



9TH GRADE
INFORMATION
SESSION

Fall 2021

Mrs. Royals

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE ² SUCCESSFUL IN HIGH SCHOOL.....AND BEYOND

- High School credits
- Promotion Requirements
- Graduation Requirements
- GPA
- Transcripts
- HOPE Scholarship
- Student Responsibilities in the Classroom
(Attendance, Study Skills, Make up Work,
Talking to your teacher)

WHAT ARE HIGH SCHOOL³ CREDITS?

- You will earn credit for every course that you take during high school
- At LCHS, you will earn **.5 credit each semester**
 - Grades (report cards) are given every 9 weeks. Each 9 weeks is half of your semester average.
- You can earn .5 credit for one semester, and not .5 credit for the next semester
- You NEED the **FULL CREDIT**
- If you fail a semester, then you will need to make that up in order to meet graduation requirements.

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

- Must have 5 credits after first year to be a sophomore
- Must have 11 credits after second year to be a junior
- Must have 17 credits after third year to be a senior
- Must have 23 credits to graduate

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ENGLISH

- Four years (or credits) of English are required
 - 9th Lit
 - 10th Lit
 - 11th Lit (Must be American Lit)
 - 12th Lit
- Dual enrollment literature can substitute

MATH

- Four years (credits) of Math are required
 - Algebra I
 - Geometry
 - Algebra II
 - 4th math – there are several options
 - PreCalculus
 - Adv. Math Decision Making
 - Math of Finance
 - Dual enrollment

SCIENCE

- Four years (or credits) of Science are required
 - Physical Science or Physics
 - Biology
 - Environmental Science or Chemistry
 - 4th Science – there are many choices
 - Some examples: Forensic Science, Animal Science, Plant Science, etc.
 - Be careful to choose courses that meet four year college admissions requirements if that's your plan

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Three credits of Social Studies are required
 - ½ credit of Citizenship
 - ½ credit of Economics
 - World History
 - US History

- Also required
 - ½ credit of Health
 - ½ credit of Personal Fitness
 - 3 years of NJROTC will satisfy this requirement

ELECTIVES

- 7 credits of Electives are required
 - 3 credits must come from Fine Arts, OR Foreign Language, OR CTAE
 - Fine Arts examples: Band, Chorus, Drama, Art
 - CTAE examples: Construction, Healthcare, Business, etc.
 - Foreign Language: Spanish.
 - Any combination of these will meet this requirement
 - 4 additional credits can come from any area

SOME THINGS TO CONSIDER...

- Students who wish to attend a University of Georgia Institution need to complete 2 years of the same foreign language
- Students who are not planning to attend college, or who plan to attend a Technical college may benefit from pursuing a pathway

WHAT'S A GPA AND WHO CARES?

A = 4.0 (90-100) B = 3.0 (80-89)
C = 2.0 (70-79) F = 0 (0-69)

- Types of GPA - Cumulative (un-weighted), Academic (weighted), HOPE
- Determines class rank (Academic)
- Determines eligibility for HOPE Scholarship
- LCHS adds .5 point for Honors/Dual Enrollment and 1.0 point for AP (HOPE does not weight the same)
- What do colleges look at?

HOW DO I CALCULATE MY GPA?

Step 1: Assign each grade a numeric value

A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1 F=0

* Remember Honors/AP courses receive additional weight

Step 2: Multiply the numeric point value by the units of credit attempted

Step 3: Total the values from step 2 & divide by the total number of courses

Sample Transcript

- Review of Sample Transcript
- You can find your transcript in Parent Portal, under Reports. After your 1st semester of 9th Grade
- Transcript will be updated every semester of high school

District Name: Lee County
 Lee County High School Official Transcript
 School CEEB Code: 111810 Tel: (229)903-2260 Fax: (229)903-3982
 1 Trojan Way, Leesburg, GA 31763



Student Information			
Student Number:	3658618329	Grade:	12
Birthdate:	08/01/2003	Gender:	M
State ID:	3658618329		
Counselor:	Gordon, Monica		
Diploma Type:	General High School Diploma		
Diploma Date:	05/26/2021		

GPA Summary	
Cumulative GPA (Unweighted)	3.083
Class Rank	248 of 416

Academic GPA	
Cumulative GPA (Weighted)	3.392
Class Rank	130 of 411

Attendance						
School Year	Calendar	School Days	Member Days	Absent Days	Tardy	
18-19	18-19 LCHS	176	176	8.00	1	
19-20	19-20 LCHS	137	137	6.00	2	
20-21	20-21 LCHS	176	176	0.00	3	
Total:	3	489	489	14.00	6	

#0114 Lee County Middle School East			
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit

2016-2017 Grade 08 Term 2			
27.2971018 GSE Coordinate Algebra - A	90	0.0000	0.5
40.2110018 High School Physical Sci - A	88	0.0000	0.5
Credit: 1.000 U/W GPA: 0.0000			

