

Conversations with Counseling

Sprayberry HS Counseling Department

August 28, 2024

Tonight's Agenda

- Meet your Counselors
- Stay Connected
- Graduation & Promotion Requirements
- Transcripts & GPAs
- GAfutures.org
 - GEORGIA Match
 - HOPE & Zell Miller
- Dual Enrollment (DE)
- Post-Secondary Planning
 - Naviance
 - The Common App.
 - ACT, SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, Accuplacer
 - Financial Aid 101
 - NCAA Eligibility



Meet Your SHS School Counselors



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Ms. Crystal Jordan Student Last Names: L - Q







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http://www.youtube.com/@sprayberrycounseling

*TOTAL: 23.0 Credits

Graduation Credit Requirements

*In the respective subject areas to the right.

• English – 4.0 credits

o Required:9th Lit & American Lit

$\mathbf{Math} - 4.0 \, \mathbf{credits}$

Poundations of Algebra does not count for 4-year colleges/universities

• Science – 4.0 credits

 Required: Biology; Physics (or Physical Science); Environmental Sci. or Chemistry

• Social Studies – 3.0 credits

• World History; US History; Economics (0.50) & Am. Gov't (0.50)

Health/Personal Fitness – 1.0 credits

O JROTC (3 years = exempt from H/PF requirement)

• CTAE Electives/Fine Arts/World Language – 3.0 credits

 2.0 units of the same world language are required for 4-year colleges

General Electives – 4.0 credits

NOTE: A student has the potential to earn a total of 32.0 credits in four years because SHS is on a block schedule.

Promotion Requirements

9th Grade to 10th Grade: 5.0 Credits

• 1.0 ELA, 1.0 Math, 1.0 Science, + 2.0 additional credits

10th Grade to 11th Grade: 11.0 credits

• 2.0 ELA, 2.0 Math, 2.0 Science, + 5.0 additional credits

11th Grade to 12th Grade: 16 credits

• 2.0 ELA, 2.0 Math, 2.0 Science, + 10.0 additional credits

CCSD Transcripts

What is listed:

- Demographic Information
- Cumulative GPA
 - Weighted & Unweighted
- Credits Earned
- Credits Attempted
- EOC Scores
- Final Grades
- Year Attendance Totals (Present & Absent)

Obtaining a Transcript:

- **Unofficial:** Current students can see Ms. Jenkins, the counseling clerk, in the lobby of the counseling office, during your lunch.
- Official: Current students will complete steps 1, 2, and 3:
 - 1. Students must add the college(s) applying to on his/her Naviance account.

Add these colleges to your "**Colleges I'm Applying To**" list & make sure you mark how you applied to the school.

2. Pay for the number of transcripts requested.

Online via MyPaymentsPlus or bring \$2 (exact cash) to Ms. Jenkins in the Counseling Office.

3. Come to the Counseling Office to **fill out your transcript card**. This can only be done **IN-PERSON**, so you must come to the Counseling Office to complete.

NOTE: Class Rank is NOT reported by any CCSD high school.

Your HOPE GPA

It is NOT listed on your CCSD transcript.

It is based on your core (academic) course grades, including World Languages.

AP and DE courses receive .5 extra quality points.

Honors courses do not receive any additional quality points.

Middle school credits are <u>not</u> included in the calculation.

The HOPE
Scholarship GPA
calculation does not
allow for any
rounding.

Continue to monitor your HOPE GPA at: https://www.gafutures.org/.

HOPE Rigor Requirements

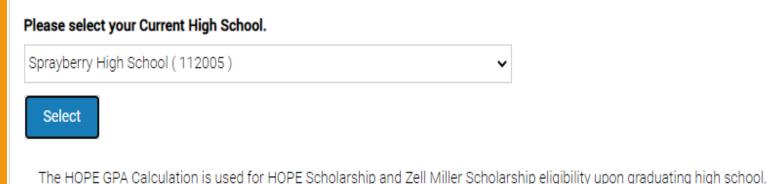
A student meeting the requirements to be a HOPE Scholar at the time of high school graduation must earn a minimum of four (4.0) full rigor credits prior to graduating from high school.

