POP NEWSLETTER HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL

ALL IN TOGETHER! =

2023 - 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6, 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



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!









HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL

We Honor the Pack!



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ALL TOGETHER!

ADMIN TEAM PRESENTS

LEADER OF THE PACK AWARD MRS. VIVIAN GRAY, PARAPROFESSIONAL

HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL HUSKIES

Howard HS 87.5% GRADUATION RATE 2023 UP 3 POINTS FROM 2022

LEADER OF THE PACK AWARD

Congratulations to our Leader of The Pack Award Recipient. The Leader of the Pack Award was presented to Mrs. Vivian Gray on Monday, November 6, 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

- Georgia Retired Educators Month
- NO VIOLENCE NOVEMBER
- Family Engagement Month
- Nov. 13-17 American Education Week
- Nov. 15 Education Support Professionals Day (NEA)
- Nov. 15 America Recycles Day
- Nov. 16 National Parental Involvement Day
- Nov. 17 Substitute Educators Day (NEA)
- OFFICER CAMPAIGN BEGINS NOVEMBER 8
- CLASS OFFICER ELECTION DAY (NOVEMBER 15)
- ASYNCHRONOUS LEARNING DAY STUDENTS WORK ONLINE (NOVEMBER 17)
- THANKSGIVING HOLIDAYS (NOVEMBER 20-24)
- 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!





HUSKIES HONOR OUR VETERANS

Huskies Celebrate our Veterans on Monday, November 13th with breakfast! Our veterans are:

Name and Branch

Lankford, Ulysses - Air Force

Simonton, Chris - Air Force

Stephenson, Russell - Army

Carmoney, Terry - Air Force

Westray, Nathanael - Army

Fella, Chad - Navy

Piro, Matthew - Army









NAVY
Chad Fella - Navy



ARMYRussell Stephenson - Army







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Nathanael Westray - Army

AIR FORCE

Ulysees Lankford - Air Force

ARMY

Matthew Piro - Army

NURSE'S CORNER

It can be hard to decide whether or not your child is too sick to go to school. You should keep your child home if he/she might spread a contagious disease to other children or if he/she is too sick to get through the school day. Children who are sick have a hard time learning and may get other children sick.

If your child has any of the following, he/she should be kept home from school:

- 1. Fever over 100 degrees. Keep child home until temperature is normal for 24 hours without Tylenol or Ibuprofen (Motrin or Advil).
- 2. Vomiting or diarrhea. Keep child home until he/she has no vomiting or diarrhea for at least 24 hours.
- 3. Frequent cough or thick, runny nose that is not clear. Keep child home until symptoms have disappeared or significantly decreased.
- 4. If your child has a sore throat and fever, or a severe sore throat without fever.
- 5. If your child is prescribed an antibiotic, please keep home until he/she has been on the antibiotic for 24 hours and is without fever for 24 hours without Tylenol or Ibuprofen (Motrin or Advil).
- 6. If your child is unusually irritable or shows unusual behavior, we will contact you and may request that you pick up your child from school.
- 7. If your child has impetigo, or other sores that are oozing or bleeding, he/she should stay home until the sores have dried up and are scabbed over. If the sores can be covered with a bandage bigger than a regular band-aid, he/she may attend school with school nurse or principal approval.
- 8. Pink Eye. If you child's eye is red with cloudy or yellow drainage, he/she should stay home until symptoms are gone.
- 9. A cough that is worse than you would expect with a cold, especially if it keeps him/her awake at night, or if he/she is having a hard time breathing.

If your child develops any contagious symptoms during the school day, he/she will be required to return home. Please make sure we have your **current home/work/cell phone numbers** and an emergency number if we are unable to reach you. Please keep your contact details updated via the Parent Portal.

Your cooperation will keep our students and staff as healthy as possible.

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SELF-CARE CORNER BY ELLIE FARRIBA

Creating a classroom environment where gratitude flourishes is a powerful way to enhance learning experiences and establish relationships. As educators, we have the power to foster an atmosphere of appreciation and trust, therefore enriching our students' lives. Below are some suggestions to encourage gratitude within classroom relationships, allowing us to make a lasting positive impact on our students' personal growth and success. (part 1)

- 1. **Active Listening**: When your students speak, give them your full attention and show empathy. Ask follow up questions to understand their perspectives better. This not only encourages open communication but fosters trust.
- 2. **Open Communication**: Encourage open communication by creating an environment where your students feel comfortable sharing their thoughts, concerns, and ideas. Make sure that they know their voices are valued and respected.
- 3. **Celebrate Achievements**: Recognize and celebrate the achievements, both big and small, of your students. Acknowledging their efforts and successes promotes a sense of accomplishment and gratitude.

