

YOUR FUTURE (WALTON & BEYOND)

WHO IS YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR?



SCHOOL COUNSELING SUPPORT STAFF





HOW TO STAY IN THE KNOW



https://linktr.ee/waltoncounselingsocialmedia

REASONS TO SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

We assist with:

- Academic planning
- Career exploration
- Future planning for college
- Personal & social situations

<u>Referrals:</u>

- Self-referral
- Administrative, teachers, parents, and friends



HOW TO SEE YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR

<u>Lunch</u>

 Stop by during your lunch period. No appointment is needed.

<u>Email</u>

 Set up an appointment by emailing your counselor.

<u>Emergency</u>

 If you are having an emergency, come to the counseling suite and speak with any available counselor.



www.waltonhighcounseling.com

THINGS TO KNOW...

<u>Safety</u>

- No harassment & bullying policy
- Tell an adult (teacher, counselor, assistant principal) if you're being harassed/bullied or know of others.

<u>Crisis</u>

- A life-threatening situation
- Tell an adult immediately

<u>Confidentiality</u>

• Danger to self or others



WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL IN 9TH GRADE & BEYOND?



LET'S TALK ABOUT...

GPA (Calculating/Importance/Types)

Finding a Balance with Course Rigor

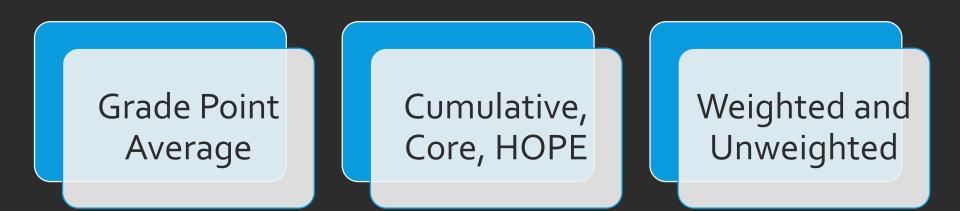
Graduation Requirements

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Student Responsibilities in the Classroom

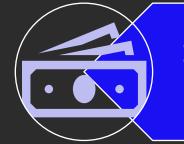
WHAT IS GPA?



WHY GPA IS IMPORTANT



Some extra-curricular clubs require a certain GPA



Some scholarships require a certain GPA



A high GPA is helpful towards gaining college admission

HOW DO I CALCULATE MY GPA?

Percentage Grade	Letter Grade	On-Level	Honors (+ 0.5)	AP (+ 1.0)
90 – 100%	Α	4	4-5	5
80 – 89%	В	3	3-5	4
74 - 79%	С	2	2.5	3
70 - 73%	D	1	1.5	2
69% & below	F	0	0	0

HOW DO I CALCULATE MY GPA?

Step 1: Assign each grade a numeric value

 $A = 4.0 \quad (90\%-100\%)$ $B = 3.0 \quad (80\%-89\%)$ $C = 2.0 \quad (74\%-79\%)$ $D = 1.0 \quad (70\%-73\%)$ $F = 0 \quad (0\%-69\%)$

Remember: AP and Honors courses earn quality points AP = +1 quality point Honors = +0.5 quality point