Credits received for academic rigor courses must be from the categories below:

- Advanced Math
 - Adv. Algebra, Pre-Calculus, AMDM, any AP-level
 Math course
- Advanced Science
 - Physics, Chemistry, AP Science
- Advanced World Language
 - Spanish 2 and higher or French 2 and higher
- Advanced Placement (AP) or Dual Enrollment degree-level core courses



- If your student receives this error message, it means that his/her social security number was NOT provided to the school.
- The student must bring in their Social Security Card to the Counseling Office so that it can be added to the student system.



We could not locate your transcript. Please check your GAfutures profile to be sure your Last Name, Social Security Number, Date of Birth, and Zip code are correct. If so, please contact your High School Administrator to ask if your transcript record has been uploaded to GSFC with your correct Name, Social Security Number, and Date of Birth. Your transcript record and Profile must match.

Georgia's HOPE & Zell Miller Scholarships

HOPE Scholarship Requirements:

- Merit based
 - 3.0 core high school GPA (as calculated by GSFC) & meet specific rigor course requirements
- Covers a percentage of college tuition
- Must maintain a 3.0 while in college to keep it
- Ability to obtain or regain HOPE if not initially qualified or lost

ZELL Miller Scholarship Requirements:

- 3.7 core high school GPA (as calculated by GSFC) & meet specific rigor course requirements
- SAT min. score of 1200 **or** ACT Composite score of 25 in <u>one</u> test sitting (no super scoring)
- Covers <u>100%</u> of college tuition for Georgia public colleges
- Must maintain a 3.3 GPA while in college to keep it
- Cannot gain eligibility while in college

HOPE Grant:

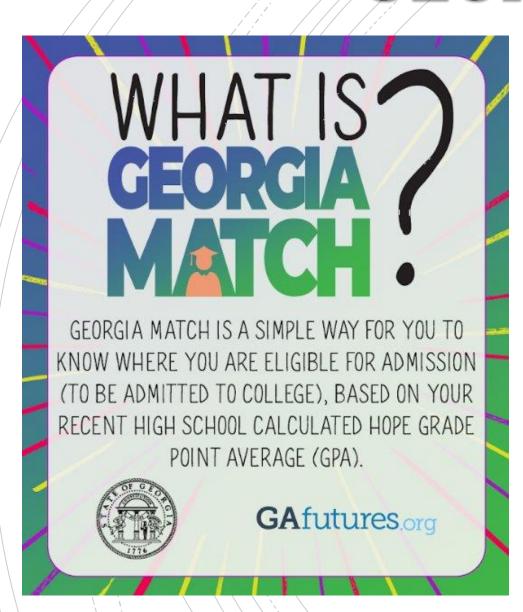
- Available to Georgia residents who are working towards a certificate or diploma (continuing education programs are not eligible) at an eligible college or university in Georgia.
- No high school GPA requirement, however student must have a postsecondary cumulative 2.0 GPA, at certain checkpoints, to maintain eligibility.
- The HOPE Grant award amount will cover a portion of a student's tuition.

Zell Miller Grant:

- Available to Georgia residents who are working towards a certificate or diploma at a Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) or University System of Georgia (USG) institution.
- Full-time enrollment is not required, and students are not required to graduate from high school with a specific GPA, however, a minimum 3.5 cumulative postsecondary GPA, a the end of each term, is required in order to maintain eligibility.
 - The first term of enrollment will be paid retroactively if the student has the required 3.5 cumulative postsecondary GPA at the end of the term.
- The Zell Miller Grant award amount is the standard undergraduate tuition rate based on the school the student attends and the number of hours enrolled.

Georgia's HOPE & Zell Miller Grants

GEORGIA MATCH



- GEORGIA MATCH is a simple way for you to know where you are eligible for admission (to be admitted to college), based on your high school calculated HOPE grade point average (GPA) through 11th grade.
- Note: GEORGIA MATCH works with public and private accredited high schools in Georgia only.
- A senior's GEORGIA MATCH colleges are found on one's <u>GAfutures Student</u> <u>Dashboard</u>.

https://www.gafutures.org/

GAFutures.org Account: Benefits

See current HOPE/Zell Miller GPA

Apply for HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarships and Grants

HOPE and State Aid Program Descriptions

Federal Aid & Scholarships

College Planning

Career Exploration

Dual Enrollment Information



DUAL ENROLLMENT

What is Dual Enrollment?

Take college classes and receive HS and college credit

11th or 12th grade- must meet the requirements of the specific college

The program is FREE and does not count against HOPE money after graduation

Students may attend either part or full-time, and can earn up to 30 credits

Students can go to 2- or 4-year colleges

Check with specific colleges to see preferences between DE and AP classes

What is Dual Enrollment?

