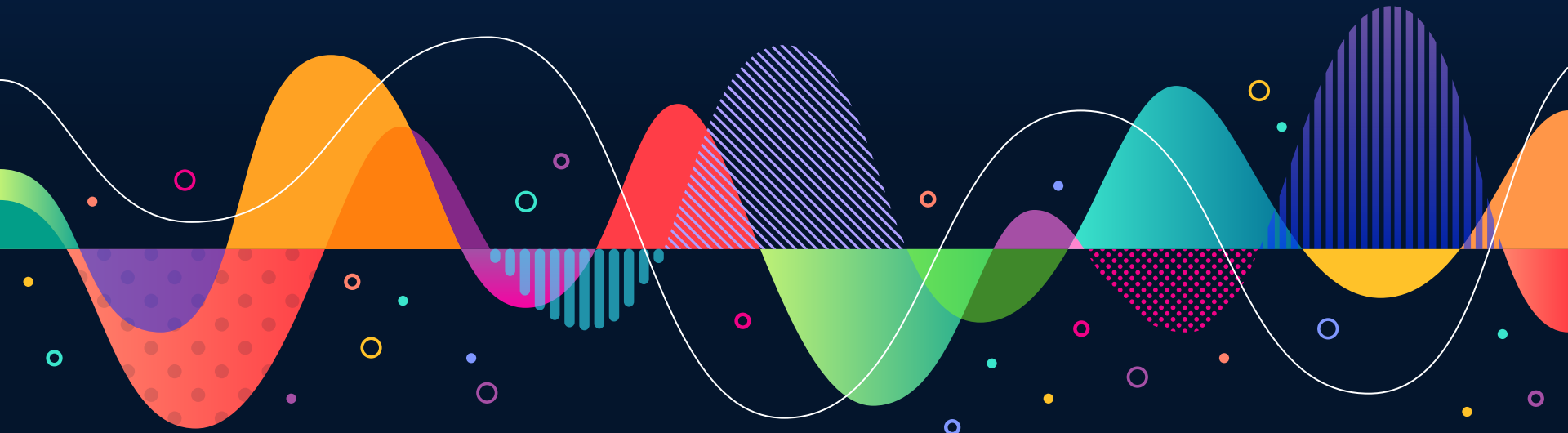


# JUNIOR-SENIOR PARENT NIGHT

“Junior Year and Beyond”



# MEET THE SANDY CREEK HS COUNSELORS & STAFF

Stacey Smith – Registrar

## Counselors

Lynnia Davis – A - E

Jessica Bryan – Fa - K

Rebecca Hill - L - Rn

Kelly Floyd – Ro-Z

Thalia Alegria – Records Secretary

Renae Chontos –Infinite Campus Secretary

# WHAT TO EXPECT THIS YEAR

- ▶ Might be toughest academic year for Juniors
- ▶ Make highest possible grades
- ▶ Good attendance correlates with academic success
- ▶ Develop good study habits
- ▶ Develop good time management skills
- ▶ Extra-Curricular activities
- ▶ Community service

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Unit Requirements
English/Language Arts	4
Math	4
Science	4
Social Studies	3
CTAE/Fine Arts/Foreign Language	3
Electives	4
Total Units (Minimum)	23

Entering their junior year, students should have 14 units

If your child has less than 10 credits, he or she may have to make up units outside of the regular school day in order to graduate on time. (i.e. summer school)

\*Please call and make an appointment to speak with your child's counselor about his/her options.

