



SENIOR ADVISEMENT

Northview High School
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Counselors are assigned to a student based on the student's last name:

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Ci - Gr	Jamie D. Brown	Pas - Sp	Jay Mercer
Gu - Kim	Renee Ferrerio	Sr - Z	Steve Creel
Kin - Mi	Allison Leja		

Special Projects Counselors: Alan Hogan and Jenny Cole
College and Career Center Coordinator – Gail Polizzi

Complete a "Counselor Appointment Request" form to meet with your counselor

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Credits awarded: 1 semester = 0.5 units of credit

1 yearlong course = 1.0 of credit

Advancement Requirements: 5 units - Sophomore
 10 units - Junior
 16 units - Senior

Making up failed classes (see you counselor!):

Night School
 Senior year schedule
 Online Classes
 Summer School



COLLEGE PREPARATORY		CAREER TECHNOLOGY		DUAL DIPLOMA	
Courses (units)	Credits	Courses (units)	Credits	Courses	Credits (units)
Language Arts	4	Language Arts	4	Language Arts	4
Mathematics	4	Mathematics	3	Mathematics	4
Science	3	Science	3	Science	3
Social Studies	3	Social Studies	3	Social Studies	3
Foreign Language (FL)	2			Foreign Language (FL)	2
		Career Technology	4	Career Technology	4
		Career Tech Core*	3	Career Tech Core*	3
		Selective	1	Selective	1
Fine Art OR Career Tech OR Level 3 or above FL	1	Fine Art OR Career Tech OR Level 3 or above FL	1	Fine Art OR Career Tech OR Level 3 or above FL	1
Health/Physical Ed.	1	Health/Physical Ed.	1	Health/Physical Ed.	1
Electives	4	Electives	3		
TOTAL: 22		TOTAL: 22		TOTAL: 22	
College Prep with Distinction 2 additional core units Required: 24 units + 80 core ave		Career Tech with Distinction 1 additional core unit Required: 24 units + 80 core ave		Honor Points – 7 points added at the end of each semester to passing grades in honors, AP & college courses	

**Career Technology Core: Business, Family and Consumer Sciences, Technology Education, Computing, Pre-Engineering, Broadcast and Video Production, or Army JROTC.*

+Core Unit Areas: Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Foreign Language, or Fine Arts.

University System of Georgia Requirements

University System College Preparatory Curriculum – CPC (required at all institutions):

4 units of English

4 units of Mathematics (Algebra 1 and 2, geometry, and a fourth year of math)

3 units of Science (Biology, Physical Science or Physics, and a third year of science)

3 units of Social Science (including US History and World History)

2 units of the same Foreign Language

16 Total College Prep Units

TEST INFORMATION

Georgia High School Graduation Test (GHSGT) www.doe.k12.ga.us

Students must pass all portions of the test in order to graduate from a Georgia high school. Students who have failed or new seniors who have not taken and/or passed any portion of the GHSGT should see their counselor to sign up for testing. The schedule for retesting is as follows:

Sept. 10 Sci & Eng/Lang Arts	Nov. 5 Sci & Eng/Lang Arts	Mar. 17 Eng/Lang Arts	Mar. 20 Social
Sept. 11 Social Studies & Math	Nov. 6 Social Studies & Math	Mar. 18 Math	Studies
Sept. 26 Writing	Feb. 27 Writing	Mar. 19 Science	

Starting with the Class of 2007, students must have passed all five GHSGT sections as well as earning all appropriate and required credits to participate in the graduation ceremony. Special education students will be permitted to participate if they have met their special education diploma requirements.

End of Course Tests (EOCTs) <http://www.doe.k12.ga.us/curriculum/testing/eoct.asp>

The Georgia Department of Education requires that middle and high school students in certain courses to take an end of course test (EOCT). This year the state has made administration of these tests official for eight middle and high school courses:

-Algebra 1	-U.S. History	-Ninth Grade Literature and Composition	-Biology
-Geometry	-Economics	-American Literature and Composition	-Physical Science

◆ The EOCT score counts as the final exam, which is 15% of a student's grade in the course for the semester in which the course is taken (*EOCT is 15% of the grade so after it is averaged in, the grade must be 70 or above to receive credit for the course*)

◆ If the EOCT is missed first semester, the student receives an Incomplete ("I") for the course. In January, an electronic testing make-up will be given. If the EOCT is missed again, the next paper testing will be given in May. If both are missed, the student receives a **grade of 69** for the course. If a student never takes EOCT, s/he will receive a grade of 69.

