

Hoya Nation,

Below you will find pertinent and timely information for all things going on in the Harrison community. GO HOYAS!

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL SAFETY REMINDERS

As we continue implementing best practices for transporting students to and from Harrison, we ask for your continued patience. We do ask families to consider using district buses to transport students; however, we understand there are unique situations where students must be dropped off.

To ensure the safety of our students and staff, which is always our top priority, please make note of the following information for drivers, pedestrians, and bus riders:

- **Drop Off Location**: Students should be dropped off in the main entrance area in front of the school. *ALL other areas are unsafe.*
- **Peak Traffic Times**: The busiest times are between 7:55-8:20am and 3:30-3:50pm. To help with this, we ask that students be dropped off in the mornings before 8:00 a.m. In the afternoon, we ask parents to delay picking up students until 3:40 p.m. to allow buses and student drivers to leave campus as quickly as possible. These staggered times will make it easier for parents to pick up their students and leave campus without the heavy volume we experienced on the first week of school.
- **Best Practices for Student Transportation:**

Drivers	Pedestrians	Bus Port
-Drive Slowly -Be punctual... don't be in a rush on campus -Don't cut through the parking lot to avoid traffic -Pedestrians ALWAYS have the right of way -Don't be distracted -Don't be on your cell phone while driving -NO EARBUDS WHILE DRIVING	-Be aware of your surroundings -Use sidewalks and crosswalks -Do NOT be on your cell phone -NO EARBUDS IN THE PARKING LOT	-No Parent pickups or drop-offs allowed -Use the crosswalk -Get to your bus quickly -Know your route and where your bus parks (lane number)

Following these general guidelines goes a long way to ensure the safety of everyone in our parking areas. Student recklessness or failure to comply with these items can result in the revocation of their parking privileges. One final, friendly reminder that rainy mornings and Mondays tend to be more congested. Thank you for your continued support!

SOCIAL MEDIA SAFETY

Parents, please continue to talk to your teens about how they use social media. Remind them that posting a threat or negative comment is hurtful and might be against the law. Mean, illegal, or negative social media postings are online forever and can be seen by law enforcement, future employers, military recruiters, and college admission officers. When students practice digital citizenship, they avoid embarrassing themselves and their families and/or dealing with law enforcement for potential cybercrimes. Remind your student that there is no anonymity in the digital world and that there is always a record/digital footprint of anything that is put on a social media site. Occasional morning announcements are made for students as friendly reminders. We are not anticipating any problems, and we are always proud of our Hoyas! Thank you for your continued support.

Below are some links for reporting social media abuse:

Instagram <https://help.instagram.com/165828726894770>

Twitter [How to report violations of Twitter Rules and Terms of Service](#)

Snapchat <https://support.snapchat.com/en-US/a/report-abuse-in-app>

TikTok <https://support.tiktok.com/en/safety-hc/report-a-problem>

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/help/1753719584844061>

SHOUT OUT TO OFFICER DUNKERTON

Thank you to our new campus officer, Officer Dunkerton, for building positive relationships with our students and staff!



PICTURE DAY

Picture Day will be held tomorrow, Wednesday, 8/17, and Thursday, 8/18 for all students in the junior, sophomore, and freshmen classes. Students received information about picture day in homeroom, and their English and Social Studies teachers will be taking them to get their pictures made during class on those days.

Lifetouch.
**PICTURE DAY
IS COMING**
Order your school pictures today on
mylifetouch.com
August 17th & August 18th
Harrison High School

- ① Visit mylifetouch.com
- ② Enter your Picture Day ID
EVTSDSQJH
- ③ Order your perfect package—
and don't worry about returning
anything on Picture Day!

Lifetouch
REWARDS

Earn exclusive offers for your
online picture purchases.

HOYA BLOCK

Hoya Block will be starting soon! If your student did not register, please email Dr. Sitten by Thursday, 8/18/22. Please have your student check their StudentVue account starting on Friday, 8/19/22. If your student has an issue with their Hoya Block, please have them stop by any of our offices or the Learning Commons to submit a Hoya Block change form. Hoya Block will begin on Tuesday, 8/23/22.

EARLY RELEASE ON MONDAY, AUGUST 22ND

Monday, August 22nd is our first early release day. Students will be dismissed at 11:30am, when the buses will run. All students are expected to leave campus at this time.

