

Preparing for High School, College, and Careers

IGP Conferences

What is an IGP???

- Individual Graduation Plan
- SC High School Graduation Requirements
- Understanding your HS transcript and GPA
- HCS Secondary Program Options
- Yearly academic progress
- Assessment data
- Expectations for next year (possible courses, high school credit classes, etc.)
- Academic or Career Goals

High School Graduation Requirements

Students must earn the 24 required Carnegie units to receive a SC high school diploma. Personal Finance will be added as a requirement within the 7 Elective credits.

Course	Units	Additional Requirements for 4-Year Colleges
English/Language Arts	4	
Mathematics	4	Students planning to enter a 4-year college must complete Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II as a minimum.
Natural Science	3	Students applying to 4-year colleges must earn 3 units of Laboratory sciences. At least 2 must be chosen from biology, chemistry, or physics. Courses in earth science, physical science, or general science will not meet this requirement. It is strongly recommended that students take Physical Science prior to taking the 3 laboratory sciences totaling 4 units.
US History and Constitution	1	
US Government	$\frac{1}{2}$	
Economics	$\frac{1}{2}$	
Other Social Studies	1	
Physical Education (or JROTC)	1	
Computer Science	1	<i>Keyboarding may only count for one half of this requirement</i>
Electives	7	Students in a college preparatory course of study must earn one unit in fine arts.
Foreign Language or CATE	1	Students in a college preparatory course of study must earn one unit in foreign language. If applying to a 4-year college, students need at least 2 units in the same foreign language. (Some require or strongly recommend 3 units of the same foreign language.) Students planning to enter the work force upon graduation must earn one vocational unit.

10 Point Grading Scale - Calculating GPA

- Every 10 percentage points, your grade changes a letter grade
- Should not focus on the letter grade so much as the actual percentage
- The higher the GPA, the better when apply for college
- 2 ways to increase GPA:
 - Increase the %
 - Increase the difficulty of the class

South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale Conversions				
Numerical Average	Letter Grade	College Prep Weighting	Honors Weighting	AP/IB/Dual Credit Weighting
100	A	5.000	5.500	6.000
99	A	4.900	5.400	5.900
98	A	4.800	5.300	5.800
97	A	4.700	5.200	5.700
96	A	4.600	5.100	5.600
95	A	4.500	5.000	5.500
94	A	4.400	4.900	5.400
93	A	4.300	4.800	5.300
92	A	4.200	4.700	5.200
91	A	4.100	4.600	5.100
90	A	4.000	4.500	5.000
89	B	3.900	4.400	4.900
88	B	3.800	4.300	4.800
87	B	3.700	4.200	4.700
86	B	3.600	4.100	4.600
85	B	3.500	4.000	4.500
84	B	3.400	3.900	4.400
83	B	3.300	3.800	4.300
82	B	3.200	3.700	4.200
81	B	3.100	3.600	4.100
80	B	3.000	3.500	4.000
79	C	2.900	3.400	3.900
78	C	2.800	3.300	3.800
77	C	2.700	3.200	3.700
76	C	2.600	3.100	3.600
75	C	2.500	3.000	3.500
74	C	2.400	2.900	3.400
73	C	2.300	2.800	3.300
72	C	2.200	2.700	3.200
71	C	2.100	2.600	3.100
70	C	2.000	2.500	3.000
69	D	1.900	2.400	2.900
68	D	1.800	2.300	2.800
67	D	1.700	2.200	2.700
66	D	1.600	2.100	2.600
65	D	1.500	2.000	2.500
64	D	1.400	1.900	2.400
63	D	1.300	1.800	2.300
62	D	1.200	1.700	2.200
61	D	1.100	1.600	2.100
60	D	1.000	1.500	2.000
59	F	0.900	1.400	1.900
58	F	0.800	1.300	1.800
57	F	0.700	1.200	1.700
56	F	0.600	1.100	1.600
55	F	0.500	1.000	1.500
54	F	0.400	0.900	1.400
53	F	0.300	0.800	1.300
52	F	0.200	0.700	1.200
51	F	0.100	0.600	1.100



DIPLOMA PATHWAYS SEALS OF DISTINCTION OVERVIEW

Students shall meet all requirements for earning a South Carolina high school diploma to be eligible to earn any Seal of Distinction.

