

September 1st



HIGHLAND ACADEMY

Highland Weekly

Highland Families,

Empower Tips and Tricks

Fall is officially here! As a reminder, there is **no school on Monday in observance of Labor Day**. Additionally, we begin MAP testing next week. Students will start taking their reading assessment in their language arts core class on Wednesday or Thursday next week. The following week (Sept. 11), students will take their math test in their core math class. MAP tests are designed to show a student's individual academic growth overtime, allowing teachers to better assess their strengths and areas for improvement. It is a great opportunity for students to demonstrate their knowledge.

Empower is a critical component to student learning, and it is important students learn how to successfully navigate its features as efficiently as possible. A great at home activity (and standard earning opportunity for level 1 CCP) to do with your child is the [Empower Scavenger Hunt](#). Students will work through the questions, navigating different features and functions. Some questions require short responses, others require parent/guardian initials. Once completed, students can share with their advisor.



Computers are used on a regular basis, and it is critical to the learning environment that students are using technology appropriately. The school network and computers are not intended or provided for personal use. It is our expectation that students adhere to district policy, as well as Highland policy and classroom expectations. Please take some time to review and sign the [2023-2024 Technology Use Expectations and Commitment form](#) with your child. Thank you for your support!

ACADEMIC POLICY COMMITTEE

As a charter school, Highland is governed by their own Academic Policy Committee (APC). The APC consists of a variety of stakeholders including community members, staff, parents, alumni and students, meeting on a monthly basis. Their primary responsibilities include establishing and supporting the mission and vision of Highland, financial oversight, and long term planning. We have a number of vacant seats, so please reach out to Ms. Crosby if you are interested in joining.

I hope everyone has a safe and relaxing holiday weekend. We look forward to seeing you on Tuesday!

IMPORTANT DATES IN SEPTEMBER

September 4th - Labor Day (no school)
September 6th/7th - Reading MAP Testing
September 13th/14th - Math MAP Testing
September 21st - APC Meeting

-Ms. Crosby, Principal
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BUILDING HOURS

7:30-3:00

(EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAY @ 1:30)



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