



Woodstock High School  
Counseling Department

# Rising 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night: Class of 2023

Principal: Mr. J. Mark Smith

# Topics for Discussion

- Meet your Counselors
- Tutoring
- Graduation Requirements
- Testing
- Credits & Weights
- AP: Advanced Placement
- Transcripts
- Recovery
- Grade Point Average
- HOPE
- Zell Miller
- Succeeding in High School



# Counselors and Administrators

STUDENT LAST NAME	ADMINISTRATOR	COUNSELOR
<b>A – Co</b>	<b>Meagan Biello</b> Assistant Principal	<b>Lindsay Gueren</b> Counselor
<b>Cr – He</b>	<b>Dan Gagnon</b> Assistant Principal	<b>Hillary Nichols</b> Counselor
<b>Hi – Mi</b>	<b>Todd Sharrock</b> Assistant Principal	<b>Marcee Smith</b> Counselor
<b>Mo – Se</b>	<b>Nancy Henson</b> Assistant Principal	<b>Maria Laylock</b> Counselor
<b>Sh – Z</b>	<b>Chris Bennett</b> Assistant Principal	<b>Daryl Harris</b> Counselor

# How to see your counselor?

Stop by the guidance office before school, during lunch, or after school. The guidance secretary, Mrs. Ernst, will schedule an appointment and give the student a pass/reminder and log the time on the appropriate counselor's Outlook calendar.

## Reasons to come see us:

- Struggling Academically
- Questions about?
  - College/Career planning
  - 4 year graduation plan
- Dealing with Personal Issues
- Information on HOPE/Zell.
- Basically, any question you may have, we'll answer, find the answer, or direct you to the right spot.



# Graduation Requirements

Requirements	Credits
Language Arts	4
Mathematics	4
Social Studies	3
Science	4
Health/Personal Fitness	1
W Lang and/or Fine Art and/or CTAE	3
Electives	4

A detailed sheet was handed out with registration material at both middle schools today.

**Students planning to enter/transfer into a 4 year college/university must take a minimum of two units of the same world language.**

# Testing

- Georgia Milestones (20% of final grade)

## MATH

Algebra  
Geometry

## SOC STUD

US History  
Economics

## ENG/LANG ARTS

9<sup>th</sup> Lit/Comp  
11<sup>th</sup> Am Lit/Comp

## SCIENCE

Biology  
Physical Science

- PSAT- October for grades 10 and 11.
- SAT/ACT: End of the junior year in the Spring.



# Credits

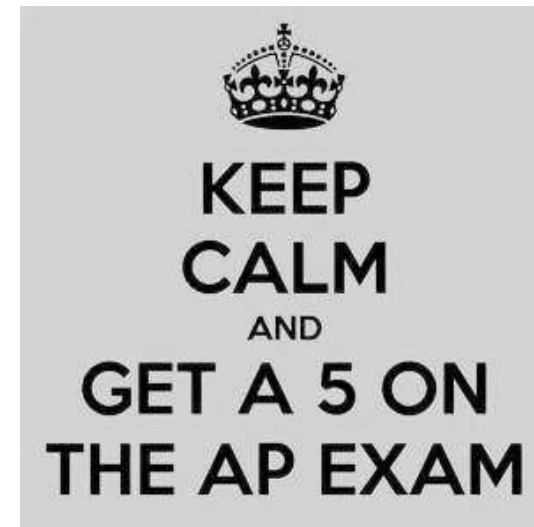
How many credits are needed to be considered a 10<sup>th</sup> grader?

- ❖ **To be promoted to the 10th grade a student must have:  
5 units (must include 1 unit English, 1 unit of science, and 1 unit math)**
- ❖ **To be promoted to the 11th grade a student must have:  
11 units (must include 2 units English, 1 unit of science, and 2 units math)**
- ❖ **To be promoted to the 12th grade a student must have:  
17 units (must include 3 units English, 2 units of science, 3 units of math, and 1 unit of social science)**

**23 unit are required for all students to graduate.**

# Advanced Placement (AP)

- College-level courses
- AP exams in May
  - Must receive a certain score on AP test to receive college credit, depending on the college or university.
- Credit accepted by more than 3,600 colleges and universities.
- Extreme rigor recommended for those who have excelled in honors level courses. The ninth grade year is the springboard to most AP classes!





