



**LAMBERT  
LONGHORNS**

PRESENTED BY  
THE LAMBERT HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



**Welcome**  
**Class of 2019**  
**Parents**





# LHS Counseling Department

Mrs. Keisha Moore, *Counseling Department Chair*

Students with last names **A - Ci (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

Ms. Shreya Patel, *Counselor*

Students with last names **Cl-Hol (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

Mrs. Chelsey Bucherati, *Counselor*

Students with last names **Hom-McW (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) & all ESOL Students**

Ms. Kim Dressler, *Counselor*

Students with last names **Me-Sc (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

Mr. Travis Church, *Counselor*

Students with last names **Se- Z (11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade)**

Mrs. Shari Endo, *Counselor*

**10<sup>th</sup> grade students**

Mrs. Mandy Malcolm, *Counselor*

**9<sup>th</sup> grade students**





# COMMUNICATION

Tell people to text @lambert19 to the number 81010

They'll receive a welcome text from Remind.

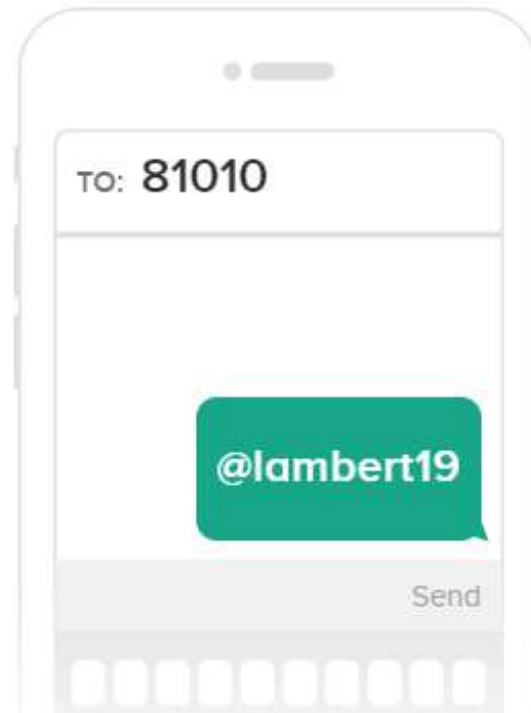
If anyone has trouble with 81010, they can try texting @lambert19 to (678) 967-3986.

## Remind 101



## Twitter

@LHS\_Counseling





# Guest Presenter

# Katie Rose

Applying to College: The Basics for Seniors





# Senior Year

It's Stressful!

It's Confusing!

It's Expensive!

Can you believe it's here?

We promise it's fun!



We are available to answer questions

- Visit the counseling website often
- Tonight's presentation is posted on the counseling website





# Class of 2019

Who are they?



- 799 Students
- 379 Male / 420 Female
- 154 School Days Until Graduation







# Graduation



Graduation is 7:00 PM May 29th, 2019 at the Infinite Energy Center / Gwinnett Arena

- Most seniors need to earn the last core requirements for graduation. It is imperative that students pass all required courses in order to graduate and participate in the graduation ceremony
- Counselors have met with seniors individually over the last few weeks and reviewed senior status sheets which cover graduation requirements.

\*\*If your student is taking Dual Enrollment English or English online, please have them see their counselor!







# Class of 2019

## \*Where will they go after graduation?

\*Forecast Based on the previous LHS Graduating Class

- 97% will Graduate
- 94% Attend a Four Year College
- 4% Two Year College
- LHS Graduates have progressed on to attend over 100 different colleges
- The most popular are in-state public colleges & universities
- The full list of schools accepted to consists of in-state, out-of-state, 2 year colleges, Ivy League, and Military Academies



# Lambert Student Acceptances

*as reported by seniors on the Senior Exit Survey*

Most popular Colleges Based on Student  
Acceptances from the Class of 2018

## In State Out of State

Georgia College State University Auburn University

Georgia Southern University University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Georgia State University

Kennesaw State University

University of Georgia

University of North Georgia





# Senior Class Information

## Senior Class Sponsors

Melissa Wilson & Tasha Young

## Senior Class President

Maggie Walker



Visit Senior Page Often

<https://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us/domain/4361>

Pay Senior Dues \$150

[www.gabalfour.com](http://www.gabalfour.com)



# Counselor Roles and Responsibilities

- What do counselors do?
  - Academic Advisement
  - College Advisement
  - Social / Emotional Counseling
  - We are here to HELP & Support our students





# As parents what signs should we be looking for?

- Changes in behavior, diet, sleep patterns
- Change in attitudes (grades/friends/family)
- Social Media
  - Plays a major role in young lives
  - Must be used responsibly
  - Monitor accounts & activity

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



# What to expect when you are expecting... a college student

- Leaving home for college is a major transition
- Parent / Student relationship transition
- Know the supports available for students at college





# Senioritis

**Senioritis** - (Seen-yer-i-tis) n. Lack of concern for one's academic program performance. Second semester high school seniors are the individuals at risk of contracting this potentially crippling syndrome







# How many schools should I apply to?

It is important to narrow your choices. An appropriate number of schools to apply to for most students is 4 - 6. It is not necessary to apply to a long list of schools. Consider your first choice colleges, selectivity, and applying to schools that may be:



**Reach**

**Target**

or

**Safety**

\*Students are strongly encouraged to review their college choices with their counselor.