Need 3.2 Core GPA for KSU, or you must submit PSAT/SAT scores. No min GPA for CTC

You must have transportation to the college

You cannot take DE classes on Sprayberry's campus

You could start college as a sophomore if you earn the 30 credits through DE

DE students are responsible for all deadlines

You must be passing all current classes and attend school regularly to participate in DE

Technical College System of Georgia (TCSG) have an agreement with University System of Georgia.

There are 28 courses that you can take at a GA Technical College with direct transfer credit.

All 4-year colleges have core requirements. You can complete most of these classes through DE.

List of classes: TCSG Guaranteed transfer-web.pdf

Ex.

ENGL 1101 instead of British Literature; BIOL 1107 instead of 4th science MATH 1111 instead of AMDM; HIST 2112 instead of US History MATH 1113 instead of PreCal: ECON 1000 instead of Economics

Where to Find Dual Enrollment Info?



Go to www.sprayberrycounseling.com



Click on "Dual Enrollment"



Complete all the required steps and submit the paperwork to counseling



You **must** complete Algebra II and American Literature before you start the DE program



You will be responsible for all deadline dates (the college and high school deadline dates are often different)



DUAL ENROLLMENT | sprayberry (www.sprayberrycounseling.com)

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COLLEG

#1 Steps to Apply...

#2 Deadline Dates for DE

#3 Forms, Rules & Instructions

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Click on your college of interest to see the steps you must follow. Please download this information to help guide you through the Dual Enrollment process.





STEP #1 Chatt. Tech.

Steps to apply to Chat Tech:

- 1. Click on "Deadline Dates" for DE
 - a. Review the deadline dates.
 - b. Mark the dates on your personal calendar.
- 2. Click on the "Forms, Rules & Instructions" tab.
 - a. Click on the button, "Dual Enrollment Reminders" and review this information. You are responsible for this information, so please review it carefully because you will sign off stating you understand this information when you complete the Dual Enrollment Acknowledgement Form.
 - b. Click on the "Dual Enrollment for Sprayberry" video and watch it. You will sign off on watching this video when you complete the "Dual Enrollment Acknowledgement Form."
 - c. Scroll down and click on the "CCSD Local School Agreement."
 - When you click the button, the CCSD Local School Agreement will download.
 - This is a fillable document. Please fill this out and save it to your desktop.
 - 3. You will upload this document when you complete the "Dual

STEP #1 Kennesaw State

Steps to apply to KSU:

- 1. Click on "Deadline Dates" for DE
 - Review the deadline dates.
 - b. Mark the dates on your personal calendar.
- 2. Click on the "Forms, Rules & Instructions" tab.
 - a. Click on the button, "Dual Enrollment Reminders" and review this information. You are responsible for this information, so please review it carefully. You will sign off on this when you complete the "Dual Enrollment Acknowledgement Form."
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Deadline Dates

Dual Enrollment meetings for the spring 2025 semester will begin Friday, August 30th, 2024, and will end Friday, October 18th, 2024.

Each college has a different deadline for their college paperwork. You are responsible for knowing the deadline dates for your college of interest. Additionally, you are responsible for knowing the deadline dates for Sprayberry & Cobb County.

Click the box below to review some important reminders concerning

Dual Enrollment. You will sign off indicating you understand these rules in the "Dual Enrollment

Acknowledgment Form," (see item #30).

DUAL ENROLLMENT REMINDERS

Interested students must review this PowerPoint presentation. You will sign off stating that you watched this video when you complete the "Dual Enrollment Acknowledgement Form," (see item # 29.).



Please download the CCSD Local School Agreement, fill it out, and save it to your desktop. There will be a place to upload this form in the "Dual Enrollment Acknowledgment Form," (see item #26).

CCSD Local School Agreement- download and fill out



Next, click on the form below and answer the questions, acknowledge the rules and requirements, upload your testing scores (if applicable), and upload your CCSD Local School Agreement in this form.

You must log in to your Cobb County 365 account to complete the form below.

DUAL ENROLLMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM

How to complete your Dual Enrollment Funding.

The video below will show you how to complete your DE Funding through www.GAfutures.org. If you need help, review the video on setting up this account.

Click here for help setting up GAFutures Account & Completing your Funding Application

Click here to set up account and complete funding application.

