Tri-Cities High School Junior Conference Resource Packet

Welcome to Rising Senior Year!

In this packet, you will find several resources to help you stay on track and be prepared throughout the college application and post-secondary options process.

On the junior conference checklist, please use the hyperlinks to website and information included in this informational packet.





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Who is my....

| Last Name | Counselor | Grade level |
|-----------|--|-------------|
| A-Fe | Worrell (Ext 41833) worrellhb@fultonschools.org | 9-12 |
| Fg-La | Green (Ext 41853) greens@fultonschools.org | 9-12 |
| Lb-Ri | Jackson (Ext 41836) Jacksonb8@fultonschools.org | 9-12 |
| Rj-Z | Johnson (Ext 41830) Johnsong 3@fultonschools.org | 9-12 |

| Student N | Name: Date: |
|--------------------------|---|
| Re | viewed credits required for Graduation. |
| _ Re | viewed Credit Recovery Options |
| | o Fulton Virtual Credit Recovery- FCCR |
| | o Fulton County Virtual School/Georgia Virtual School- FVS/GAVS |
| | o Summer School |
| | o Tri-Cities Options for Extended Learning |
| _ EC | OC counts as % of Final Grade- (Tests needed/date) |
| \mathbf{G}^{A} | A Futures-Junior Bridge Bill completion-3 Colleges, SuperMatch, 11 th |
| gra | ade Survey – ClassLink (NAVIANCE) |
| _ Re | viewed SAT/ACT registration procedure/fee waiver info eligibility- scan |
| QI | R code in counseling suite. |
| _ SA | T/ ACT prep resources- Test Dates for SAT/ACT |
| _ <u>AC</u> | T Test Dates SAT Test Dates. |
| _ Du | al Enrollment information- <u>Information packet on TCHS website</u> |
| | os://tricities.fultonschools.org/academics/counseling/dual-enrollment |
| | anscript Request- https://fultonga.scriborder.com/ |
| | PA Cheat Sheet _(weighted/unweighted average) |
| _ NO | CAA Eligibility Information |
| | • Reviewed College Application-Post-Secondary Options Process: |
| | O Requesting Letter of Recommendation- 2-week turnaround required |
| | O Transcripts-(official)- process for requesting SCRIBORDER (link above) |
| | O College Essays/College visits- Checklist- College Planning Timeline |
| | O College Resume/Brag Sheet- start now planning- |
| | Military/ Tech School/ Junior College- Post-secondary options |
| | O Common Application- Apply to college with Common App Your future |
| | starts here |
| | O Common Black College Application- <u>HOME - commonblackcollegeapp</u> |
| | O Scholarship search- <u>www.fastweb.com</u> |
| | o FAFSA- https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa |
| _ Re | viewed HOPE requirements-students may check status-GA Futures website |
| _ | PE and Zell Miller Scholarship My High School HOPE GPA Georgia Student Finance Commission |
| _ <u>11^{tt}</u> | Grade Checklist Click to link to GA Futures site |

Comments:

Tri-Cities High School

SCHOOL COUNSELING QUICK REFERENCE GUIDE

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS- class of 2025 (and beyond)

Students within Fulton County and throughout the state of Georgia are required to meet a 23-credit requirement and specific course requirements.

| | College Prep |
|--|--------------|
| SUBJECTS | |
| ENGLISH | 4 units |
| (4 credits) | |
| Required: 9 th Lit, 10 th Lit, 11 th American Lit (Honors and AP Lang avail) | |
| Selective: Multicultural Lit or AP Lit or College English | |
| MATH | 4 units |
| (4 credits) | |
| Required: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II (Adv Alg) | |
| Selective: One 4 th core Math course or College Algebra | |
| SCIENCE | 4 units |
| (4 credits) | |
| Required: Biology, Physical Science or Physics, Env Science or Chemistry or Earth Systems | |
| Selective: One 4 th core Science course | |
| SOCIAL STUDIES | 3 units |
| (3 credits) Required: Amer Gov (.5 credit), World History, US History and Economics (.5 credit) | |
| (Gen Health/Pers. Fitness) Required: Health (.5 credit) Personal Fitness (.5 credit) | 1 unit |
| *WORLD LANGUAGE/CAREER TECH/FINE ARTS ELECTIVES * If planning to attend a 4-year College/University, at least 2 years of same World Language is required for admissions. Most Competitive Colleges like to see 3 years of World Language. | 3 units |
| ADDITIONAL EI EOC (Milestones Test) counts as 20% of Final Grade | 4 units |
| TOTAL Algebra *** American Literature & Comp -11th Grade *** Biology *** U. S. History | 23 units |

