



# Junior/Senior Advisement

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Junior Year To-Do List	Senior Year To-Do List
<p><b><u>AUGUST – DECEMBER</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Create an account on <a href="http://www.GAFutures.org">www.GAFutures.org</a> to monitor your HOPE GPA.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Start Studying and taking <b>PRACTICE SAT and/or ACT tests.</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Start researching careers using GA Futures, YouScience.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Start researching colleges and visiting colleges.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Take the YouScience assessment to help <u>identify career options.</u></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>AUGUST – DECEMBER</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Finalize list of colleges and start applying.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Continue searching and applying for scholarships.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Take or Re-take SAT/ACT (if necessary)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Request your FSA ID (FAFSA)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Apply for FAFSA beginning OCTOBER 1<sup>st</sup></li> </ul>
<p><b><u>JANUARY-FEBRUARY</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Register to take the SAT/ACT in the SPRING! (we recommend you take it after you have had Alg 2 and Am Lit)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Start researching and applying for Scholarships.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>JANUARY-FEBRUARY</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Research and apply for Scholarships.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Continue applying to colleges (if necessary).</li> </ul>
<p><b><u>MARCH-JUNE</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Take the SAT/ACT!</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Start researching and applying for Scholarships.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>MARCH-JUNE</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> You <b>REALLY</b> need to apply to college if you are planning to start in the fall.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Finalize post-secondary plans (college, military or work).</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>-College Deadline to Accept!!</li> </ul> <p><i>GRADUATE in may</i></p>
<p><b><u>SUMMER</u></b></p> <p>Continue to research colleges and scholarships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Write admissions essays!</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> <u>Create a scholarship calendar!</u></li> </ul>	<p><b><u>SUMMER</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Relax and spend time with family and friends before everyone leaves for school, military, work and life after high school. Remember to keep in touch!!</li> </ul>



## CAREER INTERESTS

Do you know what you want to do?    How do you decide?    Where do you begin?

### THINK ABOUT...

The Natural Gifts you feel driven to use.  
The subjects you enjoy.

The role you usually play on a team.  
Ideal work environment

### STILL NOT SURE?!

Take a Career Interest Inventory on  
[YouScience!](#)

Answer questions with this in mind:

- Is this something you would want to do for the rest of your working life? (e.g. work outdoors, work with kids, etc.)
- Avoid choosing “not sure” responses. Either you like it or you don’t.

### Look at specific career options within the field.

For example, Pre-Med, Business and Education are all very broad fields. Think about the area of that field that interests you within that major!

Things to Consider:

- Job availability upon graduation
- Job locations upon graduation
- Education Required
- Salary Range
- Work Demands

## RESOURCES to HELP with your CAREER/COLLEGE SEARCH

### GA Futures

- ☐ Career Exploration
- ☐ College Planning
- ☐ [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org)

### O\*Net Online

- ☐ Career Exploration
- ☐ Job Analysis
- ☐ [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org)

### Big Future

- ☐ Explore Careers
- ☐ Find Colleges and Create a Plan
- ☐ [www.bigfuture.org](http://www.bigfuture.org)

### YouScience

- ☐ Career Exploration
- ☐ [www.youscience.org](http://www.youscience.org)

### Occupational Outlook Handbook

- ☐ Career Information
- ☐ [www.bls.gov/ooh/](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/)



## WHAT TRAINING IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR CAREER CHOICE

### 1. On the Job Training/ Apprenticeship

Ex. Customer Service,  
Warehouse, Electrician,  
HVAC

### 2. Military

Air Force, Army, Coast  
Guard, Marines, Navy,  
Reserves, National  
Guard

### 3. Specialty School

For profit schools such  
as [Full Sail](#), [Georgia  
Film Academy](#), [Lincoln  
Tech](#), [UTI](#) (Universal  
Technical Institute, and  
[Paul Mitchell](#)

## ON THE JOB TRAINING

## VS

## APPRENTICESHIP

Short period of time

Takes 1-6 Years to learn the job from someone  
who is licensed in the field.

Structured Hands On Training

Most common in skilled trades: Electrician,  
HVAC and other Construction fields.

Trained by Peers or Supervisor

Often paid while being trained-typically at NO  
COST to you.

Don't typically require tests for certification or  
licensure

May also require formal classes to learn the job  
and prepare for the licensure exam. Often requires  
formal licensure.