FAQs about DE



NAVIANCE

Naviance is a delivery system and college/career search engine and also how we communicate with YOU and your parents throughout the school year.

Available to students online, 24/7!

Multiple Uses for Naviance

College Planning

College Search, College Visits, Colleges Applying To, Letters of Recommendation

Career Planning & Resume Building

Explore Careers, Clusters & Pathways

Self-Discovery

Personality, Skills, and Strengths Assessments

Communicating with your School Counselor

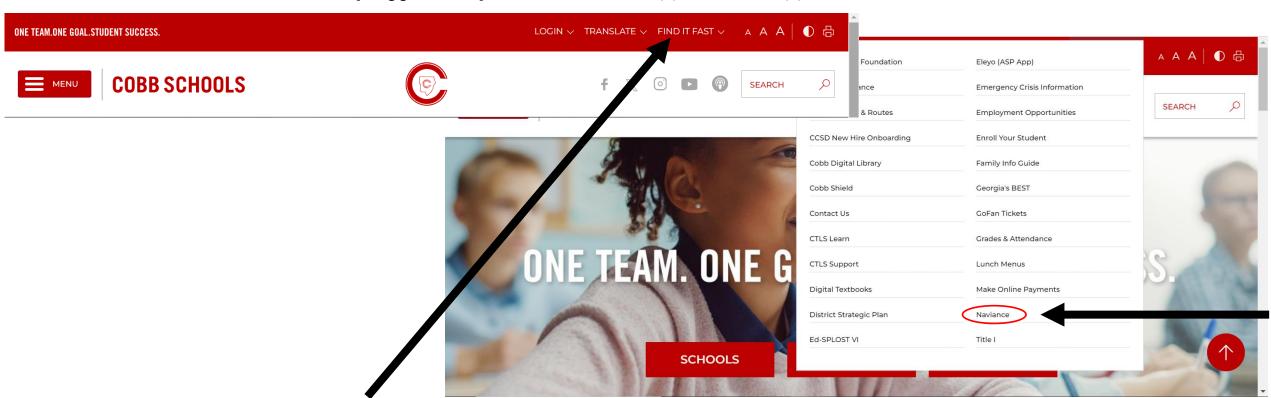
E-Mail Capabilities

Scholarship Searches

College-specific, National Search, CCSD-specific

Logging into Naviance

- 1. Log into the school computer
- 2. Open Google Chrome (this is the preferred browser for Naviance)
- 3. Go to https://www.cobbkl2.org/
- 4. Click the down arrow from "Find it Fast" in the top red header
- 5. Click "Naviance" in the right-side column second link from the bottom
- 6. You should be taken to your **Naviance** Student homepage automatically
 - If not automatically logged in to your account, select: (1) Student → (2) Continue With Clever









Close Demo

Demo's Future Planning



No Path Selected

Plan for life after high school and select the path that will lead to future success.

Select Path

Career Essentials

Welcome to Naviance

Naviance Student has to offer the Class of 2025!

**Please press 'Read more' below to expand & get started!^*

Naviance Student is designed to
help guide you through College

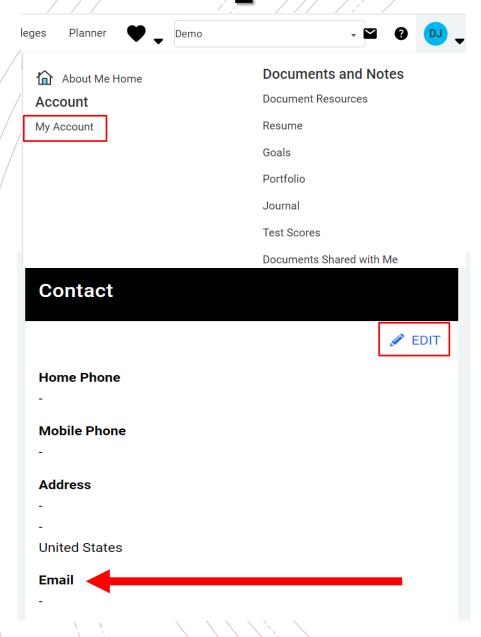
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Additional Information from Your So

