

Dear HSTA Teachers,

We are gearing up for another exciting HSTA school year! During this pandemic, many things have shifted including the HSTA club experience. Among several changes, we will conduct Fall Professional Development (FPD) online during the month of September. Below are the dates and times, please sign up for one of the trainings. More details about FPD will be released closer the training dates.

First Come First Serve (17 Teachers per training). [Click here to sign up for a training.](#)

- Tuesday September 8th 7pm-8:30pm
- Saturday September 12th 11am-12:30pm
- Monday September 14th 7pm-8:30pm
- Saturday September 19th 11am-12:30pm

Additional changes to the HSTA club experience include but not limited to:

- HSTA teachers will need to start using their HSC email accounts by September 1st.
 - HSC and WVU are requiring that we start using HSC email accounts for all HSTA business. This will help with future IT trainings, travel forms, contracts, etc.
 - FSCs and Mary have sent out directions. Please email Mary if you need help mcottrell@hsc.wvu.edu.
- HSTA Clubs will be online through Symposium 2021
 - The HSTA club experience will have a curriculum that everyone will follow including teacher and student kits.
 - On or around September 1st we will release the curriculum.
 - HSTA clubs still need to maintain at least 24 hours of contact. We will recommend that club meetings average about 2 Hours a week and split them 40-60 minutes of online club time instruction/demonstration and 40-60 minutes of students completing activities, etc. outside of club time.
 - We are also working on workshops that students and teachers can attend outside of club time. This can count as Guest Speaker credit for the club. Workshop ideas include Math, Community Service, College 101 by grade level and/or college/university, Careers, INBRE, Diversity, Alumni, Extension, Labs, etc.
- Research Projects and Deadlines will look differently, more details to come.
- On or around December 1st – Spring 2021 information will be released.
- Club meetings will start the week of September 28th through the week of December 14th. Virtual welcome back and/or parent meetings may occur before club meetings, please check with FSC.

Sincerely,

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