# IITH GRADE BRIDGE LAW COUNSELING LESSON



## WHO IS YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR?

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#### **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

How do I put my post-secondary plan into action?

#### LET'S TALK ABOUT...

- Post-graduation plans
- State Workforce Development Initiatives
- College admissions requirements vs. HS graduation requirements
- SAT/ACT/Accuplacer/ASVAB
- College admissions process
- Financial aid & scholarship resources
- Dual Enrollment
- Explore & save post-secondary options in Naviance

#### WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

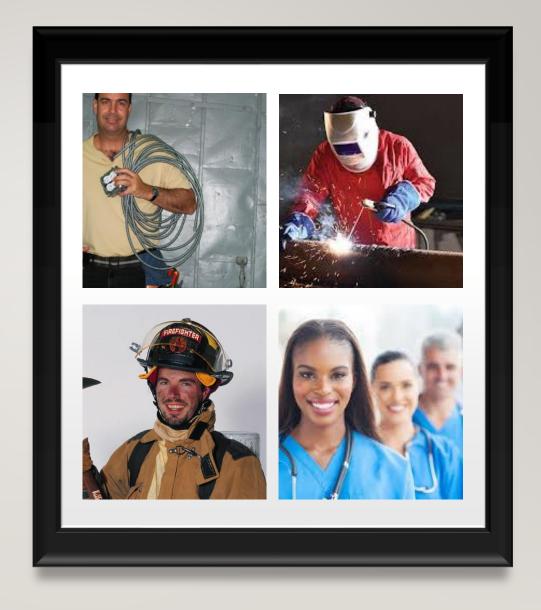
- What's my path after high school?
- What are the requirements to get there?
- What tests do I need to take?
- How do I pay for it?

#### POST-SECONDARY OPTIONS

- Apprenticeships and Job Training
- Military
- Specialty School
- 2-Year and/or Technical College
- 4-Year College/University

## TRADES AND APPRENTICESHIPS

- Occupations such as skilled construction work are considered trades or crafts.
- The completion of an apprenticeship is generally associated with skilled labor. Training lasts I 5 years, and provide on-the-job training, often paid. These kinds of programs can lead to secure and well-paying jobs. Additional education and training can provide high levels of advancement and increased salaries.



## **Trade Examples**





**Electrician** 

**Contractor/Construction Manager** 

**P**lumber

Heating, Ventilation, and Air Conditioning (HVAC)
Technician

**Certified Cook** 

**Firefighter** 

Automotive/Aviation Technician

**Licensed Practical Nurse** 

Garden and Landscape Designer/Agriculture

Welder

**Legal Assistant** 









# STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES

https://linktr.ee/GAWorkForceDevInitiatives

- Visit the linktree listed above (or scan the QR code) to learn about several workforce development initiatives in Georgia.
- HOPE Career Grant
  - The HOPE Career Grant can be the boost a student needs to get started on a rewarding career in a well-paying job, and without accumulating a lot of student debt. It also helps Georgia employers by creating a pipeline of skilled workers they can hire well into the future.
  - To be eligible for the HOPE Career Grant, students must first qualify for and be receiving the <u>HOPE Grant</u>. The two grants together <u>will cover all tuition</u> in these 17 programs of study.
  - https://tcsg.edu/free-tuition/
  - <a href="https://www.gafutures.org/hope-state-aid-programs/hope-zell-miller-grants/hope-career-grant/">https://www.gafutures.org/hope-state-aid-programs/hope-zell-miller-grants/hope-career-grant/</a>

## HOPE GRANT + HOPE CAREER GRANT = FREETUITION!

These programs are in <u>High Demand</u> and can be studied at a Technical College <u>Tuition Free</u>.

There is <u>no GPA requirement</u> to earn the HOPE Grant and HOPE Career Grant out of high school!

