

2023 - 2024 SCHOOL YEAR WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13, 2023

### **OUR MISSION**

The Bibb County School District maximizes student achievement and social-emotional well-being by building a sense of community in safe, equitable learning environments.

### **OUR VISION**

Students are empowered to learn, lead, innovate and serve as productive and caring citizens within their chosen paths of success.



#### **OUR GOALS**

- Student Achievement
- Staff Effectiveness
- Stakeholder Engagement

# OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Personalized Learning
- Collaboration
- Engagement
- Safety
- Effective Leadership





Each student
will graduate empowered
to make a well-informed
decision about their next
step. They will learn about
themselves as they engage
in rigorous content and
gain exposure through
personalized learning
experiences, thereby
enlightening them to
choose their most
meaningful pathway.

MATCHED AND ENROLLED

MOTIVATED TO ENLIST

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MEANINGFULLY EMPLOYED

#### **ADMINISTRATORS**

Mr. Michael A. Scott, Principal

Mrs. Chiquita Dinkins, Assistant Principal

Mr. John Hankinson, Assistant Principal

Mr. Grant Bray, Dean of Students

*The school newsletter (POP)* is published weekly with information about Howard High School students/school achievement, upcoming events, scholarship, club meetings, updates from our school nurse, and more! Be sure to sign up using the QR code at the end of the newsletter. Have an amazing week Huskies!



**AP HONOR SCHOOL** 



**HOWARD** 



**HIGH SCHOOL** 



#### **Howard High School**

We Honor the PACK! SIGN UP FOR POP NEWSLETTER using email below:

Email: tyveshe.johnson@bcsdk12.net

Website: https://howardhs.bcsdk12.net/homepage

Location: 6400 Forsyth Road, Macon, GA 31210, USA

Phone: <u>478-779-4850</u>

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Dress Code	inter distribut that shows respect for yourself	Vicar clothing that shows that you are responsible for your actions	Wear distring that demonstrates respect for yourself and others and our learning environment Almans WASK UT	Wear clettring that conveys the message that you are attending school for the purpose of learning.
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ADMIN TEAM PRESENTS LEADER OF THE PACK AWARD DR. Q. JOHNSON, SCIENCE TEACHER



HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL HUSKIES Howard HS 87.5% GRADUATION RATE 2023 UP 3 POINTS FROM 2022

#### ALL TOGETHER!

#### LEADER OF THE PACK AWARD

Congratulations to our Leader of The Pack Award Recipient. The Leader of the Pack Award was presented to Dr. Q. Johnson on Monday, November 13, 2023!

The Leader of the Pack Award is presented to a Staff Member in recognition of his/her focused and intentional commitment to Students. The Award may be presented to teachers, paraprofessionals, office staff, custodians, and/or nutritionists nominated by students. A link will be shared with students weekly to recommend a staff member as The Leader of the Pack for the week.

Submissions from students will be accepted Mondays after the announcement through Thursday of each week until 4pm. Recipients will be announced and presented each Monday morning during announcements. Students please remember to nominate a staff member weekly!



#### VIEW THE 2023-2024 HANDBOOK AND DRESS CODE BY CLICKING BELOW

## STUDENT/ATHLETE HANDBOOK 2023-2024 SCHOOL DRESS CODE

#### **Click here for more COVID-19 Protocols**

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- SAT TESTING DATE 12/2
- Q&A SESSION FOR SENIOR OFFICER CANDIDATES 12/4 DURING LUNCH PERIODS
- SENIOR CLASS OF 2024 VOTE FOR OFFICERS 12/5 DURING LUNCH PERIODS
- ORCHESTRA & GUITAR WINTER CONCERT 12/5
- WINTER BAND CONCERT 12/7
- SCHOOL CHORUS WINTER CONCERT 12/15
- FINE ARTS WINTER EXTRAVAGANZA 12/18
- HOLIDAY BREAK 12/20- 12/3
- NO VIOLENCE NOVEMBER
- Family Engagement Month
- HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL STUDENTS, STAFF, TEACHERS, AND ADMINISTRATORS BORN IN THE MONTH NOVEMBER!



