



MESA ORIENTATION

Welcome Heroes!

2026 - 2027



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Mission Statement

Welcome to Heritage Academy! We are dedicated to youth, their growth and development, and believe in building sound character through **strong** families, **strong** communities, and a **strong** nation. While teaching the academic disciplines, Heritage Academy is dedicated to instilling into the minds and hearts of our youth knowledge of and respect for the ideals and values of the great men and women of history, including those who founded the American nation. As they gain an appreciation of these people of accomplishment, they will be ready to provide the selfless service to their fellow citizens and to their country which will be required in the coming years to assist in restoring America's greatness. Heritage Academy exists to this end.

Heritage Academy is a public charter school. It is a school of choice. Because you have chosen to come here, you need to know that **more will be expected of you**. *Generally, our standards are higher, both academically and personally, than that of most other schools.* If you have come here thinking school will be academically easier, you may want to rethink your decision. Heritage Academy does not back away in the least from high expectations of our scholars.





Scholar Handbook



Commitments & Responsibilities

*Scholars, Parents, and
School*



hamesa.com

*Policies and
Procedures*





Enrollment Agreement



Fidelity is important to us here at Heritage Academy. We do what we say we will do and expect our scholars and parents to do the same.

Section 1 of 3: Heritage Academy agrees to.....

- a) Provide a structured learning environment where scholars will be challenged to enhance their intellectual, social and emotional development.
- b) Opportunities to develop personal responsibilities, self discipline and self respect. Heritage has a strict disciplinary policy.

Section 2 of 3: The Scholar agrees to maintain a level of academic performance and conduct that meets or surpasses HA standards.....





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Section 3 of 3:

- a). The parent agrees to monitor scholar's progress using PowerSchool.
- b). Support closed campus policy by signing scholars out by a parent when needing to leave campus.
- c). Ensure scholar is properly attired according to the required dress policy of HA.





Heritage Academy is an Electronics Free Zone

In Compliance with State Law

Electronics must be stored in your backpacks
or teacher- provided containers.

This includes BETWEEN CLASSES and at LUNCH.

1st Offense: Pick up at end of day from Principal

2nd Offense: Parent must pick up from Principal
Heritage is not responsible for stolen property



cell phones, smart
watches, earbuds,
etc.



Academic Expectations

✓ A passing grade at Heritage is a **70% or higher.**

RETENTION POLICY: 7th – 8th grade scholars must average a 70% over the course of the year in core classes

