Class of 2026
Senior Manual

Glascock County High School

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HOW TO GET INFORMATION

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Senior Expenses

Senior T-Shirt: $20

Cap, Gown, Collar & Tassel- $85

Senior Trip- $25-$60

SAT/ACT TEST DATES 2025-2026

DATE	TEST	REGISTRATION DEADLINE

AUG 23	SAT	AUG 8
SEPT 6	ACT	AUG 1
SEPT 13	SAT	AUG 29
OCT 4	SAT	SEPT 19
OCT 18	ACT	SEPT 12
NOV 8	SAT	OCT 28
DEC 6	SAT	NOV 21
DEC 13	ACT	NOV 7
FEB 14	ACT	JAN 7
MAR 14	SAT	FEB 27
APR 11	ACT	MAR 6
MAY 2	SAT	APR 17
JUNE 7	SAT	MAY 22
JUNE 13	ACT	MAY 8
JULY 11	ACT	JUNE 5

*November 8th is the last SAT test date for the PAGE STAR program.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

Basic Eligibility

All HOPE Programs require students to meet basic requirements. An eligible student must:

1. Meet HOPE's U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizen requirements;
2. Be a legal resident of Georgia;
3. Meet enrollment requirements;
4. Be in compliance with Selective Service registration requirements;
5. Meet academic achievement standards;
6. Be in good standing on all student loans or other financial aid programs;
7. Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990;
8. Not have exceeded the maximum award limits for any HOPE program.

Program Eligibility

To receive HOPE Scholarship funding, students must:

1. Graduate from a HOPE-eligible high school with a minimum 3.0 grade point average (as calculated by GSFC);
2. Be enrolled as a degree-seeking student at a public or private HOPE-eligible college or university in Georgia;
3. Meet academic rigor requirements. Beginning with students graduating from an eligible high school on or after May 1st, 2015, students must complete a specific number of academically rigorous courses, as identified on the Academic Rigor Course List, in addition to meeting the GPA requirements. This does not include students who received a high school diploma through petition of his or her local school board, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §20-2-281.1, nor does it apply to students graduating from home study programs.

See www.gafutures.org for more information.

HOPE GPA may NOT be the GPA shown on your GCHS transcript.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE ZELL MILLER SCHOLARSHIP

Basic Eligibility

All HOPE programs require students to meet basic requirements. An eligible student must:

1. Meet HOPE's U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizen requirements;
2. Be a legal resident of Georgia;
3. Meet enrollment requirements;
4. Be in compliance with Selective Service registration requirements;
5. Meet academic achievement standards;
6. Be in good standing on all student loans or other financial aid programs;
7. Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990;
8. Not have exceeded the maximum award limits for any HOPE program.

Program Eligibility

To receive Zell Miller Scholarship funding, students must:

1. Graduate from an eligible high school with a minimum 3.7 grade point average (as calculated by GSFC) combined with a minimum score of 1200 on the math and reading portions of the SAT test or a minimum composite score of 26 on the ACT test in a single national test administration and meet all HOPE Scholarship eligibility requirements.
2. Be enrolled as a degree-seeking student at a Zell Miller eligible college or university in Georgia.
3. Meet academic rigor requirements. Beginning with students graduating from an eligible high school on or after May 1, 2015, students must complete a specific number of academically rigorous courses, as identified on the Academic Rigor Course List, in addition to meeting the GPA requirements. This does not include students who received a high school diploma through petition of his or her local school board, in accordance with O.C.G.A. §20-2-281.1, nor does it apply to students graduating from home study programs.

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HOPE GPA may NOT be the GPA shown on your GCHS transcript.

ELIGIBILITY FOR THE HOPE GRANT

Basic Eligibility

All HOPE programs require students to meet basic requirements. An eligible student must:

1. Meet HOPE's U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizen requirements;
2. Be a legal resident of Georgia;
3. Meet enrollment requirements;
4. Be in compliance with Selective Service registration requirements;
5. Meet academic achievement standards;
6. Be in good standing on all student loans or other financial aid programs;
7. Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990;
8. Not have exceeded the maximum award limits for any HOPE program.
9. Regardless of the number of HOPE Grant Paid-Hours or Combine-Paid Hours a student has accumulated, such student is ineligible for HOPE Grant payment if he or she has attained a Baccalaureate Degree, at any time, from any postsecondary institution, including the equivalent of a Baccalaureate Degree from a foreign institution as indicated by the foreign academic transcript and/or foreign academic transcript translation.

Program Eligibility

Full-time enrollment in a certificate or diploma program is not required and students are not required to graduate from high school with a specific GPA, however, they must have a postsecondary cumulative 2.0 GPA, at certain checkpoints, in order to maintain eligibility.