These 3 tips can help you create a classroom environment where gratitude is not just spoken but lived. Your students will not only learn about the subject you teach, but also about the importance of appreciating the relationships and experiences that shape their lives.

Cultivating gratitude within classroom relationships is a gift that keeps on giving, impacting students' personal growth and future success.

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.

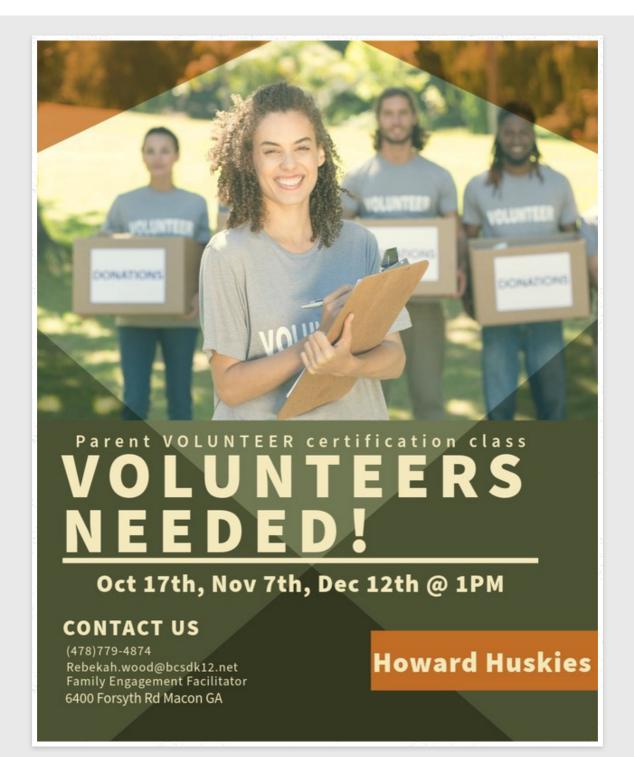
Missing 10% or more days is considered Chronic absenteeism

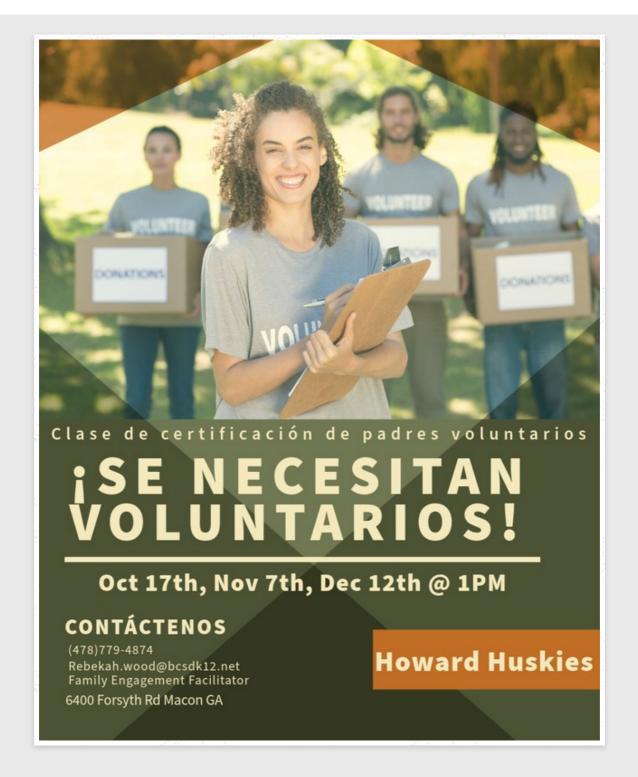
ATTENDANCE MATTERS. ALL DAY, EVERY DAY

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!



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

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY RECOGNITION

Congratulations to L. Harper and A. Chitea, Huskies who received handwritten cards from the History Chair of Agnes Scott College in Atlanta. They also received the Presidential Archive award at last year's NHD Georgia! Mr. J. Merrill is very proud of his former students. Congratulations Class of 2024 Huskies!

