

Brookwood

**JUNIOR PARENT
NIGHT**

AGENDA



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COLLEGE SEARCH RESOURCES

introducing our
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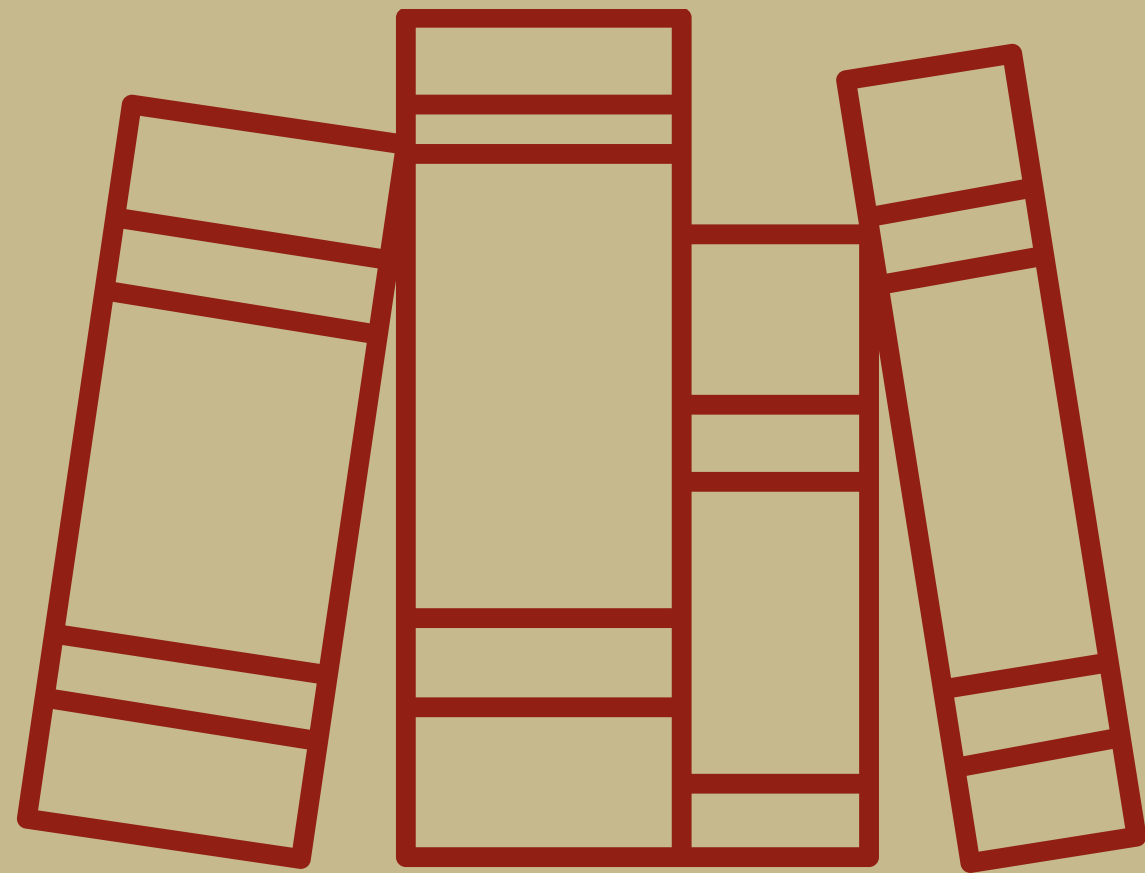
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



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
Total Credits	23

*Students planning to enter into a 4-year college/university must take a minimum of 2 units of the same world language.