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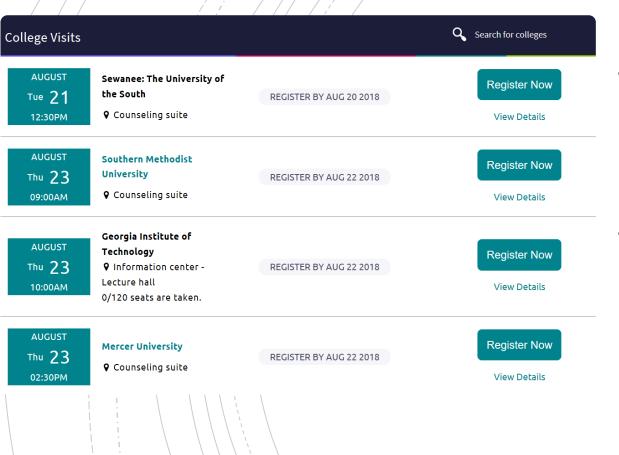
Naviance Homepage

Update Your E-Mail Address



- Updating your account with your <u>personal e-mail address</u> is imperative so we can communicate important information with you.
- 1. Click on the "About Me" link at the top.
- 2. Click on "My Account."
- 3. Click on the Pencil Icon in the "Contact" box.
- 4. Enter your personal email address.
- 5. Click "Save."
- Students should REPLACE your CCSD e-mail address with your personal e-mail address so that you do not miss out on pertinent school counseling information!

College Visits



- This is a student's opportunity to hear from various college admission representatives who visit our school to share about their college/university and its respective admissions process.
- Offered on Tuesdays & Thursdays either at 10AM or 2:15PM in the Counseling Office, but you must sign up through your Naviance account at least 24 hours in advance.

To register to attend:

- Go to Naviance Student.
- Click "Colleges" from the header.
- Under 'Research Colleges', Click 'College Visits'.
- -Click "**Register Now**" for the session(s) you would like to attend.
- Please take a screen shot of the green confirmation banner to show for your pass out of class.

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What is the Common App?

- The Common App is an undergraduate college admission application that applicants may use to apply to any of the 1,000+ member colleges and universities.
- Seniors will choose to use "Common App" or "Direct to Institution."
 - For Common App schools, students are required to match their Common App and Naviance Student accounts.
- NOTE: Not all colleges and universities are on the Common App and have their own, individual applications that, in most cases, are web-based and can be found via the school's undergraduate admissions website.
- SHS Counselors only use Naviance to send college material.

Common App. Basics

Senior Specific Information

Go to:

- https://linktr.ee/sprayberrycounseling to find Part I and Part II of our Class of 2025 Counseling Lessons.
- Both videos have been screen recorded with audio attached for your convenience and provide for additional information, specific to the Class of 2025.



Post-Secondary Testing

ACT, SAT, PSAT/NMSQT, Accuplacer, ASVAB

...ACT, SAT, Accuplacer, ASVAB, oh my!

- ACT & SAT: Entrance exams for post-secondary purposes.
 - i.e. UGA, GA State, Howard, GA Southern, Savannah State, etc.
 - https://www.act.org/
 - https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/
- Accuplacer: Placement exam for post-secondary purposes.
 - i.e. Chatt. Tech., Gwinnett Tech., etc.
 - https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/
- ASVAB:
 - i.e. Military branches
 - https://www.asvabprogram.com/
- Check with your respective post-secondary option of choice to determine which exam you need to sit for.
- Each college has different testing requirements, so you must research your college to determine what is needed of you as the applicant.

PSAT/NIMSQT

(National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)

- Sprayberry High School will administer the PSAT/NMSQT (National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) on the morning of Tuesday, October 22, 2024.
- 10th grade students will be automatically registered to take the assessment.
 - 9th Grade Students may choose to participate for a \$14 fee
 - 11th Grade Students may choose to participate for a \$13
- 9th and 11th grade students must register at using the Registration Form from the SHS website.
- NOTE: This year, the PSAT/NMSQT will be administered digitally. This means that students must use their CCSD issued laptop to take the assessment.
- For more information or questions, please contact Ms.
 Polk, Assistant Principal at Tonya.Polk@cobbk12.org.

Need an Exam Fee Waiver?

If you qualify for free or reduced lunch, you are eligible for 6 total fee waivers; two (2) SAT waivers & four (4) ACT waivers.

Once you sit for the SAT or ACT, you will also qualify for college application fee waivers.

It is the responsibility of the student to submit the fee waiver directly to the college or obtain the application fee waiver from the college, whichever is applicable.

NOTE: Sprayberry's College Entrance

Examination Board # (CEEB#) is: 112005.