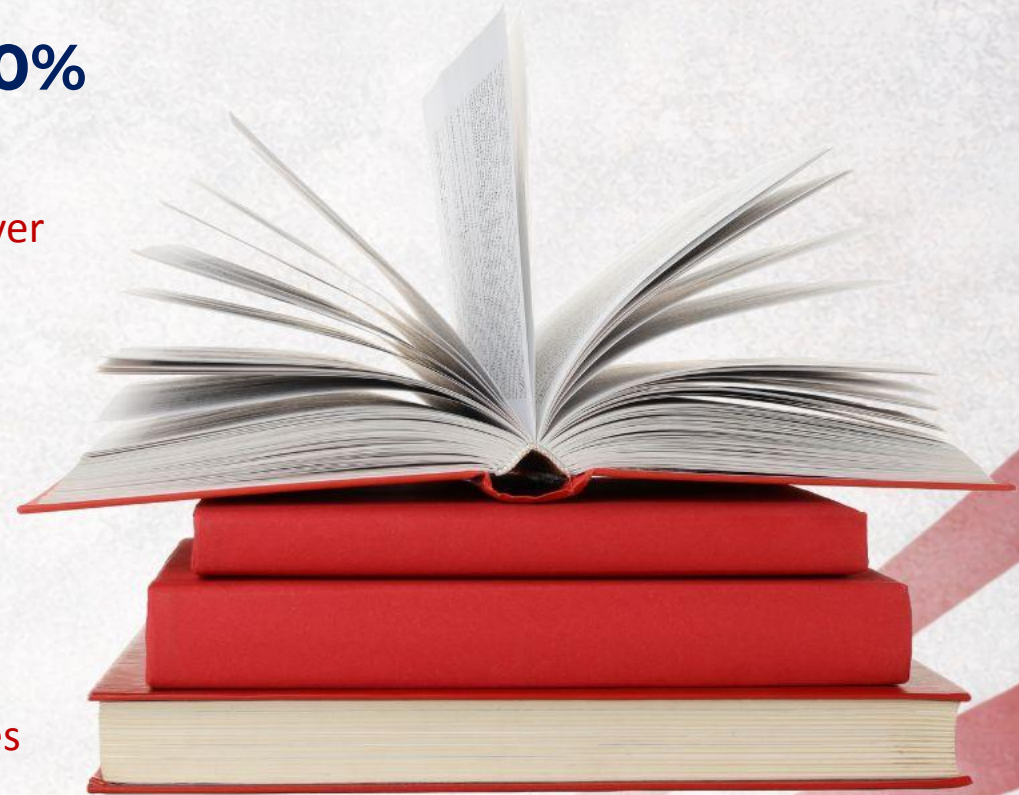
✓ **26 Credits to Graduate**

The state minimum is 22

✓ **Tutoring Available**

All teachers are available to help. They have regular hours posted
Scholars can always email and ask for additional appointment times based on teacher's availability.

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Dress Code

Uniform Vendors

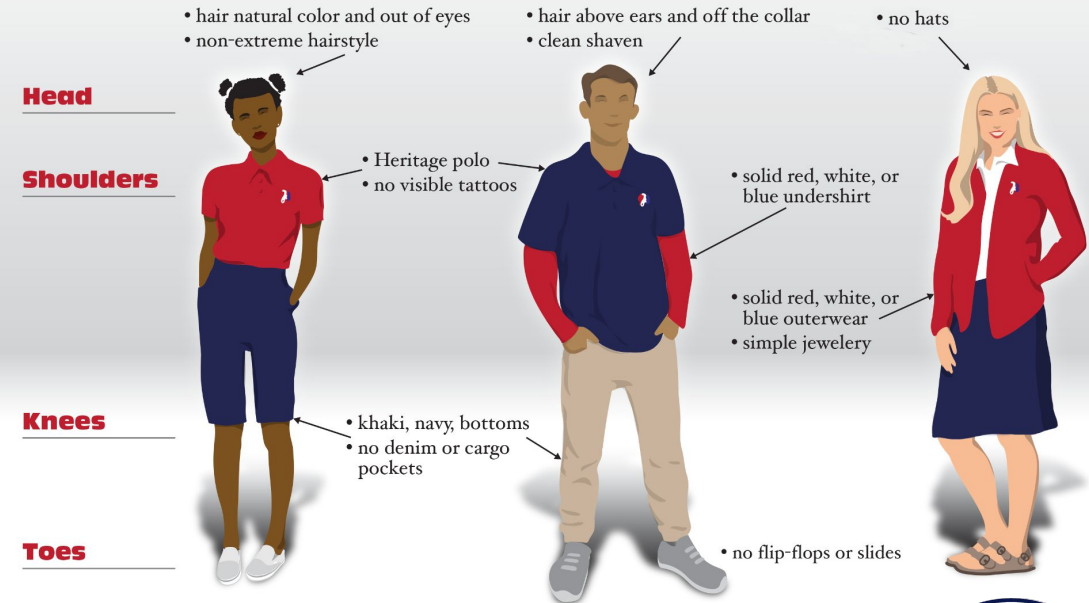
Tommy Hilfiger | Land's End | Stellas | Anton

***PE Uniforms must also be purchased through these vendors**

Dollars for Duds

Pay to wear casual clothes! | No rips/frays, crop tops, PJs, leggings, sleeveless shirts, inappropriate messages

