

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. **Parents, we ask that you PLEASE talk again with your students about the information in this message and the importance of being vigilant while walking or driving in our campus parking lots, especially during arrival and dismissal times.**

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!

SCHEDULES UPDATE

Spring schedules are now available to students via StudentVUE. Students who have a course that is incorrect due to **one of the following reasons** will be able to submit a drop/add request using the following link: [Spring 2023 Drop/Add Form](#). Students are only allowed one submission but may request to drop/add more than one course. Please enter all requests on your **one submission**. The acceptance of the form by HHS does not guarantee placement in the requested class. Decisions are made based on proper placement and the availability of seats in the class. The **deadline** to submit a drop/add request is **November 11th at midnight**. Students will **not** be able to submit drop/add requests once spring semester begins and all requests must be submitted by the November 11th deadline.

- 1) Student **has not met the prerequisite** for the class.
- 2) Student **has already received credit for or is currently enrolled in** this class.
- 3) Student **is missing a class on their schedule, i.e., only has 3 or fewer classes listed**.
- 4) Student **is missing a course required for graduation**.
- 5) Student **has been placed in the incorrect academic course**.
- 6) Student **wants to double up in Honors/AP math or science courses**.
- 7) Student **wants to take an online or dual enrollment class**. (Student must also get approval from their counselor.)

ATTENDANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

IMPORTANT CHECK-OUT PROCEDURE REMINDERS

Parents and 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 during the school day:

1. 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 8:20 am.
2. Attendance will call the parent/guardian and verify the note.
3. The student will be provided a pass to report to the attendance office at their designated check-out time.
4. Upon reporting, the student will sign out and be released for check-out.
5. Latest check out time is 3:15 PM.

Please note: As we work away from modified pandemic procedures, we are moving towards eliminating emailed check-out requests. 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.

We apologize for any inconvenience and thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

PICTURE RE-TAKES

Unhappy with your student's school photo taken earlier this semester?? LifeTouch will be returning to Harrison one final time to do picture re-takes so please mark your calendar for Wednesday, November 2nd so that your student(s) can have their picture redone. They will be at Harrison during all lunches that day.

TEACHER OF THE YEAR PEP RALLY

Congratulations to Mrs. Jordan Motsinger, our Harrison Teacher of the Year and Cobb County School District High School Teacher of the Year! Mrs. Motsinger was recognized last week at the 33rd Annual Teacher of the Year pep rally. Thank you to our Harrison Band, cheerleaders, students, and teachers who did a great job cheering on Mrs. Motsinger at the pep rally. Hoya Nation is proud of you, Mrs. Motsinger!



HOYA PRIDE T-SHIRTS

Hoya Pride T-shirts have been distributed to students who paid their class fees prior to Sept 5th. Students who have not received their shirts should see their advisement teacher for pickup.

HARRISON FOUNDATION

Please take a moment to read about the Harrison Foundation by clicking [here](#). Thank you for your continued support because your generous donations have helped transform the Learning Commons and advance the STEM program. Please make sure you visit Harrison's Learning Commons if you are on campus so you can see all the amazing updates.

If you would like to donate to the Harrison Foundation, please click [here](#). We look forward to bringing even more enhancements and opportunities to our Hoyas!

Don't forget to wish your student a Happy Birthday on our Birthday Marquee. Click [here](#) for the birthday marquee form.



COUNSELING NEWS

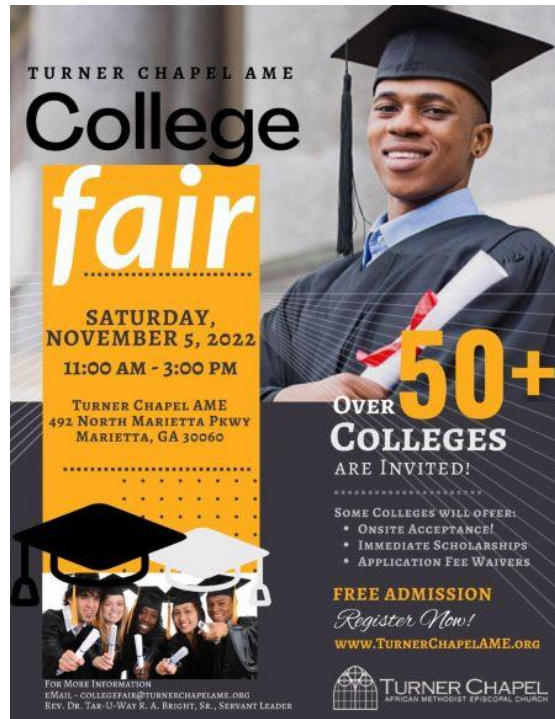
GEORGIA APPLY TO COLLEGE MONTH – APPLICATION FEE WAIVER

In November 2021, the Georgia Student Finance Commission partnered with the University System of Georgia to offer Georgia high school seniors application fee waivers in honor of Georgia Apply to College Month. Because of its success, for the second year in a row, they are partnering with the University System of Georgia, the Technical College System of Georgia and private colleges and universities to offer application waiver fees to students during November's Georgia Apply to College Month. Please [click here](#) to learn more and [click here](#) to see the list of school participating.

COLLEGE FAIR AT TURNER CHAPEL AME

Mark your calendar for the Annual Turner Chapel AME Church College Fair on November 5th from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. This is an excellent opportunity for students & families to learn what it takes to get into college. Over 50 Colleges & Universities and resource organizations will be onsite. Onsite acceptance,

immediate scholarships, and much, much more! [Click here](#) for information and to register.



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:

11/2 UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY
MERCER UNIVERSITY

11/7 GEORGIA COLLEGE
LINCOLN TECH

11/9 US ARMY

11/17 UNIVERSITY OF WEST GA

11/30 MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE
UNIVERSITY

**Outside the
cafeteria during all
lunches!**

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.

WORK PERMIT

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

MERCER UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Calling all Sophomores and Juniors! Let your school counselor know if you are interested in attending Mercer University. You could be eligible for a \$500 scholarship. Reach out to your counselor for more information.

HOYA FINE ARTS

Congratulations to the Harrison Marching Band for their 3rd in class finish in the regionals competition at Jacksonville State University!

HOYA ATHLETICS

HARRISON VARSITY SPORTS

Congratulations to Harrison Varsity Volleyball team for an excellent season that saw them advance all the way to the Elite 8 of the state tournament! They have a lot to show for their hard work and commitment to excellence!!

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](#)

HARRISON GYMNASTICS TEAM INFORMATION

If you are interested in trying out for the Harrison Gymnastics team this spring, please complete the 2023 Gymnastics Interest Form so we can keep you informed of important dates and information. There will be an interest meeting on October 21st @ 7:45AM in the school counseling office. Please [click here](#) or scan the QR code below to complete the form.



SOCCER TEAM INFORMATION

If you are interested in trying out for the Harrison girls or boys soccer team this spring, please complete the [2023 Harrison Soccer Interest](#) form so we can keep you informed of important dates and information.

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