◆ If a student is caught cheating, s/he receive a zero for EOCT and fails the course.

◆ Students taking Online, Joint Enrolled, or Night School courses in EOCT subjects must take the exam.

SAT I: Reasoning Test /SAT II: Subject Tests

Scholastic Assessment Test I (SAT I) – a college admission test that measures students' mathematical ability, critical reading knowledge, and writing skill. Changes for the Class of 2006 and beyond:

- A mandatory writing test added.
- verbal section renamed critical reading (no longer include analogies; short reading passages added)
- new section called the SAT writing section added, containing multiple-choice grammar questions as well as a written essay.
- math section expanded to cover three years of high school math (concepts from Geometry, Algebra I & Algebra II).

Scholastic Assessment Test II (SAT II) – one-hour tests offered in subjects such as English, foreign language, science, history, and mathematics (measure a student's knowledge of particular subject areas). Some colleges require the SAT II test(s) & students should check with each college to determine whether it is necessary to take the SAT II(s).

Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline
October 6	September 10
November 3	October 2
December	October 30
January 26	December 26

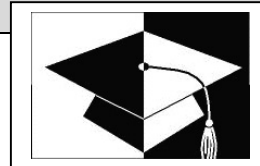
Test Fee for SAT I - Reasoning Test
(includes Writing): \$43.00

Late Fee: add \$22.00

Test Fee for SAT II – Subject Tests: varies
(see bulletin)

Register for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com

ACT Assessment



American College Testing Program (ACT) – a test which measures aptitude and skill in English, math, reading, natural sciences, and writing.

Changes for the Class of 2006 and beyond

- An optional writing test added
- Please check with the colleges you are interested in applying to for undergraduate admissions on whether or not they require the writing test

Test Dates	Regular Registration Deadline
September 15	August 10
October 27	September 21
December 8	November 2

ACT Assessment Fee: \$30.00

ACT Assessment Plus Writing Test: \$44.50

Late Fee: add \$20.00

Register for the ACT online at www.act.org

Northview is a Test Center site for most of the ACT test dates Test Center Code: 213800

It is recommended that students take the SAT and/or ACT at least twice during the 2nd semester of their junior year and once at the beginning of their senior year

Advanced Placement Testing (AP)

AP courses allow students to pursue college-level studies while still in high school. Most U.S. colleges and universities, and institutions in more than 20 other countries, grant credit, advanced placement, or both, to students whose AP Exams meet their requirements. To investigate a college's AP Policy, visit www.collegeboard.com/ap/creditpolicy AP Exams are College Entrance Examination Board (CEEB) sponsored tests, which many colleges give advanced standing and/or credit. **They are administered in May.** Issued by the College Board, the **Advanced Placement Diploma Certificate** can be earned by:

- Successfully completing 5 or more year-long AP course (or equivalent in half-year courses)
- Scoring 3 or higher on the exams for at least 5 year-long AP courses (or equivalent in half-year courses)
- Maintaining overall cumulative averages of 80 or higher in AP courses



Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

A test used to evaluate the English proficiency of those students whose first language is not English. For students who have been in the US for less than 5 years, this test may be used to replace or compliment an SAT Critical Reading or ACT English score.

<http://www.ets.org/toefl/>

Georgia's HOPE Scholarship Program

The HOPE (*Helping Outstanding Pupils Educationally*) Scholarship Program is Georgia's unique scholarship program that rewards students' hard work with financial assistance in degree, diploma, and certificate programs at any eligible Georgia public or private college, university, or public technical institute. Eligible students receive financial assistance covering tuition, HOPE-approved mandatory fees, and a book allowance.

