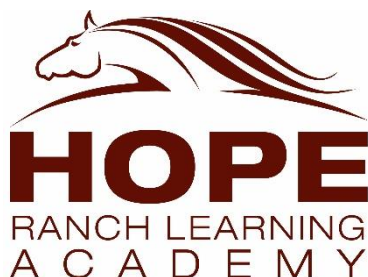


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Chief Operating Officer's Message

Dear Parents/Guardians and Students,

It is my pleasure to welcome you to HOPE Ranch Learning Academy. The faculty and staff join me in saying we are happy to have you as part of the HRLA Family. We hope this will be a successful and satisfying year for you.

The pages of the handbook are filled with important information regarding school policies and procedures. Parents and students should review these contents together. If you have any questions, please call the school office. We feel that open and clear communication between school and home is important to the success of our educational program.

The HRLA school student planner was designed to assist in our communication with each other. HRLA parents are our partners in the important job of educating children in this community. We welcome your participation and support this school year. Working together we will be able to reach our collective and individual goals and celebrate the achievements of our students.

Sincerely,

Ampy Suarez, M.Ed.
Chief Operating Officer

Jose J. Suarez
Chief Executive Officer

Mission Statement

"Continuing the legacy of empowering children with educational challenges and Autism to reach their full potential in a Christian faith-based environment."

We're a non-profit on a mission to
foster hope rather than despair,
potential rather than limitation,
healing rather than hurting,
belonging rather than isolation
and what the future can be
rather than what the past has been.
It is our greatest wish that we can help
children and their families find hope.

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Our History

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy (HRLA) is a Christian School founded in 2005 as a ministry of HOPE Youth Ranch, Inc. We opened the on-campus school to address the academic needs of the residents of HOPE Youth Ranch, Inc. In 2009 we expanded our school to include students from the community who were in search of a school that would address their educational and social needs.

It is the goal of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy to provide our students with an environment that is conducive to learning and a school where they will feel loved, accepted, and successful in their academics.

Our faculty is well qualified. All our teachers meet the Florida Dept. of Education requirements. Each member has been carefully selected and prayerfully chosen by the administration. The entire faculty is dedicated to serving the Lord through the ministry of teaching young people. Please pray for them daily.

The school consists of elementary, middle, and high school levels.

Our Philosophy/Core Values

H.O.P.E. (Helping Overcome Past Experiences) Ranch's core values lay the foundation of who we are and what we are and govern our conduct at all times. Developed by our founders, board of directors & board of advisors, these values reflect the qualities that are at the very core of all we do in dealing with children, donors, our community, and each other.

Belief in God

HOPE Youth Ranch, Inc. is a Christian faith-based corporation. We believe the Bible is the revealed word of God, fully inspired and without error. The Bible provides the Judeo-Christian foundation for all that H.O.P.E. Ranch represents and aspires to become.

Children First

Our heart is to defend, protect and promote the welfare of the children in our care and the best interests of these children drive all decision making. Secondly, HOPE Ranch Learning Academy strives to provide a loving educational environment where every child feels encouraged to learn and be a part of the school family.

Integrity

Uncompromising integrity is expected and required throughout the organization in order to accomplish its mission.

Excellence

We maintain and expect the highest standards of excellence in our provision of childcare and all other aspects of our organization. We encourage individuals to strive for excellence and growth in their personal and professional lives.

Purpose of the Student Handbook

We developed the student handbook to promote an environment conducive to learning by setting boundaries in several critical areas and setting forth agreed upon procedures for school operations. Our intent is to lessen distractions and address behavioral standards at HRLA. Several sections of the student handbook address things such as **Dress Code, Prohibited Items, Standard of Conduct, Student Conduct & Discipline, Classroom Conduct, Searches and Seizures, and Student Code of Ethics** which must be adhered to as they cause distractions, affect academic activities and learning, and can lead to disciplinary action.

Hope Ranch Learning Academy Student Handbook

School Hours

Elementary School Campus: 8:45 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. & Living Hope and Hope for Tomorrow Campus: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day. A student is considered tardy after 9:15 a.m. Before Care is available at 8:00 a.m. and After Care is available after 3:15 p.m. for an additional charge.