PROMOTION REQUREMENTS

9th Grade → 10th Grade = **5** credits

10th Grade → 11th Grade =

11 credits

11th Grade → 12th Grade =

17 credits

12th Grade → Graduate =

23 credits

HELPFUL WEBSITES

- **↓** Fulton County BOE- www.fultonschools.org
- **Georgia Futures/HOPE information/College Planning-**<u>www.gafutures.org</u>
- **Test taking and study tips**www.TestTakingTips.com
- **↓** Student & Family Counselingwww.odysseycounseling.org
- **Scholarships** www.fastweb.com
- Naviance- access through ClassLink
- https://www.screencast.com/t/I4G09d3MII

GRADING SCALE 90 and above = A 80 - 89 = B 70 - 79 = C 69 and below = F



TESTS

ACT- American College Testingwww.actstudent.org

EOC- End of Course Milestones Test

SAT- Scholastic Aptitude Testwww.collegeboard.org

PSAT-9th-11th grades only

Junior Planning Timeline-Focusing on the Road Ahead....

Where will Your Future take you?



ACADEMIC

- ✓ Focus on Academics and Grades
 - ✓ Attend School Daily
- ✓ Do Not lighten your academic load
- ✓ Stay involved in Extracurricular activities

TESTING

- ✓ Take SAT/ACT prep and register for the appropriate test for you (or both)
 - ✓ Take any pending EOC's or AP tests as required

COLLEGE PREPARATION

- ✓ Complete Naviance-Bridge Bill Required Tasks
 - ✓ Build your College List
 - ✓ Attend College Fairs
- ✓ Meet with College Reps and sign up for any college visits



11th Grade Student Checklist

- Regularly review your GAfutures Dashboard. Start your year by looking over the Plan&Pay4CollegeGA 11th grade letter and check your HOPE GPA.
- Meet with your school counselor to make sure you are on track to graduate and meet all necessary requirements for graduation, academic rigor and college admissions and investigate dual enrollment options.
- Continue to explore career options, how much education you'll need and the earning potential.
- Continue to research colleges and what you should look for to make sure you find a good fit. Talk to your parents about your choices, and ask them to help you clarify goals and priorities.
- Go to a PROBE College Fair. If your school has a financial aid night, be sure to attend.
- Review your family's financial situation and make sure you're planning for the cost of college appropriately. Visit the College Money Matters section and net price calculators on GAtutures.org for suggestions. The comparison tool at consumerfinance.gov is another helpful resource to compare college costs and financial aid offers.
- Consider opening a 529 College Saving Plan it's never too late to begin saving for college.
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT to qualify for scholarships and programs associated with the National Merit Scholarship Program.
- Register for and take exams like the SAT and the ACT for college admission. Check for free test prep classes in your area.
- Start drafting essays to use for scholarships and college admissions applications.
- Search for scholarships you may be eligible for to help pay for college on GAfutures, as well as through your school counselor, community, family and friends. Ask your parents if their employer offers scholarships for the children of employees.
- Schedule campus visits or contact colleges you are interested in attending to request information about financial aid, admission requirements, applications and deadlines.

Bridge Bill- REQUIRED TASKS

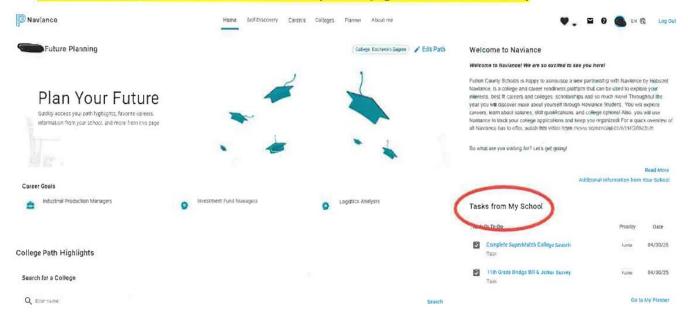
Junior Year Required Tasks in Naviance

There are three required tasks every 11th grader must complete in Naviance:

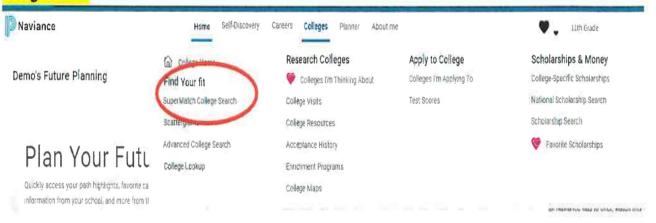
- 11th Grade Bridge Bill & Junior Survey
- Complete SuperMatch College Search
- Save 3 colleges by Liking it (Click on Heart Icon)
- 1. Login to Classlink & click on Naviance student (you may need to search for it)