One or more Seals may be earned, but are not required for graduation.

Consult District or School Curriculum Guides for more information regarding curriculum choices and requirements.

Honors Seal of Distinction	College-Ready Seal of Distinction	Career Seal of Distinction	Specialization Seal of Distinction
UGP GPA 3.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher or ACT 20 or higher or SAT 1020 or higher Tests may be superscored	UGP GPA 2.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher
<p style="text-align: center;">English - 4 credits 2 at honors or higher level</p> <p>Math - Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th higher level math requiring Algebra 2 as a prerequisite 3 at honors or higher level</p> <p>Lab Science - 3 credits 2 at honors or higher level</p> <p>Social Studies - 3 credits 2 at the honors or higher level</p> <p>World Languages - 2 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2018–2019 3 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2019–2020 and beyond</p> <p>Advanced Coursework - 4 additional credits of honors or higher completed during the Junior/Senior years (the last 2 years prior to graduation)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">English - 4 credits</p> <p>Math - Algebra 1 (or the equivalent of Algebra 1), Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th Higher Level Math</p> <p>Lab Science - 3 credits</p> <p>Social Studies - 3 credits</p> <p>World Language - 2 credits In the same language</p> <p>Fine Arts - 1 credit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">English - 4 credits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Math - 4 credits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Science - 3 credits</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Social Studies - 3 credits</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>and one of the following:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) major OR Career and Technical Education (CTE) Completer</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>and one of the following:</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">One industry recognized credential OR Silver or higher on WIN OR Completion of Career Ready Work-Based Learning (WBL) placement</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(complete one area to qualify)</p> <p>STEM - 4 credits beyond required courses in math, science, technology, and engineering; at least 2 at honors level or higher; may be in 1 area of STEM or across 4 areas</p> <p>World Language - 4 credits in the same language OR minimum ACTFL Exam score of "Intermediate Low" (or an equated score on STAMP or ASL assessment) OR AP exam score of 3 or higher OR IB exam score of 4 or higher before the senior year; <u>English Learners</u> – all criteria above and Level 5 composite ACCESS test score</p> <p>Military - 4 credits in JROTC and an ASVAB score of 31 or higher</p> <p>Arts - 4 credits in single or multiple areas of the Arts; 2 or more at honors or higher level and *mastery on external exam or performance task. *waived for Class of 2022</p>

SC Education Lottery

SCHOLARSHIPs = \$\$\$

TUITION PER YEAR (23-24)

[HGTC](#) - \$5,250

[CCU](#) - \$11,640

[College of Charleston](#) - \$12,518

[USC](#) - \$12,688

[Clemson](#) - \$15,558

	Requirements	Award
SC HOPE Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate from HS with at least 3.0 GPA 	<p>Up to \$2,800 (including book allowance) Freshmen ONLY</p> <p>*Could qualify for LIFE Scholarship for additional years by maintaining a 3.0 and earning at least 30 credits by the end of first academic year.</p>
SC LIFE Scholarship	<p>Students must meet <u>two</u> of the following three for a 4-year school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate from HS with at least 3.0 GPA Top 30% of graduating class 1100 on SAT or 24 on ACT by June of senior year <p>For a 2-year school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate from HS with at least 3.0 GPA 	<p>Up to \$5,000 (including book allowance) each academic year at a 4-year school.</p> <p>Up to the cost of tuition including a \$300 book allowance each year at a 2-year school.</p> <p><u>LIFE Scholarship Enhancement:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students majoring in mathematics, science, and health could earn up to \$7,500 Up to 6 consecutive terms starting the second year
Palmetto Fellows Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Top 6% at the end of 10th, 11th, or 12th grade 1200 on SAT or 27 on ACT 3.5 cumulative GPA <p><u>Alternate Criteria:</u> 1400 on SAT or 32 on ACT and 4.0 GPA</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to \$6,700 for freshman year Up to \$7,500 sophomore, junior and senior years <p><u>PFS Enhancement:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students majoring in mathematics, science, and health could earn up to \$10,000 Up to 6 consecutive terms starting the second year

