

9th Grade Classroom Guidance

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By: DHS Counseling



Take a Pretest



Let's complete a short pre-test.
This is not graded, we just
want to know a little more
about you and how we can
better serve our students!



Who is my counselor?

Ms. Burnell
School
Counselor
(A - DAV)



Ms. Spurlock
Director of
Counseling
(DAW-JA)



Mr. Hollis
School
Counselor
(JE - MUN)



Ms. Moore
School
Counselor
(MUP - SAN)



Ms. Farnum
School
Counselor
(SAR-Z)



Administrator/Counselor Reference Sheet

Student Last Name A-Dav	Student Last Name Daw-Ja	Student Last Name JE-Mun	Student Last Name Mup-San	Student Last Name Saz-Z
Discipline Glenda Santiago 511452	Discipline Heather Tallant 512008	Discipline Patrick Coffield 511462	Discipline Lindsey Needham 511422	Discipline Jarrell Florence 511456
Counselor Lindsay Burnell 511421	Counselor Corinna Spurlock 511423	Counselor Donovan Hollis 511419	Counselor Carolyn Moore 511412	Counselor Brittany Farnum 511417



Making an Appointment with your Counselor

- Stop by the counseling office to meet with your counselor during lunch or tutorial
- Scan the QR code on the Counseling Website or office door to request an appointment with your counselor
 - Use your personal email address - NOT school email address, and we will let you know when to come by to meet with us!



What does my counselor do?

CORE CURRICULUM



Evaluate school and student data and outcomes



Develop core curriculum to address desired student competencies



Deliver curriculum systematically through classroom lessons in cooperation with classroom teachers

RESPONSIVE SERVICES



Individual counseling



Small-group counseling



Crisis response services

INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PLANNING



Help students evaluate their own interests, abilities, and skills



Help students develop personal goals



Help students create plans for their futures

INDIRECT SERVICES



Make referrals for outside counseling or assistance



Consult with parents and teachers to share effective strategies that support students



Collaborate with parents, professionals, and community members to support student success



Maintaining a Healthy Mental Balance

Preparing for college is important, but so is preserving mental health

- Consider the workload and rigor of classes
- Pursue your intellectual interests
- Get involved in extracurricular activities
- Make time for community service or other interests
- Participate in activities to promote your overall health by eating healthy, exercising, and getting enough sleep

Mental wellness is as important to your overall well-being as physical health, social and emotional connectedness, and intellectual accomplishments.



How do I graduate from High School?

Earn 23 credits in the 7 sections listed on the right -->

Check out our GPA calculator & credit check form on the [website](#)!

English (4 Units)	9Lit/Comp*	10 Lit/Comp	Amer Lit*/ AP Lang	Eng 12/ AP Lit	
Math (4 Units; Spec Ed 3 units with Support I & II)	GSE Alg I/ Acc Alg I/Geo A	GSE Geometry OR AccGeoB/Alg II OR Concurrent Geo/Alg II	Alg II OR Acc Pre-Calc OR AP Stat OR AP Calc AB/BC	Pre-Calc OR AMDM OR Stat Reasoning OR AP Calc OR AP Stat	
Science (4 Units)	Physical Science * (8 th) OR Physics	Biology *	Chemistry OR Earth OR Environmental	GPS/Career Tech	
S. Studies (3 Units)		W. History	US History *	Gov't	Econ *
CTAE and/or Modern Lang/ Latin and/or Fine Arts (3 units)					
PF/Health (1 Unit)	Personal Fitness	Health			
Additional Electives: (4 units)					



Foreign Language in HS

NOT REQUIRED

HOWEVER...

Recommendations:

- 2 consecutive years if planning to attend 4 year college
- Level 3 or more shows colleges rigor
- Level 2 and up count as HOPE Rigor courses
- Spanish, Latin, French, German
- Other courses offered on GAVS
 - Chinese, Japanese, American Sign Language



Proficiency Exam

Proficient in another language?

Earn credit for language proficiency by taking the proficiency exam!

- Reading
- Writing
- Speaking

See Ms. Burnell to get registered for the next exam!

Languages offered for testing:

Arabic	Hindi	Polish
English	Italian	Portuguese (Brazilian)
French	Japanese	Russian
German	Korean	Spanish
Hebrew	Mandarin	



Why is it important to keep my grades up?

Core GPA

To calculate your core GPA, we have to remove the fluff. We have to calculate the GPA based solely on the **five academic solids**:

Math

English or Language Arts

Social Studies

Science

Foreign Language

The core GPA is your “real” GPA: this is the measure of your academic performance in high school. (It's not a measure of self-worth.)

VS.

Cumulative GPA

A overall weighted grade point average.

This includes **every** class you take throughout your four years in high school.

This GPA is what you send to colleges when you apply your senior year.

You can never “remove” a course from your transcript so every course counts!





To participate in athletics, you
MUST have passed

FIVE

classes from the previous
semester. You must also be on
track to graduate according to
GHSA standards.



What is Tutorial?