2. Once in Naviance, Scroll down to Tasks from My School (Right side middle of screen)



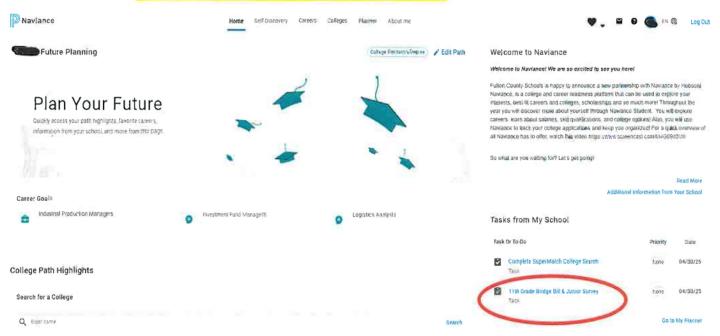
Complete Super Match College Search: Click on the Colleges Tab on Top of the Page and click on SuperMatch College Search.



4. As you do the Search and get a list of colleges, save three colleges is. Click on the heart next to the college's name to save it

Kennesaw State University ♥ Kennesaw, GA, United States kennesaw.edu

- Next task: 11th Grade Bridge Bill and Junior Survey.
 - a. Go back to Homepage and look at task from My School
 i. Click on 11th Grade Bridge Bill and Junior Survey



6. Click on take this survey

11th Grade Bridge Bill & Junior Survey

DUE Wednesday Apr 30, 2025

Task information

Requirement:

REQUIRED

To-Dos No to-dos to show

Recent Updates

No Updates



7. Once all tasks are completed, the Task from your School list will no longer have these tasks listed.



The SAT and ACT are significantly different tests, and in many ways, they measure different skills. So, depending on your particular strengths and weaknesses, you may perform much better on one test than the other. The ACT is a content-based test, whereas the SAT tests critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Regardless, you should check with each of your target schools before taking either exam.

Here are some of the factors that make the SAT and ACT very different breeds.

- ➤ The ACT includes a science reasoning test; the SAT does not.
- The SAT tests vocabulary much more than the ACT
- > The SAT is not entirely multiple choice.
- The SAT has a guessing penalty; the ACT does not
- > The ACT tests English grammar; the SAT does not
- The ACT is an achievement test, measuring what a student has learned in school
- The SAT is more of an aptitude test, testing reasoning and verbal abilities

SAT Test Dates

SAT Registration:

www.collegeboard.org

March 8, 2024

May 3, 2025

June 7, 2025

ACT Test Dates

ACT Registration: www.act.org
February 8, 2025
April 5, 2025
June 14, 2025

July 12, 2025



Digital, adaptive



More time per question





Paper, fixed format



Faster paced



Longer reading passages



Scores back in 2 to 3 weeks



Scores back in about 2 weeks

Short, single-question reading passages



Overall Time

TIMING & SCORING





Reading & Writing (baseline module)



200 - 800 points

1-36

35m

Reading

Reading& Writing (adaptive module -



1-36

45m

English

Math (baseline module)

easier or harder)



200 - 800

1-36

60m

Math

Math (adaptive module -easier or harder)



points

1-36

Science*

TOTAL POINTS | 400 - 1600

TOTAL POINTS

1 - 36





Time per Question









Reading & Writing

Math

Reading

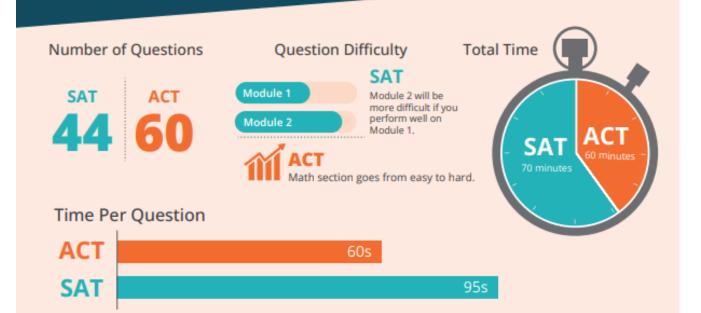
English

Math

Science



MATH



Formulas

The SAT provides a reference of common formulas in the testing application.

The ACT does not provide formulas for reference.



The digital SAT Math modules include 44 questions total. About 25% of these are student-produced response questions (i.e., grid-in), and the rest are multiple-choice.