# PLEASE VIEW THE VIDEO FROM OUR SUPERINTENDENT, DR. DAN SIMS ON NO VIOLENCE NOVEMBER!



#### **NURSE'S CORNER**

Mary M. Brock, RN School Nurse Howard High School





Yoga Teacher and SEL Facilitator

#### SELF-CARE CORNER BY ELLIE FARRIBA

We celebrated Thanksgiving last week but let's continue to on what we are thankful for and count our many blessings. As we all know, gratitude is a powerful force that can bring about positivity, resilience, and a sense of well-being into our lives. Why not bring that practice into our classrooms to create a culture of thankfulness. Here are a few ideas:

Gratitude Journal: Begin or end each day with a few moments for your students (and you) to write down what they are thankful for. This simple act can set a positive tone for the day.

Gratitude Wall: Choose a designated area in the classroom for an "Appreciation Wall" where students (and you) can post notes of appreciation for each other. It is a great way to foster a sense of togetherness and recognition.

Gratitude Art and Writing: Incorporate gratitude into your writing assignments. Encourage students to write cards, thank-you notes, or poems (and illustrate them) to people for whom they are especially grateful and who mean a lot to them.

Gratitude Challenges: Set weekly gratitude challenges. For example, challenge your students to express their gratitude for someone they appreciate outside of the classroom and then report back on their experiences.

Incorporating gratitude into your classroom can lead to a happier, more positive learning environment, improved relationships, and even enhanced academic performance. So, why not choose one or two and give it a try!

# PARENT ENGAGEMENT UPDATES AND INFORMATION

# PUBLIC November 28th 3-3:45 @ HHS ANNOUNCEMENT

Just two absences per month, even if excused, can result in students struggling to catch up with their studies.

Missing 10% or more days is considered Chronic absenteeism

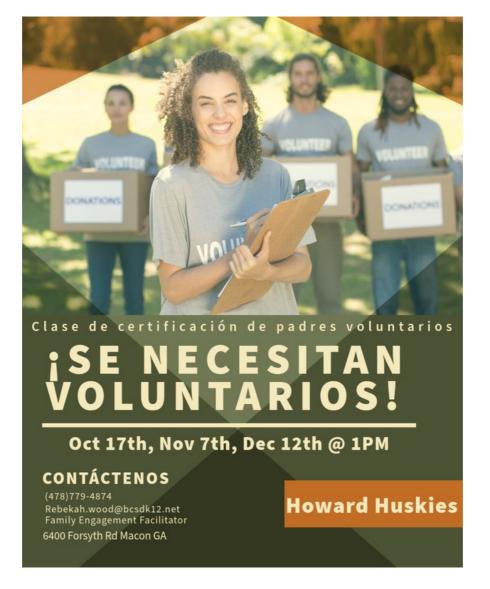
### ATTENDANCE MATTERS. ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

Chronic absenteeism can lead to further exclusion from learning opportunities, compounding the negative impact on academic achievement.

Chronic student absence can hinder even the most effective teacher's ability to provide meaningful learning opportunities

### ATTENDANCE CAFE





#### **CLASSROOM NEWS AND CELEBRATIONS!**

#### K. HICKS RECEIVES SCHOOL SPIRIT AWARD

Basketball Player, K. Hicks, Class of 2025 was presented with a \$3000 check for winning the @varsity brands School Spirit Award through a partnership with @BSNSPORTS\_GA. He was selected from among nominees across the country. Congratulations!





