

# 2024 Harrison Cross Country

## General Information

- ✓ **Head Coach: Jason Scott** ([hoyarelay@hotmail.com](mailto:hoyarelay@hotmail.com))  
**Assistant Coaches: Meredith Bonanni, Keri McGinnis, Rachel Akin, Alex Holmgren**
- ✓ **ABOUT XC**—Cross country is an endurance running sport. The competition is usually a 5K race (3.1 miles) over trails, fields, and hills. It is a unique sport in that both teams and individuals are recognized.
- ✓ **BOOSTER CLUB** - All parents are encouraged to join the Booster Club. The cost to join is \$375.00. The first meeting will be held in August to provide information for the upcoming season. Deana Thompson is the President ([hoyaxclub@gmail.com](mailto:hoyaxclub@gmail.com)).
- ✓ **SUMMER TRAINING** - Team summer runs begin June 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am at Allatoona Creek Park (ACP). **A COMPLETED PHYSICAL FORM MUST BE UPLOADED TO PARENTVUE IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN SUMMER RUNS AND FOR THE SEASON.** Athletes, parents and siblings are welcome to run the trails. This is the best way to prepare for the season. We provide individual summer running plans for each athlete.
- ✓ **RUNNING CAMP** – June 3<sup>rd</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> The XC Team hosts a running camp at Harrison High School from 8:30 am – 12:30 pm for rising 5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> grade. The registration link is on our website at [www.hoyatfxc.com](http://www.hoyatfxc.com). Registration deadline is May 31<sup>st</sup>. The team also attends the Wingfoot Running Camp July 7-12 in Huntsville, AL. Registration is at <https://www.atlantatrackclub.org/2024-wingfoot-running-camp>
- ✓ **TEAM BUILDING** – The Harrison Cross-Country team has a strong team spirit. We train together, we compete together and we have fun together. The team organizes a number of summer events including the “Gun’s Up” party to kick off the summer running season and a team-building activity later in the summer.
- ✓ **THE SEASON** - The official Cross Country season begins on July 31<sup>st</sup>. Typically our meets are on Saturdays throughout the season. Varsity and JV placement is determined by performance throughout the season and can vary from meet to meet. Most times both the JV and Varsity teams race. The JV season ends with the Region race in October. State is the first weekend of November. The banquet will be in mid-November.
- ✓ **QUESTIONS** – For those of you who are new to the sport, it can be overwhelming so feel free to ask questions of the coaches or BC Pres.

**Website:** [www.hoyatfxc.com](http://www.hoyatfxc.com)

**Remind: Text “@hoyaxc24” to 81010**



## Dear Athletes,

Welcome to Harrison Cross Country. We have a fine tradition of excellence in our program here at Harrison High School. Our teams annually compete for region, county and state championships and our program is widely considered one of the best in the state. The success of our program depends upon the commitment of our athletes, staying healthy, and listening to your coaches.

Summer is the time to build base mileage. Base mileage helps prevent injuries and ensures success during the season. We created a plan for athletes to follow depending upon their experience, goals, and ability. Please follow the plan that has been created for you. Do not get over-ambitious and try to do too much. We have seen too many people who get injured trying to “get into shape” in the last two weeks before official practice starts. Our summer runs are low-key opportunities to build that base mileage for the fall, to get to know your teammates, and to become familiar with the sport. **Our summer runs will begin on June 10<sup>th</sup>.** Teams that run in the summer win championships in October and November.

Our booster club provides important financial support for all that we do. They coordinate food at all the meets, help provide for the coaching staff, supplement our out of town trip, and host our end of the year banquet. They depend upon volunteers to help coordinate all these activities, so encourage your parents to join and volunteer.

The three big events in the summer are great ways to get involved early and to meet your teammates. The “Gun’s Up Party” is a great chance to get to know the HHS team. Rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders should attend the Harrison Running Camp which will be June 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup>. Finally, the captains do a number of team building events over the summer, so look for that info.

Thanks for your interest. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the coaches. We look forward to a very successful season.

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## Calendar of Events

# 2024

**May 20** Summer Running Logs begin

**June 3-7** Jr. Hoya Camp

**June 10** Summer Runs Check In – 8:00 am.

- **Allatoona Creek Park**
- All runs must be finished by 9:15 am.
- **Physicals must be uploaded to ParentVUE Platform**

**June 11-July 31** Rest of Summer schedule

- **Monday** – Cheatham Hill AM Run at 8:00am
- **Tuesday** – Lost Mtn Park (LMP) at 8:00am
- **Wednesday** – Allatoona Creek Park (ACP) 8:00am
- **Thursday** – HHS Track at 8:00am
- **Friday**— Allatoona Creek Park (ACP) Run at 8:00am
- **Saturday**—Captain's choice run

**Tue. June 11 Gun's Up Party!** Ready...Set....GO!!!

- Hamilton Township Clubhouse – 6:00-8:00 pm
- 1204 Winborn Terrace
- Athletes are invited for dinner and fun!
- New Parents are Invited and Encouraged to attend!

**July 3-7** Dead Week—no coaches but Captains' runs

**July 31 (Wed)** First Day of Official Practice –

- 3:45 pm HHS Track

**August 7 (Wed) Deadline Day!!**

- **Registration/Membership Forms & Fees Due**
- **Running Logs**
- **No New Athletes after this date**

**August 9**

- Team Time Trial
- Allatoona Creek Park
- 6pm