Financial Aid 101

Financial Aid Planning

1. Determine

• Determine all college cost – not just tuition.

2. Calculate

• Calculate your college savings to help determine options.

3. Estimate

• Estimate your family's expected contribution.

4. Search

- Search for scholarships & grants.
- Scholarship opportunities will be uploaded through Naviance student.

Need-Based Financial Aid

Types of student financial aid

• Grants: Federal, state, college-based

• Loans: Federal

Work-study opportunities

FAFSA (Federal Application for Federal Student Aid)

- Application available at <u>www.fafsa.gov</u>
- Both student and parent must apply for an FSA ID
- FAFSA can be submitted as early as October 1, 2024
- MUST complete FAFSA to receive HOPE or Zell Miller Scholarship every year

Georgia Student Finance Application

- The GSFAPP is a quick and secure application to apply for:
 - HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarship
 - HOPE and Zell Miller Grant
 - Georgia Tuition Equalization Grant (GTEG)
 - IPSE Grant
- For federal aid, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the application you must complete.
 - This must be done on an annual basis to continue receiving federal aid.
- To apply for Georgia state aid, you can use the FAFSA and/or the Georgia State Financial Application (GSFAPP).

GSFAPP

You can save money by starting at a 2year/Tech college

CHATT TECH

1 credit hour = \$107 (in-state), so 3 credits would cost \$321.00. If you take five classes (3 credits each)= 15 credits. This will cost you approximately \$1605. each semester + \$486. in fees = \$2091.

LOCAL 4-YEAR COLLEGE

• 1 credit hour = \$190 (in state), so 3 credits would cost \$570, If you take 5 classes (3 credits each)= 15 credits. This will cost around \$2850, each semester + \$624. in fees= \$3474. If you live on campus, or sign up for the meal plan, there are additional fees.

University System of Georgia has a transfer agreement between USG/TCSG

 Students can take specific classes at a tech school, and they will be accepted at the four-year colleges

This means that if you want to go to KSU but prefer to save money and get some of the basic classes that all students are required to take out of the way, you can do so, 1) at a minimal cost, 2) all while staying on track with your required college classes.

- https://www.chattahoocheetech.edu/transf er-agreement/
 - This is the link to the classes that will transfer

College General Education Requirements

For example:

- To see the required classes at KSU, go to this link:
 - http://catalog.kennesaw.edu/preview_program.php?catoid=24&poid=2668
- Here you will see all the classes that every freshman and sophomore will take.
- All students take ENGL 1101 & ENGL 1102. Instead of taking these classes at KSU, why not take them at Chatt Tech for a fraction of the cost? Then, when you have exhausted the transfer credits, you can apply to KSU.
- Other examples include MATH 1111, MATH 1101, HIST 1112, POLS 1101

Looking for Scholarship Money?

Should be your part-time job starting your senior year

- Complete one application per day
 - It is a numbers game, the more you apply, the greater your odds

Scholarship Sites to Consider

BigFuture.org

Naviance

GAFutures.org

Going Merry.com



NCAA Eligibility

If interested in pursuing collegiate athletics, your student should register with the NCAA Eligibility Center by the end of his/her junior year (if not sooner).

Direct link to the website: <u>www.ncaa.org/student-athletes/future/how-register</u>

- There are two types of accounts to register for:
 - Certification Account- If you want to compete at an NCAA Division I or II school, you need to set up a Certification Account for an academic and amateurism certification to be completed. Registration fee is \$90.00.
 - Profile Page- If you plan to compete at an NCAA Division III school or are unsure which division you want to compete in, create a Profile Page. There is no registration fee for a Profile Page.
- The student is responsible for sending an initial and final transcript to NCAA.
- Remember, official transcripts cost \$2.00 each even if they are sent electronically.

High School Athletic Eligibility

- First-year (entering 9th grade) students are eligible academically. Second semester first-year students must have passed courses carrying at least 2.5 Carnegie units the previous semester to participate.
- Second-year students must have accumulated five (5) total Carnegie units in the first year AND passed courses carrying at least 2.5 Carnegie units in the previous semester.
- Students may accumulate the required Carnegie units for participation during the school year and eligibility will be reinstated at the beginning of the next semester.

SHS Athletic Eligibility Contact
Mr. Nathan Autry, Athletic Director
Nathan Autry@cobbk12.org
(770) 578-3200 ext. 059

Thank You!