Absences

Regular attendance is a strong character quality, we strive to develop at HRLA. **Excused Absences: illness, death in immediate family, doctor and dentist appointments, or administration approved family trips. Upon return, a note stating the reason for the absence must be brought to school. The absence is classified unexcused until the student brings in a note.** Any other absences, unless approved by administration prior to absence, will be considered unexcused. Excessive absences and tardiness will inhibit the student's progress and may place their academic scholarship in jeopardy. A student is considered tardy if he is not in class by 9:15 a.m. and a parent must sign the student in at the office.

Illness

Please do not send your students to school if they have a fever above 100, cold or flu-like symptoms to include heavy cough, nasal discharge, continuous sneezing, and who exhibit vomiting and/or diarrhea symptoms. Students who display these symptoms at school will be sent home and will be required to be symptom free for 24 hours prior to returning to school. Children with head lice must be "nit free" to return to school. **No chewing gum allowed on school properties.**

Uniforms

All returning students will be required to be in School Uniform T-Shirt the first day of school.

All new students will have 5 days to be in uniform.

All uniforms should be clean and in good repair to include pants/shorts/skirts.

A student who is not in proper uniform will be given a loaner shirt for the day.

If a student is continuously out of dress code, he/she will be dismissed from school for the day and his absence will be counted unexcused.

Dress Code – In School/Field Trips/School Event

A School Uniform T-Shirt/Polo must always be worn on school days. Exception: Horse Jamboree Shirt or Student Ministry Shirt can be worn ONLY on Chapel Day. **School T-Shirt/Polo must be free of holes, rips, stains, food, tears, discoloration, and body odor.**

No changing out of School Uniform T-Shirt during school day.

CLOSED TOED shoes must be worn at all times. NO FLIPFLOPS or CROCS!

No hats, baseball caps or head gear to be worn by students in the classroom.

No sunglasses to be worn by students in the classroom.

No ripped/distressed clothing with exposed skin.

No "furry" attire such as ears, tails, collars, teeth, paws or any part/or whole costume is allowed to be worn.

Boys: (Defined by Biological Birth)

Hair must be off the collar and out of eyes and must be combed away from eyebrows as to maintain one inch between brow and hairline and **must be of a natural color.** No pins, bracelets, necklaces, earrings, belts, rings, or watchbands depicting death/skulls/spikes/horror or gang propaganda or contrary to Christian values and belief. No visible body piercing (example: earrings, nose rings, lip rings, gauges, etc.), nor makeup of any kind will be allowed. No chains attached to wallet. **Boys must wear pants or shorts worn at the natural waist to not expose underwear or buttocks.** No shorts above 2 inches from the knee. No skirts and excessively tight pants/shorts.

Girls: (Defined by Biological Birth)

Hair must be off the eyes and must be combed away from eyebrows as to maintain one inch between brow and hairline and **must be of a natural color.** Makeup and jewelry should be conservative and minimal. No pins, bracelets, necklaces, earrings, belts, rings, or watchbands depicting death/skulls/spikes/horror or gang propaganda or contrary to Christian values and belief. While one set of earrings is allowed, hooped earrings and visible body piercing (example: multiple earrings, nose rings, lip rings, gauges, etc.) are not allowed. No jewelry is to be worn when working with the horses. **No shorts or skirts 2" above the knee (the fingertip rule). No tight skirts, shorts, pants and/or yoga pants or leggings.**

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School Lunches

Parents are responsible to have their children bring lunch and 2 snacks from home each day. If lunch is forgotten it must be brought in by 11:00 am. **If a lunch is provided by the school, there will be a \$5.00 charge.** There will be a microwave available to warm food. Please keep microwaveable items to a 2-minute time limit. Items not allowed for lunch: cans needing to be opened with can opener, hard boiled eggs needing to be peeled, items needing refrigeration, lunches needing extensive preparation by the teacher or student, glass bowls, ceramic cups, glass items, etc. We ask parents to provide a clear lunch box if possible. **Students are not to share food with other students.**

Office Procedures

All parents are welcome in the school. Anyone entering the school campus must go to the main office first and must be issued a school ID. If a parent wishes to speak with a teacher, a private conference should be arranged via email. **NO PARENT IS TO GO DIRECTLY TO THE CLASSROOM.**

Lunches, homework, books, and other items may be left in the office to be delivered to a student. A parent wanting to change pick-up arrangements must call the school office.