Here is the bell schedule for this school day:

1st Block – 8:20-9:03

2nd Block – 9:09-9:52

3rd Block – 9:58-10:41

4th Block – 10:47-11:30

OPEN HOUSE – 8/25/22

Open House will be held Thursday, August 25th. Parents are invited to drop into their student's classrooms from 6:00 to 7:00pm to meet the teachers. Open House will be preceded by a PTSA meeting in the Hoya Center beginning at 5:45 p.m. Parents of seniors and those interested in getting information on Dual Enrollment are invited to stay for informational meetings that begin at 7:00 p.m. in the PAC and Hoya Center, respectively. Please see the flyer below for details.



Harrison High School

Open House

Thursday, August 25th



- 5:45 – 6:00 PTSA Meeting in the Hoya Center
- 6:00 – 7:00 Drop-In Open House
- 7:00 – 8:00 Senior Parent Meeting in the Hoya Center
- 7:00 – 8:00 Dual Enrollment Informational Meeting in the Performing Arts Center (PAC)

Future Dates:

- August 30th – 9th Grade Parent Night
- September 5th – Labor Day Holiday
- September 26th – 30th – Fall Break
- October 12th – PSAT (Juniors pay online through MyPaymentsPlus)
- October 17th – Early Release
- November 8th – Election Day/Student Holiday
- November 21st - 25th – Thanksgiving Break
- December 15th-16th – Final Exams/Early Release
- December 16th – Last Day of Semester
- January 5th – Students Return from Holiday Break



@hoyaprincipal @HSHoyaSports @HoyaCounselors

Join PTSA weekly eblast at school website <http://www.harrisonhigh.org/>

HARRISON PTSA

Please help PTSA provide a meal to our teachers for Open House by using [this link](#) to donate one of the requested items. Thank you so much for helping us show our teachers and staff just how much we appreciate their dedication!

Please join PTSA today! By joining, you make a difference! Your membership dues are what allow us to provide support to the students and staff at Harrison. We award scholarships to graduating seniors, provide teacher grants, put together staff appreciation lunches, help fund the Quest College Fair, promote the National Red Ribbon week, organize the Reflections Fine Arts Competition, and host a Baccalaureate ceremony. Join by August 25, and you will be entered to win a pair of homecoming tickets, a yearbook, a sports pass, or a pair of Prom tickets!

Please consider donating in addition to your membership. Donations of any amount make a difference to the programs funded by the PTSA and are 100% tax deductible.

Please click [here](#) to join Harrison HS PTSA online and/or visit our website. Click [here](#) for a print and mail option.

HOMEcomings

“Summer’s Not Over,” Hoyas!!!

Student Council is so excited to host Homecoming Week, the Homecoming Pep Rally, and the Homecoming Dance during the week of August 22nd-27th.

Dress Up Days:

Monday: “Spotted: Adam Sandler!” (dress like Adam Sandler)

Tuesday: “Tacky Tourist Tuesday”

Wednesday: “Welcome to Hawkins” (dress like a character from Stranger Things i.e. 80’s attire)

Thursday: “Fire up the Grill and Grab the Snacks” (dress like a bbq dad or soccer mom)

Friday: Class Colors (9th – white; 10th – green; 11th – light blue; 12th – navy blue)

The dance is on August 27 from 7-10pm in the Hoya Center. Tickets go on sale Monday, August 22 at 3:30pm through Friday, August 26 at 3:30pm. Student must purchase a ticket before 3:30pm on Friday so do NOT wait – no ticket sales at the door. Tickets are \$35 and can be purchased them through www.mypaymentsplus.com.

PARENT ACCESS TO CTLS LEARN

Good news parents – you are now able to access CTLS Learn so that you can stay apprised of what is happening in your student’s classes. Please click [here](#) for information on how to utilize this new update!

CLASS DUES

If you did not pay your class dues during Hoya Hello, please pay those **before September 2nd** by clicking [here](#). Only those who have paid by the deadline will receive their Hoya Pride t-shirt (delivered in October). No extra Hoya Pride t-shirts are ordered, and they can’t be purchased separately. They are only available to those who pay dues by the deadline.