Heritage Dress Code Standards



clean and modest





Code of Conduct



✓ Follow the Golden Rule

Treat others the way you would like to be treated, in person and on any social media

✓ No Bullying or Profanity

Refrain from using any type of profanity

✓ Drug & Tobacco Free Campus

We are a drug, alcohol, weapon, and tobacco (including any vaping products) free school

✓ No Food or Drinks

No gum, food, or drinks in the building **other than water.**

✓ No PDA and Clean Up After Yourself

THE HANDBOOK'S

4 "B"S

BE where you are supposed to be

BE there when you are supposed to be there

BE doing what you are supposed to be doing

BE wearing what you are supposed to be wearing



★ ★ ★ Behavior Management: Log Entry ★ ★ ★



A way for the school to report and track inappropriate behavior choices.

Log entries can be written by any staff member.
Log entries are emailed home weekly.

Multiple log entries or certain behavior choices will result in immediate involvement of administration with further consequences that may include suspension (No ISS).

** We encourage parents to discuss log entries with their scholars and help them make better choices.*



★ ★ ★ Daily Schedule & Citizenship ★ ★ ★



BELL SCHEDULE

1st Period 8:00 – 9:33

2nd Period 9:40 – 11:17

JH Lunch (HS Citizenship) 11:22 – 11:45

HS Lunch (JH Citizenship) 11:49 – 12:11

3rd Period 12:16 – 1:49

4th Period 1:56 – 3:30

Lunch Options

- ✓ Lunch from Home
- ✓ PTO Snack Shack
- ✓ *MyHotLunchbox.com*

Delivered to school from:



, and more!

Citizenship Offered Daily!

Study of our Founding Fathers

Constitution focus

Community service

Character development

*Bell schedule found on page 13





Attendance

- Absences

Must be called in to the office same day or use SafeArrival to explain attendance. Excused does not mean excused from work Health Reason, medical appointment, funeral, family emergency.

- Scholars leaving for an appointment must be signed out by a parent/guardian

Missing a class at Heritage is like missing 2 in a traditional 5-day school week: 6 absences for HS means loss of credit More than 20 minutes of missed class is an Absence

- Tardies

Check in at the office when you first arrive. Parents do not need to walk scholars in, but they must sign scholars out. No excused tardies -Lunch Detention is required after 3rd Tardy in 4 weeks



★ ★ ★ Visitors, Deliveries, Supplies ★ ★ ★



As a closed campus, all visitors **MUST** sign in at the front office upon arrival using the Main Entrance

- All drop-offs **MUST** be signed in at the front office.
- For safety reasons, we will not accept any outside deliveries for scholars (UberEats etc.)

Supply lists will be posted in google classroom and available at Open House. Plan to have basic supplies for the first few days.



★ ★ ★ Power What's Possible in Education ★ ★ ★



- Used to view Grades & Attendance. Please check Weekly!
- Specific parent and student access ID codes will be emailed in July.
- School schedules will be available in July.
- Please elect to **receive emails AND texts** via SchoolMessenger. Some information can't be sent via text only.
- We do not send out paper progress reports or report cards.



My School Bucks, Course Fees

2026-27 Mesa Campus Course Fees

The following fees are eligible for State Tax Credit (ECA):

Course	Fee Amount	Fall	Winter	Spring	Total Due
JH Coed Flag Football					
JH/HS Cross Country	\$200	X			
JH/HS Swimming	\$200	X			
JH/HS Girls Volleyball	\$200	X			
HS Girls Flag Football	\$200	X			
HS Tackle Football	\$200	X			
JH Softball	\$500	X			
JH Baseball	\$200	X			
JH Coed Soccer	\$200		X		
HS Girls/Boys Basketball	\$200		X		
HS Girls/Boys Soccer	\$200		X		
HS Wrestling	\$200		X		
JH Boys/Girls Basketball	\$200		X		
HS Softball	\$200		X		
HS Baseball	\$200			X	
HS Boys Volleyball	\$200			X	
HS Track	\$200			X	
Digital Imaging	\$200			X	
Film Making	\$40 per semester			X	
Family & Consumer Science (FACS)	\$40 per semester				
Dance	\$150 per semester				
Art (No fee for JH)	\$40 per semester				
Piano (No fee for JH)	\$40 per semester				