# SCHS TESTING

- ▷ GA Milestones End of Course of Tests:
  - ▶ American Literature & US History
  - ▶ This will count 20% of final grade
- ▷ ASVAB –October 12 @ SCHS
- ▷ PSAT – October 12
  - ▶ (National Merit Scholarship – 11th Grade score)
- ▷ Senior Activities - October 12

# SAT VS. ACT

## SAT

- ▷ Evidence-based reading and writing
- ▷ Reading, Writing and Language test
- ▷ Math test
- ▷ 1600 Score
- ▷ No penalty for guessing - Answer all questions!
- ▷ [www.sat.org](http://www.sat.org)
- ▷ Important to include SS#

## ACT

- ▷ 4 multiple choice tests
- ▷ Composite score/36
- ▷ No penalty for guessing - Answer all questions!
- ▷ Aligns w/ HS curriculum
- ▷ Writing Test Optional
- ▷ [www.act.org](http://www.act.org)

SCHOOL CODE: SCHS **113052**

**Both have testing securities:  
Upload photo to online ticket!  
NO TICKET, NO ID, NO ADMISSION!**

# THE HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

The HOPE GPA includes only Core Credits (all attempts) and is calculated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission. The HOPE GPA is not on the transcript.

## **HOPE Scholarship**

GPA: 3.0 (Academic GPA)

**4 Rigor Courses**

## **Zell Miller Program**

GPA: 3.7 (Academic GPA)

1200 SAT or 26 ACT (1 sitting)

**4 Rigor Courses**

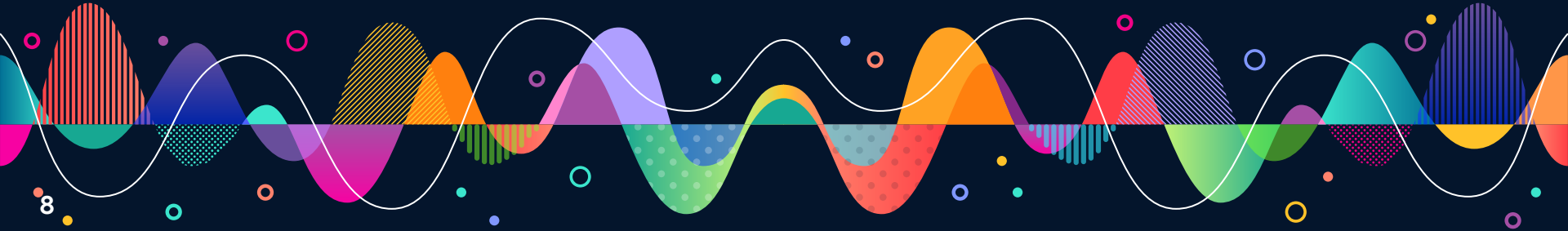
# COLLEGE VISITS

As a junior and senior you receive 2 official college visitation days per year . In order for the 2 visits to count as an excused field trip you must do the following:

1. Make an appointment with the College Admission Office
2. Obtain a “College Visitation Form” from Attendance
3. Have the form signed by your teachers, parents, and a college official
4. Return the signed form to the attendance office by the next school day

**College Representatives @SCHS**– Listen to the announcements for the dates and times. Sign up for visit on the student Naviance account.

**Come to the counseling office for a pass to attend the session.**





# SENIOR MEETINGS

## Each student will meet with his/her counselor to discuss:

- ▷ Student transcript
- ▷ Future plans
- ▷ College application process
- ▷ Standardized testing
- ▷ Scholarship information (websites)
- ▷ Brag Sheet
- ▷ Gafutures.org (HOPE GPA)

## What your student will receive:

Senior Survival Guide  
Unofficial transcript  
Scholarship websites

# ADMISSION PLANS AND DEADLINES

## Deadlines are IMPORTANT!!!

Students are advised to complete and submit applications/other documentation at least 3 weeks prior to deadline date

## Types of Admission:

- Regular Admission
- Rolling Admission
- Early Decision (Binding)
- Early Action (Non-Binding)

**Each college you apply to may have a different admission plan!**

# HOW TO APPLY TO COLLEGE

1. Choose 3-5 schools and visit their websites
2. Check admission requirements
3. Apply online
4. Send Official Transcripts
5. Send SAT/ACT scores directly from testing site
6. Have someone proofread the application before submitting
7. Request recommendations, if the school requires them
8. Print/save a copy for your records

# REQUESTING A TRANSCRIPT

Transcripts can be requested online at [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) or through Naviance at **NO COST**.