Visitors

The administration reserves the right to reject visitors at any time. Students that have been dismissed from HOPE Ranch Learning Academy may not return to the campus before, during, or after school without the administration's permission. Parents, relatives, or friends who come during school hours must check in at the office first. **PLEASE do NOT enter the classroom without permission from the office and without an ID.**

Early Dismissal Procedures

STUDENTS WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE THE CAMPUS FOR ANY REASON DURING THE SCHOOL DAY WITHOUT PERMISSION AND WITHOUT CHECKING OUT AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE. If you need to pick up your student before the end of the day, please check in at the office and the student will be brought to the office for dismissal.

Emergency Procedures

FIRE: Each classroom will have posted within its wall the route to follow in case of a FIRE emergency. Students should follow their teacher's instructions at all times. Per Fire Department Code, drills are done monthly. In the event of a real emergency, parents will be notified through TEXT and EMAIL by HOPE staff with further instructions.

WEATHER: Severe weather could cause school closure. School Administration will notify parents by TEXT and EMAIL if such a need arises. As a rule of thumb, if county schools are closed due to weather, more than likely we will be also. The radio stations and news channels will carry all school closings so please be attentive to these.

HUMAN THREAT: In the event of an on-campus actual or perceived Active THREAT, the school will activate its Emergency Response Plan in conjunction with the Pasco Sheriff Department. Parents will be kept up to date through TEXT messages by a school representative. Please **DO NOT** call the school and **DO NOT** come to the school as you may delay critical personnel from responding to the crisis.

Medication

All prescription drugs and non-prescription medications must be checked in and counted at the office to be administered to the students at specific times. Medication must be in a pharmacy bottle with proper labeling. No medication will be accepted in any other manner. **No medication (prescription or non-prescription) should be in the possession of a student at any time including cough drops.**

Please notify the office in case of head lice, hepatitis, meningitis, rubella, measles, or other communicable diseases. Students with such diseases will not be allowed to attend classes while they are contagious.

Photos

Photos and videos will be taken throughout the year during special events, outings and regular classroom time. These photos will be compiled to form our yearly Yearbook and may be posted on social media such as Facebook.

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Field Trips

Upon occasion, and at the discretion of the Administration, all students may have an opportunity to participate in local field trips with the fulfillment of minimum requirements. The same standards of conduct and dress required of students at school are also required of students on school-sponsored trips and school-related activities.

Transportation/Bus Policy for Field Trips:

Students should always conduct themselves in a manner which would allow the driver to concentrate on traffic and not behavioral problems.

1. Parents should be waiting at the school when students arrive from their trip.
2. The Teacher is in charge of all students who are in his/her care.
3. Basic standards of conduct must be adhered to, as they would be in a classroom.
4. Any discipline problems encountered on the bus will be referred to the school administration.
5. There will be assigned seats on the buses.
6. There will be school staff on every trip, and parents are invited to ride the bus when there is enough room.
7. Students cannot bring cell phones or cameras on field trips; they must be left in the office.

Ice Cream Socials

Ice Cream Socials/Awards Presentations take place quarterly at 1:30 p.m. for Living Hope and East Road campus. All parents/legal guardians, family and friends are invited. If your child requires a non-dairy or sugar free alternative, please notify us so that we can have it available. **Students are not allowed to use personal or parent cell phones during these events, so they continue to observe the "no cell phone use" policy while at school.**

Non-Sponsored Parties

The school cannot be responsible for any party or social event that is not officially approved and sponsored by HOPE Ranch Learning Academy/Hope Youth Ranch, Inc.

Testing

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy maintains a thorough testing program to measure students' abilities and progress. Results of tests are used to help the administration and faculty work more effectively with each student and to make continual improvements to the curriculum.

All new students will be administered a diagnostic test upon enrollment. Yearly, students are administered progress monitoring testing during the Fall, Winter and Spring.

It is recommended that seniors and juniors register for both the SAT (Scholastic Aptitude Test -- commonly referred to as the "College Boards") and the ACT (American College Test). Since colleges prefer one of these tests, a student is assured of adequate test information if he takes both.

