

POP NEWSLETTER HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL

ALL IN TOGETHER!

2023 - 2024 SCHOOL YEAR

WEEK OF OCTOBER 30, 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

MOLDED FOR ENTREPRENEURSHIP

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!





HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL

We Honor the Pack!

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	Attitude	P	A	C	K	Respectful
Stress Code	Stress Code	Stress Code	Stress Code	Stress Code	Stress Code	Stress Code
Communication	Take pride in your work	Be prepared to work	Be on time	Follow directions	Respectful	Respectful
Attendance	Follow school rules	Follow school rules	Follow school rules	Follow school rules	Follow school rules	Follow school rules
Behavior	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language
Academic	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language
Character	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language
Community	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language
Culture	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language	Use appropriate language and positive language



ALL TOGETHER!

ADMIN TEAM PRESENTS

**LEADER OF THE PACK AWARD
MRS. SHAMEKIA MARTIN-COLEMAN, REGISTRAR**

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. Shamekia Martin-Coleman on Monday, October 30, 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. 5 – Retired Educators Day
- Nov. 6-10 – National School Psychology Week
- Nov. 6-10 – Crossing Guard Appreciation Week (Safe Routes to School)
- 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
- VETERANS DAY (NOVEMBER 11)
- 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!

No Violence November



FREE TUTORING!