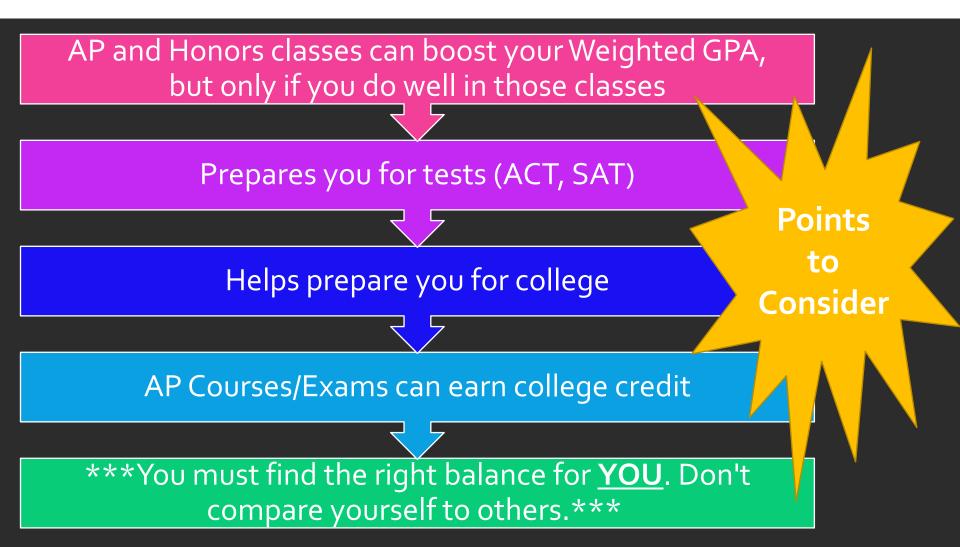
Step 2: Multiply the numeric point value by the credit attempted

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

WEIGHTED VS. NON-WEIGHTED GPA EXAMPLE

Class	Letter Grade	Calculation	Class	Letter Grade	Calculation
H 9 th Lit	В	3.5 × 0.5 = 1.75	H 9 th Lit	В	3.0 × 0.5 = 1.5
Algebra	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0	Algebra	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0
H Biology	В	3.5 × 0.5 = 1.75	H Biology	В	3.0 × 0.5 = 1.5
AP Human Geography	А	5.0 × 0.5 = 2.5	AP Human Geography	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0
Spanish II	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0	Spanish II	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0
Health	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0	Health	А	4.0 × 0.5 = 2.0
Weighted GPA = 12/3 = 4.0			Unweighted GPA = 11/3 = 3.666		

COURSE RIGOR & YOUR GPA



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Area of Study	Required Credits
ELA - (9 th Lit, Lit & Comp II, 3rd & 4th ELA options)	4 credits
Math - (Algebra, Geometry, Adv Algebra)	4 credits
Science - (Bio, Chem/Env Sci, Physics/Phy Sci)	4 credits
Social Studies - (Gov/Econ, US Hist, World Hist)	3 credits
World Lang/Career Tech/Fine Art (Combination)	3 credits
PE – (Personal Fitness & Health)	1 credit
Electives	4 credits
TOTAL CREDITS:	23

GRADE PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

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

CREDIT OPTIONS DURING THE SUMMER

Cobb Virtual Academy (CVA) www.cobbk12.org/cobbvirtualacademy

- Initial credit or credit recovery
- Cost is \$275 per 0.5 credit
- Asynchronous instruction
- Summer registration opens Tuesday, April 15 and closes on Tuesday, May 20

Georgia Virtual School (GAVS)

www.gavirtualschool.org

- Initial credit or credit recovery
- Cost is \$250 per 0.5 credit
- Asynchronous instruction
- Students may take a GAVS course only if CVA does not offer the course (e.g., German I)
- Summer registration opens on Saturday, March 1 and closes on Thursday, June 5

CCSD High School Summer Credit Recovery Program

- Credit recovery only
- Potentially free (grant last few years)
- Face-to-face instruction
- 10 days in June
- Wheeler High School
- Registration in ParentVue will open in early March

10TH GRADE REGISTRATION

Date	Event
Week of Feb 3	Core course registration
Feb 26	Elective Fair
March 10 – 20	Freshmen Advisement
April 1	Waiver and O Period deadline

HOPE SCHOLARSHIP

HOPE Scholarship (4-year public college in Georgia)

