

Class of 2027
September 19, 2023

Freshman Family Night



Have Questions?

Enter your questions
in the Teams chat!



We will answer questions at the end
of the presentation.

McEachern High School Counseling Team:

Last Names A-C –Counselor coming soon!

** Please visit our website for the most up to date information on

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Reasons to see your School Counselor

ACADEMIC



CAREER



PERSONAL



How to see your School Counselor

Students are encouraged to schedule a meeting with their counselor using their booking link:

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Let's talk about...

- ❖ GPA
- ❖ Course Rigor
- ❖ Transcripts
- ❖ Promotion Requirements
- ❖ Graduation Requirements
- ❖ Dual Enrollment
- ❖ Your Responsibilities in the Classroom

What is GPA?

Grade Point Average (GPA):

- A = 4.0 90-100
- B = 3.0 80-89
- C = 2.0 74-79
- D = 1.0 70-73
- F = 0.0 69 and ↓

Different kinds of GPA

- Weighted vs. Unweighted
- Cumulative vs. Core
- HOPE
- College

How do I calculate a GPA?

❖ Step 1: Assign each grade a numeric value

❖ A=4 (90-100%)

❖ B=3 (80-89%)

❖ C=2 (74-79%)

❖ D=1 (70-73%)

❖ F=0 (0-69%)

AP and honors courses earn
quality points

AP = +1 quality point

Honors = +0.5 quality point

❖ Step 2: Multiply the numeric point value by the units of credit attempted

❖ Step 3: Total the values from step 2 & divide by the total number of credits attempted

GPA Examples

❖ Example 1

- Algebra I - B = 3.0
- Biology – A=4.0
- Intro to Culinary – B = 3.0
- Art – B = 3.0

$$3.0 + 4.0 + 3.0 + 3.0 = 13$$

$$13/4 = 3.25 \text{ GPA}$$

❖ Example 2

- H Algebra – C = 2.5
- H Biology– B = 3.5
- Intro to Culinary – B = 3.0
- Art – A = 4.0

$$2.5 + 3.5 + 3.0 + 4.0 = 13$$

$$13/4 = 3.25 \text{ GPA}$$

Why take Honors and AP classes?

- ❖ Provides opportunities to improve study skills
- ❖ Familiarizes you with college level work
- ❖ Can boost your cumulative GPA
- ❖ Prepares you for big tests (ACT, SAT, ASVAB, Accuplacer, Milestones)
- ❖ Gives you an advantage in college admissions
- ❖ Allows you to expand your interests
- ❖ May be eligible for college credit (AP Exam)
- ❖ Improves work ethic and critical thinking skills for workforce
- ❖ BUT... you must find the right balance for YOU; don't compare yourself to others

Report Card versus Transcript?

Report Card

- ❖ Grades from one semester
- ❖ Unofficial document
- ❖ Used by parent or guardian
- ❖ Includes some personal information (address, Cobb ID)

Transcript

- ❖ Record of all high school final grades
- ❖ Official legal document
- ❖ Used by colleges, military, and employers
- ❖ Includes identifying personal information (SS#, DOB, address)
- ❖ Includes cumulative GPA

HOW MANY CREDITS DO I NEED TO GRADUATE?

Area of Study	Required Credits
English/Language Arts	4 credits (9th Lit, American Lit)
Mathematics	4 credits (Alg I, Geom, Adv Alg)
Science	4 credits (Bio, Physics/Physical Science, Chem/Earth/ Env Sci)
Social Studies	3 credits (World, US, Gov/Econ)
World Language/Technical/Fine Art	3 credits
Personal Fitness	0.5 credit
Health	0.5 credit
Electives	4 credits
TOTAL CREDITS:	23

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS



Grade Level	Required Credits
10 th	5 credits (1 credit each in core English, Math and Science)
11 th	10 credits (2 credits each in core English, Math, and Science)
12 th	16 credits (on track for graduation)

Dual Enrollment (DE)

DE is a state funded program that allows 11th and 12th graders to take college classes while completing their high school diploma.

DE also provides limited options for 10th graders

DE pays for 100% tuition, mandatory fees, and required textbooks up to a maximum cap of 30 hours (*this equates to roughly one year of full-time college enrollment or around 10 courses*)

Any 10th grader can take CTAE classes at a Technical College

10th graders who have earned a 1200 SAT or 26 ACT (in one sitting) are eligible to apply to any DE program

TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN HIGH SCHOOL



At a Minimum

- ❖ Come to school
- ❖ Be on time
- ❖ Have your materials
- ❖ Pay attention
- ❖ Complete and submit your assignments
- ❖ Find out what you missed when absent and make up work in a timely manner
- ❖ Check your grades

Going Above and Beyond

- ❖ Review & preview notes
- ❖ Attend tutoring
- ❖ Communicate with your teachers
- ❖ Take detailed notes
- ❖ Study nightly
- ❖ Keep a calendar
- ❖ Stay organized

WHAT IS HOPE/ZELL MILLER SCHOLARSHIP?