#### **COURSE OFFERINGS**

#### Math

Algebra: Concepts & Connections Geometry: Concepts & Connections Advanced Algebra: Concepts & Connections Advanced Financial Algebra

#### **Science**

Anatomy & Physiology Biology Chemistry Earth Systems Environmental Science Physical Science

#### **Language Arts**

9th Literature & Composition 10th Literature & Composition American Literature & Composition British Literature & Composition

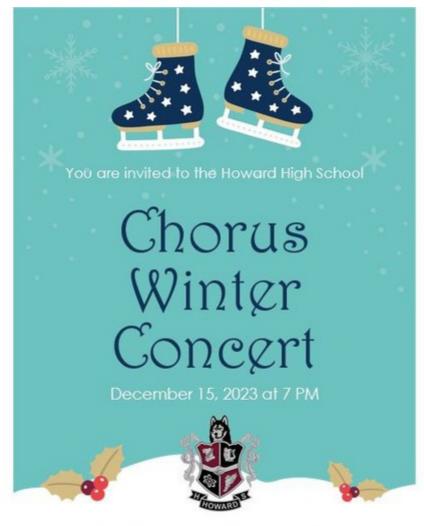
#### **Social Studies**

American Government Personal Finance & Economics U.S. History World Geography World History





6600 Forsyth Road | HMS Gymnasium



6400 Forsyth Road | Auditorium



6400 Forsyth Road | Auditorium

#### **ORCHESTRA & BAND CONCERT**

Our Winter Concert Performance by Our Orchestra and Band will be held on Thursday, December 7th. Please come out and support our students!



#### RIVER OF WORDS POETRY CONTEST

2024 River of Words *Poetry Contest*Howard High Contest Sponsor: Ms. Johnson, Media Specialist

#### **About River of Words**

The River of Words Project (ROW) is a FREE program designed to help preK-12 students understand their sense of place by studying the natural world in their own environment then expressing what they discover through poetry and art. The art and poetry can then be entered into a state-wide contest. SEE DETAILS IN ATTACHMENT BELOW!

#### **RIVER OF WORDS PDF 2024.pdf**

**CONTEST RULES** 

**Download** 

491.1 KB

#### **CLUB INFORMATION**

#### **HUSKIES BEST BUDDIES CLUB!**

Best Buddies and Unified PE will have a combined FIELD DAY in the gym during 5th period on December 7th. Students need to be part of either Best Buddies or Unified PE in order to participate.

<u>Best Buddies is a club that meets during the school day</u>. Its purpose is to promote friendship between students with intellectual disabilities and their peers. The Unified PE program provides a PE credit to those who wish to interact with and support those with intellectual disabilities. Please see Ms. Murphy in Room 104 (<u>anne.murphy@bcsdk12.net</u>) or Ms. Casteel in Room 108 (<u>maomi.casteel@bcsdk12.net</u>)

Students if you are interested, please sign up for the BEST BUDDIES REMIND at cg286dg. Visit <a href="https://www.bestbuddies.org">www.bestbuddies.org</a> to learn more about the Best Buddies Club.



#### Best Buddies International

A nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment, leadership development, and inclusive living for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

www.bestbuddies.org

#### **CREATIVE WRITING CLUB MEETING TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2023**

Students who are members of the Creative Writing Club and those who may be interested should meet in the media center after school on Tuesday, December 12th in the media center 2:40 - 3:30 p.m. Make sure you have transportation. Writers who met on November 7th, should submit their writings in a Word Document and email to <a href="mailto:tyveshe.johnson@bcssdk12.net">tyveshe.johnson@bcssdk12.net</a> by December 6th. We look forward to reading your choice of creative writing!

#### MEDIA CENTER and TECHNOLOGY CORNER

#### **WORD OF THE WEEK!**

The Word of the Week for the week of November 27, 2023:

vacillate

/ˌvæsəˈleɪt/

#### IPA guide

Other forms: vacillating; vacillated; vacillates

Vacillate means to waver back and forth, unable to decide. You might vacillate between ordering waffles and pancakes at your favorite diner — it's hard to pick just one when both are so tasty! Something that vacillates sways or fluctuates, often quite unsteadily. So use this verb to describe the staggering motions of a person who has had too much to drink, as well as the opinions of someone who can't make up her mind. Synonyms include vibrate, hesitate, and waver. A wise Ethiopian proverb advises, "Do not vacillate or you will be left in between doing something, having something, and being nothing."

