



**TUESDAY TELEGRAPH**  
**NEWS FROM THE COUNSELING OFFICE FOR YOUR WEEK AHEAD**  
**October 10, 2023**

**Junior Parents/Guardians – TONIGHT!**

Join us tonight, **October 10th at 7:00-8:00 pm** in the PAC Theater where information regarding Post-Secondary Planning and the Junior Timeline will be discussed.

**GEORGIA MATCH**



SENIORS! Don't forget you will be receiving your GEORGIA MATCH letter soon! [GEORGIA MATCH](#) is the state's new Direct Admission program for high school students. You will receive your letter in the mail this month with a list of all the Georgia colleges and universities where you qualify for admission. Then, in November, you can apply to college for FREE during

Apply to College Month in Georgia!

**Juniors – Immunization Requirement**

Parents/Guardians of 11<sup>th</sup> graders: Please don't forget that according to Georgia law, all students 16 years of age and older who are in 11<sup>th</sup> grade must have received one booster dose of the meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MCV4) unless their first dose was received on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday (<https://dph.georgia.gov/immunizations>). Students/families must present a new Immunization Form (Form 3231) as soon as possible showing that this vaccination has been administered (unless they turn 16 during the year, at which point then they will have a 30-day extension). *Students without a Certificate will be considered out of compliance with the Department of Health Mandates, the Cobb County School District Policy, and may be subject to withdrawal.*

You may upload this document in ParentVue, email it to [lisa.squier@cobbk12.org](mailto:lisa.squier@cobbk12.org), or send in a hard copy with your student. Students with religious exemptions must submit Form 2208. For more information, visit [School Vaccines and Updates | Georgia Department of Public Health](#). Questions? Email or call Lisa Squier at [lisa.squier@cobbk12.org](mailto:lisa.squier@cobbk12.org) or 770-578-7903 x069.

## Cornerstone Prep College Fair – October 16

Cornerstone Preparatory Academy is hosting a college fair next **Monday 6-8 pm**. Over 30 college reps from 8 different states will be there along with military representation, and four workshops led by college admission representatives! Raffle prizes will be announced throughout the evening (including a \$100 Visa gift card). Click on the flyer below to see what schools will be attending.



The flyer features the Cornerstone Prep logo at the top left, which consists of a green square with a white cross-like pattern. The main title 'COLLEGE FAIR 2023' is written in large, bold, black letters. A circular inset image shows a hand holding a black graduation cap with a gold tassel. The background includes a blurred image of a building and a document with the word 'College' and 'higher le' visible. The event details are listed in a black box at the bottom, including a list of activities and a \$100 Visa Gift Card Giveaway!

**CORNERSTONE  
PREP**

# COLLEGE FAIR 2023

**Monday, October 16 6 P.M. to 8 P.M.**

- 30 College Representatives from 8 states
- Georgia Trade School
- Military Representatives
- Numerous workshops
- Multiple Raffle Opportunities

 **Preparing  
for College**

 **Financial  
Aid**

 **College  
Applications**

 **Club and  
Ministry  
Involvement**

 **\$100 Visa Gift Card Giveaway!**

**Cornerstone Preparatory Academy**  
3588 Hickory Grove Road  
Acworth, GA 30101

## Pope High School College Mini-Fairs – Save the Dates

We have had 2 amazing college fairs so far this fall with 2 more scheduled (**October 18 and November 8**). **Students of all grade levels**, please save the dates and plan to join us in the Old Gym during X-block to visit with numerous colleges and universities. There is no need to reserve your spot! Simply head to the Old Gym at the start of X-block, visit with as many schools as you like. When the bell rings at 2:50 pm please either leave campus if you have a ride, or proceed to the Old Theater where you will remain until 3:30 when the bell rings. A list of our next fair's participants is in the flyer below!



# COLLEGE FAIR #3

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023  
DURING X-BLOCK 2:15-2:50 PM  
IN THE OLD GYM

Agnes Scott University  
Augusta University  
Dalton State College  
Emerson College  
Georgia Army National Guard  
Georgia College & State University  
Gordon State College  
Kennesaw State University  
The Marines  
New York University  
Samford University  
University of Kentucky  
University of North Georgia  
University of Tennessee - Knoxville  
US Army

## University of Michigan – 2 Virtual Information Sessions



Join Aaron Lett, Admissions Counselor, as he hosts 2 virtual information fairs for the University of Michigan. He will give a brief introduction to the admissions process, and then use the remaining time for a Q&A session. Interested students should register for either session by clicking on the date below:

**Wednesday, October 11th:** 6:15 pm-7:45 pm EST

Join Zoom Meeting <https://umich.zoom.us/j/8695395931> Meeting ID: 869 539 5931

**Wednesday, October 18th:** 1:45 pm-3:15 pm EST

Join Zoom Meeting <https://umich.zoom.us/j/8695395931> Meeting ID: 869 539 5931

## Should I Apply Early Decision to College?

This is a great [article](#) to help you decide if you should consider applying early decision to a college.

## FAFSA Changes and Delay

There are major changes and improvements coming to the 2024–25 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form. As a result, **the new form will be available in December 2023, not October 1**, as in prior years. Please view this video to learn about the changes to the FAFSA that seniors/families will complete for college <https://youtu.be/UOglb7StyPU?si=U55uZPwLYw-z08s5>. Learn more about FAFSA updates coming soon: <https://StudentAid.gov/decemberfafsa> Learn more about the FAFSA process at <https://StudentAid.gov>. When the FAFSA opens in December, you will complete your FAFSA at <https://fafsa.gov>. And finally, a [great article](#) on the FAFSA and delays this year.

