

Class of 2017

School Counseling Office Hours: 7:45 am until 4:00 pm.

Graduation: Saturday, May 27 at 10:00 AM – Kennesaw State University. Ticket information forthcoming.

Hope Scholarship: Your Harrison GPA is NOT your HOPE GPA.

- The HOPE program has changed to include various tiers of scholarships. You are encouraged to visit www.GAFutures.org for information.
- Only Advanced Placement (AP) courses will receive the .5 quality point weight in the calculation of the HOPE G.P.A. (This is different from how Cobb County awards extra quality points.) Your HOPE G.P.A. will not be higher than 4.0 meaning that an A will not receive the additional half point.
- HOPE G.P.A. is calculated using all courses in English, Math, Social Studies, Science, and World Languages. The final HOPE G.P.A. will not be rounded up. Failing grades in these courses are included in the HOPE calculation.
- Transcripts will be uploaded for the Preliminary HOPE Eligibility by February 15. Seniors may check their HOPE G.P.A. by logging in to their GAFutures account.

Graduating with honors:

Honor cords and special mention at graduation are given to students with a cumulative 3.500 grade point average at the end of the senior year. The G.P.A. is not rounded up.

Final Transcripts: A final transcript must be sent to the college you are planning to attend. Students accepting athletic scholarships must also send a final transcript to the NCAA Clearinghouse. Specific information will be sent closer to the end of school.

Application and Scholarship Deadlines: Students and parents should be aware of application and scholarship deadlines. A student resume packet is required for school counselors to complete secondary school reports and write letters of recommendation. These must be submitted 3 weeks prior to the deadline. Please check the school counseling blog at the Harrison website for our scholarship bulletin.

SAT/ACT:

If you still need to take the SAT and/or ACT again this year, please register for one of the following dates:

Register for SAT by going to www.collegeboard.org. Test dates are: 3/11, 5/6, and 6/3.

Register for ACT by going to www.actstudent.org. Test dates are: 2/11, 4/8, and 6/10.

www.GAFutures.org

Create an account and login to apply for college, HOPE, FAFSA, scholarships, and to learn about educational and career options. This is a wonderful, one-stop shop to do everything related to college including release of transcripts electronically to Georgia schools and some out of state schools. For student accounts, please be sure to use your Cobb ID as your user name.

Email:

Parents should subscribe to the Harrison PTSA Email Blast. This is our means for communicating information to parents. Please take your phone out and visit <http://www.harrisonptsa.org> to subscribe.

Twitter:

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College Fair: March 21 at Kennesaw Mountain High School from 6:00 – 8:00 PM

Workshop sessions: (Session times TBD) College 101, Military Academies, NCAA Eligibility, Financial Aid, Transition to College for Students with Disabilities, Georgia Tech, University of Georgia

AP Exams:

For the 2017 AP exams, students will be registering online. This registration will only take a few minutes and can be completed from any computer with internet access. The cost of each AP exam is \$93, with a one-time service fee of \$15. Online registration began January 3 and ends on Wednesday, March 1 at 4:00 p.m. Students should visit www.TotalRegistration.net/AP/111734 in order to register. To complete registration, students must answer all of the required questions. Registration is not complete until students have printed the pdf confirmation page at the end. We know that parents may desire to register their students for exams. We strongly recommend that parents and students are both present while registering to ensure that the correct exams are ordered. Please be sure to have a credit card or debit card available before beginning registration.

Here are the important dates for the registration process:

- Wed., Mar. 1, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. – Registration Ends
- Mon., Mar. 6, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. – Registrations that have not been paid for will be cancelled and exams will not be ordered.
- Tues., Mar. 7, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. – Last day to cancel a registration and receive a partial refund. Exams will be ordered on Mar. 8 and no refunds will be given after that date.
- The exam window is May 1-May 12, 2017. See the College Board website for the dates and times of the specific exams.

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