HOPE

- HOPE Scholarship is available to Georgia residents who have demonstrated academic achievement.
- Graduate from a HOPE-eligible high school with a minimum 3.0 core GPA.
- Meet academic rigor requirements.
- Example of Hope Rigor classes:
 - Algebra II
 - Chemistry
 - Foreign Language II & above
 - AP courses

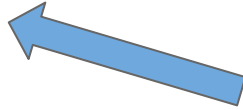


Zell Miller

- Georgia's Zell Miller Scholarship is available to Georgia residents who have demonstrated academic achievement.
- Graduate from an eligible high school with a minimum 3.7 core GPA.
- Earn a minimum score of 1200 on the math and reading portions of the SAT or a minimum composite score of 26 on the ACT test in a single national test administration and meet all HOPE Scholarship eligibility requirements.

Wait there's more options than college?

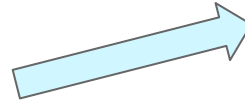
4 Year College or
University



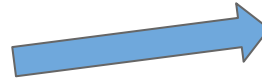
Technical College



Gap Year



Military



Career or Apprenticeship
Program



Expand your view...

Including both public and private institutions, Georgia has 52 four-year colleges and universities, as well as 23 technical colleges.

[List of Public Colleges](#)

[List of Private Colleges](#)

[List of Community Colleges](#)



But I don't know what I want to do...

When it comes to your future we want you to begin thinking about what career, or occupational path you want to follow.

Did you know some careers do not require a college education?



YOUSCIENCE



College/Career Search



youscience.com

Login through Classlink

Features:

Aptitude Inventory

College/Career Search

Describing You (helps with
resumes/interviewing)



<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

Create login & password

Features:

College Search, Career Search,
Financial Aid, Navigating College
Applications

Find Colleges→ College Search



Explore. Plan. Succeed.

<https://www.gafutures.org/>

Create login & password (add SSN to
profile)

Features:

Dual Enrollment Funding

College/Career Search

HOPE Scholarship Calculation



Denmark Etiquette

Communicate appropriately and effectively

- Email addresses should be more professional - good idea to have your name or initials in your email address
- Emails should be addressed with **kindness** and **respect**
- Emails and voicemails should include **your name** and the **reason for the message** and a **call back number**
- Follow up after an **appropriate time** has passed without a response (usually within 3-5 days)

Be **kind** and **respectful**

- Hold doors for people
- Say please and thank you
- Respect people's time, space, and things

"Be where you're supposed to be, doing what you're supposed to be doing, as well as you possible can do it."



A few reminders:

Counselors can help with:

- Access to the internet/laptop at home
- Holiday assistance
- Prom assistance
- SAT/ACT/College App Fee Waivers

Suicide or Self-Harm

If you or a friend is struggling with suicidal behavior, self-harm, or if you feel like they need help... come see us! (You will remain anonymous)

911 Medical Amnesty Law

Immunity from possession charges if you call the police on suspected overdose.

Under the terms of the law, any person who seeks medical assistance in good faith for someone experiencing an alcohol related overdose “shall not be arrested, charged or prosecuted” for a number of crimes related to underage alcohol.



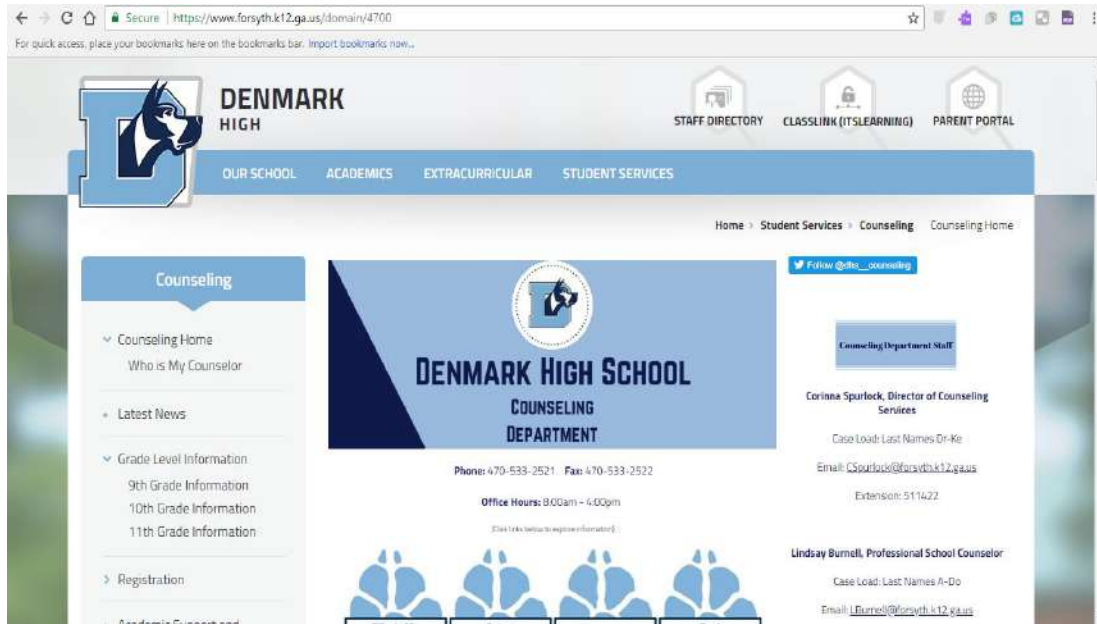
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