South Carolina Academic Honors Award

- Complete twenty-four units of credit as prescribed
 - Be eligible for graduation with a state high school diploma
 - Receive a minimum grade of “B” for each semester course in grades 9–12 through the seventh semester
 - Achieve either a score of 710 or higher on the SAT verbal, a score of 690 or higher on the SAT mathematics, a score of 30 or higher on the ACT English, or a score of 33 or higher on the ACT mathematics
- OR**
- Complete twenty-four units of credit as prescribed
 - Be eligible for graduation with a state high school diploma
 - Receive a minimum grade of “B” for each semester course in grades 9–12 through the seventh semester
 - Achieve a combined score of 1400 on the SAT verbal and math sections, or an ACT composite score of 31

Of the twenty-four units earned, eighteen units must be college preparatory coursework, four units in additional electives, and two units in one or more of the following: English, science, social studies, or mathematics.

College preparatory coursework includes the following:

- English (English I or above), four units
- Mathematics (Algebra I or above), four units
- Laboratory science, three units
- Social studies (United States History and Constitution, economics and United States Government and one unit of world history, world geography or western civilization), three units
- Computer science, one unit
- Physical education, one unit
- Foreign language, two units

What if I want to go out-of-state???

- Students who choose to go to college outside the state of South Carolina do not get scholarships from the SC Education Lottery
- Going to college out-of-state is typically MUCH more expensive
 - University of Alabama tuition - \$30,250 per year
 - Ohio State University tuition - \$35,019 per year
 - University of Tennessee tuition - \$31,664 per year
 - University of Georgia - \$31,120 per year
- Why does it cost more to go to college out-of-state???
 - Students who grew up in a different state come from families who haven't paid tax dollars to the state, and thus to the school



College Student Athletes

ONE OPPORTUNITY. LIMITLESS POSSIBILITIES.

If you want to play sports at an NCAA Division I or II school, start by registering for a Certification account with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org. If you want to play Division III sports or you aren't sure where you want to compete, start by creating a Profile Page account at eligibilitycenter.org.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

To play sports at a Division I or II school, you must graduate from high school, complete 16 NCAA-approved core courses, earn a minimum GPA and earn an SAT or ACT score that matches your core-course GPA.

CORE COURSES

Only courses that appear on your high school's list of NCAA core courses will count toward the 16 core-course requirement; visit eligibilitycenter.org/courselist for a full list of your high school's approved core courses. Complete 16 core courses in the following areas:

DIVISION I

Complete 10 NCAA core courses, including seven in English, math or natural/physical science, before your seventh semester.

ENGLISH	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	ADDITIONAL (English, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
4 years	3 years	2 years	1 year	2 years	4 years

DIVISION II

ENGLISH	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	ADDITIONAL (English, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
3 years	2 years	2 years	3 years	2 years	4 years

GRADE-POINT AVERAGE

The NCAA Eligibility Center calculates your **grade-point average** based only on the grades you earn in NCAA-approved core courses.

- DI requires a minimum 2.3 GPA.
- DII requires a minimum 2.2 GPA.

SLIDING SCALE

Divisions I and II use sliding scales to match test scores and GPAs to determine eligibility. The sliding scale balances your test score with your GPA. If you have a low test score, you need a higher GPA to be eligible. Find more information about sliding scales at ncaa.org/test-scores.

