



## Weekly Newsletter 10/12/21

### HOMECOMING

Harrison High School's Student Council is proud to announce the 2021 Homecoming Dance: "Dancin' through the Decades!"

The dance is on Saturday, October 16th from 7-10 pm in the Hoya Center. We also have an outdoor area for fellowship.

Tickets go on sale this Friday, October 8th at 3:30 pm, and close next Friday, October 15th at 3:30 pm. Please do not wait until the last minute to purchase them because tickets will not be sold at the door.

Tickets are \$30, and they include a Homecoming t-shirt. Tickets are purchased through [www.mypaymentsplus.com](http://www.mypaymentsplus.com). When logged in, please click on your student, click the "Activities" toolbar at the top, and there you will find the option for the Homecoming ticket. You must do this for each student you have enrolled at Harrison. All ticket purchases will go to your cart, and then you can purchase them all at once. T-shirts can be picked up in Room 9105 before or after school.

Each student has the option to buy one for themselves and one for a date if they desire. The date can be from another high school, but they must be an enrolled high school age student (that includes homeschool). There will be places to fill in where the student attends school. In order to purchase the ticket(s), you must agree to consent statement in regards to behavior, dress, etc. When clicking "I agree," they are also agreeing that their date will act accordingly.

Each student attending the dance needs to bring a copy of the ticket purchase in order to be admitted to the dance. Go to your purchase history and either print the receipt or screenshot the receipt – both will be accepted at the door.

We cannot wait to see you there!

### LAPTOPS

Before the break, parents received a letter from the Cobb County School District notifying you of the opportunity for any face to face learner to have a school issued laptop. Students will keep the laptop as long as

they are enrolled in the District. While many of our students may already have a personal device, we encourage all families to “opt-in” through Parent Vue and have your student receive a device.

### **Why Should I opt-in for a laptop?:**

School issued devices will be connected to the Cobb server. This will allow for better connectivity.

School issued devices will come with the required Office 365 software that Cobb students utilize.

School issued devices will have access to our testing platforms. For example, students can take End of Course Tests, MI/RI tests all from the classroom, which provides us more flexibility.

We have a limited number of computer labs. When all students have the same device, teachers can incorporate technology more often since they are assured all students have access.

### **Distribution Plan:**

The distribution of laptops began on Friday, October 8th. Students will continue to receive laptops until all student computers have been issued. We will continue to distribute devices each day.

Please click [here](#) for directions on how to Opt-in.

### **Questions?:**

Please direct any questions to Dr. Christi Osborne.

([Christi.osborne@cobbk12.org](mailto:Christi.osborne@cobbk12.org))

## **COLA LOTTERY INFORMATION**

As Superintendent Chris Ragsdale announced during the August Cobb Schools Board of Education meeting, Cobb families will once again have an opportunity to choose the learning environment that best supports the needs of their student(s).

The District is offering students (6th-12th grade) the option to enter a lottery for seats in Cobb Online Learning Academy (COLA) at Cobb Horizon starting in January 2022.

Middle and high school lottery winners will be withdrawn from their current schools and enrolled in COLA for the spring semester.

**Enrolling adults** may enter the lottery for full-time online learning between **October 6 and October 19, 2021**.

Starting on October 6, **enrolling adults** may enter the online learning

lottery through ParentVue. Once logged in to ParentVue, **enrolling adults** should click Online Learning Lottery in the menu on the left, and then click again at the top of the page. Select your choice for each of your students and click submit. You will receive an email confirmation regarding your lottery entry after the lottery window closes. Lottery results will be emailed in early November.

## **PSAT**

On October 13th all 9th, 10th, and all paid 11th grade students will be taking the PSAT. All 11th grade students that did not pay for the PSAT will be taking the ASVAB that morning. Please help us with reminding your student to get a good night's sleep and have a number 2 pencil and approved college board calculator for testing day.

\*All seniors will be involved in the senior summit during the testing time.

