# Harrison High School

#### Advanced Placement:

Harrison's Advanced Placement (AP) students took more than 1100 exams in 28 courses in 2023. AP classes were offered in Math, Science, English, Social Studies, Fine Arts, and World Languages.

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Over 76 % of students who took an AP exam at Harrison earned a score of three or higher on the exam (this well EXCEEDS the state average).

#### AP STEM:

Awarded exclusively to schools with students testing in at least two AP math courses AND two science courses.

#### **AP STEM ACHIEVEMENT:**

Awarded to schools with students testing in at least two AP math courses AND two AP science courses AND, only when at least 40% of the exam scores on AP math and AP science exams were three or higher.

#### **AP HUMANITIES:**

Schools with students testing in all of the following AP courses: at least on ELA course, two social science courses, one fine arts course, and one world language course.

#### AP MERIT:

Schools with at least 20% of the total student population taking AP exams AND at least 50% of all AP exams earing scores of three or higher.

## National, State, and Local Recognition

According to the U.S. News & World Report, Harrison ranks in the top 5% of schools nationally. We attribute this to the strong work ethic of our students, the dedication of our teaching staff, and the support from our community. With 70% of our teachers having more than 10 years of classroom experience and 78% having earned a Master's or Advanced degree, we laud our staff as one of our greatest assets. In addition, *Newsweek* has listed Harrison as one of "America's Top Public High Schools." Statewide, the Georgia Department of Education has denoted Harrison an AP Honor School and has recognized Harrison in the following categories: AP Humanities School, AP Merit School, AP STEM School, and AP STEM Achievement School. Harrison has also earned an A from the Governor's Department of Student Achievement and been named a Georgia School of Excellence. We are a CCSD Certified, Cognia accredited STEM school and one of the top schools in the Cobb County School District. Locally, Cobb Life Magazine has named Harrison "Best of Cobb" in the Public High School category two years in a row.



### **Academic Recognition**

2023 Average SAT Scores				
Harrison	District	State	National	
1121	1104	1045	1003	

2023 Average ACT Scores				
Harrison	District	State	National	
23.1	22.7	21.3	19.5	

## 2023 Advanced Placement Exams

Exams Given	1148	
Students Tested	644	
Scored 3 or Higher	76%	

### **Graduation Rate**

- 2021 Graduation Rate 97.7%
- 2022 Graduation Rate 97.2%
- 2023 Graduation Rate 97%

#### **CCRPI Rating** \*as last reported

• 96.3 (Tied for highest in CCSD!)

## **Climate Rating**



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The Harrison STEM program emphasizes a focused course of study in life science through a Bio-Engineering pathway.

The Harrison STEM Program offers a project-based learning solution that provides engaging, authentic lessons built around STEM careers that are already in high demand and projected to grow in numbers, earning potential, and need over the next several years.

Harrison's STEM program has received high recognition in the following:

- Whale Shark Project
  Winners
- ✓ Invention Convention
  U.S. Nationals
- ✓ Samsung Solve for Tomorrow
- ✓ Georgia Tech K-12 Inventure Challenge
- ✓ Cobb Regional Technology Competition
- ✓ Georgia Student
  Technology
  Competition
- ✓ Cobb/Paulding Regional Science Fair
- ✓ Naval Science Awards Program (NSAP)
- ✓ Harrison Science & Engineering Fair

## Did you know...

- At Harrison, one of our top priorities is to prepare students for college and career readiness. Harrison's academic rigor is demanding, and curriculum pacing is constant; however, with close to 95 percent of our students going to college, we want our students competitive! We have designed Hoya Block sessions to move students forward academically while giving them time to process curriculum standards and prepare them for rigorous assessments. Students meet for Hoya Block twice a week at 45-minute intervals between first and second period.
- Our Hoyas are highly involved in multiple community service events, including our annual community outreach projects such as Operation Christmas. Students can choose from over 40 clubs and organizations, various fine arts groups, and numerous athletic teams where community service is always a priority.



• Harrison's Business Technology and Early Childhood Education programs received special recognition as our students achieved a 100% pass rate on the EOPA. Also, our Graphics Design program had the largest percentage pass increase from the previous school year.



- Hoyas have a long history of excellence in athletics as one of the most successful and recognized athletics programs in the state of Georgia. Our teams have accumulated over 236 region/area championships, have been state runners-up 35 times, have claimed 22 team state titles as well as over 100 individual state titles or 1<sup>st</sup> team all-state selections, and won 2 Director's Cups. Most recently, Harrison's football team won the state championship in 2019 and our men's soccer team brought home the state title in 2022. We are proud of our Hoya athletes!
- The Harrison Fine Arts program is second to none! Harrison Band, Chorus, Orchestra, and Visual Arts students have represented Harrison in All-State, the Governor's Honors Program, and festivals ranging from Albuquerque to London.
- The Harrison Marching Band was given a high honor in 2016. They were one of 12 bands chosen nationwide and were seen on the NBC broadcast of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade. Our band has performed nationwide and won numerous awards including Bands of America Regional Class Champion 2017.