

## **MESSAGE FROM PRINCIPAL CAMPBELL**

Dear Harrison Families,

It's been great having our Hoyas back on campus as we begin the 2023/2024 school year. Last week we hosted class meetings with all grade levels in our Performing Arts Center. During this meeting, we celebrated academic gains and reminded our students on how they can get involved at school. Please click [here](#) to learn more about our clubs and organizations at Harrison.

During our class meetings, we also reviewed our expectations for safety, academics, and behavior. Teachers have also reviewed academic information as well as safety procedures in their classes. Safety messages are also included as part of our morning announcements. We spend time on this information, so students know what to do in the event of an emergency, such as an evacuation, weather situation, or code red/lock down.

Various safety drills are part of our standard operating procedure throughout the school year. Each time we conduct a safety drill at Harrison, our administrative team debriefs to discuss potential issues and reflect on our current safety plan. We also do random safety checks of our campus and in our parking lots. Officer Wallace is always part of our drills and the follow-up discussions with our administrative team. Please continue to have conversations at home so we have a safe learning environment for students as they work towards their academic goals. We want our students to make good decisions at school and in social settings, use social media safely and responsibly, and practice the "see something, say something" ethic. Student safety is always our top priority.

Please also remind your students to stay proactive in their learning. This information was emphasized in our class meetings last week. Encourage your student to stay connected with their teachers if they have questions about their course work. Hoya Block begins on Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup> so this will be another layer of academic support for our students. Please visit our school website for information about our counseling office, writing center, Math lab, Learning Commons, and department tutorial times for ways we can support our students.

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As we look ahead to the school year, below is some additional information:

### **PTSA OPEN HOUSE – THURSDAY, AUGUST 24<sup>TH</sup>**

PTSA Open House for parents is scheduled for Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>. Details are below. If you have not joined PTSA, you can join by clicking [here](#). We appreciate your support in joining PTSA which helps all our families stay connected and helps support our teacher mini-grant program that enriches the educational experiences for our Hoyas.

6:00 – 7:00 Drop-in Open House

7:00 – 8:00 Senior Parent Meeting in Performing Arts Center with a brief opening from PTSA

7:00 – 8:00 Dual Enrollment Informational Meeting in the Café

Please [click here](#) for our Open House flyer.

### **ASYNCHRONOUS LEARNING DAY – MONDAY, AUGUST 21<sup>ST</sup>**

Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup> is our first Asynchronous Learning Day. Students will work from home on teacher-created assignments posted within CTLS.

### **9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENT NIGHT – TUESDAY, AUGUST 29<sup>TH</sup>**

If you are a 9th grade parent, please join us Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm for our parent night in our Performing Arts Center.

### **CLASS DUES & PSAT**

Please make sure you have visited [My Payments Plus](#) to pay class dues for your student (due by 9/1/23) as well as to pay the PSAT fee for 11<sup>th</sup> graders. The PSAT will be administered to all 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students on Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, but only 11<sup>th</sup> graders must pay for the test. Taking the PSAT prepares our students for college entrance exams, and test results can be linked to each student's Khan Academy account which provides students and parents with valuable feedback on strengths and weaknesses. Please click [here](#) to learn more about the PSAT.

### **HARRISON FOUNDATION**

As in previous years, our Harrison Foundation is committed to our goals of continuing the growth of our STEM program and upgrading the Learning Commons to enhance student engagement. Your donations in the past have

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helped us make substantial updates to the Learning Commons for our students, but there is still work to do. Please consider donating to our Harrison Foundation this school year so we can continue the work for our Hoyas! To make an online donation, please click [here](#). Thank you for your continued support!

I also want to thank our awesome teachers and staff for their hard work in making sure our school year started in a positive way. They have all worked incredibly hard to prepare for the opening of school. Thank you as well to our PTSA for their ongoing support, such as treating our faculty and staff to a luncheon during pre-planning and helping with Hoya Hello. Everyone's role is vital to the success of our students, and we are very thankful for the parent support that we have in the community.

We are all looking forward to a great school year with our Hoyas!

Sincerely,  
Principal Ashlynn Campbell

## **SUPERINTENDENT STUDENT ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Georgia State Superintendent Richard Woods is forming his 2023-24 Student Advisory Council. Any Harrison student interested in this leadership opportunity should visit [this site](#) to apply. Hurry as the application is due by September 8<sup>th</sup>!