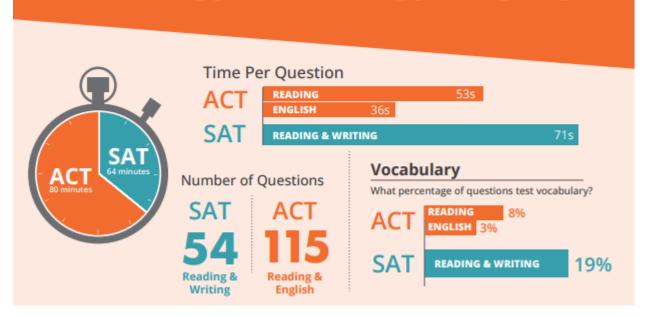
Algebra Focus

The SAT has a much greater emphasis on Algebra, as well as Data Analysis questions that ask you to incorporate information from tables and charts into your calculations. In contrast, the ACT focuses more on Geometry and Pre-Algebra.





READING/WRITING/ENGLISH



Do the Reading/Writing/English sections have

Graphs and Charts?



Yes, 3 to 5 Command of Evidence questions use graphs.



No, only on the Science section

Passage Length

Avg words per passage

Reading

Writing/English

SAT

50 - 150

30 - 100

ACT

600 - 800

300 - 500

Number of Reading Passages

SAT 25-29



Topics Covered

- · Literature · Social Science · Poetry
- · Nat. Science · History · Humanities

Distribution of topics varies. Easier adaptive modules tend to focus on literature; harder adaptove modules tend to focus on humanities.

 $\mathsf{ACT}\ \mathbf{4}$









comparison 10 per

Prose Fiction

- Humanities
- Social Science
- Natural Science

ACT Reading passage topics are consistent and appear in the same order on each test.



How would you score? Register for a practice test at applerouth.com/calendar.

(866) 789-PREP (7737)

*Changes Are Coming to the ACT, Starting Spring 2025

This SAT vs. ACT guide is based on the traditional, paper version of the ACT. Starting in spring 2025, the ACT format will change for students who opt to take the test online. In this new format, the Science section will be optional -- only the English, Math, and Reading sections will be required and used for composite scores. In addition, students will have more time per question. To learn more about the new ACT format, visit applerouth.com/act-changes.

Education After High School What Types of Schools Exist?

- Technical Schools
- Career Programs
- Two Year Colleges
- Career Programs, Transfer Programs
- Four Year Colleges/Universities
- Bachelors degree, Public colleges, Private colleges, Engineering/Technical Colleges
- Military Schools



Technical Schools v/s Four Year Colleges

Technical College:

Shorter Duration
Hands on Experience
Targeted Career Paths
Limited Flexibility in Course Selection and Range
HOPE GRANT

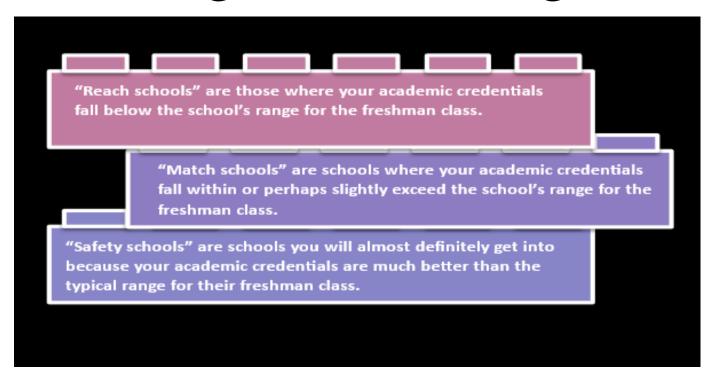
Examples: Atlanta Technical, Georgia Piedmont Technical College

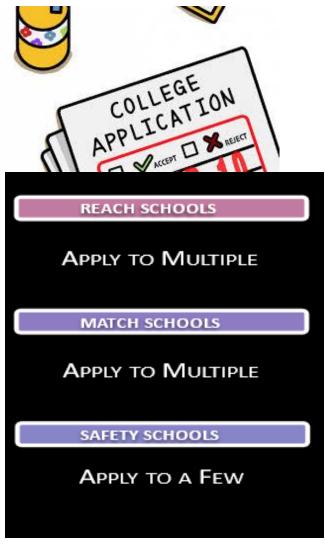
Four Year College:

4 Year Programs
Academic Focus
Traditional College Experience
Broad Educational Options
HOPE Scholarship/Zell Miller Scholarship

Examples: Georgia State University, Georgia Southern University

Building Your College List





College Freshman Class Profiles



3A Stat

- Incoming Freshmen
- Average GPA: 3.3

 3.8 (low high
 "B")
- Average SAT: 1070 - 1180
- Average ACT: 24-26
- In-State Tuition/Fees: \$13,076



ollege

- Incoming Freshmen
- Average GPA:
 3.39 3.87 (low high "B")
- Average SAT: 1125 - 1220
- Average ACT: 25 27
- In-State Tuition/Fees: \$14,352