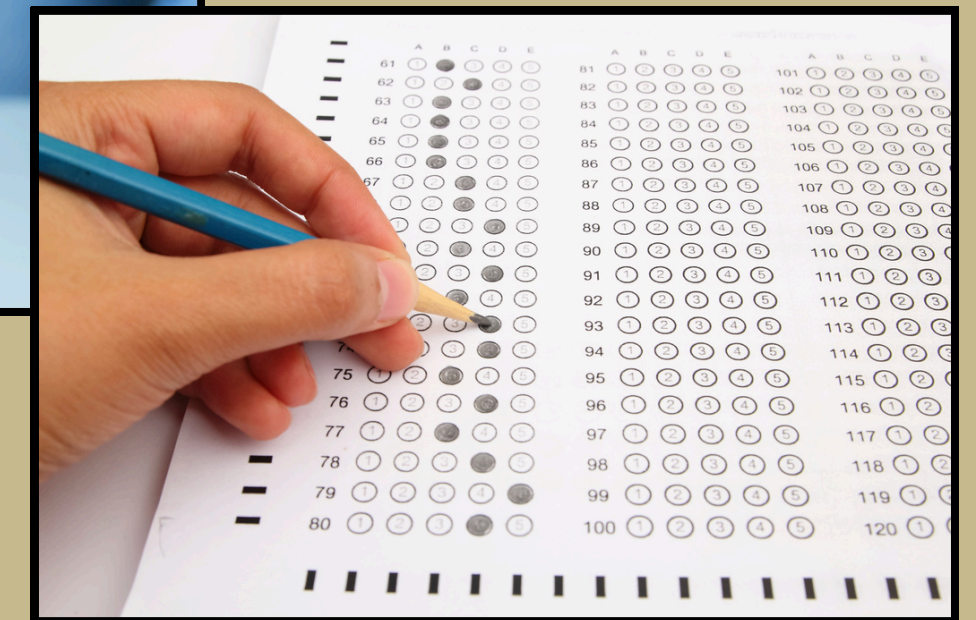
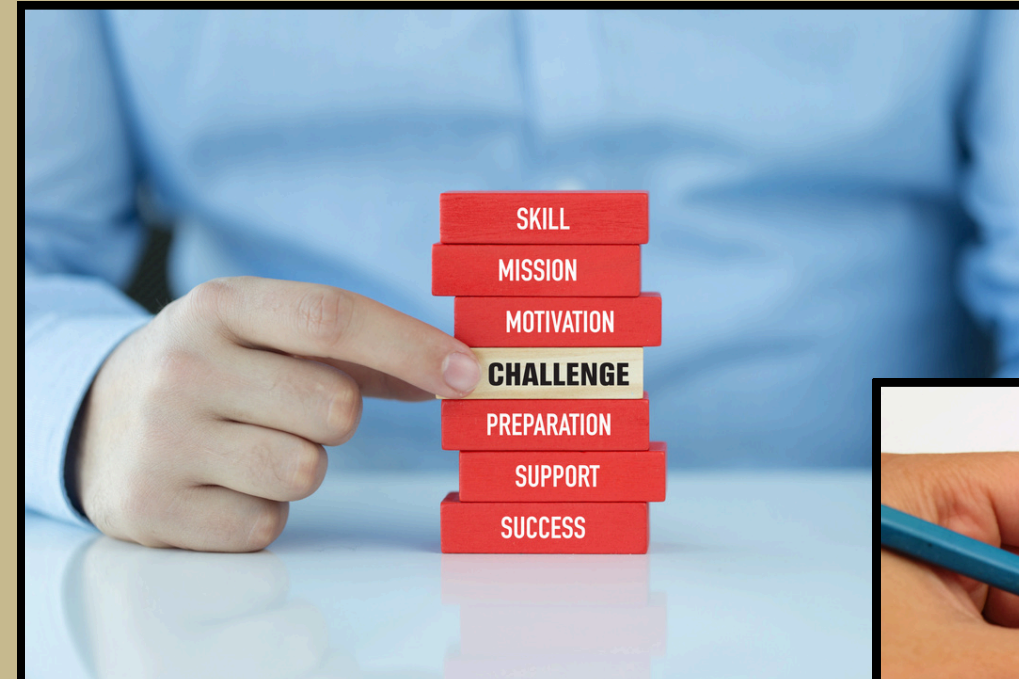
JUNIOR YEAR OVERVIEW



