

Where Do We Go From Here?

1993 - 1994

After only three years of operation, Harrison High School continued its strong focus on academic and athletic development. During the 1993-1994 school year, academic and athletic departments gained county-wide recognition for the addition of unique course offerings and athletic success.

As a relatively new school in Cobb County, Harrison High School joined the best of the county and state as its students excelled with both high test scores and dedication to academic success. The class of 1994 scored the highest in the county on the Georgia High School Exit Exam. While 90 percent of Harrison students pursued a college preparatory plan, students passed 94.3 percent of all classes.

During this school year, multiple academic departments expanded with new course offerings. In 1993, the Foreign Language department grew to include German, Latin, Spanish, Japanese, and French. Success in this department could largely be attributed to the utilization of the innovative foreign language lab.

The science department grew in its course load through the addition of Anatomy. The Business Education department earned the reputation as one of the largest departments of its kind in the county. Classes ranged from Economics to Business Law. The Social Studies department offered students the opportunity to study world events in courses such as Ethnic Diversity and Contemporary Affairs. Government students traveled to Washington, D.C. to gain firsthand knowledge of the different branches of government.

Success in the classroom was mirrored by success in athletics and performing arts. During the fall season, women's volleyball placed second in the region, while women's softball placed third. The women's cross country team took first in the region and placed fourth in the state. The men's cross country team placed second in the region. The Hoya football team improved their record by 300 percent during the season.

In winter sports, the Hoya wrestling team went 18-2 in their first 20 matches and made Harrison history by winning the Rome Invitational Tournament for the first time. Although the men's basketball team started off with a 1-5 start, the team rebounded midseason to a record of 5-6 and led the region with a record of 4-0.

Harrison equally excelled in performing arts during this school year. The drama program performed the One-Act Play named *The Insanity of Mary Girard*; winning the Region 5-AAAA competition and placing fourth in the state.

After the completion of a successful second school year, Harrison students asked, "Where do we go from here?" Further success and excellence in academics and athletics during Harrison's third school year answered their question.

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