- Automotive Technology
- Aviation Technology
- Certified Engineer Assistant
- Commercial Truck Driving
- Computer Programming
- Computer Technology
- Construction Technology
- Diesel Equipment Technology
- Early Childhood Care and Education

- Electrical Lineman Technology
- Health Science
- Industrial Maintenance
- Logistics/TransportationTechnology
- Movie Production Set Design
- Practical Nursing
- Precision Manufacturing
- Welding and Joining Technology

Learn more at <a href="https://tcsg.edu/free-tuition">https://tcsg.edu/free-tuition</a>



#### MILITARY AND MILITARY ACADEMIES

Military Branch	Websites	Military Academy
Army	www.army.mil and www.goarmy.com	US Military Academy (West Point) www.westpoint.edu
Navy	www.navy.mil and www.navy.com	US Naval Academy www.usna.edu
Air Force	www.af.mil and www.airforce.com	Air Force Academy www.usafa.af.mil
Marines	www.marines.mil and www.marines.com	Future Marines attend the US Naval Academy
Coast Guard	www.uscg.mil and www.gocoastguard.com	US Coast Guard Academy <a href="https://www.uscga.edu">www.uscga.edu</a>

- Speak with a recruiter to learn about opportunities available in the military
- Excellent scholarships are available for students who pursue ROTC in college
- Take the ASVAB for career placement and branch eligibility
- Military academy appointments are highly competitive and students accepted attend completely FREE

#### REQUIREMENTS: THEY AREN'T THE SAME...

## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

- Determined by GA Department of Ed (DOE)
- Tracked by you, your teachers, and your school counselor
- Are needed before you earn a diploma – you graduate if you earn the minimum
- Includes 23 required credits in specific areas

#### **COLLEGE ADMISSION**

- Determined by the individual college
- Tracked by you it is your responsibility to find out what the school wants
- Are needed before you can be accepted – you may not be accepted with just the minimum
- Includes SAT, ACT, Accuplacer

#### WHAT DOES "COLLEGE" MEAN?

There are several types of schools someone with a high school diploma can attend to earn an undergraduate degree or certificate.

- Specialty School (certificate or diploma)
- 2-year and/or Technical
   College (certificate, diploma or Associate's degree)
- 4-year college/university
   (Bachelor's degree)

#### HOW DO I GET TO COLLEGE?

- Research colleges online
- Attend college fairs and info sessions
- Make a list of potential schools
- Compare your profile to the school's freshman profile/index
- Visit potential schools when possible

# APPLICATION PROCESS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Apply your senior year
- Review each school's application:
  - Online application (preferred)
  - Transcript
  - Test scores (send directly from ACT or College Board)
  - Application fee (fee waiver for free/reduced lunch students)
  - Recommendations (only if required by the college)
    - Counselor Recommendation (or school evaluation)
    - Teacher Recommendation (letter or form, typically a core teacher)
- Know the deadlines! They are firm

# COLLEGE ENTRANCE TESTS: ACT VS. SAT

#### WWW.ACTSTUDENT.ORG

- 4 sections (Math, English, Science, Reading <u>and</u> optional Writing)
- No penalty for guessing
- 36 maximum score
- Free online practice: ACT Academy

#### WWW.SAT.ORG

- 2 sections (Math and Reading)
- No penalty for guessing
- 1600 maximum score
- Free online practice: Khan Academy

Most colleges will accept either test. Writing requirement varies by college. These tests are required for admissions to 4-year colleges. Students can take BOTH.

Students who receive Free and/or Reduced Lunch qualify for fee waivers. Please contact your school counselor!

#### OTHER TESTS I MAY NEED

- ACCUPLACER Placement exam for two year and technical colleges. (Schedule to take this test at chosen college)
- ASVAB Aptitude/career exam required for entrance into the military that determines your eligibility for military jobs
- It is the student's responsibility to check with the individual colleges for all admission requirements.

#### WAYS TO PAY FOR COLLEGE

Source	Additional Info.
Family's Savings	
Grants & Scholarships	<ul><li>Based on specific requirements</li><li>Do NOT have to be repaid</li></ul>
Loans	- Need to be repaid after college
Work-Study Programs	- Student has a job on campus
	<ul> <li>Financial Aid requirements are different for undocumented students.</li> <li>There may be additional options as provided by the specific college.</li> <li>It is the student's responsibility to contact the college directly.</li> </ul>

#### HOPE INFORMATION

#### HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

- 3.0 core GPA as calculated by GSFC (www.gafutures.org)
  - · Can be earned in college
- Must earn a minimum of 4 credits from the academic rigor course list prior to graduating from high school.
   (Review your HOPE transcript on GAfutures.org)
- Two year or four year degree
- Must graduate from a GA high school
- Must be a GA resident for at least one year (Green Card or citizenship)
- Covers a percentage of tuition

#### **HOPE GRANT**

- No initial GPA requirement
  - 2.0 required after the first 30 hours
- Technical certificate or diploma
- Must have a high school diploma or GED
- Must be a GA resident for at least one year (Green Card or citizenship)
- Covers a percentage of tuition

Apply for HOPE by completing the FAFSA after October 1<sup>st</sup> your senior year.