Business Procedures

1. The private portion of the yearly tuition amount may be divided into 10 monthly payments with the submission of an Automatic Withdrawal Form.
2. Monthly statements will be sent by the 5th of the month for non-tuition charges incurred the previous month and are due by the 15th of the month.
3. Checks should be made payable to HOPE Ranch Learning Academy.
4. Tuition Payments are due on the first, non-tuition payments are due by the 15th. Payments not received by the end of the month will incur a \$25 late fee. Returned checks will incur current bank NSF fees.
5. The Office is open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.- 4 p.m. and is only closed for legal holidays.
6. No deduction is made from tuition payments for a student's absences.
7. A student may be prohibited from attending class if the account is delinquent.
8. Please feel free to contact the Office if you have any questions or need to make special arrangements: (Office: (727) 232-0119).

Special Fund-Raising

To enable HOPE Ranch Learning Academy to purchase additional equipment and have special programs while keeping tuition rates as low as possible, we usually conduct two fund-raising campaigns a year. Your participation is encouraged. There will be a Fall and Spring Fundraiser.

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Solicitations Prohibited

Solicitation is forbidden at HOPE Ranch Learning Academy without the specific approval of the administration. This includes the selling of tickets, candy, distribution of political material, or circulation of petitions that are not HRLA related.

Admission Requirements

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy admits students of any race, color, and national ethnic origin without discrimination in administration of educational policies, admissions policies, athletics, and other school-administered programs.

Students are accepted at HOPE Ranch Learning Academy based on an interview with each family and the administration. All prospective students must be present during the interview. Parents and students must read this handbook thoroughly. Parents, along with middle and high school students, are required to sign a statement of cooperation expressing their support of the school's program.

Parents must submit an application accompanied by prior school records to include (IEP, report cards, attendance records, Psychological Testing, etc.). Parents will submit transcripts of the student's previous school experiences. If transcripts are unavailable, parents will sign a release for the transcripts.

A recent (within 1 year) Physical and Immunization Record must be submitted to the school office at registration. In instances where a student needs medical attention, the principal will call the parent or family doctor (in that order).

Final acceptance is based on the interview, a review of educational documents provided and response from the Educational Staff and our overall ability to meet the student's needs in our educational setting.

Students are accepted on a 60-day probation period.

Re-Enrollment

No student has the right to "re-enroll".

Applications for re-enrollment will be approved at the sole discretion of the school administration.

Daily Schedule Sample

8:00 - 8:45 a.m.	Before Care	11:45 - 12:15 p.m.	Lunch
8:45 - 9:00 a.m.	Students Arrive	12:15 - 12:45 p.m.	PE
9:00 - 9:10 a.m.	Opening Exercises	12:45 - 1:30 p.m.	Academic Time
9:15 - 9:30 a.m.	Character Traits	1:30 - 2:15 p.m.	Academic Time
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.	Academic Time	2:15 - 2:45 p.m.	Social Skills/Chores
10:15 - 11:00 a.m.	Academic Time	2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Dismissal
11:00 - 11:45 a.m.	Academic Time	3:15 - 4:00 p.m.	After Care

Withdrawal Procedures

We ask that when first considering withdrawal from school, the parent contact a member of the administration before a final decision is reached. After the appointment, if the final decision is made to withdraw, a "Withdrawal Form" will need to be signed by the parent and dated, along with the return of all school property, before a student is considered officially withdrawn. Business arrangements for withdrawal of students must be made in the office by the parent. Transcripts and other records cannot be released to another school until all bills are paid and all school-owned textbooks and materials have been returned. We request a 7-day notice of intention to withdraw a student. Likewise, HRLA reserves the right to withdraw a student upon a 7-day notice of intention to withdraw.

Academic Reporting

Report Cards

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy is on a nine-week reporting period. A report card will be sent home with your student at the end of the nine-week period as indicated on the school calendar. If an account becomes delinquent, the report card will be held until arrangement for payment has been made with the Business Office.

Progress Reports

A mid-quarter progress report will be sent home with your student.

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Grading System

A = 90 – 100
B = 80 – 89
C = 70 – 79
D = 60 – 69
F = Below 60

Standard of Conduct

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy expects its students to try to live above reproach in all aspects of their daily life. We expect students to exhibit respect for God, country, family, staff, and fellow students.

Students of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy are expected to refrain from cheating, swearing, lying, fighting, smoking, sexual activity, drinking alcoholic beverages, or using narcotics. Students who participate in such activities are subject to suspension or expulsion. Students are expected to act in an orderly and respectful manner, maintaining Christian standards of courtesy, kindness, language, morality, and honesty.