## Applerouth – The Digital SAT



Applerouth is hosting a webinar on **October 19<sup>th</sup> at 8 pm:** [The Digital SAT is Coming: What High Schoolers Need to Know](#). Join Applerouth founder, Jed Applerouth, and digital SAT expert, Matthew Kiesner, as they talk about the digital SAT coming in March and what all this change means for current high schoolers as they apply to college.

## **Interested in the Military?**

Would you like to learn more about the military? Mark your calendar for **this Saturday, October 14<sup>th</sup>** and head over to South Cobb High School. There will be a military fair and information sessions. See the flyer below for more details.

# **HOW TO LEVERAGE A MILITARY EXPERIENCE**

**SAILOR, SOLDIER, AIRMAN, SCHOLAR**

# **OCTOBER 14, 2023**

**INFORMATION SES: 9:30AM AND 10:30AM**  
**MILITARY CAREER FAIR: 9:00AM 11:00AM**


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PERFORMING ART CENTER**

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## Jewish Educational Loan Fund

Have you heard of [JELF \(Jewish Educational Loan Fund\)](https://jelf.org/)? For over 60 years JELF has been providing 0% interest loans to students who are from FL, GA, NC, SC, or VA (excluding metro DC) and pursuing higher education at the U.S.-accredited institution of their choice. To learn more about getting involved, applying, or making a donation, visit <https://jelf.org/>.



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## EnCORE Academy



EnCORE Academy is a post-high school program in partnership with Gwinnett Technical College. Students will be part of a learning community at the EnCORE campus in Woodstock, Georgia. Students will enroll in college-level courses offered through Gwinnett Tech, and they will receive course specific support during and after a class, engage in structured social skills opportunities, integrate available resources to support personalized needs, and learn to navigate the first-year of college. Students can select a full or part-time learning track. EnCORE Academy will work with families as they navigate the application, enrollment, registration, and support services processes. Details about the program are available [here](#). For those interested,

there is an upcoming information session on **tomorrow, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm**. Please register [for the info session](#) and if you have any questions, email [deepa.shriram@thecoreschool.org](mailto:deepa.shriram@thecoreschool.org).

## HOBY Leadership Program for Sophomores



The Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership (HOBY) Program is a 3-4 day seminar that takes place in Georgia (location TBD) sometime in May/June, 2024. This is a wonderful opportunity for rising juniors to develop leadership and communication skills and learn how to apply these skills to become effective and ethical leaders in their home, school, and community. Students will live on a college campus, learn about their leadership style, and connect with leaders around the state. Pope can send up to 3 students, and the cost is \$395/person. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please stop by the Counseling Office and see Mrs. Anderson and visit [www.HOBY.org](http://www.HOBY.org).

## High School to High Heels Mentoring Program

The Northwest Georgia Chapter of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. is excited to extend an invitation to young ladies in grades 9-12 to participate in its High School to High Heels Mentoring Program. Spearheaded by the Education Committee, the Mentoring Program is an excellent opportunity to meet others in the community and be mentored by dynamic women committed to providing African American female youth with tools to help them succeed as they complete their high school education and pursue educational goals at the post-secondary level. Participants in the program will engage in activities that promote advocacy for social justice, nurture mind, body, and soul, foster economic empowerment, and establish lifelong social and professional networks. The High School to High Heels Mentoring Program strives to promote leadership skills and increase exposure to careers in STEM, while increasing the number of African American females who attend college and ultimately obtain a bachelor's degree and beyond. Participation in the mentoring program affords graduating seniors the opportunity to

qualify for college scholarships. For more details, please plan to attend a [virtual information session](#) on October 14<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 12 pm.

## Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month



Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month continues through Sunday and this week we recognize **SONIA SOTOMAYOR** who became the first Latina and the third woman to serve on the Supreme court of the United States. She received degrees from Princeton University and Yale Law School.

Please stop by our Counseling bulletin board right outside Room 102 to read more about Hispanic/Latinx Heritage Month.

## Navigate Notification Overload – Ways Parents Can Help Kids

Check out this [blog](#) by Dr. Delaney Ruston as she lays out effective tools parents and their kids can follow to navigate notification overload on their phones.

## End Human Trafficking

**Save The Date!** In January, there is going to be a panel discussion by experts who are working to heighten awareness and create strategies for prevention of Human Trafficking. You can get more information by contacting 2MyPlace, which is co-sponsoring this event. Contact information is in the flyer below.

A yellow flyer with black and white text. At the top, it says "Not in My Neighborhood - Oh Yes it Is!" in a bold, sans-serif font. Below that, it says "Please join 2myPlace and The Rotary Club to End Human Trafficking". The main text describes a panel discussion with experts and survivors on January 10, 2024 at 7 p.m. at Congregation Etz Chaim, 1190 Indian Hills Parkway, Marietta, 30068. On the right side, there is a white rectangular graphic with the words "SAVE the DATE" in a bold, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom, there are logos for 2myPlace, Rotary Club to End Human Trafficking, and a QR code.

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**January 10, 2024 at 7 p.m.**

Congregation Etz Chaim  
1190 Indian Hills Parkway  
Marietta, 30068

**SAVE the DATE**

**2myPlace**  
Education, Awareness, Prevention  
901 Macy Drive, Roswell GA 30076 - Phone: 770.815.6044  
Non-profit 501c3 - EIN#81-1761365 - www.2myPlace.org

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Club to  
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