## JOINING THE MILITARY:

### Is this right for you?

☐ **Go to** <http://www.military.com/Recruiting/Home/> to  
research.

☐ **Decide** if you're ready to join, and **discuss** your decision  
with a parent or guardian. **Choose** the right branch for you.

☐ **Meet** with a recruiter when you are ready. Call in  
advance to see what you need to take with you.

☐ **Take the ASVAB** (Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude  
Battery). Go to <http://www.military.com/ASVAB>.  
Take practice tests because this test determines your job in the  
military.

Branch	Website	Phone Number
U.S. Army	<a href="http://www.goarmy.com">http://www.goarmy.com</a>	1.800.USA.ARMY
U.S. Air Force	<a href="http://www.airforce.com">http://www.airforce.com</a>	1.800.423.USAF
U.S. Marine Corps	<a href="http://www.marines.com">http://www.marines.com</a>	1.800.MARINES
Army National Guard	<a href="http://www.nationalguard.mil/">http://www.nationalguard.mil/</a>	1.800.GO.GUARD
U.S. Navy	<a href="http://www.navy.com">http://www.navy.com</a>	1.800.USA.NAVY
U.S. Coast Guard	<a href="http://www.gocoastguard.com">http://www.gocoastguard.com</a>	1.800.424.8883



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## **SPECIALTY SCHOOLS: Schools that offer training for a specific career.**

**Keep in Mind that these are FOR PROFIT schools. Financial Aid may be limited and they can be costly!**

Schools	Types of Programs
Full Sail	Entertainment Media, Arts and Technology
Paul Mitchell, Aveda, Toni & Guy, etc	Cosmetology
Lincoln Tech, UTI	Diesel Mechanic, etc.
Art Institute of Atlanta	Culinary Programs, etc.

## **COLLEGE: What type of School is Right for YOU!!**

Technical Colleges (Certificate, Diploma, Associates)	Two Year Colleges (Associates Degree)	Four Year Colleges (Bachelor's Degree and beyond)
Ex. Cosmetology, Practical Nursing, Radiography, Fire Science Tech	Ex. Georgia Highlands or Georgia Perimeter at GA State	Ex. Public, Private, In-State, Out-of State

**STEP 1: Think about what is important to you and do some research. Use the questions below as a guide.**

Academics	Activities	Admission Requirements
What majors do they offer? Is the school accredited? Student to Faculty ratio? Typical class size?	What clubs and organizations are available? What sororities and fraternities are on campus? What athletics or intramurals are available?	What are the requirements? Do they offer Early Action or Early Decision deadlines? What tests are required (e.g. ACT, SAT, ACCUPLACER)? What are the average test scores and GPA's for students that they admit? How do they calculate GPA for <u>admissions</u> ?
College Expenses	Environment	Housing
What is the total cost of attendance (tuition, room/board, etc.)? What is the estimated total budget for attending all 4 years? How much are the application fees?	Do you want to be in a rural, urban or suburban setting? What is the location and size of the nearest city? Is the student body all male, all-female, co-ed? Is there a religious affiliation? Public <u>or</u> <u>Private</u> ?	What housing options are available on and off campus? What is the layout of the dorms? What meal plans <u>are available</u> ?
Size	Location	Financial Aid
What is the size of the student body? What is the physical size of the campus?	Do you want to stay in state or out-of-state? How far (or close to) home do you want to be?	What are the deadlines for Financial Aid? What forms are required (FAFSA or CSS)? What percentage of the student population received aid? What scholarships are available?



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**STEP 2: Make a list of potential schools and research them.**

Plan to apply to at least three colleges; one where you are likely to be accepted (safety), one that is your target school, and one that would be a “reach” or challenge.