Attendance at HOPE Ranch Learning Academy is a privilege; therefore, constructive suggestions are welcomed. Gossiping and criticism will not be tolerated. Anyone who will not cooperate spiritually, morally, or scholastically will be dismissed.

Student Conduct & Discipline

Parents and teachers must cooperate fully with one another. Anything said or done which tears down respect and confidence for either one will harm the child. When there is a misunderstanding, a student should take it quickly to the teacher. Often a conference or even a note can clear up the difficulty. If a student brings a problem home to you, please encourage your child to go immediately to the teacher involved and resolve the problem. If the problem then is not completely resolved, immediately call the office to set up an appointment with the teacher for a conference by phone or in person.

Classroom Conduct

1. Classroom conduct will have an effect on a student's grade.
2. A total of 2 or more interventions requires a parent/teacher conference. The child's grade is not affected.

Searches and Seizure Policy

It is the policy of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy that lockers, desks, and other property furnished to the student remain property of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy. Such property is subject to search by school officials. Student lunch boxes and permitted bags will be searched daily as part of our security policy.

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy supports all staff in the maintenance of law, order, discipline and decorum in its school and during authorized school functions, which take place off school property. HOPE Ranch Learning Academy therefore prohibits the possession, on school property or at authorized school functions, of substances or objects, which may threaten good order, discipline, decorum and public safety. Such materials or objects may include, but are not restricted to:

- a) Alcoholic beverages;
- b) Illicit drugs;
- c) Stolen property;
- d) Weapons, either restricted or prohibited by law;
- e) Any object which may be used as a weapon and which may cause serious injury; and
- f) Hate literature, racist material, pornography, etc.

If we suspect that students and/or visitors to the school have in their possession materials or objects (such as alcohol, illicit drugs, stolen goods and weapons), the school authorizes the principal or his/her designates, on the basis of reasonable grounds to believe that a student or visitor is in possession of a prohibited substance or object, and in accordance with these procedures, to conduct searches and, where necessary, to seize prohibited substances or objects.

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Defacing School Property

Respect for all property is vitally important. Sitting on desks, writing, carving, or defacing any part of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy property is considered unacceptable. Willful damage to these properties could result in immediate dismissal. Any student guilty of defacing school property in any form will be issued a referral and required to pay for damages.

Discipline Procedures

All new students are admitted on probation for the first 60 days. If your child does come home complaining about a policy or discipline, please follow this procedure:

1. Give staff the benefit of the doubt.
2. Realize that your child's reporting is emotionally based and may not include all the information.
3. Realize that the school has reasons for all rules and that they are enforced without partiality.
4. Support the administration and call the school for all the facts.

High school students in particular because of their testimony before the younger children, are trained to adhere to the school's philosophy and Christ-centered program. Such adherence includes abstinence from tobacco products, use of narcotics, swearing and other questionable practices.

This school is dedicated to the training of children in a program of study, activity, and living that is Christ-centered. We believe that "all things should be done decently and in order" and that our students should be taught to accept the responsibility to "walk honorably before all men."

At HRLA, discipline is maintained that is consistent, and tempered with love. Our staff maintains standards of behavior in the classroom through kindness, love, and a genuine regard for the students. However, when disciplinary action becomes necessary, it is carried out, tempered by good judgment and understanding.

Suspension

A student whose behavior has been shown to be unacceptable may be subject to suspension. This means the student would not be allowed to attend class for the duration of the period of suspension. In-School Suspension will be served outside the classroom in the barn area. While on suspension, a student will work on schoolwork outside the classroom in the barn area.

Out-of-School Suspension will be served at home, but all scheduled schoolwork is due when student returns to class.

Expulsion

A student may be dismissed from the school at any time he is found to be out of harmony with the rules and policies of the school. Decisions in these matters are the full responsibility of the Administration.

Dismissal occurs when a student is not performing within the boundaries of acceptable conduct. Students who are dismissed may not be considered for re-enrollment for a minimum of one full semester. Parents must meet with the administration before re-enrollment will be considered.