- 3.0 HOPE GPA for core academic courses
 - English, Math, Science, Social Studies, & World Language
- 4 HOPE rigor courses
- Zell Miller Scholarship (4-year public college in Georgia)
 - 3.7 HOPE GPA for core academic courses
 - 1200 on SAT (1 sitting) or 25 on ACT (1 sitting)
 - 4 HOPE rigor courses
- HOPE Grant (2-year technical college in Georgia)
 - For students seeking specific technical certificates or diplomas
 - No GPA requirement
 - No testing requirement
 - No rigor course requirement

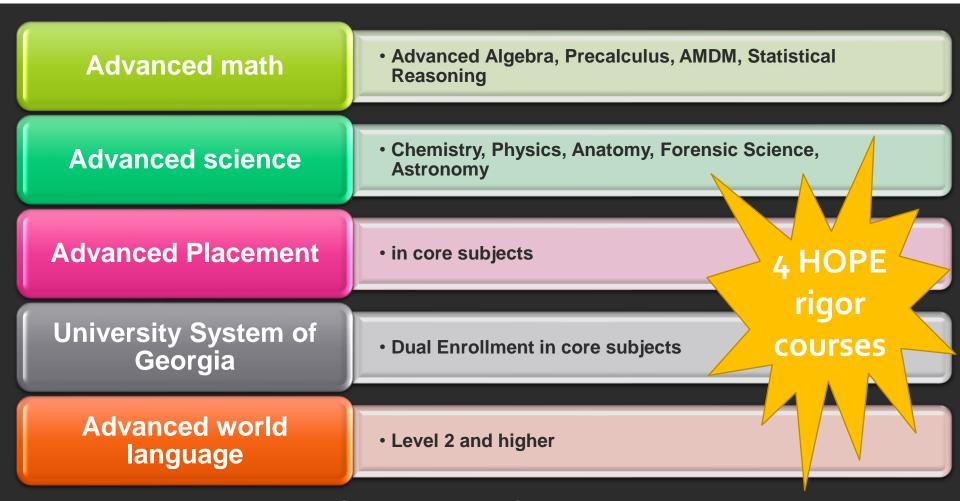


HOPE GPA

- HOPE GPA is calculated by the Georgia Student Finance Commission, located on the <u>Gafutures website</u>, and is never on your Walton transcripts
- HOPE GPA includes:
 - All core academic courses taken in high school (English, math, science, social studies, and world language)
 - All academic elective courses taken in high school (e.g., H Psychology, Algebra Support, Yearbook, etc.)

Regular On-Level	Honors Level	AP/DE
A=4.0	A=4.0	A=4.0
B=3.0	B=3.0	B=3.5
C=2.0	C=2.0	C=2.5
D=1.0	D=1.0	D=1.5
F=0.0	F=0.0	F=0.0

HOPE RIGOR



<u>Click here</u> for a current list of HOPE rigor courses

TIPS FOR SUCCESS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Basic Requirements

- 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
- Check email regularly (school and personal)

<u>Going Above & Beyond</u>

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

SERVICE HOURS

- Service hours are not mandatory
- Use MobileServe to track hours for graduation service cord need 180 approved hours
- <u>Click here</u> for guidelines
- Service hours are due at the end of each school year. The deadline for freshmen is **May 15, 2025**
- Questions? Email Dr. England at rebecca.england@cobbk12.org



DUAL ENROLLMENT

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 30 college semester hours Any 10th grader can take CTAE classes at a Technical College (e.g., Chattahoochee Tech)

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

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NOW LET'S TALK ABOUT...

Naviance

Personality Assessment

Where will you be in 10 years?

What type of career do you want?