Sessions now available



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

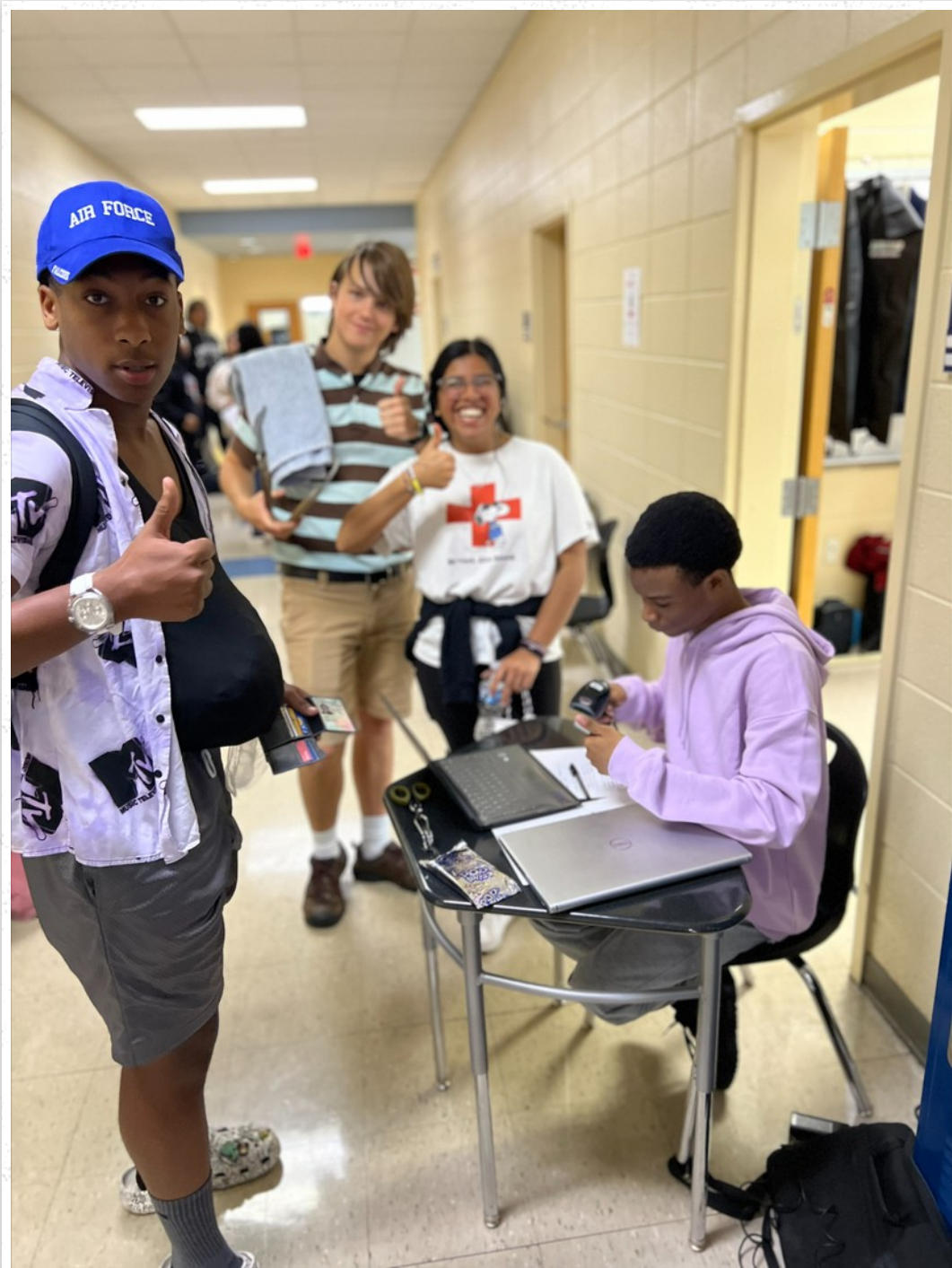
Social Studies

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

SNAPSHOTS FROM OUR AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE LAST WEEK

18 students and teachers donated a pint of blood last week. Our blood drive will help save 54 lives, Way to go Huskies! Thank you to those who tried to donate as well, we appreciate your support!





**HUSKIES PARTICIPATE IN "WHY CLEAN STREETS"
ESSAY CONTEST**



AUGUSTA UNIVERSITY VISITS HOWARD!





**HUSKIES
RHYMING**



PBIS SPIRIT



WEEK









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.



SELF-CARE CORNER BY ELLIE FARRIBA

With the beginning of a new month, Thanksgiving is right around the corner. This month especially, we focus 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



Parent VOLUNTEER certification class

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Oct 17th, Nov 7th, Dec 12th @ 1PM

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Family Engagement Facilitator
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Clase de certificación de padres voluntarios

¡SE NECESITAN VOLUNTARIOS!

Oct 17th, Nov 7th, Dec 12th @ 1PM

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CLASSROOM NEWS AND CELEBRATIONS!

HOWARD HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

Our orchestra students performed at the 2023 Bibb County School District Teacher of the Year Awards Ceremony held at the Grand Opera House. Mr. Sweat and the students did an amazing job performing!



Save
the
Date



TARDY REPAIR SATURDAY SCHOOL 8:00 – 12:00

Why?

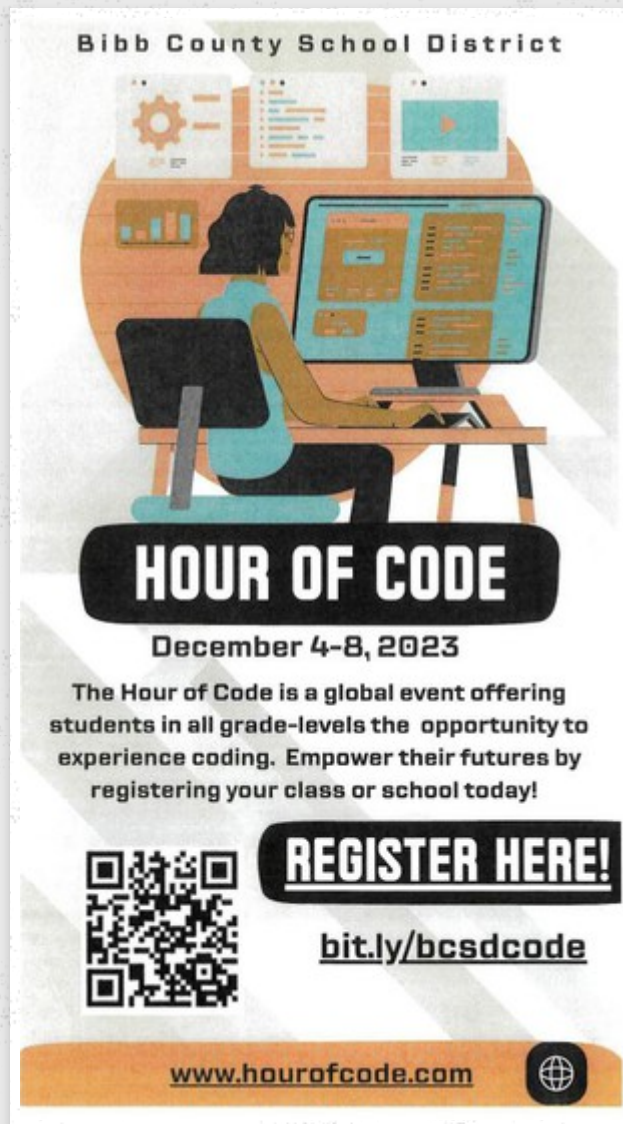
- Remove 1 tardy for every 30 minutes in Saturday School
- Removes each Office Referral caused by being tardy to school (not tardy to classes 2nd through 7th periods).
- Can COMPLETELY clear a student's discipline history for Office Referrals caused by tardiness to school.

Must be on time – 8:00 AM
All regular school rules will
be enforced

When?