2016-2017 Grade 08 Term 4			
27.2971028 GSE Coordinate Algebra - B	86	0.0000	0.5
40.2110028 High School Physical Sci - B	86	0.0000	0.5
23.2310018 Writer's Workshop - B	89	0.0000	0.5
Credit: 1.500 U/W GPA: 0.0000			

#0209 Lee High School 9th Grade Campus			
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit

2017-2018 Grade 09 Term 1			
23.2610000 Honors 9th Literature A	86	0.5000	0.5
27.2972000 Honors Analytic Geometry A	86	0.5000	0.5
26.2120000 Honors Biology A	80	0.5000	0.5
45.2570000 Honors Citizenship & Fundamen	85	0.5000	0.5
46.4450000 Occupational Safety	92	0.5000	0.5
35.0670009 Study Hall/Tools for College A	96	0.5000	0.5
36.0540009 Wght-Training-A	100	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 3.500 U/W GPA: 3.429			

2017-2018 Grade 09 Term 2			
17.0110009 Health 9th Grade Literature B	94	0.5000	0.5
23.2610009 Honors 9th Literature B	85	0.5000	0.5
27.2972000 Honors Analytic Geometry B	87	0.5000	0.5

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Course	Mark	Weight	Credit
2017-2018 Grade 09 Term 2			
26.2120009 Honors Biology B	86	0.5000	0.5
46.4450009 Occupational Safety & fundamen	88	0.5000	0.5
35.0670009 Study Hall/Tools for college B	86	0.5000	0.5
36.0540009 Wght Training B	100	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 3.500 U/W GPA: 3.286			

#0193 Lee County High School			
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit

2018-2019 Grade 10 Term 1			
45.2811000 AP World History A	90	0.5000	0.5
40.0510000 Chemistry A	87	0.5000	0.5
23.0340400 DE: Adv Comp	85	1.0000	1
27.2650000 GSE Adv Alg Hon A	90	0.5000	0.5
60.0710000 Spanish 1A	93	0.5000	0.5
35.0670000 Tools for College A	95	0.5000	0.5
36.0540000 Weight Training A	97	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 4.000 U/W GPA: 3.625			

2018-2019 Grade 10 Term 2			
45.2811000 AP World History B	81	0.5000	0.5
40.0510002 Chemistry B	88	0.5000	0.5
23.0A25400 DE: ELA USG (ENGL 1102)	75	1.0000	1
27.2650000 GSE Adv Alg Hon B	84	0.5000	0.5
60.0710000 Spanish 1B	91	0.5000	0.5
35.0670000 Tools for College B	93	0.5000	0.5
36.0540000 Weight Training B	92	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 4.000 U/W GPA: 3.125			

2019-2020 Grade 11 Term 1			
26.2620000 AP Environmental Science A	80	0.5000	0.5
45.2820000 AP US History A	82	0.5000	0.5
23.0510400 DE: Am Lit	65	1.0000	0
27.0A88400 DE: College Alg	75	1.0000	1
60.0720000 Spanish 2A	93	0.5000	0.5
35.3670000 Tools for College Success A	95	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 3.000 U/W GPA: 2.250			

2019-2020 Grade 11 Term 2			
26.2620000 AP Environmental Science B	83	0.5000	0.5
45.2820000 AP US History B	88	0.5000	0.5
23.0510400 DE: Am Lit	85	1.0000	1
27.0A90400 DE: Math USG PreCal	75	1.0000	1
60.0720000 Spanish 2B	98	0.5000	0.5
35.3670000 Tools for College Success B	100	0.5000	0.5
Credit: 4.000 U/W GPA: 3.000			

2020-2021 Grade 12 Term 1			
45.2160000 AP Psychology A	89	0.5000	0.5
11.0B73400 DE: Computer Sci USG	85	1.0000	1
35.0670000 Tools for College A	100	0.5000	0.5
46.7116000 Work Base Learning (3)-A	76	1.5000	1.5
Credit: 3.500 U/W GPA: 2.714			

#0193 Lee County High School			
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit
2020-2021 Grade 12 Term 2			
45.2160000 AP Psychology B	82	0.5000	0.5
45.0610400 DE: Economics	95	1.0000	1
36.0510000 Online Personal Fitness	80	0.5000	0.5
46.7126000 Work Base Learning (3)-B	80	1.5000	1.5
Credit: 3.500 U/W GPA: 3.286			

Credit Summary	
Total	32.500 31.500
Total Credits	32.500 31.500

*HS Credits - State Codes	Attempted	Earned
CTAE/Fine Arts/For Lang	6.000	6.000
Electives	8.000	8.000
English	5.000	4.000
Health	0.500	0.500
Mathematics	5.000	5.000
Personal Fitness	0.500	0.500
Science	4.000	4.000
Social Studies	3.500	3.500
Total	32.500	31.500