# Step 1

## ✓ Decide Final List of College/Universities - 4 to 6

*(Remember to be selective and to keep in mind a “reality check”)*

**Consider: College Visits** (4 excused absences)

**College Fair-PROBE Fair Sept 18<sup>th</sup> @ Lanier Tech**

**College Representative Visits**

**College Search Engines** ([Collegeboard.org](http://Collegeboard.org), [gafutures.org](http://gafutures.org), [bigfuture.org](http://bigfuture.org) )





## Step 2

### ✓ Visit College/University Website

- Requirements to apply
- Deadlines for Application
- Deadlines for Scholarships & Financial Aid Application\*

*\* Financial Aid Application (FAFSA) opens in October instead of January.  
Please check each college's Financial Aid deadlines carefully!*





## Step 3

### ✓ Complete Senior Brag Sheet

- **9/15-** Deadline to submit Brag Sheet for students applying Early
- **10/6-** Deadline to submit Brag Sheet for students applying Regular
- Brag Sheet provides counselors and teachers important information that can be used when writing letters of recommendation or school reports.
- Give complete, honest and well-thought out answers to the required questions.

***Brag Sheet Located on the Counseling Website- Senior Page***

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1F21vNrydIpY0sjGzH3TyZDHMqgmrkOqi7vFBi9D6vww/edit>





## Step 4



- ✓ Register for SAT/ACT
- ✓ Check with colleges for the last test date they will accept for a specific application deadline
- ✓ Send SAT/ACT scores directly from the testing agency. They must arrive by the application deadline.





## Step 5

# Complete and Submit Applications

**Prioritize according to deadlines and Review/Edit before Submitting.  
Pay application fee.**

### College Applications

- Create an online account and be sure to include your counselor's email address and contact information for recommendations and secondary school report purposes.

### Essays

- Dedicate time and effort.
- Be honest, authentic, creative and answer the prompt.
- Ask teachers/peers to review and make suggestions.
- Proof Read and Edit, Edit, Edit.





## Step 6

### ✓ Submit a Transcript Request



- ❑ Official Transcript (3 week turnaround required)
  - Request online through the Counseling website - \$5.00 charge online  
<https://forsythga.scriborder.com/>
  
- ❑ For Common App or Coalition App transcript request, you will go to [www.mypaymentsplus.com](http://www.mypaymentsplus.com) and choose one of the following:
  - ❑ 41-705 LHS Common App Transcript Request
  - ❑ 41-705 LHS Coalition App Transcript Request







# Admissions Terms

- Regular Admissions Deadline: Typically Jan/Feb deadline
- Rolling Admissions: Applications processed as received
-  ➤ Early Decision - This is a **binding agreement**
-  ➤ Early Action - Early application that is **non binding**

\*It is strongly recommended that students consult with their counselor prior to applying early decision.





## Step 7

### ✓ Request Counselor/Teacher Recommendation

**\*If Required by College**

- Please allow counselors/teachers ample time (3 weeks) to write your recommendation or complete your Secondary School Report.
- Provide them with a copy of your Senior Brag Sheet.
- Let the counselor/teacher know whether the application will be sent through Common Application, College Website, or mailed.
- If the recommendation letter needs to be mailed, provide counselor/teacher with a stamped envelope addressed with the corresponding school's Office of Admission address.



# Athletes - NCAA



Students interested in playing college athletics must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.

- Students must register at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org) once their junior year final grades are available on their transcript
- Submit an official high school transcript online through the counseling website
- Submit official SAT/ACT scores directly to the Eligibility Center from the testing agency



# Financing College

- Determine the cost of a college
- Don't let the cost of a particular college keep you from applying
- Investigate all resources for funding





# Financing College

- HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarship
- College Scholarships
- Local Scholarships
- National Merit Scholarships
- Government Financial Aid - Loans, Grants
- FAFSA filing begins earlier - October 1<sup>st</sup>



Financial Aid Night is  
October 30<sup>th</sup>!





# HOPE & Zell Miller

## HOPE

3.0 Core GPA as calculated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission. Student must maintain a 3.0 GPA in college.