NOTE:

A student who received a high school diploma (High School Postsecondary Graduation Opportunity Plan) by earning a technical college diploma or two technical college certificates, in one career pathway identified by the Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG), may be eligible for the HOPE Grant, up to 30 degree hours. The student must be enrolled in an associate degree program at a TCSG institution to receive the HOPE Grant. After payment for 30 semester hours, the student is no longer eligible for HOPE Grant while enrolled in a degree level program. The student must then meet the HOPE Scholarship eligibility requirements at the 30 semester hour checkpoint.

SET THE GC STANDARD – PANTHERS PURSUING THEIR HIGHEST POTENTIAL

1) Make good choices. Choose to do the right thing even when it is hard and you may be the only one doing it.
2) Commit to coming to school every day. There may be times when you are sick or have a doctor's appointment in Augusta and must be out; however, you must make going to school every day a priority. Being committed will carry over into how well you do in college and in your future career.
3) Commit to being on-time to school and to your classes. This is also a habit that will serve you well in college and especially in your careers.
4) Work hard in all your classes. No matter what you do, you should do the best you can. Even when you have been accepted to college, you should still work to earn the best grade you can for each course you are taking.
5) Choose to have a positive attitude. Being positive makes your outlook on challenges more favorable and you are more likely to conquer those challenges.
6) Finish well. Successful people not only finish whatever they are doing but do a great job of it.
7) Be smart on social media. Apply the adage: *If you do not have anything positive to say, then do not say anything.* Please remember that some colleges and future employers view social media apps when considering applications for acceptance and employment.
8) Set the example for the underclassmen. Remember the younger children in our school are watching you, especially the middle schoolers and elementary children. You must set the example for being committed to coming to school every day, being on time every day, and working hard every day.

Senior Year Timeline

Please note these dates are subject to change. Check the school website, Facebook page, and monitor blasts for Infinite Campus for up-to-date information throughout the year.

August	• August 8th
	  ○ Senior Buddy Meet and Greet 8:00 am
	  ○ Senior Luncheon 11:30 am
	• Rock Picture – Date TBA
	• Register to take the SAT if you want to improve your score.
	• Sign up for college or industry tours.
	• Order Senior Yearbook- See Mrs. Griswell if needed
	• August 31st: Parent/Family Yearbook Ads Due

September	• September 5th – Senior Buddy Meeting 8:00 am • Turn in Diploma Verification form!

October	• LAST chance to register for the SAT before STAR Student is determined
	• Begin college applications.
	• October 20th - Financial Aid Workshop at GCCS
	  ○ Complete the FAFSA, apply for HOPE, learn about other scholarship opportunities
	  ○ Bring a copy of prior year's tax return and create FSA ID (both parent and student) one week prior!
	• October TBA: Senior Meeting – Herff Jones
	• October 31st: Senior Buddy Trunk or Treat at School

November	• November 8th: SAT -- last test for STAR Student! • November 17th-21st: Apply to College Week ○ Complete college applications during No Fee November. • November 21st: Senior Buddy Meeting November TBA: Cap and Gown Measurements
December	• December 17th – Senior Buddy Meeting 8:00 am • When you receive acceptance letters, give Mrs. Phillips a copy.
January	• January 9th – Senior Buddy Meeting 8:00 am • Work on local scholarships. • Request transcripts for scholarships from Mrs. Phillips or Mrs. Rogers • Request letters of recommendation from teachers, coaches, administrators, etc.
February	• February 6th – Senior Buddy Meeting 8:00 am • Check for scholarships at the schools to which you have been accepted

March	• March 6th: Senior Buddy Field Day (time TBD) • March 13th: Cap and Gown Pictures (tentative date) • Senior T-Shirts: $20 • Register for orientation day at your accepted future school, check for email updates regularly
April	• April 3rd: Senior Buddy Easter Egg Hunt (time TBD) • April 4th: Prom • April 6th-10th: Spring Break • Senior Field Trip Money Due: $25-$60

May	• May 1st - Order extra roses for graduation from Mrs. Traci Billips at Dandelion Flowers and Events. (Each Senior will receive 6, extras must be ordered.)
	• Senior Buddy Walk – Date TBD
	• Baccalaureate Service TBA
	• Week of May 11th-15th
	  o Senior Exams
	• May 15th
	  o Senior Clearance Forms
	• May 19th
	  o Senior Field Day
	• Request transcripts to be sent before the last day of school.
	• May 20th
	  o Graduation Practice 8:00 AM-11:30 AM
	• May 21st
	  o Graduation Practice 8:00 AM-11:30 AM
	• **GRADUATION! May 22nd 7:00 PM**