**WEDNESDAY, October 13th, 2021**

**Advisement and Testing 8:20 – 12:25**

**3rd Period 12:29 – 2:21**

**4th Period 2:27 – 3:30**

## **SENIOR SUMMIT**

Senior Summit – Wednesday, Oct 13th

All seniors who have not signed up to take the ASVAB test on October 13th will attend the Harrison HS Senior Summit.

This amazing program will incorporate guest speakers, a senior breakfast, and a Class of 2022 group picture.

Seniors will report to the PAC by 8:20 AM on October 13th. The Summit will conclude at approximately 12:25 pm, at which time students will report to their regularly scheduled 3rd block class.

## **2022 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

The following students have been named Commended Students in the 2022 National Merit Scholarship Program. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2022 competition for National Merit Scholarship Awards, Commended Students placed among the top 50,000 students who entered the 2022 competition by taking the 2020 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

“Those being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success,” commented a spokesperson

for NMSC. “These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success.”

### Harrison High School Commended Students

**Bridgette Castronovo**

**Caroline Conrad**

**Chase Gary**

**Cooper Hamilton**

**Ian Koontz**

**William Lipani**

**Robert Nelson**

**Joshua Patrohay**

**Emma Pickles**

**Luke Praser**

**Alexa Rinehart**

**Tristan Sanford**

**Alexander Thrash**

**Timothy Wolfe**

**Haley Armor**

**Margaret Nurmi**

## SPRING SCHEDULES

Spring Schedules will be made available via StudentVUE on Wednesday evening, October 13th. A drop/add period will follow from Wednesday evening, October 13th through Friday, November 5th. Students may request to drop/add if they 1.) are scheduled for a course in which they **have not taken the prerequisite**, 2.) are scheduled for a course in which they have **already received credit**, 3.) are scheduled for **3 or fewer classes** (students should not assume they have minimum day - if they have minimum day, it will be listed), 4.) missing a **course required for graduation**, 5.) are scheduled for an **incorrect academic course**, 6.) wish to **double up in an Honors/AP math or science class**, or 7.) wish to take a class **online or via dual enrollment** (student will use the form to express their desire to take an online or dual enrollment course, but will not be scheduled for the course until they have discussed and received approval from their counselor, and completed all paperwork. The following links may be helpful as you review your schedule: [Graduation Requirements](#); [Harrison Course Catalog](#)

Students will use the following link to submit a drop/add submission. **Each student will only be allowed to submit one form but may include more than one drop/add request on their one submission.** [Spring Drop/Add Form](#)

## **MESSAGE FROM PTSA**

PTSA is hosting a tailgate lunch for the Harrison Staff this Friday in honor of Homecoming week! We need your help to fill the few remaining items! Please use this link to donate if you can help Thank you!

[Volunteers 2021-2022: PTSA Tailgate Grab and Go Lunch \(signupgenius.com\)](#)



## **REMINDERS**

Please pay your class fees. These dues help pay for student events and activities throughout the school year. Visit [My Payments Plus](#) to pay your dues today.

Parents, please make sure that your child comes to school prepared each day (homework, lunch, clothing, school supplies). Our offices do not accept drop-offs of items for students. Please refer to the student handbook on our website for further details. Please remember that all lunches are offered at no cost this year in the café.

## **HOYA BLOCK**

Hoya Block has started! Please have your student check their StudentVue account for any changes. 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 WRITING CENTER**

**Harrison High School**  
*Hoya Writing Center*

The Hoya Writing Center is open for appointment in room 9129. NEHS tutors can help you with writing assignments, college essays, creative writing, & more!



Times:  
 Tuesday-Friday Mornings (7:15-8:15)  
 Monday-Thursday Afternoons (3:45-4:30)

Sign-up:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0c4da4a2aa5f4c16-tutoring1>

Scan to sign up!



## JOIN NEHS

Attention Juniors & Seniors:  
 Love reading, writing, and helping the community?