Articles Prohibited

In adherence to Judeo-Christian beliefs taught at school items that are not in line with our Judeo-Christian faith are not allowed at school. The following is a non-exhaustive list of such items: tobacco products, alcoholic beverages, narcotics, knives, guns, explosives or weapons of any kind, radios, tape recorders, magazines or books not related to class work, live animals/pets, and anything depicting scenes or insignias associated with non-Christian faiths. Items depicting death/skulls/horror/magic, drugs, sex, profanity, video games or gangs are not permitted on school property.

Cell phones, Smart Watches, Blue Tooth Ear Buds and Headphones, video games, or any other electronic devices are also prohibited from school grounds. Students needing to bring cell phones for after school activities must hand over phone to administration upon arrival and same will be returned at dismissals. 1st Verbal Warning, 2nd Note Home, 3rd Parent must come pick up phone and Cell Phone storage privileges are revoked. No cell phones allowed at School Formal. The school will search desks, lunch boxes, bags, etc. if suspected use of a cell phone in the classroom is reported so that the cell phone can be placed in the office during the school day per school policy.

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No backpacks or large bags allowed. Students should only bring "school related" items to school each day. Students needing a change of clothes at school for accidents may bring such to be stored in the classroom and not sent home daily. Personal hygiene items will be stored in the office or classroom. If your student wishes to bring their own, it must remain in their lunch box or stored in the office.

Our Parents' Code

Our parents play a vital part in the total program of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy. Emphasis again and again has been placed upon the importance of parents cooperating with the school for the education of the child. We like to believe that the following code, when subscribed to by all our parents, would make HOPE Ranch Learning Academy a school, which would truly honor the Lord and produce the finest education possible.

I pledge to:

1. I will pray regularly for the teachers and administration.
2. I will cooperate fully in the educational function of HOPE Ranch Learning Academy.
3. I will pay all my financial obligations to the school on or before the date they are due. If I am ever unable to pay on time, I will notify the school in advance, giving a reasonable explanation for the delay and stating when the payment can be made.
4. I will assume volunteer duties and responsibilities as may be required.
5. I will attend periodic meetings and parents' functions of the school.
6. If I become dissatisfied with HRLA in any respect, I will try to resolve the matter with the person or persons involved rather than seeking to spread criticism or hold a negative attitude in my heart. I will not criticize the school before my children.
7. I will seek the advancement of HRLA in all areas: spiritually, academically, and physically.
8. I will refrain from using profanity on school property.

In the event that the relationship between a parent and HOPE Ranch Learning Academy administration becomes so contentious that it is detrimental to the school, HRLA reserves the right to have the student immediately withdrawn.

Student's Code of Ethics

I pledge to:

1. Cooperate with the teachers and the administration.
2. Practice good sportsmanship at all school activities at home and away.
3. Promote courtesy.
4. Obey the operational rules of the school.
5. Respect my responsibilities and carry them out to the best of my ability.
6. Be honest in schoolwork and extracurricular activities.
7. Adopt an attitude appropriate for HOPE Ranch Learning Academy students.
8. Keep school spirit alive and support my school in striving to uphold its reputation, untarnished and unsullied.

Also, I understand that:

1. Disrespect and disobedience to any authority will not be tolerated.
2. Mutilation or destruction of any property will not be tolerated.
3. Parents will be billed for any damages incurred.
4. Lying, cheating, and stealing will not be accepted.
5. Horseplay of any sort is not allowed.
6. No yelling in classrooms.
7. Talking in class without permission is not allowed.
8. No passing or writing of notes anytime throughout the day.
9. Students are not to bring any articles which distract from academics into the classroom — magazines, radios, athletic equipment, trinkets, games, or toys.
10. No using of office phones without permission from office or supervisor.
11. No criticism of teachers, policies, or students while on school grounds.
12. Bus misconduct will result in the loss of bus-riding privileges on field trips.
13. Using or talking in a flippant way about alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs will be subject to disciplinary action.