#### WHAT IS ZELL MILLER?

#### ZELL MILLER SCHOLARSHIP

- Requires 3.7 core high school (HOPE) GPA as calculated by GSFC (www.gafutures.org). Requires 1200 SAT Math and Reading or 26 ACT composite in one test sitting
- Must earn a minimum of 4 credits from the academic rigor course list prior to graduating from high school. (Review your HOPE transcript on GAFutures.org)
- Pays 100% tuition for a two year or four year degree
- Must graduate from a GA high school
- Must be GA resident for at least one year (Green Card or citizenship)
- Must maintain 3.3 in college. Student can drop to HOPE if GPA is lower than 3.3.

#### ZELL MILLER GRANT

- Requires 3.5 college GPA for grant eligibility
- Does not require minimum test score
- Covers 100% tuition (retroactively covers previous semester once 3.5 GPA is earned) for certificate or diploma at technical college
- Must graduate from a GA high school
- Must be GA Resident for at least one year (Green Card or citizenship)
- Must maintain 3.5 GPA while in college

Apply for Zell by completing the FAFSA after October 1st your senior year.

## WHICH CLASSES COUNT TOWARD HOPE?

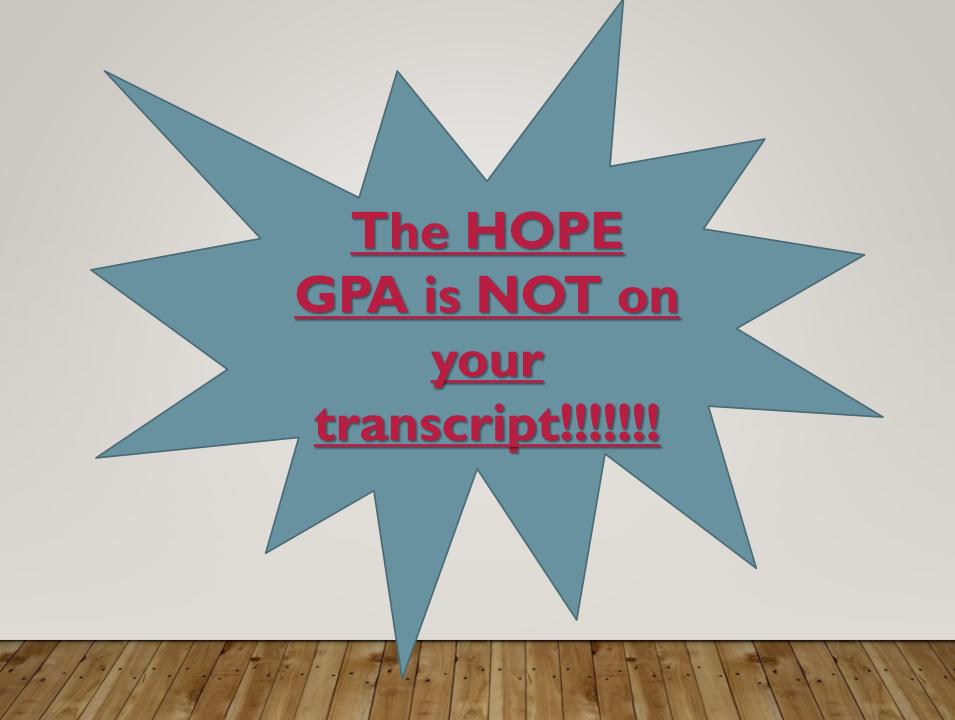
- All classes that begin with the following numbers...
  - 23. x: English
  - 27. x: Mathematics
  - 26.x: Science
  - 40.x: Science
  - 45.x: Social Studies
  - 60.x-64.x: World Languages
  - ??.x: Additional courses approved for fourth year of science (such as computer science)

begin with the listed numbers....BOTH required and elective courses. Review course list at www.gafutures.org

