



Chattahoochee High School

9TH & 10TH GRADE GUIDANCE

Counseling Department

Convenient ways to make an appointment with your counselor:

- QR codes located in the Counseling Office or outside the office next to your counselor's photo.
- On the counseling webpage. Click on plus sign next to your assigned counselor (as shown here).

When it's time for your appointment, simply show your teacher the confirmation. This will be your pass for your appointment with your counselor.



From left to right, Mrs. Turner, Ms. Blount, Mrs. Chilson, Mrs. Johnson, and Mrs. Jones.

+ Elizabeth Chilson - A-Daq

+ Curtisa Johnson - Dar-H

+ Laurel Turner - I-Mar

+ Deborah Blount - Mas-Sah

+ Tammy Jones - Sai-Z

**Congratulations on Finishing
Your First Semester of High
School!!!!**

Transcript

- Official record of:
 - All grades earned
 - Cumulative GPA
 - Courses taken
 - Credit earned
- This is what colleges will receive
- Always review for errors (missing credit from middle or summer school, incorrect name spelling, etc.)
- This record is permanent. All grades earned, **both passing and failing**, are recorded. (Summer school does not replace previous grade)
- An unofficial copy of the transcript is available to view and download on both the student and parent portal of Infinite Campus under the documents tab.

Student Information		Credit Summary			
S B S D D ¹		HS Credits Attempted Earned			
Health/Personal Fitness 0.500 0.500		Mathematics 1.500 1.500			
Science 1.000 1.000		Social Studies 1.000 1.000			
World Language 1.000 1.000		Total 9.500 9.500			
GPA Summary		Comments			
Cumulative GPA (Weighted) 85.684		GRADING SCALE			
		90 and above = A NG = No Grade			
		80 - 89 = B W = Withdraw			
		70 - 79 = C WF = Withdraw Fail			
		69 and below = F I = Incomplete			
		CR = Credit			
		By state rule, any grade below 70 is failing			
Enrollment Summary		END OF COURSE TEST SCORE			
Start/End Date	Grade	School	15% of final grade for students who entered 9th grade prior to the 2011/2012 school year.		
09/10/2020-	09	Chattahoochee High School	20% of final grade for students who entered 9th grade for the 2011/2012 school year and beyond.		
08/09/2021-	10	Chattahoochee High School			
08/08/2022-	11	Chattahoochee High School			
#0392 Chattahoochee High School		GC equals grade conversion - the grade that becomes 15% or 20% of the final grade in the course:			
Course	Mark	Weight	Credit	9Lit = 9th Lit Comp BIO = Biology	
2020-2021 Grade 09 Term 1		ALG1 = Algebra I AMLC = AmericanLit Comp			
23.0610000 9th Lit/Comp	89	0.5000	0.5	USH = US History PSC = Physical Science	
60.0120000 French 2	75	0.5000	0.5	ECON = Economics GEOM = Geometry	
27.0991040 GSE Geometry H	87	0.5000	0.5		
17.0110001 Health	96	0.5000	0.5		
25.5210000 Intro Healthcare Sci	89	0.5000	0.5		
36.0270001 Intro Rec Games	94	0.5000	0.5		
Credit: 3.000 GPA: 88.333					
2020-2021 Grade 09 Term 2		Per State Board of Education rule, the Georgia Milestones end of course test accounts for 0.01% of a student's final grade in Algebra I, Biology, US History, and American Literature for the 20-21 School year.			
23.0610000 9th Lit/Comp	88	0.5000	0.5		
45.0570001 Amer Govt/Civics	90	0.5000	0.5		
60.0120000 French 2	70	0.5000	0.5		
27.0991040 GSE Geometry H	88	0.5000	0.5		
25.5210000 Intro Healthcare Sci	87	0.5000	0.5		
36.0270002 Intro Rec Games	98	0.5000	0.5		
Credit: 3.000 GPA: 86.833					
2021-2022 Grade 10 Term 1		HOPE Eligibility Information: http://www.GAfutures.org			
23.0620000 10th Lit/Comp	88	0.5000	0.5		
45.0770000 AP Human Geo	90	0.5000	0.5		
40.0510000 Chemistry	77	0.5000	0.5		
25.4400000 Essen. of Healthcare	74	0.5000	0.5		
27.0992040 GSE Algebra II H	80	0.5000	0.5		
26.0730000 Human Anatmy/ Phys	74	0.5000	0.5		
45.0830000 World History	94	0.5000	0.5		
Credit: 3.500 GPA: 82.429					

Understanding Credits

Final Grades

Your grade in each class is final at the end of each semester.