- Junior Review – spring, during guided study
 - Course History
 - Graduation Requirements
- Register for SAT/ACT exams
- Start researching colleges of interest
 - Visit college campuses
- Utilize College & Career Room
- Boost your resume
 - Awards
 - Extra curricular activities
 - Leadership
- Create GA Futures Account
 - Need SSN



College ADMISSIONS



- GPA
- Course Selection
- Test Scores
- Extracurricular Activities

APPLICATION COMPONENTS

- **Essays** – Required essays on the college application are important because they demonstrate writing ability and give the college more information. Please seek advice when writing an essay and make sure to proofread for errors.
- **Letters of Recommendation**- Counselors and Teachers need 10 school days' notice to complete a letter of Recommendation. Brag Sheet is required for counselors to complete letters of rec. Brag sheets are on the Counseling Website.
- **Resume** – Contains academic information, honors and awards, extracurricular activities, work/volunteer experience, etc.
- **Interviews**



Types of **ADMISSION**

STUDENTS: WHICH COLLEGE ADMISSION PROCESS BEST SUITS YOU?				
Non-Restrictive Application Plans			Restrictive Application Plans	
Regular Decision	Rolling Admission	Early Action (EA)	Early Decision (ED)	Restrictive Early Action (REA)
DEFINITION: Students submit an application by a specified date and receive a decision in a clearly stated period of time.	DEFINITION: Institutions review applications as they are submitted and render admission decisions throughout the admission cycle.	DEFINITION: Students apply early and receive a decision well in advance of the institution's regular response date.	DEFINITION: Students make a commitment to a first-choice institution where, if admitted they definitely will enroll. The application deadline and decision deadline occur early.	DEFINITION: Students apply to an institution of preference and receive a decision early. They may be restricted from applying ED or EA or REA to other institutions. If offered enrollment, they have until May 1 to confirm.
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Students are not restricted from applying to other institutions and have until May 1 to consider their options and confirm enrollment.			Students are responsible for determining and following restrictions.	

SAT & ACT PRACTICE

- Free practice tests for the ACT & SAT can be found at:
 - GAFutures
 - Test Prep
 - March 2 Success
 - Khan Academy (official SAT test prep)
 - ACT Academy (official ACT test prep)

SAT/ACT WAIVERS

- Students who have been approved through GCPS for Free/Reduced Lunch qualify for SAT and ACT Fee Waivers.
- It is advised not to pick these up too early as they can easily be lost. Get your fee waiver when you are ready to register for the SAT or ACT.



WHERE TO APPLY

Dream

- Less than 30% chance of admission
- Your academic record and test scores are at or above average

Target

- 30-60% chance of admission
- Your academic record and test scores are in line with the average admissions statistics

Safety

- Greater than 60% chance of admission
- Your academic record and test scores are above average
- You need at least one safety school

ACCESSING HOPE GPA

- Preliminary HOPE GPAs are available on GAfutures.
 - Students should create an account now.
 - In order for the student to access their HOPE GPA, they need to have:
 - SSN on file at Brookwood
 - If not, please turn in a copy of the SSN to office A1
 - SSN entered into student's account on GAfutures
 - Done by the student when they create their account

*Complete FAFSA or apply on GA Futures Senior Year (12/2025) to be eligible for the HOPE or Zelle Miller Scholarship

RESEARCHING COLLEGES

- Naviance (Student Portal)
- College Navigator
- College Board Big Futures
- GAfutures
- College Results Online



NAVIANCE

The leading College, Career, and Life Readiness platform
Help Students Achieve Goals
Understand Strengths, Interest, and Career Goals.
Provide tools to better assist with College Admission Process



Self Discovery

Career Interest Profile
Strengths Explorer
College Match



Careers

Explore Careers/Pathways
Explore Military Branches



Colleges

Super Match College Search
Colleges I'm applying to
Matching accounts with common apps
Manage Transcripts
Letter of Recommendation



Scholarships

National Scholarship Search
Merit Based Scholarships
FAFSA
Additional Scholarship (On College Websites)

Demo's Future Planning

Plan Your Future

Quickly access your path highlights, favorite careers, information from your school, and more from this page.