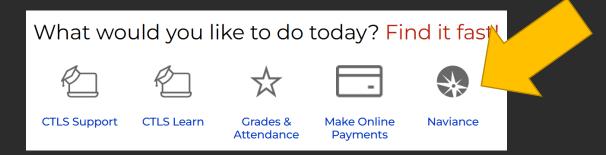


College and career readiness system:

offering college planning and career assessment tools <u>**Delivery system**</u> – we send your transcript, letters of recommendation, etc., directly to the colleges

LOGGING INTO NAVIANCE

Go to the Walton High School homepage at <u>www.waltonhigh.org</u>
 Scroll down towards the bottom to the icons and click "Naviance"

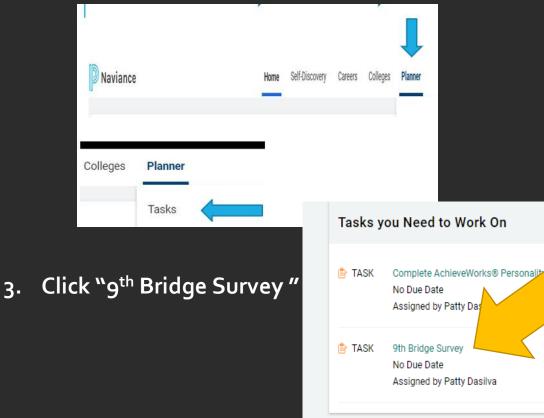


3. Log in through Clever. If need be, use your Microsoft 365 username and pæsword

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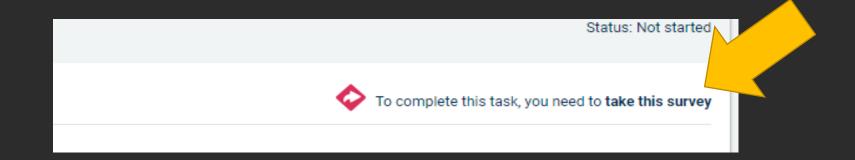
TASKS TO COMPLETE

- 1. Go to "Planner" and "Tasks"
- 2. Scroll down to "Tasks You Need to Work On"



9TH BRIDGE SURVEY

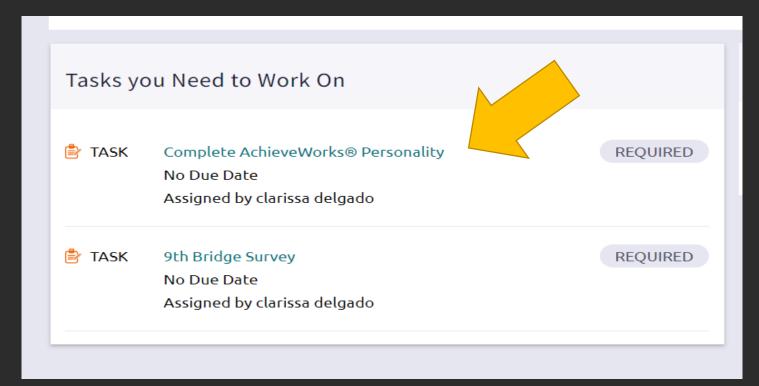
1. Find the pink arrow and click "Take this survey"



- 2. Answer all questions
- 3. Click "Save and Finish"

ACHIEVEWORKS INTELLIGENCES TASK

- 1. Go to "Planner" and "Tasks"
- 2. Scroll down to "Tasks You Need to Work On"
- 3. Select "Complete AchieveWorks Intelligences"



ACHIEVEWORKS INTELLIGENCES TASK

1. Look for the pink arrow and click "Take AchieveWorks Intelligedes"

To complete this task, you need to complete the AchieveWorks Personality® assessment.

Click "Start Assessment"



AchieveWorks Intelligences®

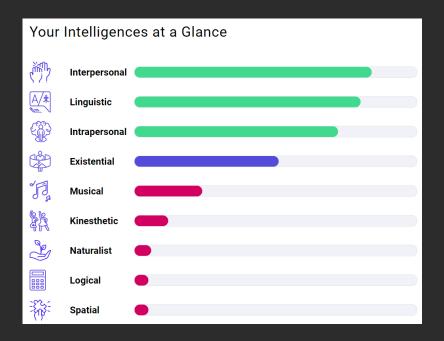
Start Assessment

Intelligence comes in many forms. **AchieveWorks Intelligences**® helps you uncover your different intelligences and how to leverage them.