Review HOPE rigor requirements at www.gafutures.org

## WHICH COURSES ARE WEIGHTED FOR HOPE?

- Honors courses do not earn additional quality points toward the HOPE GPA
- AP, IB, and Dual Enrollment core courses earn .5 additional quality points, up to a 4.0



# NUTS AND BOLTS OF FINDING MONEY

## WHERE DO I FIND RESOURCES?

- School Counseling Office and/or Career Center
- College websites
- Various online resources GAfutures,
   Naviance, BigFuture (College Board), etc.
- Current employer or parent's employer
- Community
- Organizations you're involved with

## HOW DO I GET THE MONEY?

- Create a resume and prepare a personal statement so you will be ready to apply
- SEARCH for scholarships everywhere (see column to the left) and follow the instructions to apply
- Apply early and often remember, scholarships have deadlines too!
- Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after October 1<sup>st</sup> of senior year

#### DUAL ENROLLMENT (DE)

- Dual Enrollment is a program that allows I I<sup>th</sup> and I2<sup>th</sup> graders to take college classes while completing their high school diploma.
- DE also provides limited options for 10<sup>th</sup> graders:
  - Any 10<sup>th</sup> grader can take CTAE classes at a Technical College
  - ❖ 10<sup>th</sup> graders who have earned a 1200 SAT or 26 ACT (in one sitting) are eligible to apply to any DE program and take any approved courses
- DE pays for 100% tuition, mandatory fees, and required textbooks up to a maximum cap of 30 hours (this equates to roughly one year of full-time college enrollment or around 10 courses)

DE students can take approved courses in: English, math, science, social studies, or world/foreign languages

AND/OR

Career Tech (CTAE) classes

- The goal of Dual Enrollment is to increase college access and completion and prepare students to enter the workforce with the skills they need to succeed.
- If you're interested in Dual Enrollment, speak with your school counselor.

- Review your high school's official procedures and requirements
- Research your DE college's admissions requirements and deadlines
- Apply to the college:
  - Submit SAT/ACT/Accuplacer scores (take these ASAP!)
  - Request official transcript from counseling office
- Meet with your counselor to decide DE classes and complete paperwork

# INTERESTED IN DUAL ENROLLMENT?

#### Just a few things to consider:

Full-time or part-time participation

Whether your future college will accept transfer credits

How your future college might compare DE vs. AP

Are you ready for college level classes?

Transportation and parking

Potential schedule complications, both in-school and extracurricular (especially for part-time participation)

Cobb County and college calendars are different — exam dates, spring/fall/winter breaks will be different

### NAVIANCE

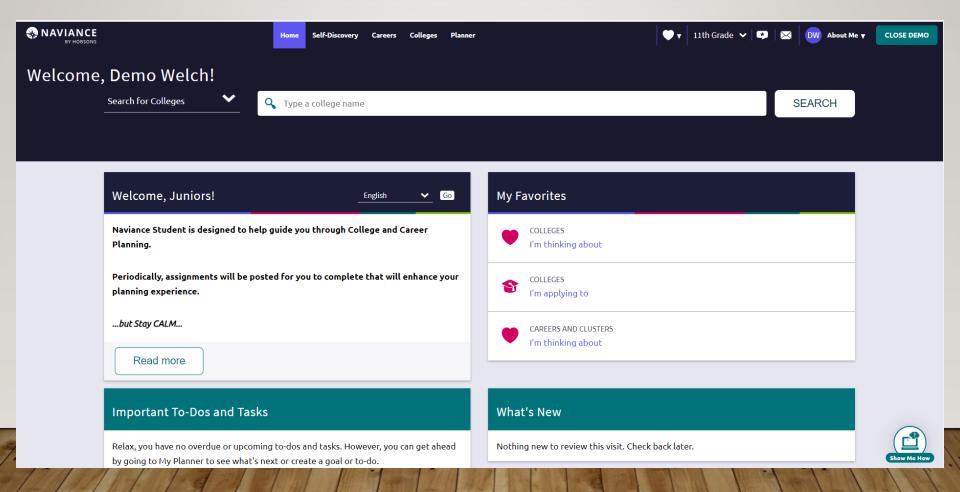
NAVIANCE IS A **DELIVERY SYSTEM** AND COLLEGE/CAREER SEARCH ENGINE, BUT IT ALSO HOW WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU AND YOUR PARENTS, THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