Grading Scale

A (90+)

B (80-89)

C (70-79)

F (<70)

You must earn a 70 or higher to pass a class.

7 additional points are awarded to a passing grade in honors, AP, and Dual Enrollment courses

On-Track vs. Off-Track

In the middle of 9th grade, you should have earned at least **3.0** credits. Each class (with a few exceptions) earns 0.5 credit per semester

Graduation in 4 Years

- Students must earn **23.0** credits to graduate from high school
- Your counselor tracks your progress toward graduation, and so should you!

Electronic

Academic Plan Progress											
Assigned Graduation Program: General Diploma (Graduation)											
Assigned Academic Programs: No Academic Programs Assigned											
View progress toward Graduation or Academic Program: <input type="text" value="General Diploma (Graduation)"/> ▼											
* Asterisks indicate student does not meet requirement											
Credit Type	08	09	10	11	12	Credit Status ?		Overflow	Total		
	ER	IP	PL								
+ English		1.0 / 1.0	2.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	0.5	0.5	4.0	-1.0	4.0 / 4.0	
+ Mathematics	1.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.5	0.5	3.0	-1.0	4.0 / 4.0	
+ Science		1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	0.5	0.5	3.0		4.0 / 4.0	
+ Social Studies		0.5 / 0.5	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	0.5 / 0.5	0.0	0.5	2.5		3.0 / 3.0	
+ Health/Personal Fitness		0.5 / 1.0			0.5 / 0.0	0.5		0.5		1.0 / 1.0	
CTAE										0.0 / 0.0	
+ World Language	1.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 0.0	1.5	0.5	3.0	-5.0	0.0 / 0.0	
Fine Arts										0.0 / 0.0	
+ CTAE / WL / Fine Arts	0.0 / 0.0	0.0 / 1.0	0.0 / 1.0	0.0 / 1.0		0.0			3.0	3.0 / 3.0	
+ Electives	0.0 / 0.0	1.0 / 0.5	1.0 / 1.0	1.0 / 1.0	0.0 / 1.5	0.5	0.5	2.0	4.0	7.0 / 4.0	
Total	2.0 / 0.0	6.0 / 6.0	7.0 / 6.0	6.0 / 6.0	5.0 / 5.0	5.0	3.0	18.0		26.0 / 23.0	

Paper Worksheet

Graduation Status Report				Name:	
23 Credits Required for Graduation				Total Credits Earned to Date:	
English 4 Credits	Math 4 Credits	Science 4 Credits	Social Studies 3 Credits	Health/Personal Fitness 1 Credit	Electives 4 Credits
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 th Lit Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Biology Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> American Government	<input type="checkbox"/> General Health	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 th Lit Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Biology Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Fitness	<input type="checkbox"/> * Waiver? <input type="checkbox"/> See Electives	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 th Lit Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Science or Physics Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> World History Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> World Language, Fine Arts, or Career Tech - 3 Credits	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 th Lit Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Science or Physics Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> World History Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 th Lit Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Env. Sci. / Chem. / Earth Sys. Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/> US History Sem. 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 th Lit Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Env. Sci. / Chem. / Earth Sys. Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/> US History Sem. 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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*Personal Fitness Waiver requires additional 0.5 Elective credit

Suggested Senior Courses		Additional Courses	Notes:
Fall Semester	Spring Semester		
1	1		
2	2		
3	3		
4	4		
5	5		
6	6		

My signature indicates that I understand my graduation status, and I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to register for the correct classes for graduation. ***Courses above marked with an * are required for graduation.***

Student Signature:	Date:
Counselor Signature:	Date:

Promotion

Seniors:

17.0 or more credits

Juniors:

11.0 – 16.5 credits

Sophomores:

5.0 – 10.5 credits

Freshmen:

0 – 4.5 credits



Roadblocks to Earning Credits



Being absent unnecessarily and not making up work, tests, and quizzes.