## **CLASS OF 2024 INFORMATION**

### **SENIOR PORTRAITS**

Schedule your Senior Portraits today (if you have not already done so)!! [Click here](#) to make your appointment. [Click here](#) for the informational flyer from LifeTouch

What to bring to the appointment:

Bring a strapless tank top for the drape picture or a clean white t-shirt for the tux picture. Bring casual outfits of your choice.

A sitting fee is required before or on the day of the photography session.

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Once your session is complete, please complete the Yearbook requirements: (Pose 1 - Head and Shoulders, Blue Light Background, Tux & Drape)

Questions?? Email Harrison's Yearbook Adviser, Lindsay Riley:

[Lindsay.riley@cobk12.org](mailto:Lindsay.riley@cobk12.org)

## **SENIOR COMMUNICATION**

Seniors, please make sure you download the CTLS Learn app through the App Store/Google Play App (search CTLS Learn). This app will allow you to receive one way communication/notifications from your teachers and administrators. Important senior information will be shared via CTLS and student email address. It is important that you check CTLS and your student email regularly to ensure you have all needed information for senior year.

## **HOYA BLOCK**

Hoya Block will be starting soon! Hoya Block begins August 22<sup>nd</sup> and will be every Tuesday and Thursday until early November. Hoya Block assignments will show as a period 6 through StudentVue and student can now see their Hoya Block assignment. Please check your assignment before Tuesday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Hoya Blocks can be changed by submitting a request form through the attendance office or through the learning commons. Please pick up request forms from these two locations. Click [here](#) for more information.

## **ATTENDANCE CHECK-OUT REMINDERS**

Parent/guardians, we need your help regarding check-out of students during the school day. The following are the procedures for checking-out your student from Harrison:

- Send in an early check-out note request via your student on the day of the event – students are to drop these notes off at the attendance office prior to 8:20am.
  - Attendance will call the parent/guardian and verify the note.
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- The student will be provided a pass to report to the attendance office at their designated check-out time.
- Upon reporting, the student will sign out and be released for check-out.
- Latest check out time is 3:15pm.
- Latest parent check out time is 3:00pm.

**Please note:** Any emailed request to check-out **MUST** be received by 10am on the day of check-out, or the parent/guardian will have to come to the attendance office to request in-person check-out. Walk-in check-out ends at 3pm each day.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

## **HARRISON PTSA REQUEST**

Please help PTSA provide a meal for teachers before Open House by donating items for our salad bar on this [sign up](#). Thank you so much for your help; the teachers really enjoy this!

## **COUNSELING NEWS**

### **CLASS NEWSLETTERS**

Class newsletters are sent monthly to all students and parents through CTLS. Please make sure your email is correct in StudentVUE/ParentVUE to make sure that you receive the monthly newsletter. Your most recent class newsletter can be viewed using the links below:

[Freshman Class of 2027](#)

[Sophomore Class of 2026](#)

[Junior Class of 2025](#)

[Senior Class of 2024](#)

### **COUNSELING CALENDAR**

Please check the Counseling Calendar frequently for important dates, including Virtual Parent and Student Q&A sessions, Virtual College Visit information, and much more! Click [Harrison Counseling Calendar](#), or go to the Counseling page on [www.harrisonhigh.org](http://www.harrisonhigh.org).

### **UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS**

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We have several college visits set up for our Harrison students during lunch block. Please check these out here: [Harrison College Visits](#) and on the [Counseling Calendar](#).



### **SAT & ACT DATES FOR 2023-2024 SCHOOL YEAR**

SAT and ACT dates for the 2023-2024 school year have been announced. Please visit [SAT.org](https://sat.org) or [ACT.org](https://act.org) for more information.

### **WORK PERMIT**

Please [click here](#) for directions for obtaining work permits for students under age 16.

### **9<sup>TH</sup> GRADE PARENT NIGHT**

Join us on August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM in the Performing Arts Center for 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night. Topics covered will include graduation requirements, core pathways, what to expect this school year, and more. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### **DUAL ENROLLMENT SUMMIT**

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## DUAL ENROLLMENT SUMMIT

SAVE THE DATE






### WHEN

**AUGUST 31ST**  
6:00 - 8:00 PM

### WHAT

#### HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OPPORTUNITIES

- To earn college credit
- Receive free tuition and books
- Traditional and CTAE Courses

#### INFORMATIVE GENERAL SESSIONS

- General presentation
- With a high school counselor
- With a choice of college representatives