**Join NEHS!**

*National English Honor Society*

SCAN HERE FOR THE APPLICATION!  
 DEADLINE: SEPTEMBER 17TH




## HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL PTSA REFLECTIONS CONTEST

Hoya students, we want to see your creativity reflected in the area of dance, film, literature, visual arts, photography, music composition, and special artist work in this year's National PTA 2021-2022 Reflections Contest. The theme this year is "I Will Change the World By...." Get your creative juices flowing, and show how Hoyas will change the world! Entries are due by Friday, October 22nd at 3:45 p.m. to the Harrison HS Front Office (main office). Forms and more information can be found at [www.harrisonptsa.org](http://www.harrisonptsa.org).

## SENIOR MESSAGE

Seniors all graduation orders are due by December 1st. Please click [here](#) for more information on purchasing caps/gowns, graduation announcements, and senior memorabilia. All graduating seniors participating in commencement MUST purchase a cap and gown.

## CAFETERIA NEWS

Please check the Food and Nutrition Services website frequently for updated information on Paying for Meals, Menus, Allergy & Special Nutrition Needs, Wellness Information, and Employment Opportunities.

<https://www.cobbk12.org/foodservices/page/45098/paying-for-meals>

## COUNSELING NEWS

### **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](http://www.harrisonhigh.org).

### **VIRTUAL COLLEGE VISITS**

We have several Virtual College Visits set up for our Harrison Students. Please check these out here: [Harrison Virtual College Visits](#) and on the Counseling Website.

OCTOBER COLLEGE VISITS

Sign up using the link in our bio or through the counseling office website!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10/6: Johnson & Wales University @ 4:00 pm University of Kentucky @ 7 pm	10/5: Seton University @ 4:00 pm	10/6: Clemson University @ 4:00 pm	10/7: University of North GA @ 4:00 pm	10/8: Mississippi State University @ 4:00 pm
10/11: University of Miami @ 4:00 pm	10/12: Chattahoochee Technical College @ 4:00 pm	10/13: Worcester Polytechnic Inst. @ 4:00 pm	10/14: Vanderbilt University @ 4:00 pm	10/15: St. John's College @ 4:00 pm
10/18: Agnes Scott College @ 1:00 pm	10/19: Pennsylvania State University @ 4:00 pm	10/20: Reinhardt University @ 4:00 pm	10/21: Dalton State College @ 4:00 pm	10/22: Gordon State College @ 4:00 pm
10/25: Oglethorpe University @ 4:00 pm	10/26: Flagler College @ 4:00 pm	10/27: Georgia Southern @ 4:00 pm; Birmingham Southern @ 7 pm	10/28: University of Tennessee @ 4:00 pm	10/29: Savannah College of Art & Design @ 4:00 pm

### **CLASS NEWSLETTERS**

Students may now sign up for a monthly newsletter with specific information just for their year! See below to register or see your newsletter:

Freshman Class of 2025 [Register Here](#)

Sophomore Class of 2024 [Register Here](#)

Junior Class of 2023 [Register Here](#)

Senior Class of 2022 [Register Here](#)

## FINANCIAL AID VIRTUAL PARENT MEETINGS

A representative from the Georgia Student Finance Commission will present information about FAFSA, HOPE, and scholarships available to students on November 10th at 6:00 PM. These meetings will be virtual and the same information will be presented at both meetings. Please click [here](#) to register for the date/time you plan to attend.



## VIRTUAL COFFEE WITH THE COUNSELORS

On October 29th, join us for Virtual Coffee with the Counselors – Drop/Add Help Session from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM. This session will be an informal presentation/discussion to help parents support their students in the drop/add process. Click [here](#) to register.

## JUNIOR ADVISEMENT

Counselors will meet individually with every junior from October 5th – November 19th. Parents have received communication regarding their student's junior advisement appointment via email and are invited to attend this meeting virtually. Please take some time to look over the junior advisement packet with your student prior to this 20-minute meeting. If you have questions please reach out to your student's counselor. [Junior Advisement Packet](#)

## WORK PERMIT

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

## FINE ARTS



## CHORUS

Congratulations to our Harrison Chorus for a wonderful Fall concert last week! They were exceptional!

## BAND

Congratulations to our Marching Band on being the Grand Champions at the Kennesaw Mountain Marching Invitational this past weekend. Way to go!