Not completing homework and projects.

Losing points by turning in work late

Not studying along the way, cramming the night before a quiz or test

Not seeking additional help from your teacher, classmates, family

Poor time management, both at school and at home

Not taking advantage of Recovery

Zeroes...

Zeroes: The Wrecking Ball of Grades

Here is a sample of a student's Practice grades in a class, with all passing grades and 2 zeroes

100

100

100

→ 0

→ 0

88

70

95

Average: 69 (F)

Here is a sample of a student's Practice grades in a class, replacing those 2 zeroes with 50's

100

100

100

→ 50

→ 50

88

70

95

Average: 81 (B)

Something is better than nothing!!

Receiving even partial credit for an assignment will not hurt your grades as much as a zero.

What if I fail a class?

Retake class(es) in the summer

- Face-to-face summer school
- Fulton Virtual School (FVS)
- Georgia Virtual School (GAVS)
- Registration is typically the first week in March

Credit Recovery

- Only available during the school year
- Taken fully online
- Must be passing all your classes before your counselor will add you to credit recovery
- NOT approved by the NCAA, so not recommended for students who want to play sports for a college in the future

Add course back to schedule in the future (if there is room)

Reminder: Grades for ALL attempted classes are shown on the transcript. If a student fails a class and retakes it, the new grade does not replace the failing grade. If retained at the start of the school year, you will be placed in your previous grade level.



No Pass, No Play

Students must meet certain eligibility requirements to participate in GHSA sports for Chattahoochee:

- Must be on track to graduate (not retained in a lower grade)
- Must have passed **5** classes the semester before their sport starts
- Up to **2.0** credits earned in Summer School combined with Spring semester grades/credits for Fall sports eligibility

Example - students who fail 2 classes in the Fall semester are automatically not eligible for Spring sports.





HOPE/ZELL Miller Scholarship

HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarship Requirements

For HOPE Scholarship students must graduate with a **3.0** as calculated by GSFC.

- The Georgia Student Finance Commission calculates the GPA, not Fulton County Schools.
- At least **4 rigor requirements** must be met. Chattahoochee High School is an eligible accredited high school that will upload final transcripts to GSFC.
- **A portion of tuition is paid to a public Georgia college.** It does not include books, fees, housing, meals, etc. It is just a portion of tuition. The award amount can fluctuate from year to year. This information is available on the Ga Futures website. For any private institution, it is typically a flat award amount per semester, not a percentage of tuition.
- **Must maintain a 3.0 GPA in college**

Please visit Gafutures for additional state aid programs - <https://www.gafutures.org/hope-state-aid-programs/>

For Zell Miller Scholarship students must graduate with a **3.7** as calculated by GSFC.

- The Georgia Student Finance Commission calculates the GPA, not Fulton County Schools. **At least 4 rigor requirements must be met.**
- Students must also earn a required test score before high school graduation
- **ACT** – a composite of **25** or higher on a single national administration or **SAT** – a total test score of **1200** on a single national administration
- Chattahoochee High School is an eligible accredited high school that will upload final transcripts to GSFC.
- **Tuition will be paid to a public Georgia college** if a student is Zell Miller eligible, and a small portion will be paid if it is a private school. Check the website for specific award amounts. It does not include books, student fees, meal plans, housing, etc. or HOPE Scholarship students must graduate with a 3.0 as calculated by GSFC.
- **Must maintain a 3.3 in college GPA in college**