# Sample Transcript 1

## Woodstock High School

2010 Towne Lake Hills S Drive  
Woodstock, GA 30189

[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
Woodstock, GA 30189

Local Student ID: [Redacted]  
Student SSN: [Redacted]  
GTID: [Redacted]  
Student Status: Graduate  
Date of Birth: [Redacted]

Graduation Date: 05/28/2015  
Diploma Type: General Diploma  
Unweighted NGA: 95.438  
Weighted NGA: 100.125  
Class Rank: 15/431

Contact: [Redacted]

English	CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
23.0320001		15F	99		0.50
23.0320002		15S	99		0.50
23.0340001		15F	100		0.50
23.0340002		15S	100		0.50
23.0530051	AP	14F	93		0.50
23.0530052	AP	14S	97		0.50
23.0610041	H	12F	94		0.50
23.0610042	H	12S	95		0.50
23.0620041	H	13F	98		0.50
23.0620042	H	13S	97		0.50
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>					<b>5.00</b>

Math	CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
27.0720051	AP	15F	94		0.50
27.0720052	AP	15S	94		0.50
27.0940041	H	12F	95		0.50

					Subject Area Credit:	4.00			
World Language					CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
60.0710001		13F	97					0.50	
60.0710002		13S	98					0.50	
60.0720041	H	14F	98					0.50	
60.0720042	H	14S	100					0.50	
60.0730041	H	15F	95					0.50	
60.0730042	H	15S	95					0.50	
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>					<b>3.00</b>				
Career Tech					CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
20.4161001		12F	98					0.50	
20.4161002		12S	98					0.50	
48.4610001		14F	97					0.50	
48.4610002		14S	96					0.50	
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>					<b>2.00</b>				
Fine Arts					CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit

# Sample Transcript 2

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[Redacted]  
[Redacted]  
Woodstock, GA 30189

Contact: [Redacted]

Local Student ID: [Redacted]  
Student SSN: [Redacted]  
GTID: [Redacted]  
Student Status: Active  
Date of Birth: [Redacted]

Graduation Date:  
Diploma Type:  
Unweighted NGA: 86.056  
Weighted NGA: 86.056  
Class Rank: 282/440

English		CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
23.0510001	American Lit/Comp A		16F	95		0.50
23.0510002	American Lit/Comp B		16S	92		0.50
23.0610001	9th Grade Lit/Comp A		14F	60		0.00
23.0610001	9th Grade Lit/Comp A		16F	100		0.50
23.0610002	9th Grade Lit/Comp B		14S	85		0.50
23.0620001	10th Grade Lit/Comp A		15F	78		0.50
23.0620002	10th Grade Lit/Comp B		15S	78		0.50
23.0820001	Reading Enrichment A		14S	95		0.50
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>						<b>3.50</b>

Math		CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
27.0971001	CCGPS Coord Algebra A		14F	75		0.50
27.0971002	CCGPS Coord Algebra B		14S	80		0.50
27.0972001	CCGPS Analytic Geometry A		15F	78		0.50
27.0972002	CCGPS Analytic Geometry B		15S	88		0.50

36.0210000	Intro Team Sports	14S	100	0.50
36.0220000	Intro Lifetime Sports	14S	100	0.50
36.0510000	Personal Fitness	16S	100	0.50
36.0520001	Physical Conditioning A	15F	100	0.50
36.0520002	Physical Conditioning B	15S	100	0.50
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>				<b>3.00</b>

Other		CT	Term	Grade	W	Credit
35.0670000	Tools for College Success	14S	95	0.50		
<b>Subject Area Credit:</b>						<b>0.50</b>

Georgia High School Assessment Summary			
Test	Result	Score	Date
Milestones EOC - Am Lit/Comp	Passed	78	04/25/2016
Milestones EOC - U.S. History	Passed	87	04/25/2016

Credit Summary	
Total Credit Attempted:	18.00
Total Credit Earned:	17.00

# What if I fail a class?

- Summer School
- APEX recovery
- Polaris Evening Program
- Virtual Credit Recovery



**Counselor approval is required to take online classes.**

**If you fail two or more classes and do not make them up, you will not be promoted to 10<sup>th</sup> grade and are at risk of not graduating on time.**

# GPA or Numeric Average?

- Cherokee county uses the numeric scale:
  - Based on a 100 point scale.
  - Add all of the final grades and divide by number of classes.
  - All grades included are on the transcript, including failing grades.
  - Failed courses remain on transcript even if credit is made up.
  - Honors courses are weighted 5 points.
  - AP courses are weighted 10 points.