#### LOGGING INTO NAVIANCE

- If you're on a CCSD computer, then you will be automatically logged into Naviance.
- You can access Naviance from the CCSD homepage, your school's website, as well as your school counseling department's website.
- To log into Naviance from home, you will use the following:

User Name:	Password:
Microsoft 365	Microsoft 365
User Name	Password

#### NAVIANCE STUDENT HOMEPAGE



## ENTER/UPDATE YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS

We need your **personal** email address so we can communicate important information with you. Please get in the habit of checking email frequently.

- I. Click on the "About Me" link at the top.
- 2. Click on "My Account."
- 3. Click on the Pencil Icon in the "Contact Information Box."
- 4. Enter your personal email address.
- 5. Click "Save."

# YOU CAN USE NAVIANCE FOR...



College and Career Planning



Resume Building

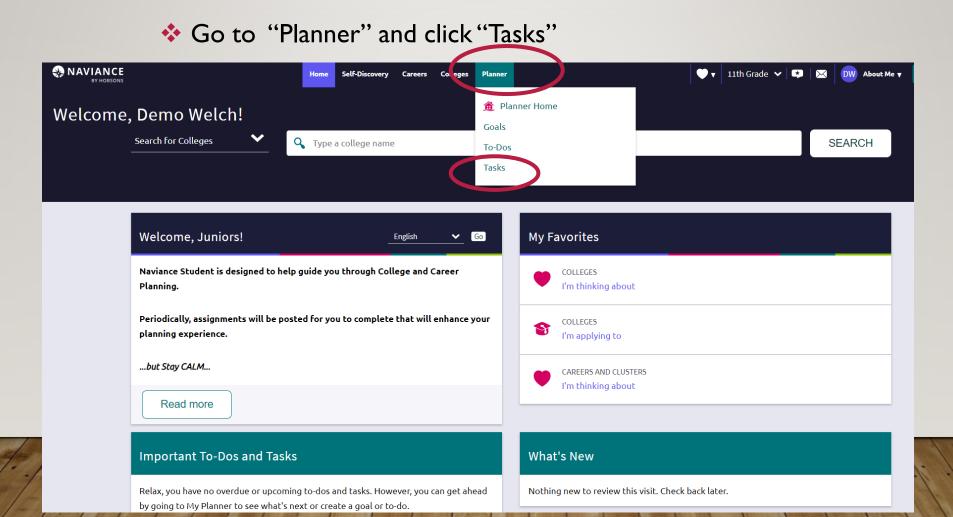


Communicating with your Counselor



Scholarship Searches

#### **BRIDGE LAW**



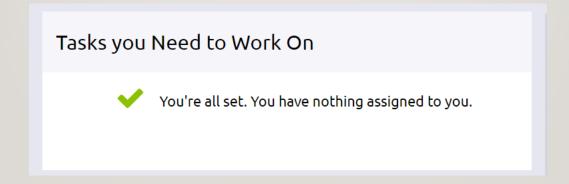
# COMPLETE THE JUNIOR BRIDGE LAW SURVEY

- Go to "My Planner" and click "Tasks"
- Select: "11th Grade BRIDGE Survey 22-23"
- Select "take this survey" on the right side of the screen.
   Look for the pink diamond with a white arrow!
- Click "Start"
- Answer the questions and select "Save and Finish"



#### **DON'T LOG OUT!**

- \* Wait for a counselor to confirm your completion
- Go to "My Planner" and then "Tasks" to show completion status



#### **IGP REVIEW & UPDATE**

 IGP will be completed through CSIS. Be sure to update and review.

#### "PLAN FOR THE FUTURE BECAUSE THAT IS WHERE YOU ARE GOING TO SPEND THE REST OF YOUR LIFE." - MARK TWAIN

Something to think about...

The following are extra slides you can use if you wish to utilize SuperMatch with your students as part of your lessons. They have been removed because this activity is no longer required. The BRIDGE requirement is completed through the survey.

#### EXTRA ACTIVITY - SUPER MATCH

- Select "Colleges"
- Then select "Find Your Fit"
- Select "search for colleges" in the upper righthand corner to begin the activity