GPA and Scholarships

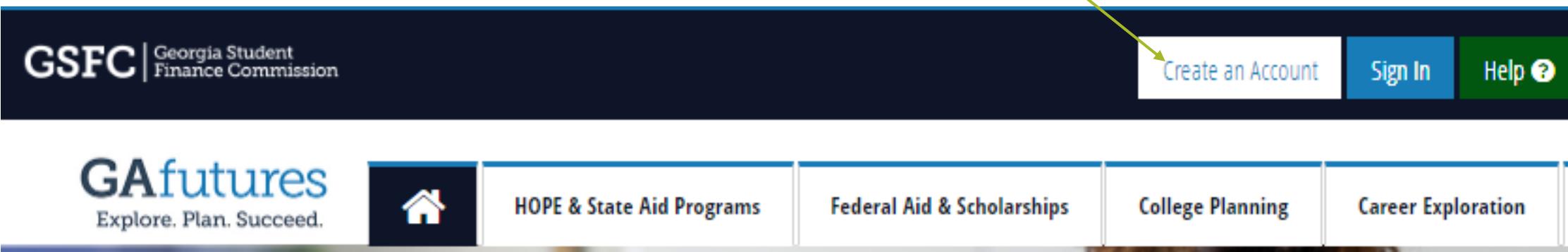
- Fulton County Schools GPA is on a Cumulative Numeric Average.
- HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships are 2 of the most common scholarships
- You can track your HOPE progress GPA after grades are posted every semester in high school.
- Your final HOPE GPA is calculated after you graduate by the GA Student Finance Commission.

Fulton County Cumulative Numeric Average	HOPE GPA
<u>100 point scale</u> All final grades are included (middle school, academic/core, electives, etc.)	<u>4 point scale</u> A=4.0, B=3.0, C=2.0, F=0.0 Academic/Core courses (English, Math, Science, Social Studies & World Language) taken in high school, Academic electives (Ex: Debate, Yearbook, Newspaper, Sociology, & Math Support), and some Career Tech classes (Ex: Essentials of Healthcare, AP Comp Sci A, AP Comp Sci Principles)
Weighted (7 points added to final passing grade for each Honors, AP, & DE course)	Re-weighted (7 honors points are removed before converted to the 4.0 scale, but additional 0.5 quality points added to AP & DE courses, up to a 4.0)
Calculated by Fulton County Posted on high school transcript	Final calculation done by Georgia Student Finance Commission at the end of high school Available on www.gafutures.org

Course	Grades	Con v		Examples
9 th Lit	91	4		:
Algebra	88	3		
Biology	95	4		
Govt	72	2		
Orchestra	95			
Spanish 1	82	3		
GPA	16	3.2		

Course	Grades	Hon	Unweight	Conv	Re-weight	final
9 th Lit H	95	-7	88	3		3
Algebra	88		88	3		3
Biology H	92	-7	85	3		3
AP Gov't	90	-7	83	3	.5	3.5
Orchestra	95					
Spanish 1	87		80	3		3
GPA						3.1

Track your HOPE Progress GPA



The screenshot shows the GAfutures website. At the top, there is a dark blue header with the GSFC logo (Georgia Student Finance Commission) on the left and three buttons on the right: 'Create an Account' (white background, blue text), 'Sign In' (blue background, white text), and 'Help' (green background, white text with a question mark icon). A yellow arrow points from the text 'Create an account on' in the list below to the 'Create an Account' button. Below the header is a navigation bar with the GAfutures logo ('GAfutures' in blue, 'Explore. Plan. Succeed.' in grey) and five categories: 'HOPE & State Aid Programs', 'Federal Aid & Scholarships', 'College Planning', and 'Career Exploration'. The 'Home' icon is also present in the navigation bar.

- Create an account on www.GAFutures.org
- Be sure to enter your full legal name, your correct birthday, your correct Social Security # (if applicable), and your correct high school (some students accidentally select Chattahoochee County HS)
- If all fields are accurately entered, you will be able to see your HOPE progress GPA, through 1st semester at the end of January.
- Then, after each semester in high school, your HOPE progress GPA will automatically update a few weeks after grades post.



Dual Enrollment General Info

What is Dual Enrollment?