## Zell Miller Scholarship

Students must graduate with a 3.7 GPA as calculated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission and have a 1200 SAT (math & critical reading) or a 26 on the ACT.

Visit [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) for complete scholarship details.





# HOPE Rigor Requirements

- There are HOPE Rigor Requirements for both the HOPE Scholarship and Zell Miller Scholarship
- If you cannot see your HOPE GPA once you have created your GA Futures account, Please bring a copy of your social security card to Ms. Hosier, our registrar, in the counseling office.
- In addition to meeting the 3.0 Core GPA Requirement, in order to be eligible for the HOPE Scholarship, students must have 4 Academically rigorous courses as defined by GSFC\*

\*Please see complete list of eligible courses at

<https://www.gafutures.org/media/113414/rigor-course-list-july-2016.pdf>

Consult directly with Georgia Student Finance Commission.







# Examples of HOPE Rigor Courses

- GPS Pre-Calculus
- Advanced Algebra (Alg II)
- Advanced Mathematical Decision Making (AMDM)
- Statistical Reasoning
- Forensic Science
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Human Anatomy
- Spanish II, III, IV or AP
- French II, III, IV or AP
- Latin II, III, IV or AP
- AP Courses in Core Subjects Area's





# Social Media & College Admissions

**Monitor and discuss social media usage with your child.  
Create a professional email address for college apps**



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# Helpful Links

- Lambert High School Counseling Website
  - <https://www.forsyth.k12.ga.us/domain/2329#calendar64870/20180906/month>
- GA Futures – [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org)
  - Financial Aid and Scholarships Tab
- College Navigator - [nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator](http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator)
- General college, cost, & financial aid information
- College Board – [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)
- General college information & scholarship searches
- Petersons – [www.petersons.com](http://www.petersons.com)
- General college information & scholarship searches
- Fast Web – [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- Free scholarship search website
- Scholarships – [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)
- Free scholarship search website
- NPC – Net Price Calculators on college websites
  - Provides an early estimate of aid directly from the institution
- Merit Aid – [www.meritaid.org](http://www.meritaid.org)
- College cost, financial aid & scholarship information





# Application Blunders

- *Avoid These Big College Application Mistakes - US News and World Report*
- Neglecting to read directions - *Clemson University*
- Letting parents take the lead - *Butler University*
- Hitting submit without proofreading - *Oberlin College*
- Waiting until the last minute - *Washington U in St. Louis*
- Asking for information easily found - *Emory University*
- Giving colleges what you think they want - *College of William and Mary*





## ✓ Finally....

- Maintain Grades - Mid-Year reports / Final Grades (Both Important).
- Search for and apply for Scholarships
- Students playing college athletics must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center.
- Visit the counseling web page often and follow us on [Remind](#) & [Twitter @LHS\\_Counseling](#)
- Stop by [Lunch N' Learn](#) in the Counseling Office with questions!
- Take the ASVAB here at Lambert on November 1<sup>st</sup>
- Visit [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) for HOPE scholarship details.
- Financial Aid Night is October 30<sup>th</sup>
- Finally.....**ENJOY YOUR SENIOR YEAR!**



# Applying to College: The Basics for Seniors

**Katie Rose**  
**Communications Coordinator**  
**Applerouth Tutoring Services**  
**Lambert High School**  
**September 6, 2018**



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# Important Dates!