OTHER FEES - These fees are NOT eligible for State Tax Credit:

ITEM	FEE	TOTAL
Recommended PTO Dues (PER FAMILY)	\$25	*
Parking Permit Fee (PER YEAR)	\$50	*

- Fees may be paid on MySchoolBucks.com. An invoice will be sent after the second week of the semester/season. Once an invoice is received through email, click the link to pay the invoice.
- To make an ECA payment **do not pay the invoice**. Instead, go to the School Store in MySchoolBucks and select "Tax Credit (ECA) Donations" and make a donation. Please note what the donation should be applied toward (name of scholar and fee). After the donation is submitted, please allow time for it to be manually applied. Any excess donated will be put on the scholar's account credit.
- The fee amount is the same whether a scholar is enrolled in the class only or also participates on the team.
 - All class and sports fees must be **paid in full** in order for scholars to participate in the class or extracurricular activity.
 - If fees are not paid by the deadline, the scholar will be **removed from the class or activity**.

MY SCHOOL BUCKS
Heritage Academy Inc. ▾
Home ▾ School Store ▾ Help

HOME ▸ SCHOOL INVOICES

School Invoice

You currently have no unpaid invoices.

Store Home

Featured Items

Browse All Items

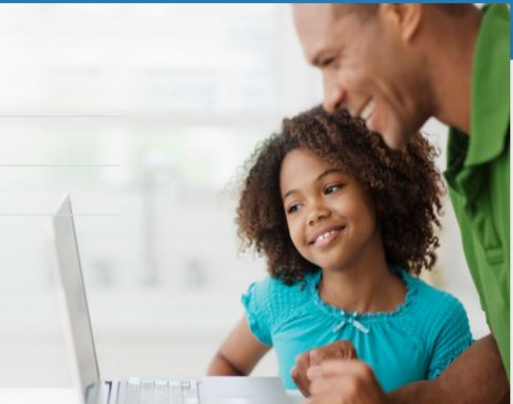
My Order History

Scheduled Payments

School Invoices

CATEGORIES

- Donations
- Football
- Testing
- Yearbook







Heritage Summer School



**Available to all incoming
7-9 grade scholars.**

June 1-25, M-Th

- Strongly encouraged for those who scored at or below 7 in ELA or 18 in Math
- Cost: \$200 per session
- Pay online at myschoolbucks.com

Deadline is May 20th

Helpful for those scholars who need skill building practice in order to be successful in our academic classes. English (AM only) and Math (AM or PM)





Dual Enrollment (DE) Program



High School Scholars

- Earn College and High School Credit Simultaneously
- Credits Transfer to All In-State & 95% of Out-of-State Colleges
- No Additional Tests or Projects Required to Earn DE Credits
- Take College Level Courses in a Smaller High School Setting
- Reduce Bachelor Degree Program, saving \$\$ on tuition, books
- Avoids Duplicate Coursework in First Two Years of College
- Earn up to Three Associate Degrees in High School



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Schedule Changes



Choose your classes and alternate choices carefully!

No schedule changes will be made for either semester unless it meets one of the policy exceptions:

- Incorrect course level placement (ex: 7th grade scholar in a 10th grade English course).
- Missing a class in the schedule.
- Seniors with a graduation credit need.



How Can Parents Help?

- Join the PTO
Meetings are the third Tuesday of every month at 6:00 pm.
- Help your scholar complete their homework.
- Read the weekly newsletter.
- Communicate with your scholar's teachers if you have questions or concerns.
- Volunteer to help at events and with the Snack Shack.



Questions?

We are here to help!

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THANK YOU!

Please fill out your schedule form. Make sure to turn it in **BEFORE** you leave. We are here for questions.