- Provides funding for high school students to attend Georgia colleges, universities, and technical schools and take approved college-level coursework for credit toward both high school and college graduation requirements.
- **11th & 12th Graders** - Eligible students may take any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory, at an eligible participating postsecondary institution.
- Participants must meet admission requirements for the individual institution at which they wish to enroll.
- Classes are offered during Summer, Fall, and Spring terms.
- Students cannot take more than 15 credit hours each semester. Most take one or two classes (3-6 credit hours) online through the college to have more flexibility with the high school schedule.
- All communication from the college goes through the student, not the parent.
- Students can take classes at the local college or online from home. **DE classes must be taken off campus. We do not schedule any DE classes on campus so they must be able to have transportation to get to the colleges.**
- Chattahoochee HS parking passes are awarded at the discretion of the Administration, not the Counseling Office.

Grade Level Eligibility

9th Graders

- Students in the 9th grade are not eligible to participate in the Dual Enrollment Program.

10th Graders

- Eligible students may enroll in approved Career, Technical, and Agricultural Education (CTAE) courses listed on the Course Directory at a participating Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) institution.
- Eligible students who have a minimum **SAT score of 1200** or minimum **ACT composite score of 25** in a single national test administration, may enroll in any approved courses listed on the Course Directory at a TCSG, USG (University System of Georgia), or private eligible participating postsecondary institution.

***Note: GSFC (Georgia Student Finance Commission) must have the required qualifying test score(s) on file before the high school or home study approving courses on the student's Dual Enrollment funding Application.*

11th & 12th Graders

- Eligible students may take any approved Dual Enrollment courses listed on the Course Directory, at an eligible participating postsecondary institution.

Naviance & Careers

Naviance is a comprehensive college and career readiness solution for middle and high schools that helps students explore career options and plan for their future.

Each year in high school you will have a different activity that you are required to complete by the State.



Self- Discovery

Take one of many personal-interest or Career inventory assessments.



Careers

Explore careers, their future outlook, salaries, related majors & requirements.

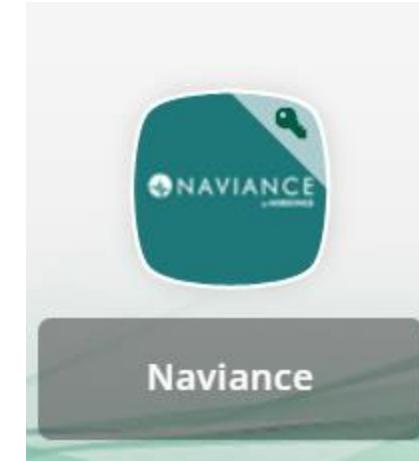
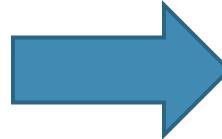
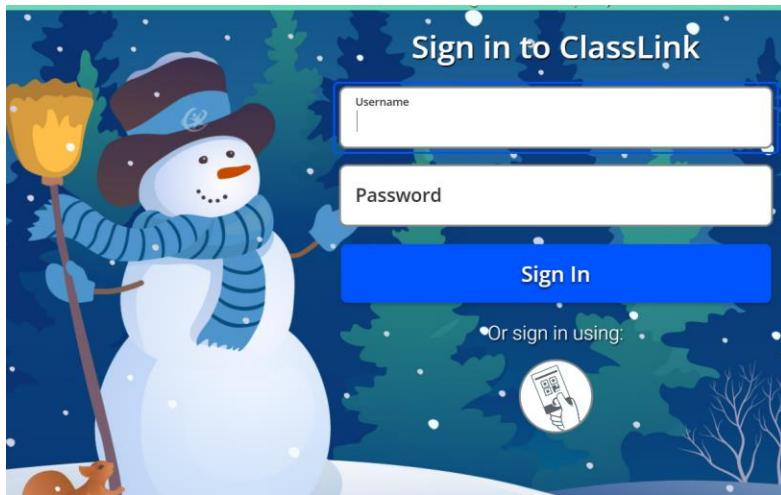


College

Explore colleges, apply for colleges, and use powerful search tools to find the perfect fit.

