



## Welcome to HMS!

Below is some helpful information for getting started at HMS. More information can always be found at [www.hmspto.org](http://www.hmspto.org)

### ***Starting Now:***

- **Order School Supplies by June 8<sup>th</sup>:** Order online through EPI at <https://www.educationalproducts.com/ShopPacks/>. HMS code is HIN022. School supplies will be delivered directly to your home in August. Parents wishing to purchase school supplies on their own should view the list at <https://www.d181.org/schools/hinsdale-middle-school/parent-resources> (select School Supply Lists 2019-2020 and the appropriate grade).
- **Register for the HMS PTO** – Go to <https://www.schoolpay.com/> and select “Non-Profit Groups”. Select the desired PTO dues items, add them to the shopping cart, and complete payment. Instructions are available at <https://hmspto.org/registration/> PTO Membership includes one printed directory and access to the online directory.
- **Subscribe to the HMS PTO eblast** – Go to <https://hmspto.org/subscribe/> to subscribe to the eblast and stay up to date on all the happenings at HMS!
- **Summer reading list:** Students are required to read at least one fiction and one non-fiction book from the summer reading list and answer questions from the packet. The Department of Learning will send emails to parents explaining how to access the list shortly.
- **Summer math packet:** Math teachers typically collect these packets during the first week of school in August. The Department of Learning will send emails to parents explaining how to access these packets shortly.

### ***In August and early September:***

- **Back to School Day- August 16<sup>th</sup>** – Students can pick up schedules, locker number, and bus routes. Students often use this time to bring in school supplies and walk their schedules. Parents can learn how to pre-pay for hot lunches, pick up gym uniforms, turn-in health forms, and take care of other needs before school opens. More details will be provided by D181 communications.
- **First Day of School** – Friday, August 23<sup>th</sup> (Full Day)
- **HMS Curriculum Night** – Thursday, September 5<sup>th</sup> (Evening)
- **First PTO Meeting** – Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> (Morning)