- December 2
- December 16



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](#)
502.9 KB

CLUB INFORMATION

CREATIVE WRITING CLUB MEETING TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7TH

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, November 7th in the media center 2:40 - 3:30 p.m. Make sure you have transportation. Writers who met on October 3, should submit their writings in Book Creator by November 1st. We look forward to reading your narratives!

HUSKIES CONSIDER JOINING BEST BUDDIES CLUB!

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: carpe diem (noun) - the enjoyment of the pleasures of the moment without concern for the future

car·pe di·em '[kär-pe-'dē,em](#) - Hold the Control Key and use your mouse to click to hear the word pronounced.

Sentence

I decided to seize the opportunity and travel the world, embracing the "carpe diem" philosophy to make the most of each day.

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.

HUSKY LEADER IN ME LIGHTHOUSE TEAM MEMBER LEADS IN THE CLASSROOM!

On November 2, 2023, J. Foster participated in as a student leader in Mr. Noguera's 5th period class. Mr. Noguera participated as my teacher assistant and student engagement was on point. Students were also encouraging and vocal about their opinions on effective leadership. Being engaged with the class boosted my confidence. While teaching, Mr. Noguera also participated in the lesson; he also personally described each student leadership qualities in the class. As I was closing, students and the teacher asked about my own leadership qualities. I thanked the class and teacher for being engaged and participating in the lesson. I am thankful for the opportunity and time that they gave to me!!



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 not 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

November

Thur.	9th	vs Northeast (Scrimmage)	HOME	5:00 pm	
Tue.	14th	@ Upson Lee	Thomaston, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Wed.	15th	@ Rutland	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thur.	16th	@ Southwest	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Tue.	28th	@ Mary Persons	Forsyth, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Wed.	29th	@ Central	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thur.	30th	vs Upson Lee	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15

December

Fri.	1st	vs Southwest	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Tue.	8th	@ West Laurens*	Dexter, GA.	6:00 pm	
Fri.	8th	@ Baldwin*	Milledgeville, GA.	6:00 pm	
Tue.	12th	vs Spalding*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Thur.	14th	vs Northside	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15

January

Tue.	2nd	@ Westside*	Macon, GA.	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Thu.	4th	vs Mary Persons	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:30
Fri.	5th	vs Griffin*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Tue.	9th	vs Perry*	HOME	6:00 pm	JV Boys 4:15
Fri.	12th	vs West Laurens*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Tue.	16th	vs Baldwin*	HOME	6:00 pm	
Fri.	19th	@ Spalding*	Griffin, GA.	6:00 pm	
Tue.	23rd	@ 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.	30th	@ Griffin*	Griffin, GA.	6:00 pm	

February

Fri.	2nd	@ Perry	Perry, GA.	6:00 pm	
Thur-Fri.	8, 9, 13, 16	Region 2AAAA Tournament	Howard High School		
		1st Round State Playoffs	TBA		
		Sweet 16 Playoffs	TBA		
		Elite 8 Playoffs			

March

Elite 8 Playoffs
Final 4 Playoffs
Championship Games

TBA
TBA
TBA

* Denotes Region Game
Home Games in **BOLD**



2023-2024 Wrestling Schedule

Conner Vizzini, Head Coach

Beau Bergeron, Assistant Coach

November

Tue. 14 th	Intersquad Showcase	HOME	4:00 pm
Wed. 22 nd	@ Upson Lee	Thomaston, GA	4:00 pm
Tue. 28 th	Tift Co, Southwest, Locust Grove	HOME	4:00 pm

December

Sat. 2 nd	@ Tift County High School	Tifton, GA	7:00 am
Tue. 5 th	Westside, Peach Co., Lee Co.	HOME	4:00 pm
Sat. 9 th	@ Upson Lee	Thomaston, GA	7:00 am
Sat. 16 th	@ Luella High School	Locust Grove, GA	7:00 am
Tue. 19 th	@ Mary Persons High School	Forsyth, GA	4:00 pm

January

Mon. 8 th	@ Southwest	Macon, GA	
Fri-Sat 12 th - 13 th	@ West Laurens (Dual Area)	Dexter, GA	TBD
Wed. 17 th	@ FPD	Macon, GA	4:00 pm
Fri-Sat 19 th - 20 th	@ TBD (State Deals)- Must Qualify	TBD	TBD
Sat. 20 th	@ Rutland (Bibb Championships)	Macon, GA	7:00 am
Tue. 23 rd	Westside, Griffin	HOME	4:00 pm
Tue. 30 th	Upson Lee, Luella, Griffin	HOME	4:00 pm

February

Fri-Sat 2 nd - 3 rd	@ Perry (Individual Area)	Perry, GA	TBD
Fri-Sat 9 th - 10 th	@ TBD (Individual Sectionals)	TBD	TBD
Thur-Sat 15 th - 17 th	@ TBD (GHSA State Championship)	TBD	TBD

Home Games in **BOLD**

Superintendent: Dr. Dan Sims

County Athletic Director: Kevin Grooms

Principal: Dr. Latoya Smith

Howard Athletic Director: Latavia Coleman

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/>

[Application Fee Waivers | Georgia Student Finance Commission](#)

Application Fee Waivers



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.