<b>Dream/Reach School</b>	your GPA, course difficulty level, and test scores are below the average but <u>still meets the minimum requirements</u>
<b>Target</b>	your GPA, course difficulty level, and test scores are within the average/minimum
<b>Safety</b>	your GPA, course difficulty, and test scores are above the average/minimum

**\*\*\*Not all schools have a competitive admissions process. Some colleges set minimum admissions standards that if met, grant your acceptance. You should call or email the college’s admissions office & ask about their specific admissions criteria if you cannot find it online\*\*\***

**STEP 3: Use some or all of the resources below to gather information on potential schools.**

College/University’s Admissions Page	<a href="http://www.gafutures.org">www.gafutures.org</a>
Attend College Fairs	<a href="http://www.collegeboard.org">www.collegeboard.org</a>
Talk to Reps @ lunch in the CHS cafeteria	
Go on College Visits	Check the college’s website for information
Go on Virtual College Visits	<a href="https://www.campusreel.org/">https://www.campusreel.org/</a>

**STEP 4: What is your current GPA? What type of GPA does the school you want to attend use for admissions decisions?**

<b>College or Core GPA</b>	The average of 17 core classes: 4 English, 4 math, 4 science, 3 social studies, 2 world languages. Most GA colleges use this to determine admissions. If you have taken AP courses; they may leave the weight in, they may take it out or <u>recalculate using their own formula</u> . <b>Every school is different!!</b>
<b>Cumulative GPA (Weight and Unweighted)</b>  <i>These are the GPA’s on your Callaway High School transcript.</i>	Average of every class you have ever taken in HIGH SCHOOL-pass or fail. If you took AP classes, your weighted GPA will be different than the unweighted GPA. Neither of these are your HOPE GPA. AP courses give you 2.0 extra quality points.
<b>HOPE GPA</b>  You can find this on <a href="http://www.gafutures.org/">http://www.gafutures.org/</a> ; <b>NOT</b> on your Callaway High School transcript.	The average of ALL Core Classes, not just the 17 mentioned above. Calculated using your English, math, science, social studies and world languages ONLY! They will give you a 0.5 <u>extra quality point for AP and DE, up to a 4.0.</u>

**STEP 5: What about your test scores? Do you meet the schools minimum requirements?**

You need to study before you take them. Don’t take them blindly!! **TAKE PRACTICE TESTS** Wait until spring of junior year!

**STEP 6: Start going on College visits to narrow down your list.**

You should schedule visits when classes are in session to get a feel for campus life. If you are interested in the school, do a formal tour and also take the time to walk around on your own. Talk to current students about their experiences.



## STEP 7: Understand the DECISION PROCESS for each school you are considering.

<b>Early Action</b>	Application decisions are made earlier than regular decision deadlines. Not required to <u>accept the offer and have until spring to make a decision.</u>
<b>Early Decision</b>	Students apply early, but the decision is binding. You can <b>ONLY</b> apply to one (1) school ED; if <u>you are accepted you must attend.</u>
<b>Regular Decision</b>	No application decisions are made until after the posted deadline; usually 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester, <u>possibly allowing you time to retake SAT/ACT if necessary and submit Semester 1 grades.</u>
<b>Rolling Decision</b>	<u>Application decisions are made as they are received until all classes are filled.</u>

## STEP 8: Before you begin applying next year, review each school's application requirements. Pay attention to the admissions deadlines!!! They are firm!

<b>Application</b>	Links to apply can be found on the college's admissions page-some use Common Application, <u>Coalition Application, SendEdu, etc.</u>
<b>Application Fee</b>	<u>All schools require a fee, but they are sometimes waived depending on the situation.</u>
<b>Official Transcript</b>	Requested through GAFutures for in-state schools and Counseling office for out of state <u>schools.</u>
<b>Official SAT/ACT Scores</b>	Required by most. You must have them sent via College Board (SAT) or ACT.
<b>Recommendations</b>	Depends on the school-if they don't ask for it, don't send it!! May be described as Counselor Recommendation/School Evaluation and/or Teacher Recommendation (core teachers should <u>complete the teacher recommendation</u> ).

High School Graduation Requirements	VS	College Admissions Requirements
Determined by the GADOE		Often greater than graduation requirements (even in GA) i.e. <u>math or world languages</u>
Tracked by you, your school counselor and teachers		Must take SAT/ACT (4 year colleges) or ACCUPLACER (Tech <u>Schools</u> )
Must <u>PASS</u> the 23 required classes in order to participate in graduation and earn a diploma.		Meeting minimum admission requirements <b>DOES NOT GUARANTEE</b> admissions.