## ORCHESTRA

Congratulations to our orchestra students: Gib Akin, Gabriel Bravo, Taryn Claassens, Emily Granier, Erik Hansen, Erik Isakson, Ashton Kapoor, Macy Kiger, Ian Koontz, Lidia Longo, Austin Smith, and Ethan Yap who were selected into the District 12 Orchestra Honors list! These 12 students from the Harrison Orchestra were selected for this honor as being among the best high school orchestra student musicians in our district!

## SPORTS

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

- Volleyball for their win over McEachern 2-0 on Oct 9, with strong team and individual performances; They begin their Region Tournament this week and their first match is on Tuesday, Oct 12, vs North Pauling at Walton HS
- Softball for their win over North Cobb 8-0 on October 4; win vs Hillgrove 6-2 on Oct 7 ; 2 wins vs Walton on Oct 8 to clinch the Region Championship. There were strong team and individual performances and will host the 1st round of the Region Tournament on Wednesday, Oct 13.



- The Marching Band were the Grand Champions this past Saturday, Oct 9, at the Kennesaw Mountain Marching Invitational. Great job!

## **BOYS BASKETBALL**

Boys Basketball Tryouts

Please click [here](#) to sign up for tryouts

October 25th and 26th

10th-12th grade 6:25 - 7:55 AM in Hoya Center

9th grade 4:00 - 5:30 PM in Presidential Gym

## **SWIM AND DIVE TEAM**

The Harrison High School H2oyas Swim and Dive team electronic registration is still open but will be closing this week on Thursday, October 7th.

Whether you're a returning member or new to joining our team, the registration process is simple and takes only a few minutes. Go to [www.h2oyas.com](http://www.h2oyas.com) to find further information and register.

Team tryouts are scheduled for Monday, October 11th and the initial team meeting (parents and athletes) will be held on Wednesday, October 13th.

In order to be on the Harrison High School Swim and Dive team roster, you must also have your athletic registration completed through PARENTVUE.

## **STUDENT PASSES**

A one-time \$75 fee is good for STUDENT entry into ALL REGULAR SEASON HOME ATHLETIC EVENTS. Pass will be digital so holder will simply display using mobile device at the entry gate for validation.


*Note: Does not include the following...*

- *Away events*
- *GHSA-sanctioned events held before the playoffs (i.e., Region Tournaments/Championships hosted at Harrison)*
- *Post-season/playoff events*

**URL LINK** → <https://gofan.co/app/events/335145>

## **GIRLS BASKETBALL**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**HARRISON**  
  
**HOYAS**  
**Girls Basketball**

**PAINT CAN  
 RECYCLING  
 FUNDRAISER**

**WHEN**  
 Saturday, November 13th 9am - 2pm

**WHERE**  
 Harrison High School Parking Lot  
 4500 Due West Rd, Kennesaw

**WHY**  
 Directly Benefits Girls Basketball Program,  
 Recycle paint instead of sending to the dump

**ACCEPTED** All cans must have labels. Latex and Oil Paints,  
 including Behr, Valspar, Kilz, Minwax, Thompson Wood  
 Sealer, Helmsman, Polyurethane and Spray Paint cans  
QUESTIONS? email terrinveck@hmail.com or (770) 845-7704

**DROP-OFF FEE  
 REQUIRED**  
 Cash, Checks, Venmo accepted

**Latex**

Pint	\$2
Quart	\$2
Gallon	\$5
2 Gallons	\$10
5 Gallons	\$25

**OIL**

Spray Can	\$2
Pint	\$2
Quart	\$2
Gallon	\$5
5 Gallon	\$25

**NOT ACCEPTED**

- Leaking Containers
- Tank/Pipe/Waxline coating
- Lacquer & Lacquer thinner
- Nail var
- Two-part epoxy
- 55 gallon drums
- Catalyst Part A or Part B
- Lead paint
- Paint with Mercury
- Gasoline
- Cleaners, Chemicals
- "Professional Use Only"

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