TEST SCORES

You may take the SAT or ACT an unlimited number of times before you enroll full time in college. Every time you register for the SAT or ACT, use the NCAA Eligibility Center code **9999** to send your scores directly to us from the testing agency. We accept official scores only from the SAT or ACT, and cannot use scores shown on your high school transcript. If you take either test more than once, the best subscore from different tests are used to give you the best possible score. More information regarding the impact of COVID-19 and test scores can be found at on.ncaa.com/COVID19_Fall_B.



HIGH SCHOOL TIMELINE

**9TH
GRADE**



- *Start planning now!* Take the right courses and earn the best grades possible.

- Find your high school's list of NCAA-approved core courses at eligibilitycenter.org/courselist.
- Sign up for a free Profile Page account at eligibilitycenter.org for information on NCAA requirements.

**10TH
GRADE**



- If you fall behind academically, ask your counselor for help finding approved courses you can take.

- Register for a Profile Page or Certification account with the NCAA Eligibility Center at eligibilitycenter.org.
- Monitor your Eligibility Center account for next steps.
- At the end of the year, ask your counselor at each high school or program you attended to upload your official transcript to your Eligibility Center account.

**11TH
GRADE**



- Check with your counselor to make sure you are on track to complete the required number of NCAA-approved courses and graduate on time with your class.

- Take the SAT/ACT and submit your scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code **9999**.
- Ensure your sports participation information is correct in your Eligibility Center account.
- At the end of the year, ask your counselor at each high school or program you attended to upload your official transcript to your Eligibility Center account.

**12TH
GRADE**



- Complete your final NCAA-approved core courses as you prepare for graduation.
- Take the SAT/ACT again, if necessary, and submit your scores to the NCAA Eligibility Center using code **9999**.

- Request your final amateurism certification beginning April 1 (fall enrollees) or Oct. 1 (winter/spring enrollees) in your Eligibility Center account at eligibilitycenter.org.
- After you graduate, ask your counselor to upload your final official transcript with proof of graduation to your Eligibility Center account.
- *Reminder:* Only students on an NCAA Division I or II school's institutional request list will receive a certification.

How to plan your high school courses to meet the 16 core-course requirement:

**9TH
GRADE**

- (1) English
- (1) Math
- (1) Science
- (1) Social Science and/or additional

4 CORE COURSES

**10TH
GRADE**

- (1) English
- (1) Math
- (1) Science
- (1) Social Science and/or additional

4 CORE COURSES

**11TH
GRADE**

- (1) English
- (1) Math
- (1) Science
- (1) Social Science and/or additional

4 CORE COURSES

**12TH
GRADE**

- (1) English
- (1) Math
- (1) Science
- (1) Social Science and/or additional

4 CORE COURSES

4 X 4 = 16

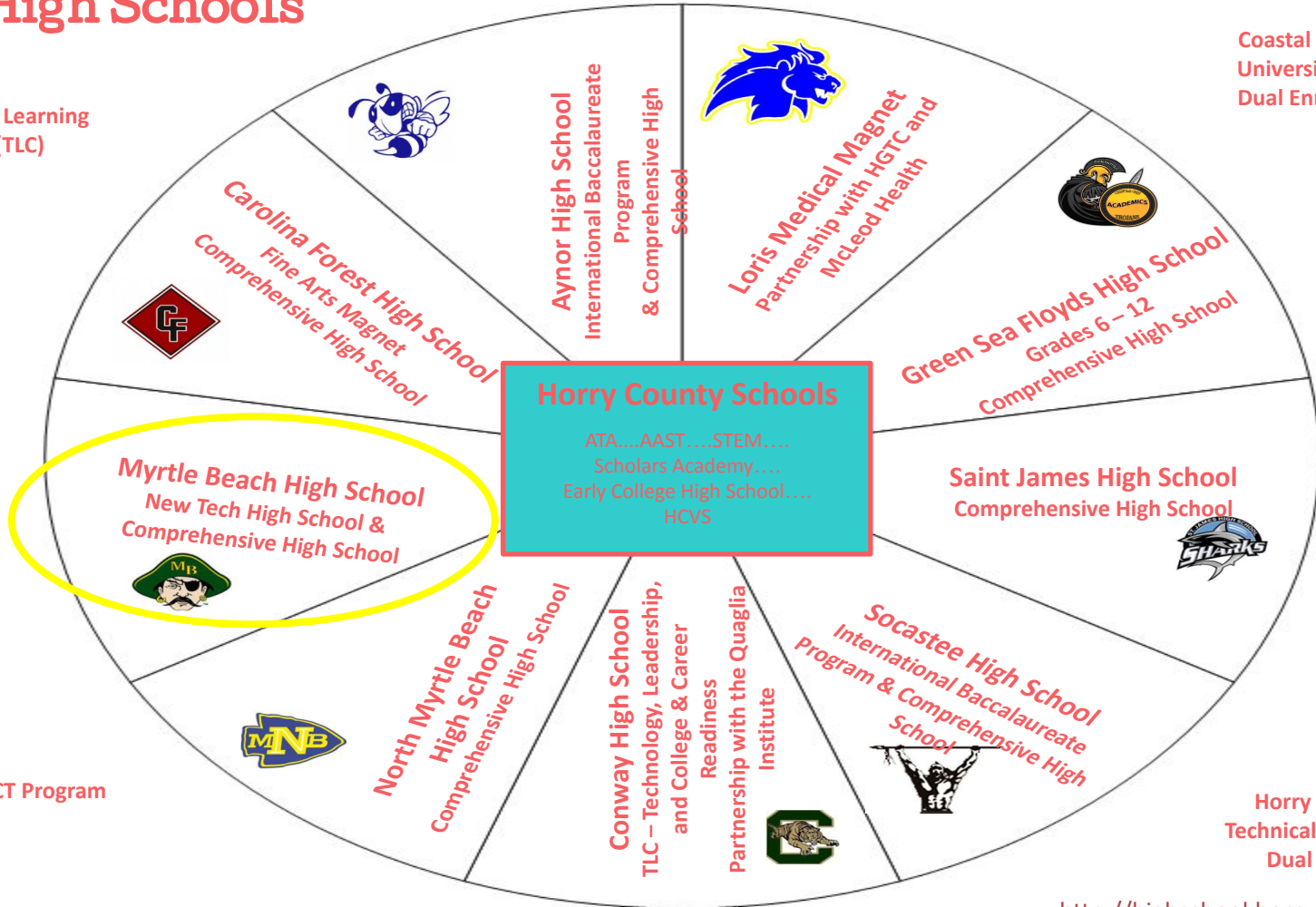
Let's Talk About High School!

HCS High Schools

Therapeutic Learning Center (TLC)

Horry County Education Center (HCEC)

CONNECT Program



Coastal Carolina University (CCU)
Dual Enrollment

HCVS (Part-time,
Credit Recovery,
Initial Credit)

Horry Georgetown Technical College (HGTC)
Dual Enrollment

High School Program Options

Most students choose to attend high school at MBHS but there are other options—

Program schools may have specific requirements that you must begin working toward now

Research each school that you may be interested in at horrycountyschools.net

Apply to multiple programs - they are very competitive

Base High School Options

Aynor and Socastee High School – IB Program

- The general objectives of the IB program are to facilitate geographic and cultural mobility and to promote international understanding through academic experience.
- The IB diploma is designed for students in their last two years of high school. Students may earn a SC high school diploma, while working to meet the requirements for the IB diploma.
- The IB Diploma Program is a challenging and rigorous curriculum leading to a qualification that is widely recognized by leading universities in the United States and around the world.

Conway High School - STEM

- Conway High is also proud to offer students a rigorous, nationally recognized STEM program where students can use 21st century skills to solve hands-on, real world problems.
- Students enrolled in our Project Lead The Way Engineering, Computer Science and Biomedical Science programs earn honors credit and can potentially earn dual enrollment credit.
- Students who enroll in Pharmacology Technology, Veterinary Science and Medical Billing and Coding can potentially earn national certification that can launch them into a career immediately after graduating from high school.
- Other STEM offerings offered at Conway High include General Health Science, Sports Medicine and Marine Science.