## TESTS YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO TAKE

SAT and/or ACT	ACCUPLACER	ASVAB	Certification/Licensing Exams
4 Year College/Univ	2 Year/Technical College	Military	Apprenticeship/Work

	<b>SAT</b> <u><a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a></u> (3 hours + 50 min optional essay)	<b>ACT</b> <u><a href="http://www.actstudent.org">www.actstudent.org</a></u> (2 hours 55 min + 40 min optional essay)
<b>Scores</b>	Perfect Score: 1600 National Avg: 1060 Georgia Avg: 1064 Troup County Avg: 1023 Callaway Avg: 994	Perfect Score: 36 National Avg: 21 Georgia Avg: 21.4 Troup County Avg: 19.6 Callaway Avg: 17.4
<b>Sections</b>	Reading, Writing & Lang, Math	Reading, English, Math, Science
<b>Questions</b>	Requires more time to understand and answer	Tend to be more straightforward.
<b>Reading</b>	5 Reading passages	4 Reading passages





<b>Science</b>	If you're a true science-phobe, the SAT might <u>be a better fit</u> .	Science section tests your critical thinking skills.
<b>Math</b>	<b>Both have the same advanced math concepts:</b> Arithmetic, Algebra I & II, Geometry and Trigonometry	
<b>Tools</b>	You do NOT get to use a calculator on all the <u>math questions</u>	You get a calculator for ALL math questions.
<b>Essay</b>	Optional-50 minutes <u>Focuses on Comprehension</u>	Optional-40 minutes <u>Evaluate and Analyze complex issues</u>
<b>SAT &amp; ACT: There is NO PENALTY for GUESSING—don't leave anything blank</b>		

<b>Improving Your ACT or SAT Score</b>		
<b>Necessary Information</b>	<b>What to Do with the Information</b>	
<b>The ACT or SAT Score You Have</b>	<p><b>Take a practice test and take it seriously.</b> Establish exam-like conditions. Do each section successively and time yourself. Take a short break if you need to, but don't stop for lunch. The ACT and SAT are endurance tests.</p> <p>Now, <b>consider that score your baseline.</b> This is the score you would earn if you showed up at the exam site today.</p>	
<b>The ACT or SAT Score You Want</b>	<p><b>Compare your baseline</b> with the range from the incoming freshmen class at any of your prospective schools.</p> <p>Unless your score far exceeds the average at all of your prospective schools, expect to spend a fair amount of time preparing before the real test. <b>Improving your score by even a hundred points can <u>significantly improve your chances of admission at many schools.</u></b></p>	
<b>A Plan to Close the Gap</b>	To improve your baseline score, you'll need to determine the problem	
	<b>Problem</b>	<b>Solution</b>
	<b>You're careless</b>	Did you miss questions because you didn't read carefully? If so, you need to <b>practice and drill</b> .
	<b>You're crunched</b>	Did you miss questions because you ran out of time? If so, you need to <b>work on pacing</b> .
	<b>You're clueless</b>	Did you miss questions because you had no idea how to answer? If so, you need to <b>focus on a content review</b> .

<b>TESTS YOU MAY BE REQUIRED TO TAKE (cont.)</b>			
<b>SAT and/or ACT</b>	<b>ACCUPLACER</b>	<b>ASVAB</b>	<b>Certification/Licensing Exams</b>
4 Year College/Univ	2 Year/Technical College	Military	Apprenticeship/Work
<b>ACCUPLACER EXAM: Computer Adaptive College Placement Test</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Used for admission to 2 Year and Technical Colleges (in place of SAT or ACT)</li> <li>➤ Scheduled through the individual colleges</li> <li>➤ Evaluates skill levels in reading, writing and math</li> <li>➤ 3 Integrated Components: Placement Assessments, Diagnostic Assessments and Skill Building Support</li> <li>➤ Immediate results</li> </ul>			



## ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)

**Taking the ASVAB does NOT mean you must join the military.**

It is used as a method to determine eligibility for service in the military. Each branch has different <u>ASVAB score requirements</u> .	It is not an Intelligence Test.  You have 3 hours to complete it.
<b>It is made up of the following sections:</b>	Word Knowledge, Arithmetic Reasoning, General Science, Mathematics Knowledge, Mechanical Comprehension, Electronics Info, Paragraph Comprehension, Auto and Shop Info, Assembling Objects
<b>These four sections make up your AFQT score, which determines your eligibility for enlistment:</b>	Arithmetic Reasoning, Mathematics Knowledge, Paragraph Comprehension and Word Knowledge
<b>Score from combinations of the sections determine your qualification for different military occupational specialties (MOS).</b>	

## Apprenticeship-Licensing/Certification Exams

Work-based training method for that combines formal instruction with on-site, occupational-related training. Some programs may require a licensing exam upon completions: Cosmetology, Electrician, Welding, etc.