Transcripts with 1<sup>st</sup> semester grades will be available after **January 26, 2023**

## For mailed transcript requests:

- ▷ Complete a “Request for Transcript” through [myschoolbucks.com](http://myschoolbucks.com)
- ▷ Allow 2 days for the requests
- ▷ Picking up and mailing of the transcript is the student’s responsibility.

**Opening the envelope invalidates the transcript!**

# [www.GAfutures.org](http://www.GAfutures.org)

## Helps students plan, apply and pay for college

- ▷ Career inventory, SAT and ACT prep, financial aid and scholarships
- ▷ Check your HOPE eligibility
- ▷ Apply to college (Georgia schools)
- ▷ Send transcripts to Georgia schools for free



**GAfutures**  
Explore. Plan. Succeed.

# GAFUTURES EXAMPLE

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HOPE & State Aid Programs

GAfutures.org / My GAfutures /

- Profile
- Messages
- My Dual Enrollment Profile
- My High School HOPE GPA**
- My High School Transcript
- My College HOPE Profile
- My GSFA State Loan (Pathways)
- College Application
- Document Upload
- Saved Colleges
- Saved Scholarships

Messages  
- No recent Message

## Factors Determining Your Scholarship Eligibility

The following information is based on the most recent transcript record provided by your high school:

HOPE Calculated GPA: 4.000


Academic Rigor Credits earned (4 credits are required by High School Graduation): 4

To qualify for the Zell Miller Scholarship, acceptable SAT or ACT scores must have been earned prior to high school graduation and submitted to GSFC. To be eligible you must have at least a 26 composite score on the ACT or have at least a 1200 for Math and Reading on the SAT on one date.

Standardized test score report(s) received:

Date:	Type:	Score:
No test scores currently available.		

# FAFSA WEBSITE

 An official website of the United States government.

[Help Center](#)

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**Federal Student Aid**  
AN OFFICE OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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## Complete the FAFSA® Form

Use the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®)* form to apply for financial aid for college or graduate school.

### New to the FAFSA® Process?

Completing the FAFSA form is free. Fill it out now.

[Start Here](#)

### Returning User?

[Correct info](#) | [Add a school](#)

[View your Student Aid Report \(SAR\)](#)

[Log In](#)

FAFSA® Announcements



# BRAG SHEET

- ▷ Can be found in the “School Counseling” course in Schoology
- ▷ Make a copy in Google Drive with “[Your Name] - Brag Sheet” as the title.
- ▷ Fill out and share with teachers and counselor.

**This information is used to write your recommendations for the following:**

- \*College Admission\*
- \*Scholarships\*
- \*Other Awards\*

**BE DETAILED  
BE ACCURATE  
BRAG ABOUT YOURSELF**



# LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

- ▷ Prepare a comprehensive “Brag Sheet” and share with teachers and counselor
- ▷ Allow 3 weeks for completion of recommendation
  - ▶ Most colleges DO NOT require a counselor recommendation
- ▷ Please ask your teacher **in-person!**

**Need a Recommendation Letter before semester break?  
(Remember those January college deadlines!)**

**17 December 1, 2022** is the **DEADLINE** to request a recommendation from your counselor!

# BRIDGE BILL

In 2010, Georgia's General Assembly passed the BRIDGE law to promote career awareness and the development of individualized plans of studies for all Georgia middle and high school students.

**Each year students must complete a grade specific activity and update their plan of study. The Naviance activities include:**

Junior year – Choose 3 Post Secondary Options

Senior year – Senior Survey

# NAVIANCE

Naviance is a college and career readiness solution that helps districts and schools align student strengths and interests to postsecondary goals, improving student outcomes and connecting learning to life.