Sample
Transcript

Official's Signature _____

COLLEGE GPA REQUIREMENTS

- High school GPA requirements for an incoming freshman applicant are different depending on which institution is evaluating an application. For many Ivy League, Big Ten, and state universities, for instance, the majority of incoming freshman students have a high school GPA of 3.75 or higher and require a minimum of a 3.0 average. These types of universities, generally, require an applicant to have graduated in the top quarter of his or her class.
- Smaller universities are likely to view a 3.0 average as the baseline for first round applicant choices, with students who have grade point averages between a 2.5 or higher also being likely to gain acceptance. Other universities might only require a 2.0, and consider other factors.
- Many community colleges or technical colleges have no entrance requirement or only require a high school diploma or GED for admission.

WHERE WILL YOUR GPA TAKE YOU?

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College/University	Minimum GPA requirement
Albany State University	2.5
Georgia Southern	2.6
Georgia Southwestern	2.4
Georgia State	3.0
Kennesaw State University	2.6

- Midpoint GPA for UGA first year students is 4.0-4.44 (www.uga.edu, 09/2021)
- Average GPA for GA Tech first year students is 4.2 (www.gatech.edu, 09/2021)

UGA/ GA Tech – “...receives a larger number of applications from academically qualified students than the institution has the capacity to admit and enroll. Consequently, some highly qualified applicants with strong academic credentials may not be extended an offer of admission. ... utilizes a holistic review process which includes the consideration of additional factors such as recommendations, essays, community involvement, and interviews.” (www.usg.edu, 09/2020)

HOPING TO BE AN HONOR GRADUATE?

- Honor Graduates must have a 4.1 honor weight gpa
- Honors with Distinction graduates must have a 4.1 honor weight gpa and must have taken at least 6 honors classes including at least 1 AP class

REMEMBER.....

- If you fail a course, it will have to be repeated
- Failing grades STAY on your transcript
- Higher grades make your GPA better..... so STUDY and be at school EVERY DAY

TESTING

- Students will take a Georgia Milestones Assessment (Georgia Milestones) end-of-course assessment at the end of the year for the following courses
 - **Biology**
 - **Algebra I**
 - US History
 - 11th Literature
 - Tests will include constructed responses items, performance tasks, and selected responses items
- These tests count as **20% of your final average** – very important!!!

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

- For students who are Georgia residents and are graduating from a Georgia high school
- Pays a percentage of tuition at colleges in Georgia
- Percentages change every year – can be found at www.gafutures.org

HOW DO I QUALIFY FOR THE HOPE² SCHOLARSHIP???

- Must have a 3.0 gpa in **academic** classes
- HOPE determines your gpa
- Your high school does not determine your HOPE gpa
- New Rigor Requirements – 4 rigor courses
 - Does not have to be AP/Honors courses
- For more information, visit www.gafutures.org
- REMEMBER - Your gpa for HOPE eligibility starts NOW!

HOPE, CONT

- Zell Miller Scholarship – 3.7 gpa, and 1200 on SAT or 26 on ACT
- Pays 100% of tuition
- Rigor Requirements must be met

- HOPE Grant – for Technical Colleges in Georgia
- No initial gpa requirement upon graduation
- Must maintain 2.0 in college

DUAL ENROLLMENT

- Opportunities now limited to 11th and 12th grade students
- Need to take the SAT or ACT or Accuplacer by **December** of your sophomore year
- Questions? Mrs. Brown at the upper campus is the new dual enrollment counselor. Her email is houstonas@lee.k12.ga.us

BEING SUCCESSFUL IN HIGH SCHOOL

Basic Requirements

- Come to school regularly
- Be in class on time
- Be prepared – have your materials
- Pay attention in class
- Complete your assignments
- Find out what you missed when absent – make up work timely

Going Above & Beyond

- Review and Preview Notes
- Attend tutoring
- Communicate with your teacher
- Take detailed notes
- Study nightly
- Keep a calendar
- Stay organized

WHAT NOT TO DO IN HIGH SCHOOL

- Miss school
 - Turn notes in to the front office within **3** days when absent!!
 - Attendance policy – missing more than 10 days means you **will not earn credit** in that class
- Come late to class
- Expect teachers or parents/guardians to be responsible for your work
- Fail to complete your work
- Not pay attention in class
- Cheat – on purpose or by accident
- Earn zeroes – they will kill you average very quickly

WHAT SHOULD I DO TO GET READY²⁷ FOR COLLEGE?

- It may seem like a long way away, but colleges look at what you do in all 4 years of high school – starting now
- Take the most challenging courses you can handle successfully
- Make the best grades you can
- Get involved in your school and community
- Explore and gather information about colleges that interest you
- Visit college campuses
- Plan to take the SAT or ACT as a junior

WHERE
WILL
YOU BE
IN TEN
YEARS
??