#### COBB COUNTY CIVIC CENTER

548 SOUTH MARIETTA PKWY SE, MARIETTA, GA

6:00 PM-6:30 PM GENERAL SESSION	6:35 PM-6:55 PM KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
7:00 PM-7:30 PM GENERAL SESSION	7:35 PM-7:55 PM CHATTAHOOCHEE TECHNICAL COLLEGE

#### COLLEGE REPRESENTATIVES ON SITE

  
**Chattahoochee**  
TECHNICAL COLLEGE

  
**KENNESAW STATE**  
UNIVERSITY

  
**GHC**  
Georgia Highlands College

  
**Georgia Tech.**

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## SEE YOU THERE

## PEACH STATE COLLEGE ADMISSIONS TOUR

On September 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM, you are invited to the 2023 Peach State Tour informational session at Mount Paran Christian School. These sessions allow you to learn more about Augusta University, Georgia State University, Georgia Tech, and the University of Georgia. These events are FREE and open to ALL high school students and their families, but space is limited! Register online today to secure your spot. [Click here](#) to register.

## PROBE COLLEGE TOUR

The Probe College Tour will be coming to Marietta High School on August 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:00-8:00PM. Over 40 colleges will be in attendance. [Click here](#) to register.

### **APPLEROUTH TUTORING – SAT PREP AT HARRISON**

Applerouth tutoring will be offering a group SAT Prep class at Harrison with 17.5 hours of tutoring and 2 mock tests for the cost of \$500. The registration deadline is September 4<sup>th</sup> and the class will run from September 9<sup>th</sup> – November 2<sup>nd</sup>. [Click here](#) to learn more and register.

### **GEORGIA TECH WOMEN IN ENGINEERING ANNUAL ENGINEERING CAREER CONFERENCE**

The Georgia Tech Women in Engineering Program is excited to announce that registration is open for our annual Engineering Career Conference (ECC) – our STEM outreach program for young women who are current junior and senior high school students! ECC is designed to give high school girls knowledge and information about the eleven engineering disciplines offered at Georgia Tech to help them decide if they'd like to study engineering in college, and, if so, which type of engineering is best for them. This year's ECC will be held on Thursday, October 19, 2023, from 8:30AM to 4:00PM in Georgia Tech's Exhibition Hall. [Click here](#) to register.

## **ATHLETIC NEWS**

### **SOFTBALL**

- Congratulations to our Lady Hoya Softball team for their 4-3 extra innings win over River Ridge this past week.
- The Lady Hoyas take on Hillgrove tonight in an away varsity region game... Come on out and support!!

### **CROSS COUNTRY**

- Congratulations to our Cross Country team and their performance in the "Hoya 2 Mile" event this past weekend. Harrison athletes Riley Comstock and Samantha McGarity took second place in their divisions with incredible times.
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*This Week's Events*

**AUGUST 14TH - 18TH**

	JV VOLLEYBALL 8/14 5:30 pm
	VOLLEYBALL 8/15 5 pm
	SOFTBALL 8/15 5 pm
	VOLLEYBALL 8/17 5 pm
	SOFTBALL 8/17 5 pm
	FOOTBALL 8/18 7:30 pm
	JV VOLLEYBALL 8/19 Tournament TBD
	VOLLEYBALL 8/18 Tournament TBD

## SOCCER

If you are interested in trying out for the Harrison Girls or Boys soccer team this spring, please complete the [2024 Harrison Soccer Interest](#) form so we can keep you informed of important dates and information.

There will be a player meeting for all returning and new players interested in trying out on **Tuesday, August 29<sup>th</sup>**. Girls will meet before school at 7:50am in Room 205. Boys will meet after school at 3:35pm in Room 205. The meeting should only last 20 minutes and is for players only. There will be a parent meeting later in the fall. Tryouts will take place in early January.

## HARRISON ALL SPORTS PASSES ON SALE NOW!!

- **Student All Sport Passes** are available for purchase on MyPaymentsPlus for \$40. Students can receive their promo code for their pass in lunches this week or after in office 801.
- **Community All Sports Passes** are available for \$55 on the [GoFan Harrison Site](#). There are two options for purchase:
  - Option 1 – Standard All Sports Pass

- Option 2 – All Sports Pass (Feeder School) – a Harrison feeder school of your choice will receive \$5 for the purchase of the pass.

**DIGITAL TICKETS ONLY**

For the 2023-2024 school year, Harrison will continue to use the GoFan digital platform exclusively for all tickets. No cash sales will be offered at the gate.

**PLEASE FOLLOW**

<https://twitter.com/hoyaprincipal>

<https://twitter.com/hhshoyasports>



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