Qualifications:

- ◆ a U.S. Citizen or an eligible non citizen
- ◆ be a legal resident of Georgia (http://www.gsfc.org/Main/publishing/pdf/2006/2006_residency_regs.pdf)
- ◆ be a high school graduate
- ◆ earn a 3.0 cumulative grade point average GPA for the college preparatory track and a 3.2 cumulative GPA for the career technology track. The GPA for HOPE will be determined by averaging ALL core curriculum coursework (English, Math, Science, Social Science, and Foreign Language), including failing grades on a 4.0 scale (A = 4.0, B = 3.0, C = 2.0, D = 1.0, and F = 0). In addition, all honors points are removed before the calculation and .50 weighting is added back in for AP and IB courses only, not to exceed 4.0. Grades from high school courses taken in middle school are not calculated in the HOPE GPA. Please note: A 2.99 GPA does NOT qualify you for HOPE. All calculations are done by the Georgia Student Finance Commission.
- ◆ meet other requirements concerning Selective Service registration and repayment of student loans, and complete the following forms online: the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA - www.fafsa.ed.gov) and Georgia Student Financial Aid Application System (GSFAPPS - www.GAcollege411.org; create a MY411 Account and Log On; Click the *Applications & Transcripts* tab; Under Applying for Financial Aid, click *GSFAPPS*; Click *Apply Now* at the bottom of the page; Follow the instructions to complete a HOPE application online) For additional information, contact the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) at (770) 724-9000 or www.gsfc.org (offers free student financial aid consulting services!)

HOPE Eligibility – Little Known Facts:

1. Students with missing or invalid Social Security Numbers will have their HOPE scholarship award delayed.
2. If you used a nickname instead of your legal name at the time you enrolled in the Fulton County School system, your HOPE scholarship award will be delayed.
3. All young men are required to register with the Selective Service no later than 30 days before their 18th birthday. HOPE eligibility will be delayed until this requirement is met. Men can register as early as 17 ½. Registration takes only a few minutes. Log on to www.sss.gov, or see Mrs. Unger in the Counseling Department.

INFORMATION YOU CAN USE

- ❖ **Research colleges** through the internet, college visits, talking to alumni, etc. Match colleges with your personality and more important your goals in life. Make sure that you go on to the college's website now to find out which high school courses, GPA, SAT/ACT, etc is required for admission so that you don't fall short. Narrow your college choices to 3 to 4. Be realistic!

- ❖ **College and Career Center:** Please take advantage of our College and Career Center, which provides help to students in selecting colleges and scholarship opportunities. Gail Polizzi – College & Career Center Coordinator, counselors, and trained parent volunteers provide assistance to students and parents. Georgia Career Information Service (GCIS) and College View are used to assist students. Mrs. Polizzi is available Monday through Wednesday by appointment or walk-in. With 14 years experience as a College Admissions Counselor, she is also a wonderful resource for writing essays and has many contacts with admissions officers.
 - ❖ **Financial Aid & Scholarships:** Every year the senior class and their parents are invited to a Financial Aid Night hosted by the Georgia Student Finance Commission. A representative will be here to outline the FAFSA form and review HOPE scholarship information. Seniors will also receive Senior Newsletters periodically throughout the year alerting them to scholarship opportunities that are available. Also, students can research scholarships on the internet and contact colleges directly about financial aid and scholarship opportunities. Don't miss out.....
www.gcic.peachnet.edu User ID: nviews Password: gcis1890 www.fastweb.com
<http://gacollege411.com> www.scholarships.com www.fastaid.com
www.finaid.org www.wiredscholar.com www.gsfc.org
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COLLEGE FAIR DATES

- September 9 – Atlanta NW PROBE College Fair, Southern Poly State University, 1:30 – 4:00 pm
- September 17 – Cobb County North PROBE College Fair, Kennesaw State University, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
- September 18 – Gwinnett North PROBE College Fair, Gwinnett Civic Center, 6:00 – 8:30 pm
- September 19 – Atlanta North PROBE College Fair, North Point Mall, 6:00 – 9:00 pm
- September 24 – Atlanta City PROBE College Fair, GA International Convention Center, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm
- October 24/25 – NSSFNS College Fair, GA International Convention Center, 9:30 am – 12:00 pm
- December 6 – “Understanding Financial Aid” Meeting, NHS Auditorium, 7:00 – 8:00 pm
- February 10 – NACAC Atlanta National College Fair, GA International Convention Center, 9:00 am – 1 pm
www.gicc.com or www.nacac.com/fairs.html
- February 11 – Northview High School 5th Annual College Fair, NHS Food Court, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Probe College Fairs: www.gaprobe.org for location and directions

Rest of the school year, colleges will be visiting our campus (See Procedures for College Visits at NHS)