Definitions of vacillate

1. verb

synonyms: hover, oscillate, vibrate

see more

#### 2. verb

move or sway in a rising and falling or wavelike pattern

"the line on the monitor vacillated"

synonyms: <u>fluctuate</u>, <u>waverfluctuate</u>

cause to fluctuate or move in a wavelike pattern

"Vacillate." <u>Vocabulary.com</u> <u>Dictionary</u>, <u>Vocabulary.com</u>, <u>https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vacillate</u>. Accessed 26 Nov. 2023.

#### LEADER IN ME FOCUS ON HABITS EACH MONTH

Habit 1 — Be Proactive You're in Charge

I am a responsible person. I take initiative. I choose my actions, attitudes, and moods. I do not blame others for my wrong actions. I do the right thing without being asked, even when no one is looking.

Learn more about all Eight Habits from our Leader in Me Lighthouse Team. A member would love to collaborate on identifying and practicing the eight habits.

#### MEDIA CENTER SERVICES

The Media Center welcomes Huskies to the 2023-2024 School Year!

Library books may be checked out from the media center after reviewing the Media Center Orientation and Digital Citizenship PowerPoint.

Students may sit in the media center after arriving to school from 7:05 a.m. -7:25 a.m. The media center also welcomes students during each lunch period, no eating or drinking while in the media center. Please go to the cafeteria if you need to eat. Cell phones, ear buds, and personal devices are not allowed.

If you need assistance with media literacy, research, citing information, annotated bibliography, being safe online, and identifying the difference between real and fake news, stop by the media center for help!

Can't find the Book you're searching for in the media center, make suggestions by using the link below:

https://forms.office.com/r/bKmSMCZQ9v

Students may request print copies by emailing attachments that are school related to: <a href="mailto:tyveshe.johnson@bcsdk12.net">tyveshe.johnson@bcsdk12.net</a> and <a href="mailto:stanley.tolliver@bcsdk12.net">stanley.tolliver@bcsdk12.net</a>

#### HOTSPOTS are no longer available, but you can sign up for ACP!

Students who do not have access to the Internet at home should visit the link below for Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), a Universal Service Administrative Company.

https://www.fcc.gov/acp-consumer-outreach-toolkit

To sign up click here: https://www.affordableconnectivity.gov/

#### LAPTOP INFORMATION AND CARE

- •Students are <u>not</u> allowed to use personal devices at school. All students must use a school issued device during the school to complete assignments. Visit the media center to check out a laptop if you do not have a school issued device.
- \*Remember to bring your charged laptop to school daily and keep up with your charger!
- \*Always keep your laptop closed when you need to walk with your laptop and it's not in the carrying case.
- •Never carry your laptop while open or lift the laptop by the screen/monitor! Handling your laptop in this manner can damage your screen.
- •Do not place paper/objects between your keyboard and monitor, it will crack your screen!
- •Keep drinks and liquids away from your computer. A spill can damage the hard drive and the motherboard. These type of damages may cost the same price as a new laptop to replace, Please be careful!

#### **ATHLETICS and CALENDARS**





# 2023-2024 Basketball Schedule Latavia Coleman, Head Girls' Coach Jay Lunce, Head Boys' Coach Revised 10/10/2023

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# 2023-2024 Wrestling Schedule Conner Vizzini, Head Coach

Beau Bergeron, Assistant Coach

#### November

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Home Games in BOLD

#### **CLASS OF 2024 INFORMATION**

#### **November is Georgia Apply to College Month!**

November is Georgia Apply to College Month! The goal of Georgia Apply to College is to provide all Georgia high school seniors with the opportunity to apply to college with a focus on providing assistance to first generation and underrepresented students as they navigate the college application process. As part of this, the University System of Georgia and the Technical College System of Georgia provide application fee waivers for some Georgia colleges and universities! Click below to view the colleges waiving their application fees in November and take advantage of this opportunity this month!

