



What's Coming Up?

- Oct. 22- Delayed Start for Students- 10:30 am, See *Community News*
- Oct. 23- Unity Day, See *Community News*
Same Boat Book Club, see *Community News*
- Oct. 31- Early Release- 12:15 pm
- Nov. 1- Virtual Day, see *Community News*
- Nov. 6- A Day to Engage Atlanta, See *In Case You Missed It*
- Nov. 15- High School Open House, See *Community News*



Community News

Delayed School Start 🕒

On Tuesday, Oct. 22, all students will begin school at 10:30 am. Student drop-off will begin at 10:00 am.

Virtual Day Information

Friday, Nov. 1, will be a virtual day for all students. Please be on the lookout for Zoom links and more division specific information regarding the day. Below are the start and stop times for each division on virtual day.

Lower School: 8:30 am - 1:30 pm

Middle School/ 8th Grade: 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. Students will have three zoom check-ins throughout the day- 8:30 am, 11:05 am, and 2:40 pm.

High School: 9:00 am - 12:40 pm



You're Invited! Please Plan to Attend our High School Open House.

Our High School Open House is not just for families of high school-aged students; it's a perfect opportunity for all our parents to see firsthand the incredible experiences and enriching programs that our High School offers, including college and next steps. Whether your child is just starting their educational journey or nearing high school, this is a wonderful chance to plan ahead and get excited about what lies in store for them at The Howard School.

Help Us Spread the Word!

Please download the Open House flyer and share it with friends, neighbors, and within your community circles. Your endorsement is invaluable in introducing new families to our supportive school environment.

📅: Friday, Nov. 15

🕒: 9:00-11:00 am

📍: The Howard School

Register [HERE](#)

Download flyer and SHARE!



Zoom Link for Wednesday's Book Club!

Join us virtually this Wednesday, Oct. 23, from 12:00 – 1:00 pm for the second Same Boat Book Club! This initiative is designed to bring together parents, faculty, and staff from fellow learning difference schools for a shared exploration of the thought-provoking book *The Anxious Generation: How the Great Rewiring of Childhood Is Causing an Epidemic of Mental Illness* by Jonathan Haidt. This is an opportunity to come together as a larger community to discuss and understand the challenges and opportunities we face in supporting our children.

Save the date—the next Same Boat Book Club meeting will be Wednesday, Nov. 13, 12:00-1:00 pm.

[Zoom Link!](#)



Join Us By Wearing Orange on Oct. 23 (this Wednesday!)

We encourage and challenge all of you in our school community to post pictures of yourselves wearing orange with #nationalunityday, #thehowardschool, and #LOVEthedifference to demonstrate your support of Unity Day!

Remember, **send your child dressed in orange this Wednesday, Oct. 23**, and share your photos on social media supporting Unity Day.



The Howard Fund

Double Your Impact! Last Week of the 6-Week Parent Campaign!

Thank you to the nearly 50% of parents who, along with 100% of our faculty, staff, and Board of Trustees, have contributed over \$220,000 to The Howard Fund!

To encourage more participation, **any parent who hasn't donated yet will have their gift matched dollar-for-dollar, up to \$5,000**, by a Howard parent if you donate this week. This is a great opportunity to double your support and help us reach our goals even faster.

Join us in making a difference—**your generosity will go twice as far!** Don't miss out on this chance to make an even bigger impact!

[Double Your Impact Today!](#)



After School Programs/Club Updates

MS/8th Parents: Register for Aftercare Before the Halloween Dance

The MS/8th Grade Halloween Dance is on Friday, Oct. 25 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. If your child will be in aftercare that afternoon (even if they are not attending the dance), please register below to help us get an accurate count for staffing and planning.

[Register for Aftercare](#)



Middle School/8th

Middle School and 8th Grade Halloween Dance!

Middle School and 8th Grade students are invited to our annual Halloween dance on Friday, Oct. 25 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Fred. We ask that students help clean up before leaving the dance. Teachers will be outside the Fred at 7:15 pm to help students get to their cars. Parents are welcome to pick up earlier, if necessary, but please plan to be here by 7:30 pm.

Students have been informed and reminded that they are not to come to the dance with weapons (or props), full-face masks, or face paint. Costumes and props must be school-appropriate, and students must wear appropriate shoes. Teachers will remind all students in advisory next week about the expectations for the dance.

We strongly suggest that students keep their cell phones at home if they are being dropped off later in the evening. If they decide to bring them to the dance, they must hand them to teachers before they are admitted to the dance floor. All phones will be kept secure and returned to students before they leave.



High School

High School Scary Movie Night!

The Student Government Association (SGA) is happy to present our annual scary movie night on Friday, Oct. 25 at 7:00 pm. Participating students will vote on one of three pre-selected and age-appropriate movies to view (Split, The Boogeyman, or Lights Out). Costumes are encouraged, as we will be hosting a costume contest with various categories and prizes. Tickets are \$15 per student, but if they bundle and pay for Scary Movie Night and Homecoming, the cost is \$50 per student (a discount of \$10). Tickets can be purchased with cash or check from any SGA officer, Ms. Layton or Mr. Lane.



In Case You Missed It



A Day to Engage Atlanta!

Howard's Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB) committee is hosting a Community Engagement Day on Wednesday, Nov. 6, connecting Howard with the Atlanta Community! This year, we are partnering with [Hope through Soap](#), a non-profit that provides mobile outreach to the less fortunate experiencing homelessness and poverty in metro Atlanta. Their services include mobile showers, haircuts, clothing, food, and resources.

How can you help? We are asking for donations of the following items:

- Shampoo and Conditioner (hotel/travel size)
- Bar Soap
- Other travel-sized toiletries
- Dog and Cat Food (large bags of dry food)

**All items must be unused*

Please have all items turned in by Monday, Nov. 4. Donations can be dropped off with Ms. Rita in the main building and Ms. Kelly in the High School.

[Download flyer here!](#)



MONDAY, OCT. 21

Varsity Volleyball AAC Tournament vs. Tapestry 4:00 pm **@Home**

TUESDAY, OCT. 22

Varsity Volleyball AAC Tournament **@Home**

**If Howard wins on Monday, 5:30 pm*

**If Howard loses on Monday, 4:00 pm*

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 23

MS Volleyball MAAC Tournament vs. McGinnis Woods, 4:00 pm **@Home**

**If Howard wins, next game is at 5:30 pm*

MS Cross Country Championship 3:30 pm **@Sweet Apple Park**