How To Use Naviance

Login into Class Link to access Naviance



Welcome to Naviance

No Welcome Message is available at this time.

[Additional Information from Your School](#)

Tasks from My School

Task Or To-Do	Priority	Date
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Complete Career Interest Pro... Task	None	04/30/25
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Add 3 Careers to Favorites List Task	None	04/30/25
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 9th Grade Bridge Bill & Post S... Task	None	04/30/25

[Go to My Planner](#)

All 9th Grade Students are required to do the three tasks on their home page

- Complete all three tasks by your one-to-one meeting
- We will run reports to make sure that everyone has completed it
- Some of the activities and assessments will help you decide which elective course you may want to choose.

Scheduling

Scheduling For Next Year

- Teachers have already begun making their recommendations for class placements for the next year.
- Current **elective teachers** will recommend your placements for next year.
- One-to-one meetings will be scheduled through your Lit course.
- If you would like an online class, **you must complete an online contract and submit it at your one-to-one** (this is for the full year). We will not allow you to change to online once school begins. **This is a change from previous years. All students can have up to 3 online classes.**
- World Language—Most colleges require two years of the same world language. If you do not currently have a world language class and you would like to be able to attend a four-year college then you will need to select a world language class for one of your elective spaces next year (options are Spanish, French, or Latin).

Scheduling Timeline

- **Week of January 27th and February 3rd** – counselors will be available in the cafeteria to answer quick, general questions about classes for next year: Mondays – 2nd half of 3rd period, Tuesdays – all of 4th period, Wednesdays – 2nd half of 3rd period, and Thursdays – 1st half of 5th period.
- 2/3/25-All students will be able to view their placements and elective recommendations in the IC portal. Students should use the course catalog to look at course options and descriptions. Desired changes can be made in the one-to-one meetings.
- **1/30/2025** - 9th & 10th Grade Parent Night at 5:30 pm on Teams. Link to join the virtual meeting was sent via the Naviance email blast on 1/16 and the Hooch Happenings email blast on 1/17 - please ask your parents to check their inboxes. Topics include: typical 10th & 11th grade schedules, planning for a balanced course load, review of graduation requirements, understanding your GPA, overview of HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarships and Grants, and more. The meeting will be recorded and posted on the Counseling Department website <https://chattahoochee.fultonschools.org/students-families/chs-counseling> afterward.
- **2/4/2025** – Dual Enrollment Information Presentation at 5:30 pm on Teams. Link to join the virtual meeting was sent via Naviance email blast to parents/guardians on 1/15 the Hooch Happenings email blast on 1/17 - please ask your parents to check their inboxes. The meeting will be recorded and posted on <https://ChattahoocheeDE.weebly.com> afterward.
- **2/10 – 2/21/2025** – all 9th – 11th graders will come with their English classes to the Media Center on an assigned day to meet individually with their counselor and review their teachers' course recommendations for the 2025-2026 school year. These meetings are called One-to-One's. Students will be able to request changes to their courses and/or added electives at this time. This meeting will conclude the requests so the master schedule can be built.
- **2/24 – 2/28/2025** – 10-minute meetings with counselors available for students/parents to discuss any remaining scheduling questions for the 2025-2026 school year. Links to schedule these meetings will be included in the Hooch Happenings email blast ahead of time - please ask your parents to check their inboxes.
- **2/28/2025** – deadline for students to submit the online contract to take Fulton Virtual or GA Virtual classes in the 2025-2026 school year – this includes both Fall and Spring semesters. **Online can only be requested during this time. No online classes can be added during the school year (this is New). Online contracts are not needed for Summer classes.**

Typical 10th Grade Schedule

On-level

- Lit/Comp II
- Environmental Science
- Geometry
- World History
- World Language or Elective
- Elective