**Oct. 15**  
**Nov. 1, Nov. 15**  
**Dec.1, Dec. 15**

**Common deadlines for  
Early Action/Early  
Decision**

**FAFSA Opens**

**October 1st**

**SAT: Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov.  
2**  
**ACT: Sept. 28, Nov. 2**

**Registration Deadlines for  
Fall SATs and ACTs**

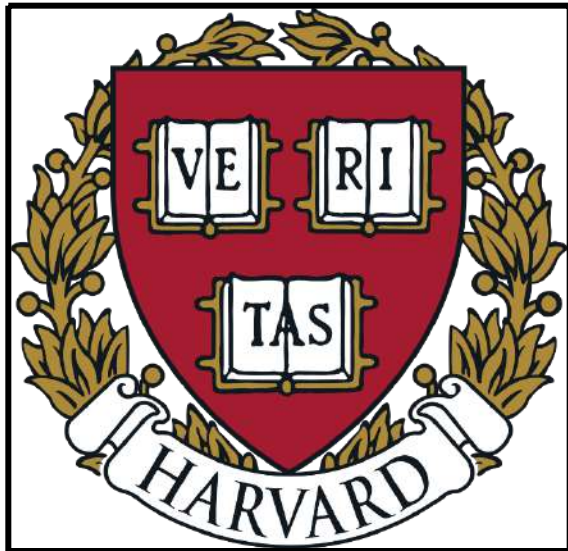
**Regular  
Application  
Deadlines**

**Jan.1st-Feb. 1st**

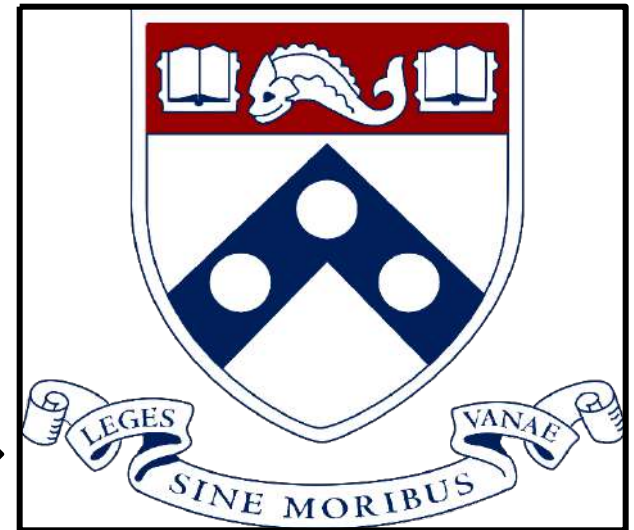


# Types of Applications: Early admissions

**Early action: you're not committing to a school!**



**Early decision: this is a binding commitment.**



Harvard uses (restricted) early action, and Penn uses early decision.

# Types of Applications: Rolling admissions

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**Schools with rolling admissions accept students over the course of months, stopping when they've filled their class up.**

**Apply early for better odds!**



**If you want to Roll Tide, earlier is better!**

# Types of Applications: Regular Admissions deadlines

**DEADLINES**

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Summer/Fall:

**PRIORITY**  
*U.S. applicants only*

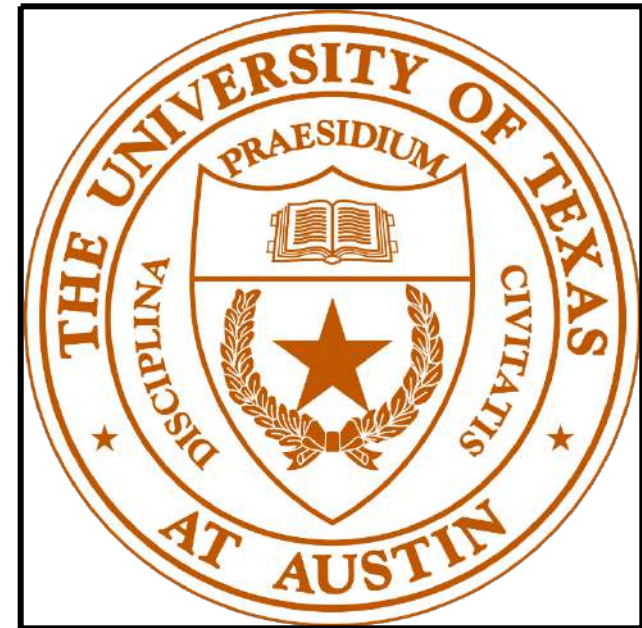
**November 1**  
Notification by February 1

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**REGULAR**  
*Test scores accepted through December 31*

**December 1**  
Notification by March 1

**Priority deadlines give students a better chance at admissions during the regular admissions period; some conditions may apply.**



**Priority and regular admissions deadlines are usually in the late fall or early spring of senior year.**

# The Coalition App and the Common App

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THE COALITION

THE COMMON  
APPLICATION

**The Common and Coalition applications allow students to apply to multiple schools. Over 700 schools use the Common App, while over 90 schools use the Coalition App**

# FAFSA and CSS Profile



•FAFSA is for Federal Aid, while the CSS Profile is for private aid. Both use prior-prior year tax information.

•You can fill these out before you get your acceptance letters (even before you apply). Schools will send award letters in the spring.

# The SAT and ACT

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## The SAT

**3h (+ 50 min for essay)**

**More time per question,  
but more complex**

**Has a Reading, Writing,  
and two Math sections -  
one no-calculator.**

## The ACT

**2h55 (+ 40 min for essay)**

**Less time per question,  
but simpler questions.**

**Has an English, Math,  
Reading and Science  
section. Math is  
calculator-allowed.**

# Our Services

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- SAT & ACT prep (online, private, group)
- SAT Subject and AP prep
- HS subject assistance
- Study Skills



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Helping prepare students for higher scores and grades since 2001



# Sources

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ACT, Inc, 2018.

The Coalition Application, 2018.

*The Chronicle of Higher Education*, 2018.

The College Board, 2018.

The Common Application, 2018.

FAFSA, 2018.



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- Thank you for joining us!



- Counselors will be available briefly for questions at the conclusion of this presentation.