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2024 – 2025

HOPE Ranch Learning Academy School Calendar

Fall Semester – 2024

<u>08/09/24</u>	<u>Open House</u>
<u>08/12/24</u>	<u>First Day of School</u>
09/02/24	Labor Day – NO SCHOOL
09/20/24	Progress Reports
<u>09/23 – 9/27/24</u>	<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences</u>
10/10/24	End of 1 st Quarter
10/11/24	Teacher Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
<u>10/21/24</u>	<u>HFT Recognition Ceremony – 1:30 p.m.</u>
10/22/24	Report Cards
<u>10/23/24</u>	<u>Living Hope Ice Cream Social/Awards – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>10/25/24</u>	<u>East Road Ice Cream Social/Awards – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>10/26/24</u>	<u>Harvest Hoedown Family Event – 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.</u>
10/28/24	NO SCHOOL
11/08/24	Progress Reports
<u>11/11 – 11/15/24</u>	<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences</u>
<u>11/18/24</u>	<u>HFT Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon – 12 p.m.</u>
<u>11/21/24</u>	<u>Living Hope Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon – 12 p.m.</u>
<u>11/22/24</u>	<u>East Road Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon – 12 p.m.</u>
11/25 – 11/29/24	Thanksgiving Break
12/02/24	Return to School after Break
<u>12/06/24</u>	<u>East Road Christmas Play – 7 p.m.</u>
<u>12/13/24</u>	<u>Living Hope Christmas Play – 7 p.m.</u>
12/20/24	End of 2 nd Quarter/ 1 st Semester
12/23/24 - 1/3/25	Christmas Break

Spring Semester – 2025

01/06/25	Professional Day – NO SCHOOL
01/07/25	Return to School after Break
01/13/25	Report Cards

01/20/25	Martin Luther King Day – NO SCHOOL
01/27 – 01/31/25	National School Choice Week
<u>01/27/25</u>	<u>HFT Recognition Ceremony – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>01/29/25</u>	<u>Living Hope Ice Cream Social / Awards – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>01/31/25</u>	<u>East Road Ice Cream Social / Awards – 1:30 p.m.</u>
02/13/25	Progress Reports
<u>02/15/25</u>	<u>Middle/High School Formal 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.</u>
02/17/25	Presidents’ Day – NO SCHOOL
<u>02/18 – 02/21/25</u>	<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences / School Spirit Week</u>
03/13/25	End of 3 rd Quarter / <u>Living Hope Field Day</u>
03/14/25	Teacher Planning Day – NO SCHOOL
03/17 – 03/21/25	Spring Break
03/24/25	Return to School after Break
03/28/25	Report Cards
AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH - WEAR BLUE ON FRIDAYS IN APRIL!	
<u>04/02/25</u>	<u>LH Ice Cream Social/Awards / Bubbles for Autism – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>04/04/25</u>	<u>ER Ice Cream Social/Awards / Bubbles for Autism – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>04/07/25</u>	<u>HFT Recognition Ceremony / Bubbles for Autism – 1:30 p.m.</u>
04/17/25	Progress Reports
04/18/25	Good Friday – NO SCHOOL
<u>04/21 - 4/25/25</u>	<u>Parent/Teacher Conferences</u>
<u>05/03/25</u>	<u>HOPE Jamboree – 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.</u>
05/05/25	NO SCHOOL
05/06 – 05/09/25	Teachers’ Appreciation Week
<u>05/12/25</u>	<u>HFT Field Day</u>
<u>05/19/25</u>	<u>HFT Recognition Ceremony – 1:30 p.m.</u>
<u>05/21/25</u>	<u>Living Hope Ice Cream Social / Special Olympics – 1 p.m.</u>
<u>05/23/25</u>	<u>East Road Ice Cream Social / Special Olympics – 1 p.m.</u>
05/26/25	Memorial Day – NO SCHOOL
05/30/25	Students’ Last Day of School / End of 4th Quarter
06/07/25	High School Graduation
06/09/25	Last Report Cards Mailed

Parent Participation Requested – Save the Date Events

- **Open House** – Meet and Greet your child’s teaching staff.
- **Parent/Teacher Conferences** – Held Quarterly (after school) to review student progress.
- **Ice Cream Social/Awards** – Held Quarterly to celebrate our student’s accomplishments. All Welcome.
- **Harvest Hoedown** – Fall Celebration/Community event featuring vendors who cater to special needs students.
- **Thanksgiving Potluck Luncheon** – Students bring a dish (from their family heritage) to share. All welcome. No Cost.
- **Christmas Play** – Celebrating the Arts/Participation is for English grade and mandatory. Please invite friends and family.
- **MS/HS Formal** – Buffet Meal and Dance for Middle School and High School students.
- **HOPE Jamboree** – End of Year Recognition. Participation is strongly encouraged. Please invite friends and family.
- **Bubbles for Autism** – Come have fun and help us spread Autism awareness.