



WHS Counseling Department Newsletter

IMPORTANT NEWS AND REMINDERS

- **All students:** strategies for academic success:
 - ◆ Set aside focused time to work on homework assignments. This means away from your phone and other distractions.
 - ◆ Ask your teacher about help sessions before/after school and attend them.
 - ◆ Hand write notes and complete reading assignments.
 - ◆ Work with peers to study for tests/quizzes.
 - ◆ Sleep and eat healthy foods. Your brain needs both in order to function optimally.
 - ◆ Begin reviewing previous units to prepare for final exams.
- **Seniors:** If you are applying to a college or university with a January 5, 2022 deadline or earlier, make sure you have spoken directly with a teacher/counselor that you are seeking a letter of recommendation from to support your application by December 3, 2021.
- **Juniors and Seniors:** Georgia Student Finance Commission is offering several free webinars throughout the year. Topics include scholarship opportunities, completing the FAFSA, applying to college, and budgeting fundamentals. Click [here](#) to register for the webinars.
- **Dual enrollment for 2022-2023 school year:** Dual enrollment is a state funded program that allows students to earn both high school and college credit for certain classes. Any student interested in participating in dual enrollment next school year must follow and complete the steps by May 1, 2022. Students should register now for an ACT/SAT, if the test is required for admission to your dual enrollment institution. Students currently participating in dual enrollment must also attend/watch an informational meeting, complete the dual enrollment contract, meet with his/her counselor to approve classes, and register for classes at the college by May 1, 2022. There will be 3 in person meetings and an online meeting (available in the student's schoology account). The parent/guardian and the student must attend one meeting in person OR watch the online meeting. The recommendation is that all students who will be new to dual enrollment during the 22-23 school year attend an in person meeting.
 - Monday January 10, 2022 @ Starr's Mill HS 6:30-8pm**
 - Thursday February 3, 2022 @ McIntosh HS 6:30-8pm**
 - Tuesday March 8, 2022 @ Sandy Creek HS 6:30-8pm**

CALENDAR & HELPFUL LINKS

CALENDAR

- **Tuesday December 14: 1st and 2nd period final exams.**
- **Wednesday December 15: 3rd and 4th period final exams.**
- **Thursday December 16: 5th and 6th period final exams.**

- Friday December 17: 7th period final exam.
- Semester break: December 20th - January 5th
- Second semester begins: Thursday January 6, 2022

[READ MORE ON OUR WEBSITE](#)

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://tcsq.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=003C000002HoBpjIAF&utm_content=email&utm_campaign=sat-act-study-guide#share

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