

September 18, 2026

Hello HMS Families,

I hope your families have an opportunity to relax and unwind a bit over the fall break next week. Shout out to all our students and staff members for a great start to the year!

HMS students are off all next week. For the most part, all HMS staff members are off Monday-Wednesday. We have professional learning and staff training/meetings on Thursday and Friday, and return to normal operations on September 28th. If you have a need to meet with/talk with staff next week, please send an email to get their availability. Staff will not be available for drop-in meetings next week.

News and Notes:

- **School Pictures Are Ready!**

View and order at: <https://shop.jostenspix.com/login>

School Name: HOPEWELL MIDDLE SCHOOL

Event Code: FE331926

Student Identifier: Also Needed: Infinite Campus Student ID

Have questions? Reach out to Karen Allen at allenk2@fultonschools.org

- Families have until September 25th to enroll in the Device Protection Program for our student devices. Click [here](#) for more information about how to enroll. For more information about the plan, click the following link: [Optional Device Protection Flyer](#)
- The All-Access Expo is scheduled for Saturday, October 3rd at North Springs HS and is designed especially for current 8th and 9th grade students — and open to all FCS families — the All Access Expo will showcase a broad range of opportunities available at students' home high schools and through the district's Change of School Assignment (COSA) process.

Families will have the opportunity to explore:

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| ○ AVID | ○ JROTC |
| ○ CTAE Pathways | ○ Magnet Programs |
| ○ Fine Arts Pathways | ○ TAG Internship |
| ○ Health & Physical Education | ○ World Languages |

Click the links for more information: All Access Expo [flyer](#), [video](#), and [website](#)

PTA:

- 🧠 **Calling All Student Artists!** 🎵 📷 🖌️ 📺

The **Georgia PTA Reflections Program** is now accepting entries! This year's theme is:
"What My Culture Means to Me"

Students can submit original works in: Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography, Visual Arts

Applications are available in the Media Center or can be downloaded here: <https://tinyurl.com/ykxdfh49>

 **Entries are due Friday, October 16 at 10:00 a.m.** in the Media Center.

Questions? Email Ashley at apctrotter@gmail.com.

- The Hopewell Media Center Presents... ✨📚 A MAGICAL BOOK FAIR! 📚✨

Stop by the Media Center from October 2nd - October 9th to discover new books for everyone in your house!

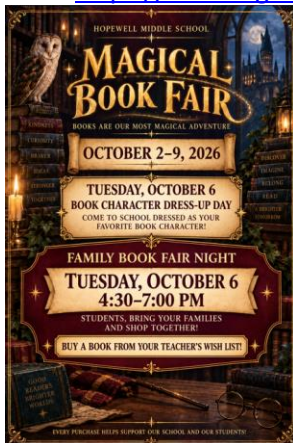
We will also have books available during our upcoming Family Book Fair Night on Tuesday, October 6th from 4:30-7:00p.

  Mark your calendars for Tuesday, October 6th for BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY! Come to school dressed as your favorite book character!

If you'd like to setup an eWallet, donate to Share the Fair, or shop the book fair online, you can do that here: <https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/bf/hopewellmiddleschool>

This event cannot be a success with out your help! If you are available to volunteer, we would love your help and you can sign up

here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4AA4AE2EA4F4C70-58224761-2025#/>



- **HOPEWELL PTA - JOIN TODAY to support ALL YEAR LONG!**

It's not too late! Our PTA provides support all year long for students, staff, and the school as a whole. We fund these programs and activities through your Membership and our generous Business Partners!

[Join Today!](#)

- The 7th Grade Fall Fun Day is coming soon!



- Hopewell Middle School Swag - Get Yours Now!



- Support HMS and Hope House! (attachment included)

We are excited to announce an ongoing donation drive benefiting Hope for Domestic Violence through Hope House. This is a great way to contribute to a meaningful cause and support women and children affected by domestic violence.

Instead of scheduling pickups, we've set up a convenient drop-off location where you can donate anytime! Help us raise funds and awareness for this important mission, with the potential to raise around \$200 per month, depending on the generosity of our community.

School Activities:

- If your child is interested in playing volleyball, please visit <https://hopewellsports.weebly.com/volleyball.html> and click on the volleyball interest form. This form will allow you to share important information with Coach Hill and make sure you have completed all the necessary paperwork. 7th and 8th grade students are eligible to participate. There is both a boys' and girls' team, so 7th and 8th grade boys and girls are welcome. If your student is trying out, they must bring their own shoes, elbow/knees pads if wanted, and water. Tryouts will be 10/6-10/8 from 7:15am to 8:15 am in the school gym. Tryouts are not open to the public. If you have any further questions, please email Coach Hill at hillmd@fultonschools.org

- Yearbook! – The yearbook staff needs your help! We are looking for photos of Mustangs outside of school. Sports photos, vacation photos, family traditions/holidays, or even just Mustangs hanging around with friends. We are also looking for pictures of students and/or families from information day or the first day of school. We would like to capture as many students as possible. You can upload your photos at your convenience. This link will remain open until March. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Karen Allen: allenk2@fultonschools.org

The link: <https://photos.jostens.com/6PCGTM>



- 2026-2027 Debate Team: The Hopewell Debate Team is looking for new debaters! The team is open to students in ALL grade levels.

Regular practice days will be on Mondays and Thursdays from 4-5:30pm. Students do not need to attend BOTH practices each week. They must, however, attend at least one day of practice during the week.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to Mrs. Allen - allenk2@fultonschools.org

Other Information:

- Kick off Homecoming Week right with one of our biggest traditions of the year, Raider Fest, happening on Wednesday, September 30th, from 5:00 to 8:00 PM at Alpharetta High School!

Admission is 100% FREE for everyone. We're bringing in delicious food trucks, local vendors, and over 75 interactive booths packed with games for all ages.

The fun kicks off right at 5:00 PM, so make sure you and your families arrive early to grab some food, play games, and secure a prime spot for the annual Homecoming Parade featuring AHS sports teams, clubs, and loads of special guests.

Let's show up big and show off that Raider Pride!



- Everyone is invited to join Cambridge HS for the Third Annual Cambridge High School Homecoming Parade & JamBEARee on Thursday, October 15, from 5–8 p.m. at Cambridge High School.

The Bear Backyard opens at 5 p.m. with food trucks, carnival-style rides, games and activities, followed by the Homecoming Parade at approximately 6:15 p.m. Afterward, the Cambridge Band, Cheer and Dance teams will help fire up the crowd as we head into Friday night's Homecoming game. Admission is free.

For additional event details and information about participating in the parade, please visit: [Cambridge Homecoming JamBEARee Website](#)

General Reminders:

- If your child needs to leave school early, send them to the Front Office in the morning with a note from you. This makes the whole process easier and more efficient and prevents us from having to disrupt their class when it's time for them to leave.
- If you need to check your child out of school early, **please remember we do not allow checkouts after 3:30!** In addition, the Front Office closes at 5:00, so please do not expect anyone to answer the phones or be there to buzz you in unless there is an evening activity.

Thanks so much for your support of our school!

Sincerely,

Michael LeMoyne
Principal – Hopewell Middle School