



# HCLS Time Capsule Guardians

## Sixth and Seventh Grade Students Invited to Serve as HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule Guardians

To celebrate its 75<sup>th</sup> Diamond Anniversary, Howard County Library System (HCLS) has gathered a treasure trove of documents, photos, devices, and objects that will be tucked away in the HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule, setting into motion a plan for the next 75 years.

This collection is so important as a testament to our culture of education that HCLS is inviting sixth grade students in Howard County to serve as Guardians. *This group will champion the HCLS legacy, keeping it safe until the centenary of HCLS in 2040.*

### **What is involved in being an HCLS Time Capsule Guardian?**

Class of 2015 Time Capsule Guardians will be inducted at HCLS' *Celebrate 75* event taking place on Saturday, October 24, 2015, at the HCLS Miller Branch. All participants will receive a ribbon and certificate.

As keepers of the Time Capsule, this group will return October 27, 2040 to pass on their duties to a new set of Guardians (Class of 2040) as they open the Time Capsule to share its secrets. Together, the two generations of Guardians will re-seal and replace the capsule, then fill and seal a second one with new items representative of our world in 2040.

This process will continue every quarter-century until the final opening of all three capsules—filled in 2015, 2040, and 2065—by the third generation of Guardians (Class of 2065) on October 21, 2090, Howard County Library System's sesquicentennial.

Do you have what it takes to be an HCLS Time Capsule Guardian? We hope so – and we encourage you to complete the attached application.

# Application

Thank you for your interest in being a Guardian of the HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule. To qualify, you must:

- Live or attend school in Howard County
- Be in the sixth or seventh grade (public, private or homeschool)
- Provide written answers to three questions (see below)
- Agree to take the Chapters-of-Our-Lives Pledge (see below)
- Attend the Time Capsule segment of the October 24, 2015 *Celebrate 75* event (the Time Capsule Ceremony is from 10 – 11 am, at which time all Guardians will be acknowledged on stage. Students need to arrive at 9:30 am)

## I. Guardian Contact Information

_____	_____	_____
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name
_____		_____
Address		City State
_____	_____	
School	Parent/Guardian Email	
Tel: (H) _____ (Parent Cell) _____ (Parent Work) _____		

## II. Photo

Please attach a current photo of yourself (in 25 years, we'll compare the "retro you" to the "future you"!).

## III. Three Questions

Please provide brief (one-page maximum) answers to three "Now & Then" questions (see p. 4).

## IV. HCLS Time Capsule Guardian Pledge

This is the pledge that all Guardians will recite at the *Celebrate 75* event on October 24, 2015:

As a Guardian of the HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule, I promise to execute my duty to Howard County Library System and my fellow Guardians as a link in the HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule Chain, and will do my best to return to the re-dedication of the HCLS Time Capsule on October 27, 2040.

## V. Participation and Photo Release Form

Because we plan to use photos and video footage taken at the October 24, 2015 event for a variety of purposes (e.g., web site, social media, articles, videos), we ask that the following form be completed. Please print clearly, using black ink.

# Participation, & Photograph, Video, & Audio Release

I, \_\_\_\_\_, grant permission for my child,  
(please print name)  
\_\_\_\_\_, to be a Guardian for the Howard County  
(please print name)

Library System (HCLS) Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule. I agree to arrange transportation for my child to arrive at the HCLS Miller Branch located at 9421 Frederick Rd, Ellicott City MD 21042 on **October 24, 2015, at 9:30 am**, in order to participate in the “Celebrate 75” opening Time Capsule ceremony, which begins at 10 am, concluding at approximately 11 am.

I also grant HCLS the unrestricted right to use my child’s image, likeness, name, voice, comments, or other proprietary or public rights, in any publication, broadcast, telecast, photograph, video, audio sound, audiovisual, and/or other recording taken in connection with the HCLS “Celebrate 75” event on October 24, 2015, and its various activities/events, or other transmission, distribution, public performance, or reproduction in whole or in part, for all purposes, worldwide, in perpetuity, and in any and all media (including digital, electronic, print, television, film and other media now known or to be invented), without compensation. I agree that (1) the images may be combined with other images/audio, text and graphics, or otherwise modified; (2) HCLS is the exclusive owner of all copyrights and other proprietary rights relating to the above, and that HCLS may assign these rights; and (3) this release is binding upon my heirs and assigns and is irrevocable, worldwide, and perpetual.

I am at least 18 years of age and have the full legal capacity to execute this release.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## VI. Thank you!

Thank you for participating in this exciting endeavor that will span the next 75 years!

We look forward to seeing you at “Celebrate 75” on Saturday, October 24! For your convenience this entire application packet is available in PDF at [hclibrary.org/hcls75](http://hclibrary.org/hcls75). Please submit completed forms as email attachments to [hcls.guardian@hclibrary.org](mailto:hcls.guardian@hclibrary.org), or deliver/mail printouts to:

Carol Murray  
Howard County Library System  
Administrative Branch  
9411 Frederick Road  
Ellicott City, MD 21042.

Deadline: Submissions must be *received* by **October 5, 2015**.

Questions? Contact Ann T. Gilligan ([Ann.Gilligan@HCLibrary.org](mailto:Ann.Gilligan@HCLibrary.org), 410.313.7796).

## Now (2015) & Then (2040)

By (please print): \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ MI  
Last Name First Name

To be placed in the HCLS Chapters-of-Our-Lives Time Capsule on October 24, 2015.

*It's today – 2015. What are:*

- 1. Three ways you spend most of your time?*
- 2. The three most popular current trends?*
- 3. Three things you like most about HCLS?*

*Now, pretend it's 2040. Picture yourself waking up as the "future you" in 25 years—you're about as old as your parents are now. What are your predictions for:*

- 1. Three ways you spend most of your time?*
- 2. The three most popular current trends?*
- 3. Three things you like most about HCLS?*