Junior Advisement

SHS Counseling Department



Junior Advisement Agenda

- Welcome to Junior Advisement! We have a great deal of information to discuss. Topics we will address include:
- Diploma Types/Credits
- Important Dates
- GHSGT
- GACollege411/PSAT/PLAN
- College Planning & SAT/ACT
- Helpful Websites



Diploma Types

- There are two main diploma types: College Prep and Career/Tech Prep.
- There are also variations of the two main diploma types.
- See page 26 of the "2007-08 High School Advisement Guide and Course Description" booklet for more information:

http://www.henry.k12.ga.us/attachments/Student_Services_Sections_of_Advisement_Guide

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Diploma Types



 Although students are able to earn up to 24 credits (by taking and passing 6 classes per year), each diploma type requires 22 credits in the appropriate subject areas for graduation.

Diploma Types/Units Required

	College Preparatory Diploma		Career Technical Diploma
	<u>English</u>	4 Units	4 Units
Ma	thematics	4 Units	3 Units
	<u>Science</u>	3 Units	3 Units
	Social Studies	3 Units	3 Units
Fo	reign Language	2 Units	0 Units
Tech/ Fine Arts/For. Lang 1 Unit			1 Unit
	Health & Physical E	<u>d.</u> 1 Unit	1 Unit
Те	ch. Electives	0 Units	4 Units
	Electives	4 Units	3 Units
To	tal:	22 Units	22 Units



Credits/Units

- Students are required to earn a minimum number of credits/units for each grade level.
- Listed below are the minimum number of credits/units a student must have earned to be listed in a particular grade level:
 - 10th-grade (sophomore)—4 credits/units
 - 11th-grade (junior)—10 credits/units
 - 12th-grade (senior)—16 credits/units

Important Dates



- Nov. 13—Financial Aid Night
- Jan. 29—Registration deadline for 3/1 SAT
- Feb. 7—Late registration deadline for 3/1 SAT
- Mar. 1—SAT Test Day
- Mar. 7—Registration deadline for 4/12 ACT
- Mar. 24—GHSGT English/Language Arts
- Mar. 25—GHSGT Math
- Mar. 26—GHSGT Science
- Mar. 27—GHSGT Social Studies



Important Dates

- Apr. 1—Registration deadline for 5/3 SAT
- Apr. 10—Late registration deadline for 5/3 SAT
- Apr. 12—ACT Test Day
- May 3—SAT Test Day
- May 2008—End of Course Tests (EOCT)
- May 5–16–AP Exams
- May 6—Registration deadline for 6/7 SAT
- May 9—Registration deadline for 6/14 ACT
- May 15—Late registration deadline for 6/7 SAT
- June 7—SAT Test Day
- June 14—ACT Test Day



GHSGT

- Students take the Georgia High Graduation Tests during their junior year.
- There are five parts of the GHSGT. The Writing section is given in the fall. The English/Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, and Science sections are given in the spring.
- Students are required to pass <u>all five parts</u> with a score of 500.

PSAT/PLAN & GACollege411

- Juniors are encouraged to take the PSAT to qualify for the National Merit Scholarship. (www.collegeboard.com)
- The PLAN is the pre-ACT. It gives information about college readiness and has a career component. (www.actstudent.org)
- Students should also register with www.GACollege411.org. This website is set up by the GA Student Finance Commission and provides information on the college admissions process, financial aid, etc.



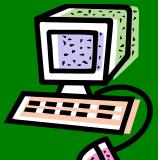
College Planning & SAT/ACT

College bound juniors are encouraged to:

- Begin exploring strengths/weaknesses, interests, etc.
- Begin researching colleges of interest.
- Start to learn about financial aid.
- In the Spring, register for and take the SAT and/or ACT.
- In the Summer, volunteer, work part-time, or attend summer programs. Visit colleges of interest.

College Planning & SAT/ACT

- Students can take the SAT and/or ACT. Registration and study materials are available to students and are located in the SHS Counseling Office. Students can register via mail or online.
- SAT—Students should register for the SAT Reasoning Test. This test has three sections: Critical Reading, Math, and Writing. (www.collegeboard.com)
- <u>ACT</u>—The ACT is a curriculum-based test that contains English, Math, Reading, Science, and Writing sections. It also contains a career component. (www.actstudent.org)
- Our school code is: **112-830**.



Helpful Websites

- www.fastweb.com (financial aid) www.fafsa.ed.gov (financial aid) www.google.com (search engine) www.petersons.com (college info) www.gacollege411.org (college info) www.careercruising.com (career info) username: shs
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