Click here to view the list of colleges waiving their application fees in November and share this with a senior while encouraging them to take advantage of this opportunity this month! <a href="https://www.gafutures.org/college-planning/apply-to-college-initiative/application-fee-waivers/">https://www.gafutures.org/college-planning/apply-to-college-initiative/application-fee-waivers/</a>

<u>Application Fee Waivers | Georgia Student Finance Commission</u>
Application Fee Waivers

<u>www.gafutures.org</u>

#### Class of 2024 - Submit your College Acceptances and Scholarship Awards

Seniors make sure to submit college acceptances and awarded scholarships to Mrs. Mosley-Skelton. Use the link below to submit!

rmd.me/0owjlagyRWE

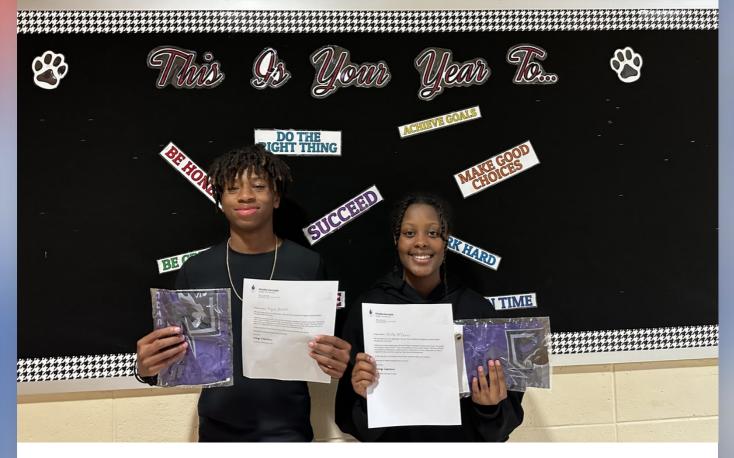
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MIDDLE GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY ACCEPTS HUSKIES ON APPLICATION DAY!

# SENIOR NEWS









**NO FEE** 



**FOCUS MONTH** 



**CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE VISITS HOWARD** 



#### SENIORS ORDER YOUR CAPS AND GOWNS FROM JOSTENS

Seniors,

Please ensure that you order your cap and gown from Jostens when they return to Howard High School on Wednesday, November 30, 2023. Jostens will be available in the Atrium during each lunch period until 1:00p.m. If you would like to place your order online, visit <a href="www.gagrad.com">www.gagrad.com</a>. Payments are not taken by the school; you must pay Jostens in person when they visit the school or by going online.

#### **Howard High School**



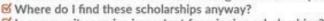
Attention Class of 2024: Order your ultimate <u>symbols</u> of success! Order your Announcements and Cap & Gown at <u>gagrad.com</u>, or Jostens will be here to accept orders Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:00-1:00 in the Lobby. Please bring a \$100 down payment and a completed order form to place your order. If you have already placed an order, you may make a payment on the 30<sup>th</sup> as well.

# **GET MONEY FOR COLLEGE**

ATTEND THE SCHOLARSHIP WORKSHOP - DECEMBER 16, 2023

#### Get answers to questions like these:



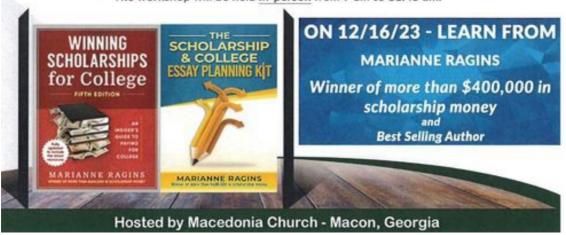


- ☑ Is community service important for winning scholarships?
- If we're middle class with a two income household, can my kids still win scholarships?