State

- Incoming Freshmen
- Average GPA:
 3.36 (low "B")
- Average SAT: 1080 - 1170
- Average ACT: 23-
- In-State
 Tuition/Fees:
 \$10,935



• Incoming Freshmen

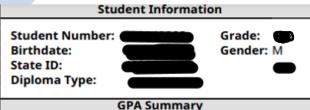
- Average GPA: 2.5 (mid "C")
- Average SAT: 975- 1090
- Average ACT: 20-23
- In-State Tuition/Fees: \$7,334

- ❖ Colleges receive your official transcript from Fulton County Schools- Tri-Cities High School.
- ❖GPAs are weighted and on a 100 Pt Scale.
- ❖ Use Numeric Average-listed on Transcript.
- ❖Unless requested we do not use a 4.0 scale
- ❖Fulton County does not use Rank on applications.

What is my GPA?

The numeric average of semester course grades including EVERY attempted high school course.

SAMPLE TRANSCRIPT



Cumulative GPA (Weighted)

78.500

| Enrollment Summary | | | | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Grade | School | | | | | | | |
| 06 | Paul West Middle School | | | | | | | |
| 07 | Paul West Middle School | | | | | | | |
| 80 | Paul West Middle School | | | | | | | |
| 08 | Y_Paul D West MS | | | | | | | |
| | Summer School | | | | | | | |
| 09 | Tri-Cities High School | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Tri-Cities High School | | | | | | | |
| | Grade 06 07 08 08 | | | | | | | |

#0691 Tri-Cities High School

| Weight | Credit |
|--------|--------|
| | Weight |

| 2023-2024 Grade 09 Term 1 | | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|-----|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 23.1610001 9th Lit/Comp | 71 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| 27.1811001 Algebra: C&C | 70 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| 45.0570001 Amer Govt/Civics | 75 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| 10.5181001 Audio-Video | 70 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| Technology Film | | | | | | | | | | |
| 23.1830001 Basic Read/WriteI | 79 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| 27.1812001 Co-Req Algebra | 100 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| Support | | | | | | | | | | |
| 40.0110001 Phys Sci | 76 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| 52.0410001 Tech Theatr I | 93 | 0.5000 | 0.5 | | | | | | | |
| Credit: 4.000 GP | A: 79.25 | 0 | | | | | | | | |

| 2023-2024 Grade 09 Term | 12 | | |
|-------------------------------|----------|--------|-----|
| 23.1610002 9th Lit/Comp | 72 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| 27.1811002 Algebra: C&C | 71 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| 10.5181002 Audio-Video | 71 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| Technology Film | | | |
| 23.1830002 Basic Read/WriteI | 78 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| 27.1812002 Co-Req Algebra | 79 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| Support | | | |
| 45.0610001 Personal Finance & | 77 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| Economics | | | |
| 40.0110002 Phys Sci | 75 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| 52.0420001 Tech Theatr II | 99 | 0.5000 | 0.5 |
| Credit: 4.000 GP | A: 77.75 | 0 | |
| | | | |

In-Progress Courses

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|-----|-----|-----|----|------|
| | | | | |

| HS Credits | Attempt | ed Earned |
|----------------|---------|-----------|
| CTAE | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Electives | 2.000 | 2.000 |
| English | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Fine Arts | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Mathematics | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Science | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Social Studies | 1.000 | 1.000 |
| Total | 8.000 | 8.000 |

Comments

| GRADING | SCALE | |
|---------|-------|--|
| | | |

| 90 and above = A | NC = Non-Credit |
|------------------|--------------------|
| 80 - 89 = B | NG = No Grade |
| 70 - 79 = C | P/F = Pass or Fail |
| 69 and below = F | W = Withdrawn |

CR = Credit I = Incomplete

By state rule, any grade below 70 is failing

END OF COURSE TEST SCORE

Per State Board of Education rule, the Georgia Milestones end of course test accounts for 20% of the final grade in Algebra I, US History, Biology, and American Lit Comp.

GC equals grade conversion – the grade that becomes 20% of the final grade in the course.

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.