Honors

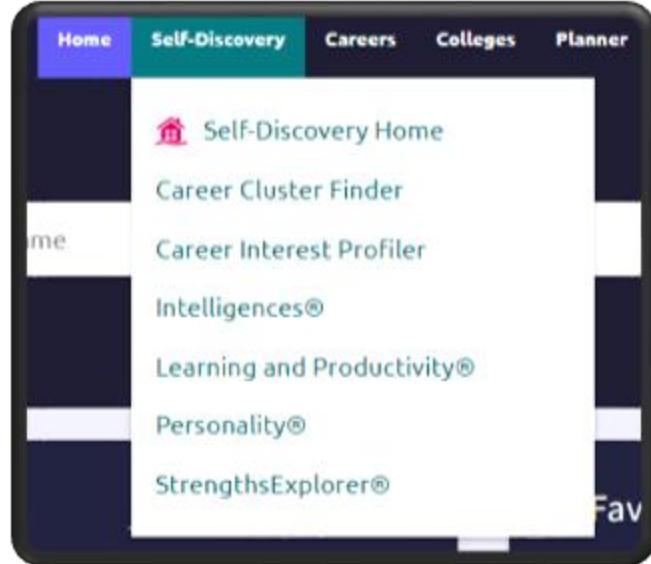
- Lit/Comp II H
- Chemistry H
- Geometry H or Adv Algebra H or Enh Adv Alg
- World History
- World Language or Elective
- Elective

AP

- AP Lang
- AP Science (if eligible)
- AP Pre Calculus
- AP World History
- World Language or Elective
- Elective

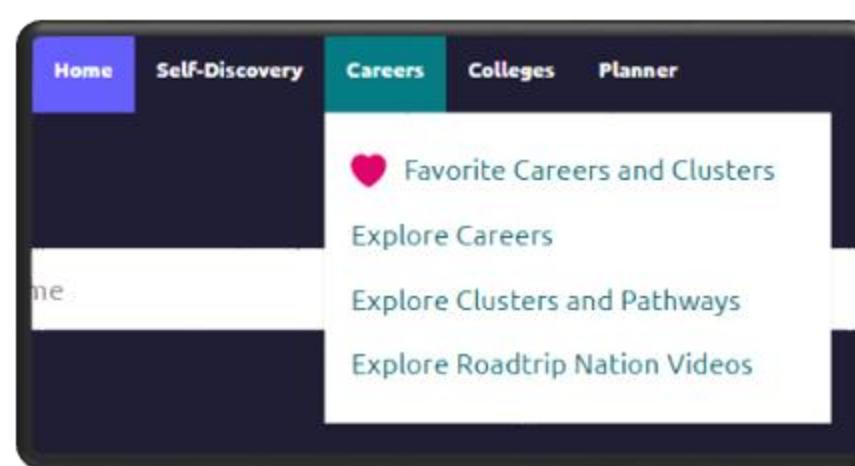
Teachers will recommend placement for Core classes. If you already in World Language(WL), your WL teacher will recommend your continuation. You will need to add WL if you do not already have it. All other elective options can be found in the course catalog on the website.

Self-Discovery & Careers Tabs



Self-discovery tab is where students will find assessments to take to help them pinpoint what they are interested in

Careers tab is where students can explore various careers and pathways based on their interests





Moving on to a fulfilling life and career beyond high school starts with you:

- Doing what's needed to graduate (get help when needed, pass classes, attend school)!
 - Exploring your options!
 - Planning now!

Remember to connect with your school counselor, teacher and others to assist you with **Moving FORWARD** with planning for life after high school.

Future Focus

Things that you can do now:

- Meet with your School Counselor-Counselors will be meeting with every 9th, 10th, and 11th grader within the next few weeks.
- Get Involved
- Take a Practice PSAT- in October (recommended) and review results when available.
- Explore Naviance
- You Science -Complete the YouScience assessment • Log into Infinite Campus More SLDS • Typically taken in March.
- ASVAB to explore career interests- (free career exploration tool, also used for military recruitment) in late 1st semester – register in Naviance
- Focus on getting good grades
- Track your accomplishments
- Learn about Colleges
- Consider getting a part-time job or shadowing/volunteering