Dear Lollian, Vear Aria, Congratilations to you + Aria for your Congratulations to you and Lillian autord-vixing work on Before Brown. tor your hard work on the Before Years ago, I had a chance to work with the children of Rev. Velaine + others who Brown project. The National Archives signed that first petation in Clarendon Assembly + The Georgia Archive Association County, SC. I was so excited to see both recognized your amazing west. Years that you chose that important story ago, I got to work with some of the for your History Day project. There's people who launched the petition in So Much for us to learn from that history Briggs v Alist in Clarendon County. I am that we can use in today's work for so grateful their story is still being Justice. I know you have a very told of appreciated. I know you have bright total ahead. Flease reach out a bright fiture ahead. Flease, reach out if you ever isit Agres Scott. if you ever isit Agres Scott! Educating women to think deeply, live honorably, an Educating women to think deeply, live honorably, and engage the intellectual and social challenges of their Charl History by intellectual and social challenges of their times.
Chair, History Pept.



CLASS ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS

Do you want to run for Class president for your grade level? See Ms. Fincher in room 132 for presidential applications Monday!!!

As a class president you are expected to:

- •Take any comments And concerns of your class and offer effective solutions,
- •Work with the other class presidents to create

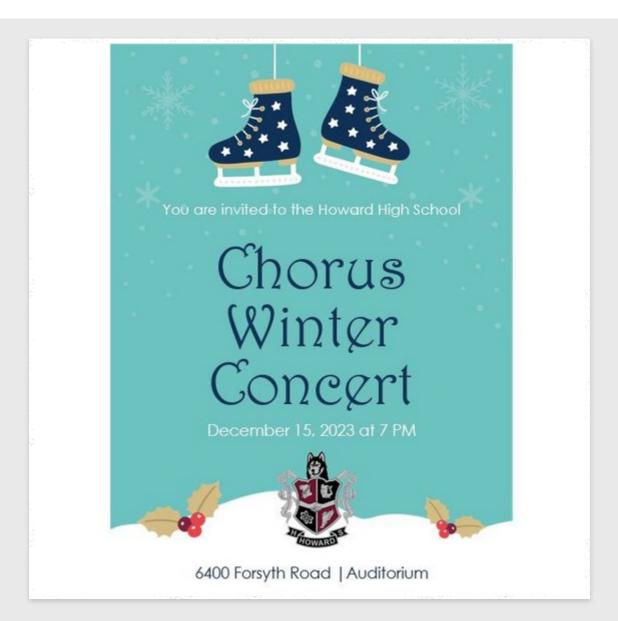
And participate in Class activities and volunteer opportunities

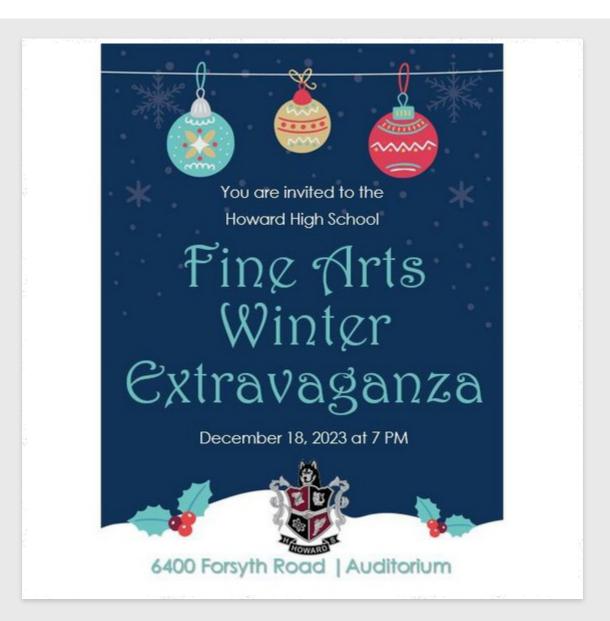
- •All candidates for class President must have a 3.0, be a member of at least TWO student organizations or clubs and have no office referrals. Campaigning can begin Wednesday, Nov.8 and elections will be Tuesday, Nov. 14.
- •Candidates will also be required to film a 30 second campaign video. The Same rules for Homecoming Candidates also applies to class officers. No posters except on bulletin boards and black wall spaces, no baked goods and no cash gifts.
- •Runner ups from the presidential elections will automatically be the Vice President.