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**REMEMBER: Only take the test you need! NEVER take a test without STUDYING!**

<b>Take a practice test or two</b> to identify the areas you need to work on.	FREE online practice tests • <a href="http://www.collegeboard.com">www.collegeboard.com</a> • <a href="https://academy.act.org">https://academy.act.org</a> • <a href="http://www.khanacademy.org">www.khanacademy.org</a>
<b>Brush up on content</b> – The math may not be difficult, but if you haven't seen the concepts since freshman year, you're probably rusty!	<b>Learn <i>how</i> to take the test</b> – it's all about strategy. Learn about test-taking strategies that are specific to the ACT or SAT.

## What type of school is best for you?

Types	Examples
<b>Private-Independent Colleges and Universities</b>  www.georgiacolleges.org	Agnes Scott, Berry College, Brenau, Emory, Life University, Mercer, Morehouse, Spelman, Truett McConnell
<b>University System of Georgia Schools</b>  www.usg.edu/inst	University of West Georgia, Georgia State, UGA, GA Southern, KSU, Columbus State, Georgia College
<b>Technical College System of Georgia Schools</b>  <a href="https://tcsge.edu/">https://tcsge.edu/</a>	West Georgia Technical College, Chattahoochee Tech, Athens Tech, Coastal Pines Tech, Gwinnett Tech
<b>Out of State Schools</b>  College's website, GAFutures	U of Alabama, Auburn, Samford, Florida State, Mississippi State, Ole Miss, U of South Carolina, College of Charleston, University of Tennessee



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College/University	Average GPA	Average SAT	Average ACT
<b>INSTATE PRIVATE COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES</b>			
Agnes Scott College (Women's College)	3.75	1140-1330	24-30
Emory University	3.78 (unweighted)	1350-1530	31-34
Mercer University	3.94	1280	27
Spelman College (HBCU-Women)	3.8 (weighted)	1209	25
Morehouse (HBCU-Men)	3.6	1170	24
<b>RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES (Georgia)</b>			
Georgia State University	3.3-3.8	1070-1260	21-28
Georgia Institute of Technology	4.0+	1400-1530	31-34
University of Georgia	3.95-4.20	1300-1450	30-34
<b>COMPREHENSIVE UNIVERSITIES (Georgia)</b>			
Georgia Southern University	3.36	1139	23
Kennesaw State University	3.32	1154	24
University of West Georgia	3.16	984	20
Valdosta State University	3.13	1002	21
<b>STATE UNIVERSITIES (Georgia)</b>			
Columbus State University	Minimum 2.5	ERW 480 M 440	ENG or READ 17 MATH 17
Fort Valley State University (HBCU)	Minimum 2.25	ERW 490 M 440	ENG 17 MATH 17
Georgia College	3.39-3.87	1140-1280	24-29
Savannah State University (HBCU)	Minimum 2.0	ERW 480+ M440+	ENG or READ 17 MATH 17
<b>STATE COLLEGES (Georgia)</b>			
College of Coastal Georgia	Minimum 2.0	READ 19 MATH 19.5	ENG or READ 14 MATH 14
Georgia Highlands Minimum	2.0	READ 26 MATH 24	ENG 20 MATH 18
<b>OUT OF STATE SCHOOLS</b>			
University of Alabama	3.72	No Info	27
Auburn University	3.83	1166	27
Mississippi State	3.32	No Info	24
University of South Carolina	3.6	1130	25
University of Tennessee	3.2-3.9	1225	27
Howard University (HBCU)	3.46	1149	25



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# Starting at a Technical College

