - <http://www.northatlantahigh.org>
 - New Family PTSA Registration -
<https://forms.gle/2kwRgSe1DVjSjivi7>
 - NAHS Foundation Website - <https://nahsfoundation.org>
 - NAHS Sports Boosters - <https://www.nahswarriors.org/boosters>
- *Get connected to district resources and information such as academics, nutrition, technology and much more on the special website.*
 - Learn more at www.atlantapublicschools.us/backtoschool

SUPPLY LIST

- There is no NAHS supply list. Teachers may have different requirements/suggestions for their classes, which will be included on each syllabus. When the time comes for us to return to in-person school, teachers will communicate any additional supply needs in a timely fashion.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS

- Research shows that participation in after-school activities has a positive effect on overall achievement and attitude toward school, as well as connecting students with adults and encouraging new friendships.
- Currently there are no plans for extracurricular activities to take place at school. Information concerning virtual activities for clubs will be determined during the first week of school.
- **APS works with the Georgia High School Athletic Association to make decisions regarding high school athletics. Please stay connected to our website and app to receive updates regarding athletic information.**
- If you have questions about **Athletics**, please contact our Athletic Director, Andre Regan. Coach Regan can be reached at aregan@apsk12.org

MAKE 2020-2021 YOUR MOST SUCCESSFUL SCHOOL YEAR TO DATE

Key Things EVERY NAHS Student Should Know

1. The school year will begin on August 24, 2020. Be there! We will be successful together!
2. The school day begins at 8:50 a.m. and concludes at 4:00 p.m. after time for independent practice. You may have homework. Your synchronous class periods will begin promptly at 8:50 am and end at 2:50 pm.
3. You will take the same 4 classes every day, each quarter. Each of your classes meets daily.
4. Your teachers will be available for weekly tutorial/makeup. You can also schedule an appointment to meet with staff before or after school. They'll post contact information on the syllabus/websites.
5. Each course will have a Google Classroom. Use this virtual space to manage your assignments and communicate with your teacher. You can find your Google Classroom codes on your schedule.
6. Daily period attendance will be mandatory. To be considered present, you must log-in & attend each scheduled virtual session. Poor or irregular attendance is a major reason for failure
7. Real-time instruction will take place primarily through Zoom. Make sure to stay focused; remain muted unless speaking or in a collaborative activity, chat appropriately, and avoid distractions.
8. Each class session will require your active engagement. Prepare yourself for the virtual classroom experience: find a quiet place, sit in a chair at a table, have school supplies available, be appropriately dressed and camera-ready. Stay organized and manage your time carefully. You can easily become overwhelmed without effective organization and time-management.
9. Make sure you have the North Atlanta app on your phone.

[NAHS Go To Guide](#)

Question or Need	Who to Contact
Strategic Planning, School Vision, Governance	Principal Curtis Douglass
Student Schedules, Student Placement, Graduation Requirement Questions	Grade Level Counselors
Curriculum Questions, Course Content, Instructional Questions, Grade Book Questions	Classroom Teacher then Administrator Over Content
Attendance Reporting & Questions	Kyra Jackson (Attendance Clerk) 404-802-4714
Student Records, Enrollment & Withdrawal	Susie Jones, Registrar or Erika Blanco, Records Clerk
IB Middle Years Program Questions	Dr. Nikia Showers (IB MYP Specialist)
IB Diploma or Career-Related Program Questions	Danielle Costarides (IB DP & CP Specialist)
Standardized Testing (End of Course Milestones, Access)	Dr. Angela Mitchell (Assistant Principal)
SST/RTI/504	Venisha Johnson (SST/RTI Intervention Specialist), Angelique Alexander (SST/RTI Intervention Specialist)
Special Education	Dr. Gail Womack-Jordan (Special Education Lead Teacher)
Athletics & Athletics Facilities, Clubs & Organizations	Andre Regan (Athletic Director)
Discipline, Behavior Concerns	Classroom Teacher, Grade Level Administrator
Transportation Questions	APS Transportation Department, 404-802-5500 or email transissues@apsk12.org
Teacher Matters	Grade Level Administrator
Bilingual Parent Liaison	David Galban, 404-802-4731
Facility Use, Budget Questions, Vendor Contact, Parking & Traffic	Meredith Kaltman (School Business Manager)
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