FIRST HUSKY WRESTLING MATCH

Our first Wrestling inner squad match will be free for students on Tuesday, November 14 in our gym at 5:00 p.m..









TARDY REPAIR SATURDAY SCHOOL 8:00 - 12:00

Why?

- Remove 1 tardy for every 30 minutes in Saturday School
- Removes each Office Referral caused by being tardy to school (not tardy to classes 2nd through 7th periods).
- Can COMPLETELY clear a student's discipline history for Office Referrals caused by tardiness to school.

Must be on time - 8:00 AM All regular school rules will be enforced When?

- December 2
- December 16

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



CLUB INFORMATION

FBLA FALL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Last week, HHS FBLA participated in the FBLA Fall Leadership Conference. Participants competed in various competitions ranging from Business Ethics to Impromptu Speaking. Our FBLA Howard Huskies did a phenomenal job against schools across the region. Those that won and placed will be emailed to their advisors in a few weeks. I am very proud of our team! Next up, regional leadership conference. This will be held Saturday, January 20th at Houston County High School.



STUDENT COUNCIL

Student Council will be meeting Tuesday, November 14th from 2:45-3:15 in the media center.

ACADEMIC TEAM TOURNAMENT

Academic Team will have a Tournament on Saturday, November 18th in Athens, GA.... Good Luck team!

NATIONAL HISTORY DAY PRESENTATION

Monday, November 13th is National History day for Georgia. A presentation was conducted in the auditorium today!



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 tyveshe.johnson@bcssdk12.net by December 6th. We look forward to reading your choice of creative writing!

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. It is not too late to sign up for Best Buddies.

<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 www.bestbuddies.org 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

MEDIA CENTER AND TECHNOLOGY CORNER

WORD OF THE WEEK!

Word of the week:

ipso facto

adverb:

by that very fact or act: as an inevitable result

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Hold the Control Key and use your mouse to click to hear the word pronounced.

Sentence

The gift of the check was revoked *ipso facto* by the death of the Grandmother, who was the donor.

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: tyveshe.johnson@bcsdk12.net and stanley.tolliver@bcsdk12.net

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





CROSS COUNTRY @ STATE COMPETITION

Cross Country Participants: Lillian H., Ronisha H., Amirah S., Jaidyn E., and Madison C.



FLAG FOOTBALL

A big shout out to our Flag Football team for their win against Northeast HighSchool 14-0! They had a wonderful season.





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

November

Thur.	98	vs Northeast (Scrimmage)	HOME	5:00 pm	
Tue.	140	© Upson Lee	Thomaston, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Wed.	15 th	@ Rutland	Macon, GA,	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thur.	160	@Southwest	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Tue.	28%	@ Mary Persons	Forsyth, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Wed.	29%	@ Central	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thur.	30%	vs Upson Lee	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
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Fri.	Yet	vs Southwest	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
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Fri.	5 ⁿ	@ Baldwin*	Milledgeville, GA.	6:00 pm	
Tue.	12 th	vs Spalding*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Thur.	14th	vs Northside	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Januar	Z.				
Tue.	201	@ Westside*	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thu.	400	vs Mary Persons	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:30
Fri.	State Contract of the Contract	vs Griffin*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Tue.	98	vs Perry*	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Fri.	12 th	vs West Laurens*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Tue.	16th	vs Baldwin*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Fri.	19 th	@ Spalding*	Griffin, GA.	6:00 pm	
Tue.	23 rd	@ Northside	Warner Robins, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Wed.	24th	vs Rutland	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Fri.	26th	vs Westside*	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Tue.	30 th	@ Griffin*	Griffin, GA.	6:00 pm	
Februa	NEX.				
Fri.	2 ^{nl}	@ Perry	Perry, GA.	6:00 pm	
Thur-Fr	1. 8, 9, 13, 16	Region 2AAAA Tournament	Howard High School		
-, 5, 40, 40		1" Round State Playoffs	TBA		
		Sweet 16 Playoffs Flite 8 Playoffs	TBA		

March

Elite 8 Playoffs Final 4 Playoffs Championship Games

* Denotes Region Game Home Games in ROLD



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! https://www.gafutures.org/college-planning/apply-to-college-initiative/application-fee-waivers/

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

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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SENIORS APPLY TO CGTC LAST WEEK MANY WERE ACCEPTED!