A: 90 – 100

B: 80 – 89

C: 71 – 79

D: 70

F: 69 or below

# GPA Scale

- Colleges and universities use the GPA (Grade Point Average) scale:
  - Based on a 4 point scale.
  - Convert A's, B's, C's, D's, and F's using the scale below. Add those numbers together and divide by the number of scores. Please contact the guidance office for an exact calculation.
  - Most colleges will not weigh honors courses.
  - Check with your particular college to determine how they will weight AP courses.
  - The HOPE and Zell Miller averages use this point scale.

**A: 4 points**

**B: 3 points**

**C: 2 points**

**D: 1 point**

**F: Zero**



# HOPE Scholarship

- **Partial tuition covered – varies by year**
- **Requirements:**
  - Graduate from an eligible high school
  - GPA of at least a 3.0 (calculated by GSFC)
  - Academic Rigor: 4 classes that are academically rigorous. See handout with registration material.
- **In college, must maintain 3.0 GPA.**
- **If a student falls below a 3.0 GPA in college, they may only regain the HOPE Scholarship one time after one full year of classes.**
- **A student who does not graduate from high school as a HOPE Scholar, can earn a 3.0 GPA in college.**

# HOPE GPA

A 3.0 GPA is required by averaging core coursework, including failing grades, on a 4.0 scale.

## Core Courses

English

Math

Science

Social Science

World Language

## Conversion

A	90 to 100	4 points
B	80 to 89	3 points
C	71 to 79	2 points
D	70	1 point

- Honors points are removed and a 0.50 weighting is added back in for AP courses/Dual Enrollment/IB courses only, not to exceed 4.0
- Middle school credit is not calculated in the HOPE GPA
- Computer Science Principles will count in the HOPE GPA
- All calculations are done by the Georgia Student Finance Commission
- Electives in core areas also count. See handout.

# Zell Miller Scholarship

- 100% of tuition covered
- Must meet all the requirements to be eligible for the HOPE Scholarship, plus:
  - Graduate from an eligible high school
  - GPA of at least a 3.7 (calculated by GSFC)
  - SAT: min. 1200 combined critical reading score and math score (single administration)
  - ACT: min. composite score of 26
    - *SAT/ACT scores MUST be submitted to GSFC to be considered*
- In college must maintain 3.3 GPA
- Once lost, Zell Miller cannot be recovered.



# How to Succeed?

- ❖ Organization
- ❖ Time Management
- ❖ Homework
- ❖ Studying
- ❖ Balance
- ❖ Extra Help
- ❖ Communication
- ❖ Recovery
- ❖ Character
- ❖ Drive
- ❖ Responsibility



*Luck is the residue of hard work. -- Leo Durocher*

# Final Thoughts

At WHS we are “all in.” We’re looking for that sentiment from all of our students.

Please contact us when you have questions, and thank you for coming.

Counselors will be staying, to answer questions, down on the floor.

**We are Woodstock!**



# ***Typical Freshman Schedule***

- **9<sup>th</sup> grade English**
- **Math**
- **Science**
- **Health/Personal Fitness**
- **2 Electives (2 units):**
  - Depending on future post secondary goals
    - Foreign Language
    - Technical/Work/Military: Technical elective
    - Social Studies academic elective

# ***Athletics & Extracurricular***

There are over **70 different clubs and sports teams** in which students may be involved.

**All 9<sup>th</sup> graders are eligible to participate 1<sup>st</sup> semester**

Students *MUST* stay **academically eligible** to *continue* playing sports and some extracurricular activities.

# UPCOMING TRANSITION TIMELINE

- Early February
  - ✓ Course Requests Sent to Middle Schools
- March / April 2019
  - ✓ Updated Course Requests Sent to Middle Schools
- July 2019
  - ✓ Open House
- September 2019
  - ✓ Curriculum Night
- **May 2023**
  - ✓ **GRADUATION!**





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