## Who should attend a technical college? What are the benefits?

1. **You don't want to attend a 4 year college, but you do want to continue your education.**
  - Enroll in programs such as Accounting, HVAC, Nursing, Auto Tech
  - Earn a Certificate, Diploma or Associates degree in a short period of time.
2. **Your high school GPA isn't high enough to get into the college you want or you aren't sure what you want to major in?**
  - a. It's a fresh start. Your GPA will start over and then you can transfer.
  - b. Use the time to take your core classes. These are the same classes you would take at a 4 year school also.
  - c. Once you **earn 30 hours** of college credit, you can apply as a **transfer student to most schools**.
  - d. West Georgia Tech has a partnership with schools that are part of the University System of Georgia. You can take classes that are guaranteed to transfer. For more information go to <https://www.westgatech.edu/admissions/registrars-office/articulation-agreements/>
3. **You want/need to save money or you can't afford to go to a 4-year college right away.**
  - a. Taking classes at a technical school can help you **save money** during your first year or two of college!
  - b. You can use the HOPE Grant.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Must have earned a GED or High School Diploma
- All applicants must submit scores from SAT, ACT, or the ACCUPLACER (ACCUPLACER is offered at West Georgia Tech)
- Students who earn scores placing them into all three areas of learning support (reading, English, math) are not eligible for admission to any USG institution. Students who test below the System minimum scores are not eligible for regular admission.

**ACCUPLACER:** *There may be a minimal fee to test. Contact the school to inquire.*

West Georgia Technical College

<https://www.westgatech.edu/admissions/placement-tests-policies/>

Preparatory Material

<https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students>



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## FINANCIAL AID: WAYS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

Grants & Scholarships	Loans	Work Study Programs
Do <b><u>not</u></b> have to be repaid  Based on specific requirements	Must be repaid after college <b>Subsidized Loans</b> - 6 months after you graduate from college <b>Unsubsidized Loans</b> -begin paying Interest as soon as your school receives the money	Must apply through FAFSA and meet requirements  Student has a job on campus  <u>Money earned helps pay for college</u>

ZELL MILLER SCHOLARSHIP	HOPE SCHOLARSHIP	ZELL MILLER GRANT	HOPE GRANT
* <b>REMEMBER:</b> Your ZELL & HOPE GPA is based on all classes taken in the following core subject areas: English, math, science, social studies, and world languages.		<b>3.5 GPA REQUIRED</b>	<b>NO MINIMUM GPA Required</b>
Covers <b>100%</b> tuition (not including books or fees) <b>1.</b> Meet HOPE rigor requirements <b>AND</b> <b>2.</b> Graduate with a <b>3.7 HOPE GPA*</b> (as calculated by GSFC) <b>AND</b> <b>3.</b> Meet <b>ONE</b> of the following criteria: (a) scored at least a 1200 on a single administration of the SAT; <b>OR</b> (b) scored a 26 on a single administration of the ACT; <b>OR</b> (c) Valedictorian or Salutatorian	Covers <b>up to 90%</b> of the previous year's tuition rate at any Georgia public 2-year college or 4-year university (not including books or fees).  Meet HOPE rigor requirements <b>AND</b> Graduate with a <b>HOPE GPA* of 3.0 (as calculated by GSFC).</b>	GA residents working toward a diploma or certificate at a Technical school or approved USG school.  Retroactively paid if the student has a 3.5 GPA at the end of each semester.	Covers a portion of the tuition based on the number of credit hours a student is taking for anyone enrolled in a <b>technical certificate or diploma program</b> at an eligible public college.  This is offered to Georgia residents (12 months or longer) <b>regardless of GPA.</b>

**HOPE CAREER GRANT- FREE College for 17 High Demand Career Fields**



<b><u>WHERE CAN YOU FIND MONEY?</u></b>	<b><u>HOW DO YOU GET THE MONEY?</u></b>
<b>CHS Scholarship Page and Announcements</b>	<b>Apply early and often</b> – scholarships have deadlines too!
<b>Search Websites</b> such as <a href="http://www.gafutures.org">www.gafutures.org</a> , <a href="http://www.fastweb.com">www.fastweb.com</a> , <a href="http://www.careercruising.com">www.careercruising.com</a>	Complete the <b>FAFSA</b> , complete the <b>CSS</b> (if required), apply for <b>ALL SCHOLARSHIPS</b> you are eligible for.
Ask your <b>employer</b> or your parent's employer	Put together a resume and prepare a personal statement so you will be ready to apply. You can start this now!! You <u>may already have something written that you can use!!</u>
Look at the college's <b>financial aid office webpage</b>	<b>Do GA Colleges not have your major? Want to go to college out-of-state and pay in-state tuition?</b> Check into the Academic Common Market.
<b>Look for Community Scholarships</b>	Resources-church, military, sororities, fraternities, etc.