TWO PAYMENT OPTIONS:

1. You may pay online via www.mypaymentsplus.com.
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To select a t-shirt size online, your My Payments Plus account must include all of your enrolled Cobb students, no matter what Cobb school they attend. Please update your account prior to paying your class dues, or the shirt size selector will not function properly.

2. You may print the class dues form, complete the information, and return the completed form (make sure to fill out the t-shirt size info) with a check made out to Harrison HS. Those forms and payments can be dropped in the black payment box outside the bookkeeper's office or delivered to the main office.

Questions regarding class dues can be directed to Dr. Osborne –

Christi.Osborne@cobbk12.org

IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENT FOR 11TH GRADE STUDENTS

Please [click here](#) for a letter from Dr. Toomey, DPH Commissioner and State Health Officer, outlining the Meningitis Vaccine requirement for 11th grade students. If you have not already done so, please provide your 11th grade student's updated immunization form through your ParentVUE account or directly to the Counseling Office. Instructions for uploading documents through ParentVUE can be found by [clicking here](#).

PSAT

Please visit [My Payments Plus](#) to pay the PSAT fee for 11th graders. The PSAT will be administered to all 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students on Wednesday, October 12th, but only 11th graders must pay for the test. Taking the PSAT prepares our students for college entrance exams. 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.

Juniors, mark your calendar to sign up for the PSAT by September 16th!

Hey, Juniors!
Sign up for the
PSAT
\$18
Register on MyPaymentsPlus.com
Deadline: Sept. 16th | PSAT Date: Oct. 12th

 National Merit®
Scholarship Program

The PSAT, which is aligned with the redesigned SAT, serves as an excellent way for students to preview and practice for the SAT.



The PSAT is the only way to qualify!

CLASS OF 2023 INFORMATION

SENIOR PICTURES

For you/your senior to be featured in the Yearbook this year, you must get your Senior Portraits taken!!

See this [flyer](#) for all information.

Visit <https://book.appointment-plus.com/d0zyvgrk/#/> to make your appointment – schedule as soon as possible!

REMIND

Seniors make sure you sign up for Dr. Osborne's Remind using the information below:



Sign up for important updates from Dr. Osborne.

Get information for Harrison High School right on your phone—not on handouts.


Pick a way to receive messages for Hoyas2023:

A If you have a smartphone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/hoyas23

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.




B If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @hoyas23 to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @hoyas23 to (240) 297-4477.

*Standard text message rates apply.



Don't have a mobile phone? Go to rmd.at/hoyas23 on a desktop computer to sign up for email notifications.

MESSAGE FROM NURSE KEELY

Nurse Keely is responsible for receiving student medications and/or supplies that are needed during the school day. The Clinic is in the Attendance Building. Please [click here](#) for medication forms and care plans. Keep in mind, all prescription medication, other than EpiPens, albuterol inhalers and diabetic supplies, must be kept in the clinic. Over the counter medications are allowed to be carried with your student during the school day. The medication must be in the original container and does not require a medication form. Please refer to the [student handbook](#) for guidance. Nurse Keely can be reached by email at Shannon.keely@cobbk12.org or by phone 678-594-8104 extension 020 for any questions or concerns.

COUNSELING NEWS

CLASS NEWSLETTERS

Class newsletters are now sent to all students and parents through CTLS, and you no longer need to register. 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 2026](#)

[Sophomore Class of 2025](#)

[Junior Class of 2024](#)

[Senior Class of 2023](#)

UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS

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 Website](#).

UPCOMING COLLEGE VISITS:

8/15

JOHNSON AND WALES UNIVERSITY

8/16

DENTAL ASSISTANT SCHOOL OF ATLANTA

8/18

COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY

LIBERTY UNIVERSITY

8/19

GEORGIA COLLEGE & STATE UNIVERSITY

GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

8/26

UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA

**Outside the
cafeteria during all
lunches!**

WEST POINT ADMISSIONS EVENT

The United States Military Academy cordially invites you to attend one of our West Point Admissions Events on August 17th and 18th in northern Georgia. If you plan to attend, please RSVP through one of the following links. We look forward to seeing you soon!

