

Howard Middle Magnet School of the Arts

Site or Platform	Purpose	Link
Orange Connect	<u>General Information, emergency information</u>	Email, Voicemail, and texts sent from Howard MS and OCPS.
HMS Website	<u>Primary source of general school communication</u> (including calendar)	Howardms.ocps.net
Progressbook	Online gradebook showing assignments, comments, and current grade, digital consent forms	parentaccess.ocps.net
Google Classroom	Classroom assignments, discussions, lesson information, quizzes	Classroom.google.com using code given by teacher (most teachers are using this). Must sign in with studentid#@students.ocps.net
Edmodo	Same purpose as Google Classroom (most are using Google classroom).	Ocps.edmodo.com using code given by teacher. Few teachers are using this.
Canvas	Similar purpose as GC and Edmodo. All digital 1-1 schools use canvas. Some teachers are using it at HMS this year to get ready for us being 1-1 next year.	
Remind.com	Text reminding service	Remind.com using code given by teacher
Launchpad	Web browser startup window where all district supported sites and apps can be accessed.	launchpad.ocps.net
Teacher Emails	Email individual teachers with questions about specific classes or assignments.	See school website
Social Media		
HMS Facebook Page	School good news stories, sharing via social media network	facebook.com/Howard.Middle.School/
HMS PTSA Facebook Group	Closed FB group for HMS PTSA, send a request to join	facebook.com/groups/hmsptsa/
HMS Foundation Facebook Group	Closed FB group for HMS Foundation, send a request to join	facebook.com/groups/hmsfoundation/
HMS Friends Facebook Group	Closed group to share positive experiences at Howard, ask other parents questions, coordinate carpooling, etc. This group is not for staff questions. <u>Please email or call if you have questions for teachers, admin, or staff.</u>	facebook.com/groups/HowardVPA/
Twitter	General school shout outs, event highlights	@HowardMiddleSch