More info [here](#).

Other Base Schools

- Carolina Forest High School
- Green Sea Floyds High School
- Loris High School
- North Myrtle Beach High School
- St. James High School

HCS Program Options

Early College High School

- Must apply in 8th grade
- ECHS students will have the opportunity to complete the requirements for a SC High School Diploma and the opportunity to complete up to the required credits needed to earn an Associate's Degree
- Since ECHS is a program school, students may participate in extracurricular and athletic opportunities at their base high school, if that opportunity is not offered at ECHS
- The ECH Selection Committee will review each applicant's grades, attendance, and discipline reports in addition to MAP scores and other tests. **To be considered for admission, students may not be classified as gifted and talented and must be first generation college students**
- ECHS accepts approximately 100 rising ninth grade students per year

More info [here](#). Rubric for applications [here](#).

The Scholars Academy

- Must apply in 8th grade--Algebra 1 and English 1 are required, Geometry is highly recommended
- Scholars Academy is located on the campus of Coastal Carolina University
- Since The Scholars Academy is a program school, students may participate in extracurricular and athletic opportunities at their base high school, if that opportunity is not offered at The Scholars Academy
- Students have the opportunity to explore fields of study under the guidance of HCS and CCU and will accumulate approximately two years of college credits with successful completion of AP exams and CCU courses

More info [here](#). Rubric for application [here](#).

HCS Virtual School

HCS Virtual is not a diploma granting institution. HCS Virtual provides courses that supplement a student's program of study at their base school. For example:

- Students may wish to take an Advanced Placement course their local school does not offer.
- Students may wish to complete their remaining requirements for graduation this semester, yet the needed course offered on campus is full or not offered this semester.
- Students may be homebound or hospital-bound due to an extended illness, yet may wish to remain on schedule and graduate on time.
- Students may wish to enroll in an online course that aligns with personal preferences and interests.

Students may request to enroll in an HCS Virtual course by visiting our website. Interested students should contact their school guidance counselor. For additional information, call HCS Virtual at: (843) 488.7143 or visit HCSVirtual@HorryCountySchools.net

More info [here](#).

Academy for the Arts, Science, & Technology

- 11th and 12th grade students only - students apply in 10th grade
- Since AAST is a program school, students may participate in extracurricular and athletic opportunities at their base high school, if that opportunity is not offered at AAST
- The majors available to students include: Advanced Art, Aerospace Engineering, Computer Science, Clean Energy, Entertainment Technology, Innovations in Science and Technology, Environmental Engineering, Networking, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Medicine, Web and Digital Design
- Students attend AAST to pursue individual interests, participate in experiences such as work-based learning internships, and to earn industry valued credentials necessary for college and career readiness

Academy for Technology & Academics

- 11th and 12th grade students only - students apply in 10th grade
- Since ATA is a program school, students may participate in extracurricular and athletic opportunities at their base high school, if that opportunity is not offered at ATA
- Majors include Automotive Technology, Barbering, Building Construction, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Digital Arts & Design, Emergency & Fire Management, Health Sciences, Pre-Engineering (Project Lead the Way), Culinary Arts, and World Languages
- Students may pursue a license or certification within the Majors programs to become eligible for immediate career employment upon graduation

More info [here](#). Rubric for applications [here](#).

Dual Credit (PACE)

- Through the Program for Accelerated College Enrollment (PACE) at Horry-Georgetown Technical College, eligible high school juniors and seniors can satisfy high school graduation requirements AND earn college credit at the same time, getting an early start on a college degree!
- Students or parents who want more information about PACE/Dual Enrollment should contact their high school guidance office or go to www.hgtc.edu/PACE. For additional information contact Ben Hardee, HCS Director of CATE, at 843-488-6990.

More info [here](#). Info on NEW Technical Scholars Welding Program [here](#).

What Now?

A counselor will meet with you
to discuss your student's
academic progress