PROCEDURE FOR COLLEGE VISITS TO NORTHVIEW

1. Before attending a visit by a college, seniors must pre-register in the Counseling Office. Each student requesting to attend the session will sign a list and receive a permission slip.
 2. It is the student's responsibility to have the permission slip signed by the teacher of any class that will be missed. This **MUST** be done 24 hours in advance.
 3. Students must bring their signed permission slip to the meeting with the college representative. When the college visit is over, students must have their permission slip signed and timed by a member of the Counseling Office.
 4. Students are responsible for keeping the permission slip through the next day to confirm the absence from the missed class.
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PROCEDURE FOR VISITS TO COLLEGE CAMPUS

- Pre approved absence for college visitation should be requested **THREE days prior** to absence
 - Request must be made in writing from parent/guardian for approval by the student's administrator
 - Can request **SIX** days of pre-arranged absences per year
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KEY POINTS in College Admission

- ❖ **GPA:** The most important factor related to admission to college is the GPA in academic courses. GPA's will be calculated for most colleges on a 4.0 scale looking at just academics. Some colleges weight advanced courses, others don't. We can give you a copy of your transcript so that you can calculate your own GPA on a 4.0 scale.
- ❖ **Course Selection:** Selective colleges are looking at the strength or rigor of your courses throughout high school, **including** your senior year. We highly recommend that seniors take a minimum of 4 academics each semester. (For highly selective colleges, a minimum of 5 each semester). Taking many elective choices your senior year will not get you into these schools.
- ❖ **College Admission Tests (The SAT and ACT)** – The SAT and ACT Tests are the third in line of priority. We suggest you take the SAT and/or ACT at least two times during your junior year and at least once during your senior year. Students with high SAT/ACT scores and low GPA's are looked at as not applying themselves.

COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

Starts Friday, August 31, 2007

Step 1 – Research colleges for academic, financial and personality fit. Make application to the colleges of your choice. Submit online if possible. Check that your name, Social Security Number and birth date are entered correctly. Note any deadlines imposed by the college and plan ahead by two to four weeks (Steps 2-6).

Step 2 – Personally have SAT/ACT scores sent directly to the college(s) from the appropriate testing service (SAT: www.collegeboard.com or 800-728-7267; ACT: www.act.org or 800-525-6926)

Step 3 – Request teacher recommendations (if required by the college) at least four weeks ahead of deadlines. Provide the teacher with a resume. Colleges prefer everything to come in together – therefore, submit teacher recs with your transcript request packet. Each recommendation should be in a sealed envelope with the teacher’s name signed on the back flap

Step 4 – For counselor recommendations, complete a “Senior Information Sheet” and give it to your counselor at least two weeks before the college deadline date. Optional is the “Parent Response Form,” which provides additional helpful information about you.

Step 5 – Prepare a 9x12 self-sealing envelope addressed to the college. Use Northview High School as the return address. Affix three first class stamps (depending on the weight) to the upper right corner. Insert into the envelope any documents required by the college, such as teacher recommendations, essays, resume, etc.

Step 6 – Complete the “Transcript Request” form and attach the counselor recommendation form (if applicable) and the transcript fee to the envelope. Turn in to **Mrs. Unger, Records Coordinator in the Counseling Office**

DEADLINES FOR COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS (Due to the large number of applications the Counseling Department receives, we ask that you strictly adhere to the following deadlines.)

COLLEGE/SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE	APPLICATION DUE TO COUNSELING OFFICE
October 1- 30	September 15
November 1-30	October 15
December 1- 30	November 15
January 1 - 30	December 1

Types of Admissions Decisions

- **Regular Decision**
- **Early Action**
 - Invite early applications
 - Receives notice of admission early
 - If accepted, student is not obligated to attend
- **Early Decision**
 - Early determination of admissibility
 - Receives notice of admission early
 - If accepted, student is obligated to attend
 - If accepted, student must withdraw all other applications



Reminder for all you prospective Dawgs and Yellow Jackets:

- UGA** Early Action Deadline - October 15, Regular Decision Deadline – January 15
 GPA 3.63 – 4.0, SAT 1150 – 1320, ACT 24 – 30
- GA Tech** President’s Scholarship Consideration Deadline – Oct 31, Regular Decision Deadline – Jan 15
 GPA 3.71, SAT 1260 – 1390, ACT 25 – 31