More Important Dates from Jostens



October 18th Senior Class meeting in the Auditorium



**October 25th SENIOR CELEBRATION
11:00 - 1:00 in the front lobby**



October 25th Ring orders 11:00 - 1:00 in the front lobby



November 30th Make up order day for Senior Graduation Supplies 11:10 - 1:00 in the front lobby

TACO BAR CATERED BY MOE'S

Seniors, Our first Class of 2024 Activity is coming up November 16, 2023!

CLASS OF 2025 UPDATES

CLASS OF 2025

\$175

Howard High School
Activities



T-shirt



Don't
forget to
pay your
dues!

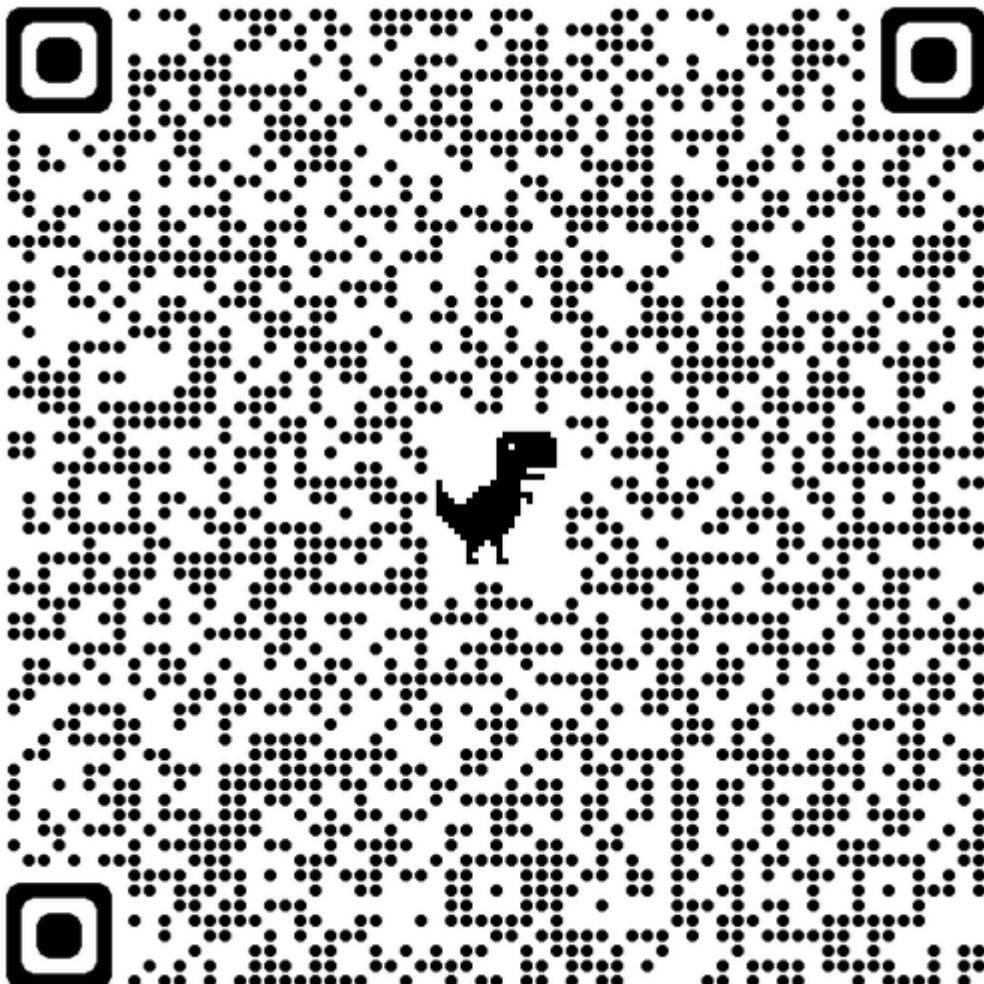
Pay Mrs. Curry
in the Front
Office

Junior Advisor

Mrs. Stubbs

YEARBOOK

SIGN UP FOR THE POP NEWSLETTER





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