Career Goals

Nursing Assistants

Career Exploration

Favorite Careers and Clusters

Explore Careers

Explore Clusters and Pathways

Military Exploration

Favorite Military Branches

Explore Military Branches

Experiential Exploration

Search Job Opportunities

Find Work-Based Learning

Explore Roadtrip Nation Videos

Naviance

Naviance! We are so excited to see you here

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You will explore careers, learn about salaries, skill qualificatio

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progress and keep you organized!

So what are you waiting for? Let's get going!

Alongside the required BRIDGE tasks assigned to you in

also recommend exploring the following optional areas:

Additional

Tasks from My School

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College Path Highlights

Search for a College

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Enter name

Search

Colleges I'm Thinking About

Name	Interest	Delivery Type
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College Home

Find Your fit

- SuperMatch College Search
- College Match
- College Events
- Scattergrams
- Advanced College Search
- College Lookup

Research Colleges

- Colleges I'm Thinking About
- College Visits
- College Compare
- College Resources
- Acceptance History
- Enrichment Programs
- College Maps

Apply to College

- Colleges I'm Applying To
- Manage Transcripts
- Letters of Recommendation
- Test Scores

Scholarships & Money

- College-Specific Scholarships
- National Scholarship Search
- Scholarship Search
- Favorite Scholarships

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Colleges I'm Thinking About

Name Interest Delivery Type



GEORGIA MATCH



- Students need to have their SSN on file at Brookwood and in their GAfutures to participate.
- Letter arrives in Sept-Oct.
- Students will need to log into GAfutures and “claim” their spot for up to three colleges they matched with.
 - Students still need to complete an application with the colleges

Major SCHOLARSHIPS

estimated deadlines are for seniors graduating in 2026

- Golden Doors Scholarship – Deadline 10/01/2025
 - Covers full cost of attendance to any one of partners schools
 - Specifically for DACA, Undocumented, or TPS students
- Dream.US Scholarship (Opportunity or National Scholarship) – Deadline 01/31/2026
 - Covers full cost of attendance to any one of partners schools
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- Hispanic Scholarship Fund – Deadline 02/15/2026
 - \$500–\$5,000 awarded to students of Hispanic descent

- Posse Foundation Scholarship Program
 - Full Tuition Scholarship to 1 of 6 partner colleges
- Quest Bridge Scholarship – Deadline 9/26/2025
 - Covers full cost to any partner college
 - Specifically for low income, high achieving students
- Gates Scholarship – Deadline 9/15/2025
 - Covers cost that hasn't already been covered through FAFSA or other aid (last dollar funding)
- Coca Cola Scholarship – Deadline 9/30/2025
 - \$20,000 awarded to 150 students
- Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship – Deadline 11/16/2025
 - Covers cost that hasn't already been covered through FAFSA or other aid (last dollar funding)
- McDonalds HACER Scholarship 02/24/26
 - Up to \$100,000 awarded
 - Open to all students



SCHOLARSHIP LINKS



- GCPS Scholarships: <https://gcps-foundation.org/scholarships/>
- Sallie Mae/Scholly: <https://www.myscholly.com/>
- College Board Scholarship Search: bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/scholarship-search
- GA Futures Scholarship Search: <https://www.gafutures.org/>
- Going Merry: <https://www.goingmerry.com/>
- Fast Web: <https://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships>
- Scholarships.com: <https://www.scholarships.com/>



THANKS FOR ATTENDING!

Contact your student's assigned
counselor if you have more
questions.



connect with your

COUNSELOR

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