August 17th / Cumming, GA – [RSVP](#) or [VIEW](#) the flyer

August 18th / Fayetteville, GA – [RSVP](#) or [VIEW](#) the flyer

SERVICE ACADEMY DAY

Congressman Jody Hice is hosting a Service Academy Day on August 20th to learn about the application and nomination process. Each year, the nation's finest students compete for appointments to America's service academies. These institutions prepare college-aged Americans to serve as commissioned officers in the United States Armed and Maritime Services. Congressman Jody Hice invites students to learn about the requirements for applying to the U.S. Military, Naval, Coast Guard, Merchant Marine, and Air Force Academies. To register for this event, send an email to GA10Noms@mail.house.gov by Wednesday, August 17, 2022. Then, visit www.hice.house.gov to learn how to apply for a Congressional nomination. [Click here](#) to see the informational flyer.

PROBE COLLEGE FAIR

The Cobb County Probe College Fair will be at Marietta High School on September 7th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. [Click here](#) to register and [click here](#) to see a list of colleges attending.

VIRTUAL FINANCIAL AID PARENT MEETING

A representative from the Georgia Student Finance Commission will present information about the FAFSA, HOPE, financial aid, and scholarships information on September 15th @ 7PM. Please click [here](#) to register for the virtual meeting.

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 here, [Harrison Counseling Calendar](#), or go to the Counseling page on www.harrisonhigh.org.

COUNSELING GROUPS SURVEY

The Harrison High School Counseling Department is working to provide our students with groups relevant to their needs. To get a better idea of what our students want/need, please complete this three question survey by clicking [here](#).

SAT & ACT DATES FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

SAT and ACT dates for the 2022-2023 school year have been announced. Please visit [SAT.org](https://sat.org) or [ACT.org](https://act.org) for more information.

COBB COUNTY SCHOOLS COLLEGE KICK OFF

Save the date for the Cobb County Schools 2022 College Kickoff on September 11th at 1:00 p.m. Sessions include Admissions Insider Workshop, College Fair, and Financial Aid & Scholarship Info. Pre-register [here](#) and [click here](#) for the informational flyer.

WORK PERMIT

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

PEACH STATE COLLEGE TOUR

Students, you are invited to the 2022 Peach State Tour information sessions offered in-person and via Zoom Webinars. These sessions will 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. When registering for a session, please sign up for the session that best suits your location.

GEORGIA TECH ENGINEERING CAREER CONFERENCE

The Engineering Career Conference (ECC) is a one-day event where female high school students get the chance to learn about each of the 11 engineering programs available at Georgia Tech from current students and faculty. It will be held on Thursday, October 20th, 2022 from 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. [Click here](#) to apply and [click here](#) to see the informational flyer.

HOYA ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following athletic programs for their recent wins and strong performances:

- **Football** beat East Paulding HS 35-34 in a preseason scrimmage this past Friday night; there were strong individual and team performances. The Hoyas will host South Paulding this Friday, at 7:30, for the home opener.
- **XC Girls** opened their season this past Saturday at the Hoya Invite and Samantha McGarity finished 1st overall and Lidia Longo was in 2nd place right behind her. For the **XC Boys**, Sterling Sellier finished in 10th place overall and Noah Larsen was our 2nd Hoya finisher. Both teams ran well and are looking forward to competing in the Pickens Preview this Saturday.

DIGITAL TICKETS ONLY

New for the 2022-2023 school year, Harrison will **no longer be accepting cash** for entry into games. We will be using the GoFan digital platform exclusively for all tickets.

ALL SPORTS PASSES

All Sports Passes are available to ALL – not just Harrison Students. The cost of the passes is \$50 and can be purchased through [GoFan](#). Information regarding the All Sports Passes can be found using the link below:

[HARRISON ALL SPORTS PASSES 2022-2023.docx](#)

BASEBALL TEAM INFORMATION

In order to sign up for conditioning and tryouts for the 2023 Harrison Baseball Team, click [here](#) to register or use the QR code below.



Important Dates & Reminders:

- Conditioning begins October 24th (more information to come)
 - Tryouts begin January 16th (more information to come)
 - Must be registered in Parent/StudentVue in “Athletic Registration”
 - Must have a current physical uploaded in that same “Athletic Registration” section.
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<https://twitter.com/hhshoyasports>



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<https://www.harrisonptsa.org/>