HOPE Eligibility Information: http:// www.GAfutures.org

Graduation Status Report

Class of 20 26 Credits Farned

Name

Credits Required 23

| Language Arts (4) | AP | Hon | Co | ourses | | S1 | | S2 | | Notes | 5 | |
|---------------------------------------|--------|-----------|----------------------|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|---|-------|-----|-----|
| , , , | | | 9th Literature | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | 10th Literature or 1 | World Lite | rature AB | | | | | | | |
| | | | 11th Literature or | AP Langua | age | | | | | | | |
| | | | AP Literature | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | World Literature / | Brit Lit/ N | lulticultural | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mathematics (4) | | | Algebra Lor Acc. A | Alg.1/Geo | m | | | | | | | |
| | | | Geometry or Acc. | Geom/Alg | ;. 2 | | | | | | | |
| | | | Algebra II OR Adv. | Algebra | | | | | | | | |
| | | | AP Pre-Calculus | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | OR Statistical Reas | soning | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Science (4) | | | Biology | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Physical Science | | | \perp | | | | | | |
| | | | Chemistry | | | \perp | | | | | | |
| | | | Physics | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Earth Systems | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Environmental Sci | ence | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Human Anatomy | | | _ | | | | | | |
| | | | Forensic Science | | | | | | | | | |
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| Social Studies (3) | | <u> </u> | American Govern | ment (sem | ester only) | \vdash | | | | - | | |
| | | | World History | | | \vdash | | | _ | | | |
| | | <u> </u> | US History | | | \vdash | | | | - | | |
| | | | Economics (semes | ter only) | | | | | | | | |
| PE (1) | | | General Health (se | mester o | nlv) | | | | | | | |
| 1 2 (1) | | | Personal Fitness (s | | | | | | | | | |
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| W. Lang/CTAE (3) | | | French or Spanish | 1 CTAE | | | | | | | | |
| , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | | | French or Spanish | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | Language/art/CTA | | | | | | | | | |
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| Electives (4) | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Student's Signature | | | | . Date: | F | 'arent | rs Signa | ature | : | | | |
| (| counse | elor's Si | gnature: | | | Date | e: | | | | | |

HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship

HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships.

Academic Eligibility from High School

HOPE Scholarship

Minimum 3.0 HOPE GPA as calculated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) in core curriculum courses (English, math, science, foreign language, social science)

*Rigor requirements

Zell Miller Scholarship

*Rigor requirements and one of the following:

Designated valedictorian or salutatorian

Minimum 3.7 HOPE GPA as calculated by GSFC in core curriculum courses

OR total test score of 1200 SAT on a single national administration or composite test score of 25 ACT on a single national or state/district administration earned by graduation date

*Academic Rigor courses are determined by the course number. Refer to the full Academic Rigor Course List on GAfutures.org.

Award Amounts 2024-25 Academic School Year

| | HOPE Scholarship* | Zell Miller Scholarship* |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Public Institution | Portion of standard tuition [†] | Full standard tuition [†] |
| Private Institution Full-time | \$2,496 per semester (fall, spring, summer) | \$2,985 per semester (fall, spring, summer) |
| | \$1,664 per quarter (fall, winter, spring, summer) | \$2,034 per quarter (fall, winter, spring, summer) |
| Private Institution Half-time | \$1,248 per semester (fall, spring, summer) | \$1,493 per semester (fall, spring, summer) |
| | \$832 per quarter (fall, winter, spring, summer) | \$1,017 per quarter (fall, winter, spring, summer) |

^{*}Complete award amounts available on GAfutures.org. †Up to 15 credit hours.

Maintaining

HOPE Scholarship

Students must maintain a minimum cumulative 3.0 calculated HOPE GPA* at designated checkpoints (end of every spring semester and at 30, 60 and 90 attempted semester hours; end of every spring quarter and at 45, 90 and 135 attempted quarter hours). If a student's calculated HOPE GPA falls below a 3.0, they will lose the HOPE Scholarship and will only be eligible to regain it once.

Zell Miller Scholarship

Students must maintain a minimum cumulative 3.3 calculated HOPE GPA* at designated checkpoints (end of every spring semester and at 30, 60 and 90 attempted semester hours; end of every spring quarter and at 45, 90 and 135 attempted quarter hours). If a student's calculated HOPE GPA falls below a 3.3, they will lose the Zell Miller Scholarship but may still be eligible for the HOPE Scholarship. Students can regain the Zell Miller Scholarship only

*Calculated HOPE GPA refers to all attempted hours after high school graduation. Approved postsecondary STEM courses taken fall 2018 and later receive .5 weight to grade B, C or D. Approved courses can be found at GAfutures.org. STEM courses taken during high school are not given the STEM weight for postsecondary GPA calculation.

What are Rigor Requirements? Rigor courses: Advanced Math, Advanced Science, Foreign Language, Advanced Placement (AP) in core subjects, International Baccalaureate (IB) in core subjects, degree-level Dual Credit Enrollment courses in core subjects taken at an eligible postsecondary institution. Students graduating from high school must earn four full credits from the

above list.