- College and Career Preparation
- Career Exploration
- Academic Planning
- Self Discovery
- Supplemental forms for the college application process – (transcripts, letters or recommendations, school profile)

**Students sign in through Classlink!**

**Welcome Card:** A custom message from SCHS.

Welcome Message English Go

**Our Mission:**

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[Read more](#)

**Important To-Dos and Tasks:** Drawing from your planner, get a snippet of overdue and upcoming to-do items and tasks.

**Important To-Dos and Tasks**

Relax, you have no overdue or upcoming to-dos and tasks. However, you can get ahead by going to My Planner to see what's next or create a goal or to-do.

[See All in My Planner](#)

**Resources to Get Ready:** Everyday access to Document Resources - documents shared SCHS with all students.

**Resources to get ready**

[Document Resources](#)

**From My School**

<b>LINKS</b> <a href="#">SCHS Guidance Page</a> <a href="#">GA Futures</a> <a href="#">FAFSA</a> <a href="#">NCAA</a>	<b>PAGES</b> <a href="#">Common App. Info</a> <a href="#">Admissions Options</a> <a href="#">FAFSA</a>
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[View all from my school](#)

**My Favorites**

- COLLEGES  
I'm thinking about
- COLLEGES  
I'm applying to
- CAREERS AND CLUSTERS  
I'm thinking about
- SCHOLARSHIPS & MONEY  
Favorite Scholarships

**My Favorites:** Quick access to your college and scholarship applications.

**What's New**

- Georgia College & State University will be visiting your school on Monday, September 12th, 2022 at 2:15 pm [more info](#)
- Emerson College will be visiting your school on Tuesday, September 13th, 2022 at 2:15 pm [more info](#)
- Louisiana State University will be visiting your school on Friday, September 16th, 2022 at 2:15 pm [more info](#)

[Show more](#)

**What's New:** View upcoming college visits, new journal entries shared by a counselor or teacher, and any new comments on course plans, tasks, and goals made by someone other than you.



**From my school:** From this section, Find a list of links, pages, and updates provided by your school. Use **View all from my school** to see a full list.

# Welcome, !

Search for Colleges 



SEARCH

-  Self-Discovery Home
- Career Cluster Finder
-  Career Interest Profiler
- Intelligences®
- Learning and Productivity®
- Personality®
- Skills®
- StrengthsExplorer®





## Welcome Message

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# AMERICAN LEGION: GEORGIA GIRLS'/BOYS' STATE

WHAT: One week “learn by doing” government seminar

WHO: Boys'/Girls' after junior year; 3.0 GPA preferred

WHEN: Usually 2nd week of June

WHERE: Girls-Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA

Boys-Gordon State College, Barnesville, GA

WHY: Great experience, resume builder, fun!!

HOW: Contact **Jessica Bryan** early spring semester

POC: John Christ, American Legion Post 105 770.842.4566

**More Information: [www.gaboysstate.com](http://www.gaboysstate.com) OR [www.georgiagirlsstate.org](http://www.georgiagirlsstate.org)**

**PS: It's FREE!**

**(Sponsored by The American Legion ~ Donations welcome!)**

# ELIGIBILITY CENTER - NCAA/NAIA

To participate in college athletics and receive **athletically-based financial aid, you must do the following:**

- ▶ Register online Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse and meet eligibility standards
  - ▶ (SS# and fee required)-[www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) or [play.mynaia.org](http://play.mynaia.org)
- ▶ Submit transcript release form to **Ms. Floyd**



# IMPORTANT DATES

- ▷ SAT test dates: [www.sat.org](http://www.sat.org)
- ▷ ACT test dates: [www.myact.org](http://www.myact.org)
- ▷ PROBE Fair: WHS Commons
  - ▶ October 25th @ 6:00p.m.-8:00p.m.
- ▷ ASVAB: October 12 ( all 11th graders)
- ▷ Patriot Time: Wednesdays 3:45-4:30pm

# **Probe College Tour @ Whitewater High School**

**October 25<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 – 8:00 pm**



**Meet with college  
and university  
representatives from  
around the world.**

**RegisterProbe.com**



# THANK YOU

Thank you for taking the time to come tonight!

This presentation will be posted on the school website.

Please let us know if you have any questions!

## Go Patriots!

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