HOPE/Zell Miller are scholarships that are awarded to Georgia residents who have demonstrated specific academic achievements. These scholarships assist students with paying for their tuition at any USG, TCSG, or eligible private colleges or universities in Georgia. The criteria varies for each scholarship; however, this is a great way for students to get help with paying for their post-secondary education!

To see your HOPE GPA, visit Gafutures.org



WHAT IS HOPE/ZELL MILLER GRANT?

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Naviance

- Naviance is a **delivery system** and college/career search engine. We use it to communicate with you and we will use it throughout the year for various activities.
- You can access Naviance from the CCSD homepage, your school's website.

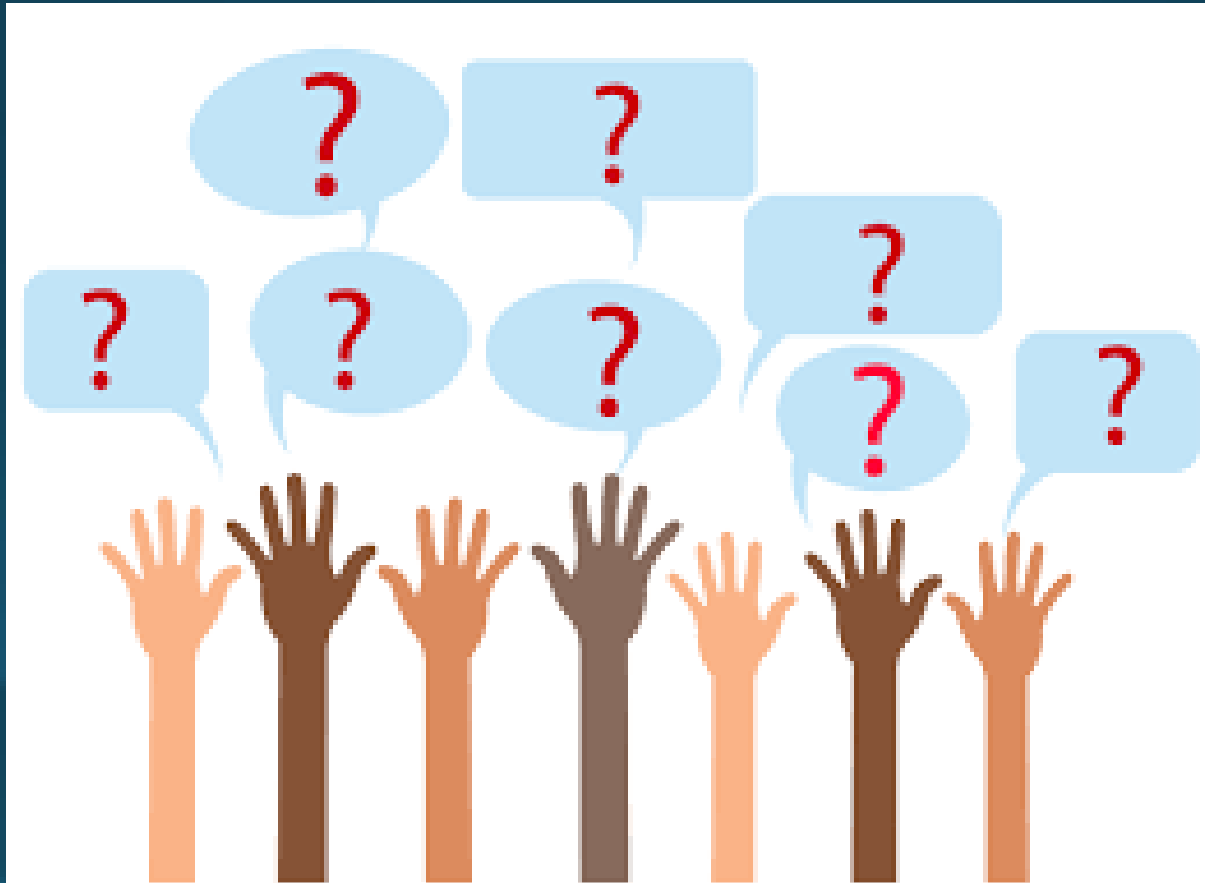


What should I do as a parent?



- Monitor grades and attendance through ParentVue
- Monitor student studying and homework
- Provide time and a place from distractions for student to study and complete homework
- Email the teacher
 - Teacher directory on McEachern Website also available through ParentVue
- Contact the counselor
 - Family support
 - Crisis
- Update your contact information

Questions?



THANK YOU FOR COMING TONIGHT!!



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Email your counselor with any additional questions!

STAY INFORMED

- McEachern High School Website:
<https://www.cobbk12.org/McEachern>
- Counseling website:
<https://www.mceacherncounseling.com/>
- ParentVue- review your settings!
- CTLS emails
- Social Media
- Weekly Newsletter- McEachern School Counseling
Smoke Signals





Freshman Bridge Law Lessons: October 2- 13, 2023

Freshman Advisement will start January 22- February 9, 2024
Stay tuned for updates!