HOPE Grant

HOPE Grant_

Academic Eligibility

- No high school graduation requirement
- Must be enrolled in a certificate or diploma program at a participating University System of Georgia (USG) or Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) school

Award Amount

- Portion of standard tuition, up to 15 credit hours (per semester); award amounts available at GAfutures.org
- Paid hours received while in high school count towards the HOPE Grant paid hours limit of 63 and towards the 127 paid hours cap for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship

Maintaining

- Minimum 2.0 calculated HOPE Grant GPA or higher at designated checkpoints (30/60 paid semester hours)
- Only eligible to regain the HOPE Grant once

Losing Eligibility

- Calculated HOPE GPA requirement not met
- Maximum paid hours reached (63 semester)
- Bachelor's degree received

Zell Miller Grant

Academic Eligibility

- No high school graduation requirement
- Must be enrolled in a certificate or diploma program at a participating University System of Georgia (USG) or Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) school
- First term awarded retroactively after earning a minimum 3.5 or higher calculated HOPE Grant GPA

Award Amount

- Full Standard Tuition, up to 15 credit hours (per semester); award amounts available at GAfutures.org
- Paid hours received while in high school count towards the Zell Miller Grant paid hours limit of 63 and towards the 127 paid hours cap for HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship

Maintaining

- Minimum 3.5 calculated HOPE Grant GPA required at the end of every semester/quarter
- Eligible to regain Zell Miller Grant if minimum 3.5 calculated HOPE Grant GPA earned at the end of the next term

Losing Eligibility

- Calculated HOPE GPA requirement not met
- Maximum paid hours reached (63 semester)
- Bachelor's degree received

HOPE Career Grant

Academic Eligibility

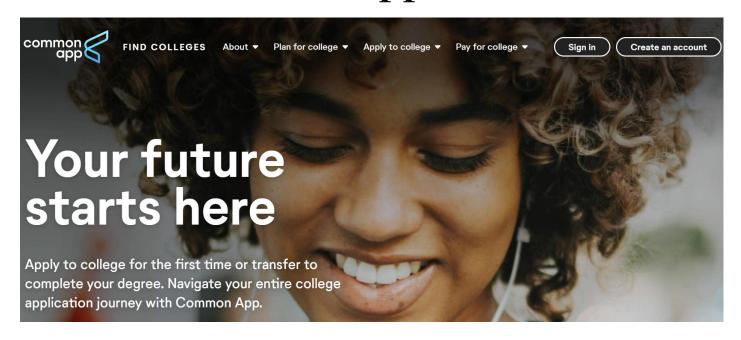
- Enrolled in specific high-demand certificate and diploma programs at a participating University System of Georgia (USG) or Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) school
- HOPE Grant and Zell Miller Grant eligibility requirements apply

Award Amount

- Awards are a fixed amount per term based on the program and number of hours enrolled
- Approved programs and award amounts available on GAfutures.org

For more information on the HOPE Programs, visit GAfutures.org.

Common Application



Common Black College Application



Dual Enrollment

Purpose and Benefits of Dual Enrollment

- ❖ Allows students to earn college credits while in high school
- ❖ Provides a more rigorous environment and a more flexible schedule
- ❖ DE helps prepare students for the transition to college after high school and helps save money

Most students at Tri-Cities participate in Dual Enrollment at Georgia Military College:





Interested?

I'm interested!



Next Steps for Dual Enrollment:

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| Submit Info on Interest Form | Apply to College Dual Enrollment Program for 2025- 2026 school year. |
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Plan ahead, Please SAVE the DATE!!



NCAA (Student Athletes)





Who Needs to Register With NCAA?



A student planning to attend a Division I or Division II college and who wants to participate in intercollegiate athletics.



Register Fall of senior year and submit final documents- Check with counselor on make-up classes method acceptable for NCAA.



www.ncaaclearinghouse.net

NCAA (High School Timeline)

HIGH SCHOOL TIMELINE





- 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 at eligibilitycenter.org for information on NCAA requirements.





- 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 NCAA Eligibility Center account.





- 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 ACT or SAT 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 NCAA Eligibility Center account.

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- Complete your final NCAAapproved core courses as you prepare for graduation.
- Take the ACT or SAT 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 NCAA Eligibility Center account at eligibilitycenter.org.
- After you graduate, ask your counselor to upload your final official transcript with proof of graduation to your NCAA Eligibility Center account.
- Reminder: Only students on an NCAA Division I or II school's institutional request list will receive a certification.



Explore. Plan. Succeed.

Please create an account!

