



WHS Counseling Department Newsletter

IMPORTANT NEWS AND REMINDERS

- **Seniors:** Your School Counselor will meet individually with you between late August-October to discuss the path to graduation, post-secondary plans, and how to use Naviance to send required application materials to colleges/universities. If a recommendation letter is needed for a college application and/or scholarship, students are required to complete the Brag Sheet located on Schoology and share it with his/her counselor. As a courtesy, students should ask teachers and counselors for recommendation letters at least 3 weeks prior to the application deadline.

- **All students:** The partnership between you, your parents, and your school counselor is an important one in your success as a high school student and achieving your future goals. Your active participation in your education is necessary; start meeting with your counselor in 9th grade. If you are hoping to qualify for the HOPE Scholarship, you are required to graduate from high school with an academic GPA of 3.0 or higher and complete a minimum of 4 rigor courses. Rigor courses include level 2 and higher of foreign language, Advanced Placement (AP) courses, Chemistry/Physics/Microbiology/Human Anatomy, academic/core dual enrollment courses, Algebra II/College and Career Readiness Math/Statistical Reasoning/Pre-Calculus.

- **Systematic Training for Effective Parenting (STEP) classes:** Fayette County Schools is offering a fall session of STEP virtually on Tuesdays from 6:30pm-8:00pm, free of charge. Please contact your child's school counselor for the registration form. Registration is required.

- **Seniors,** College Application Time (CAT) will be held after school in the Counseling Office from 3:45-4:30 on Wednesdays September 7th-October 26th. This is the perfect opportunity to get one on one help with college applications.

- **Current junior and senior women:** Georgia Tech Women in Engineering is pleased to announce that registration for the annual Engineering Career Conference is now open. This year's

conference will be held Thursday October 20th from 8:30am-4:00pm. There is a registration fee of \$40; please find a link to the [application](#).

→ **Peachstate College Tour** (University of Georgia, Georgia Tech, Augusta University, and Georgia State University) register [here](#) . There are virtual and in-person sessions this year. Advanced registration is required! Sessions scheduled for August 16th-September 20th.

Click [here](#) for a college visit checklist that may be helpful when comparing different colleges!

CALENDAR & HELPFUL LINKS

CALENDAR:

- August 29, 2022: Open House @ 6:30pm (you will follow your child's schedule)
- September 5, 2022: Labor Day holiday - No School
- September 6, 2022: Staff Professional Development; students personalized (digital) learning day
- September 8, 2022: 11th/12th grade parent night with counselors @ WHS Auditorium @6:30pm
- September 14, 2022: Underclassmen pictures

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HELPFUL LINKS:

- ACT/SAT test dates and registration: www.act.org & www.sat.org
- 17 programs of study for which FREE tuition is available: <https://tcsge.edu/free-tuition/>
- Kaplan's free SAT and ACT study guide:
https://www.kaptest.com/college-prep/free/sat-act-study-guide?utm_source=pc-advisor&utm_medium=offline&utm_term=003C000002HoBpjAF&utm_content=email&utm_campaign=sat-act-study-guide#share

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