NOVEMBER IS

NO FEE

FOCUS MONTH

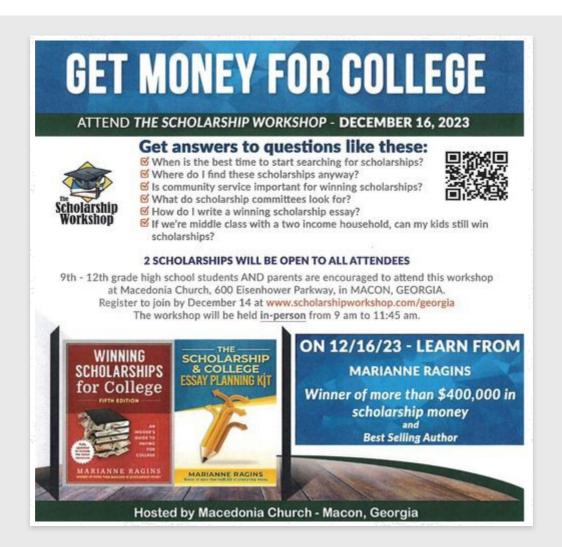
SENIORS ORDER YOUR CAPS AND GOWNS FROM JOSTENS

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 www.gagrad.com. Payments are not taken by the school; you must pay Jostens in person when they visit the school or by going online.

SENIOR PHOTOS

Seniors who missed taking senior yearbook photos in August and September may submit photos from a photographer to the yearbook staff by Monday, November 27, 2023. BPI will not return to the school to take any photos.





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



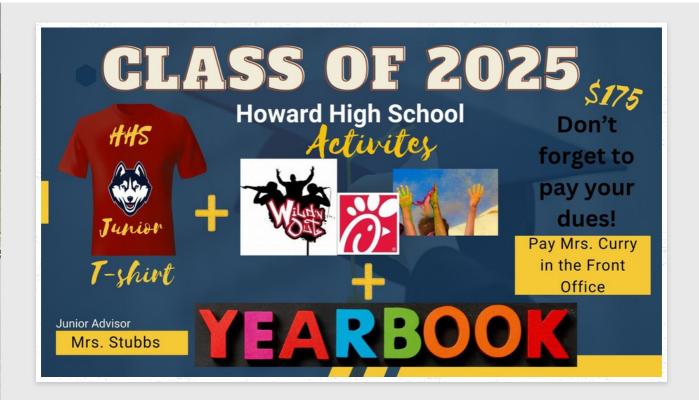
TACO BAR FOR THE CLASS OF 2024

Seniors,

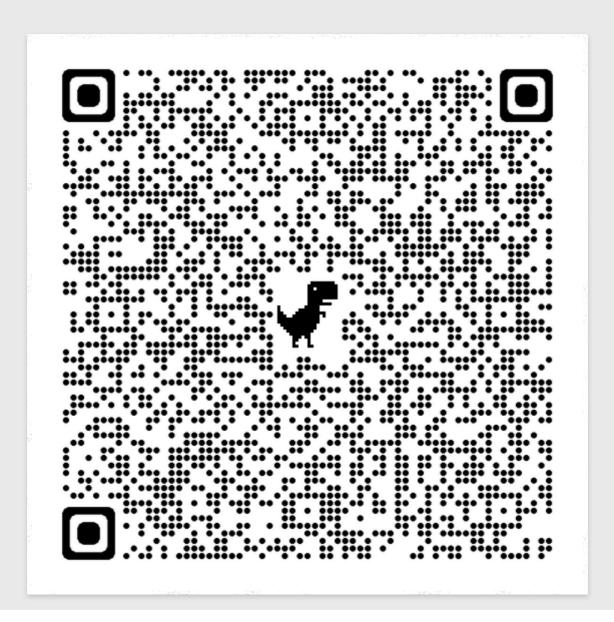
Our first Class of 2024 Activity is coming up November 16, 2023! If you are a student who attends HCCA in the afternoon a request has been submitted to HCCA. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. S. Johnson in the media center or Mrs. V. Jackson, school secretary.



CLASS OF 2025 UPDATES



SIGN UP FOR THE POP NEWSLETTER





REMEMBER, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2023 IS AN ASYNCHRONOUS DAY!