WWW.GAFUTURES.ORG

Please create an account:

- HOPE/State Aid Information
 - College Planning
 - Career Exploration Information

SAT Prep

ACT Prep

Dual Enrollment

FAFSA Application

Additional Resources

Financial Aid Checklist

The FAFSA information is used to determine the student's eligibility for most federal and state assistance

FAFSA Checklist ____

Create Your FSA ID

Go to studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch to create your FSA ID.

- Create a username and password, then enter your email address and cell phone number. (Note: Use an email address you check regularly and will have access to over the next few years.)

- Enter your name, date of birth, Social Security number, contact information, and

challenge questions and answers.

Review your information and read and accept the terms and conditions.

- Confirm your email address using the secure code, which will be sent to the email address you entered when you created your FSA ID. Once you verify your email address, you can use it instead of your username to log in to complete your FAFSA.

Submit Your FAFSA

Remember, the FAFSA is available October 1 for the following academic year. The earlier you submit it, the more opportunity you have to receive financial aid to help pay for your education after high school. Before completing your FAFSA, you'll need:

Your Social Security Number.

Your Alien Registration Number (if you are not a U.S. citizen).
 Your (parent's) 2021 tax returns, W-2s and other records of money earned.

- Bank statements and records of investments (if applicable).

- Records of untaxed income (if applicable).

You and your parent's FSA ID to sign electronically.

Go to fafsa.gov and login using your FSA ID.

 Applying online is quicker, easier and ensures your information will be saved for next year. Don't forget, you will need to fill out a FAFSA every school year to be eligible for federal funds.

2. Enter personal information.

 Make sure everything you enter is exactly how it appears on official government documents. Student and/or parent must have FSA ID in order to use IRS Data Retrieval Tool.

3. Choose up to 10 schools.

- Be sure to include schools you are seriously considering, whether you've applied or have been accepted yet. You will get an estimate of your financial aid eligibility.

4. Enter your financial information.

- The IRS Data Retrieval Tool can transfer your tax data to your application automatically.

5. Think you're finished? Double-check.

 You can check the status immediately after submitting your FAFSA online. Make sure you receive a confirmation page indicating your FAFSA has been submitted. If you provided an email address on your FAFSA form, you'll receive an email with a link to an online copy of your Student Aid Report (SAR) from noreply@fafsa.gov within three weeks. The email will be sent to the email address provided on the FAFSA. If an email address was not provided, you will receive your SAR via mail. Check your SAR to make sure there are no mistakes.



12th Grade Student Checklist

Fall Checklist

- Sign into your student GAfutures account to review your status for the following: GSFAPP, ACT and/or SAT Score, Selective Service Registration and HOPE calculated GPA.
- Review your Plan&Pay4CollegeGA 12th grade letter found on your GAfutures Dashboard.
- Meet with your school counselor to make sure you're on track to fulfill all graduation, admissions and academic rigor requirements.
- If you haven't done so, take the necessary admissions tests SAT, ACT or Accuplacer. Be sure to have your test scores send to GSFC (SAT-0472 or ACT-2225) by the deadline of high school graduation for the Zell Miller Scholarship Eligibility.
- November is Georgia Apply to College month where many colleges in Georgia will waive application fees. Ask your school counselor about College Application events at your high school or in your area.
- Ask your teachers and counselors to submit required documents (letters of recommendation) to your preferred colleges.
- Submit a request through your My GAfutures account for your high school to send your
 official transcript to any college you've applied to.
- The FAFSA will be available in December, begin this process now by creating an FSA ID for yourself, your parents, and any contributor to your FAFSA. GSFC will host FSA ID creation events in the Fall.
- Find out if your college requires the CSS/PROFILE, a supplemental financial aid form, in addition to the FAFSA.
- Stay involved in after-school activities and work hard all year. Your grades can still impact financial aid and scholarship eligibility.

Spring Checklist

- Complete any additional scholarship applications. In addition to submitting the FAFSA, be sure to submit the GSFAPP to qualify for state aid like the HOPE Scholarship.
- Decision time! Review your college acceptances, compare financial aid offers and plan visits to where you have been accepted.
- Review your family's financial situation and make sure you're planning for the cost of
 college appropriately. Visit the College Money Matters section and net price calculators on
 GAfutures.org for suggestions. The comparison tool at consumerfinance.gov is another
 helpful resource to compare college costs and financial aid offers.
- If you have questions about the aid being offered, contact that college's financial aid office.
- When you decide which college to attend, submit any required financial deposits, and confirm housing plans, freshman orientation dates and course registration. Also, notify the other colleges you were accepted to and withdraw your application.
- After you begin college, you will have access to your My College HOPE Profile allowing you to check your eligibility while in college.



Tri-Cities High School College and Career Events



Counseling Calendar of Events



Create your profile - Download the app Get scholarship matches

www.fastweb.com