#### 2 SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE OPEN TO ALL ATTENDEES

9th - 12th grade high school students AND parents are encouraged to attend this workshop at Macedonia Church, 600 Eisenhower Parkway, in MACON, GEORGIA.

Register to join by December 14 at <a href="https://www.scholarshipworkshop.com/georgia">www.scholarshipworkshop.com/georgia</a>
The workshop will be held in-person from 9 am to 11:45 am.





#### PRESTIGE STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

THE CLASS OF 2024

#### **Prestige Student Scholarship Program**

Class of 2024 seniors photographed by Prestige Photography can apply for a scholarship by sharing their Prestige Photography experience in a formal one-page essay. A total of 3 scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded between United States and Canada. Essays may be used to promote Prestige Photography. The essay topic is as follows:

"Tell us what senior year means to you and how your Prestige pictures help celebrate your achievements."

**How do I apply?** Simply complete the application form and submit your one-page formal essay. Next, print and mail your application and essay to Prestige College Scholarship Program, Lifetouch National School Studios, Attn: Prestige Marketing, 11000 Viking Drive, Eden Prairie, MN 55344. *Applications must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2024.* 

Prestige Student Scholarship Application

### **More Important Dates from Jostens**



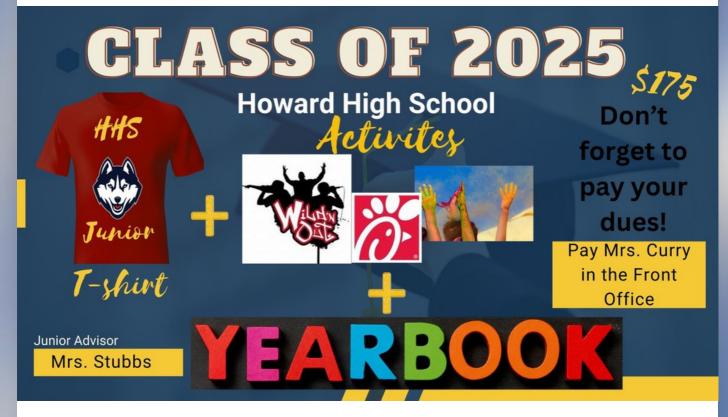


#### SENIOR TACO BAR - CLASS OF 2024

We appreciate the support of all of our Husky Staff!



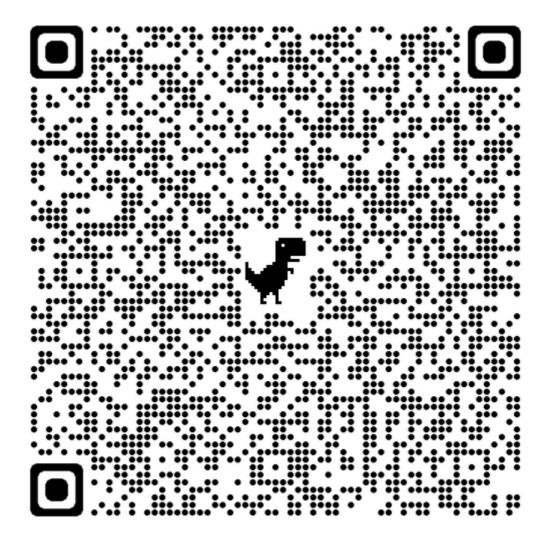
**CLASS OF 2025 UPDATES** 



**CLASS OF 2025 JUNIOR CELEBRATION!** 



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☑ th.bing.com

# REMEMBER, Friday, November 17, 2023 is an Asynchronous Day!



#### **Howard POP**

Howard is using Smore to create beautiful newsletters

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