This tool will reveal the ways you deal with information, solve problems, and create things.

ACHIEVEWORKS INTELLIGENCES TASK

After completing the AchieveWorks Intelligences, review the results related to your personality.



Intelligences and You SKIP TO SUBSECTION A Linguistic Intrapersonal mol Interpersonal 😤 Existential A Musical 1 Kinesthetic 👌 Naturalist Logical 👫 Spatial Your Superpowers Interpersonal This intelligence includes understanding and working with people, building relationships seeing the world from others' point of view, communicating well verbally and non-verbally cooperating in a group, having influence, and responding to the mood, personality and goals of others 🐕 STRENGTHS

- Relate well to others
- · Notice and understand people's needs, perspectives, emotions and motivations
- Connect and interact with people quickly and easily
- Form and maintain lasting relationships
- Able to lead, influence and inspire others

CHALLENGES

- Difficulty building and maintaining social relationships
- · Do not notice or respond appropriately to others' feelings, motivations or behaviors
- Not good at collaborative work
- Uncomfortable interacting with people whose experiences, views and beliefs differ from own
- Don't see the humor in things that others find funny

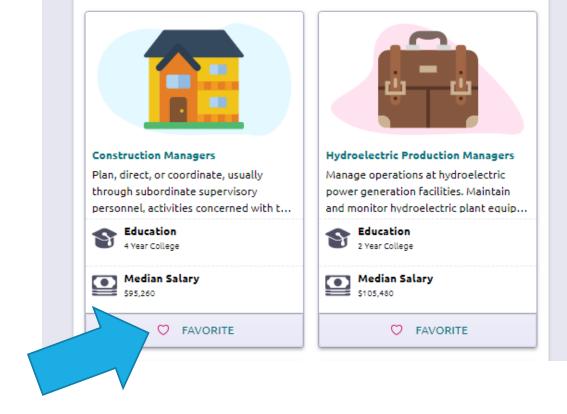
EXPLORE CAREERS

"Favorite" your top 3 career interests

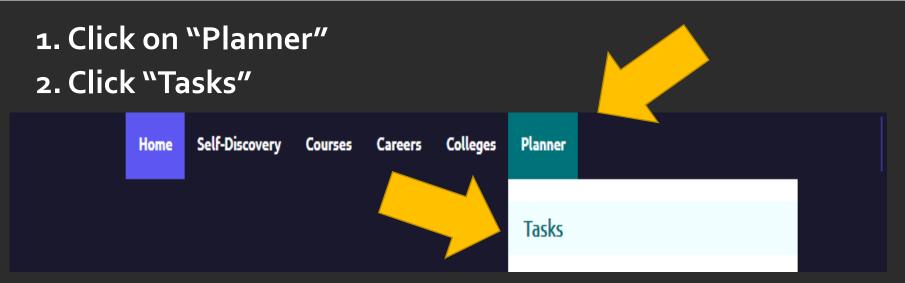
(You will list 3 careers in the next survey, and these may be the ones you want to list!)

Recommended Careers

Great news - there are a lot of careers that could be a good fit for you based on your results. Take a look and explore what makes you curious.



COUNSELOR CHECK FOR COMPLETION



3. A counselor will verify you have completed both tasks.

Tasks you Need to Work On

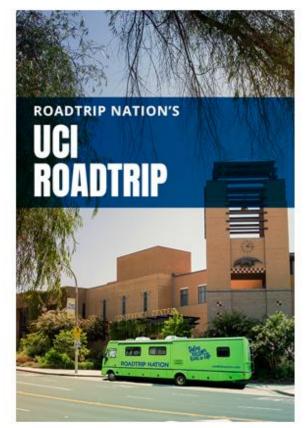


You're all set. You have nothing assigned to you.

EXPLORING ROADTRIP NATION



Small Town Tech Yuma Tech Roadtrip



UCI Roadtrip



Risk & Reward Insurance Roadtrip

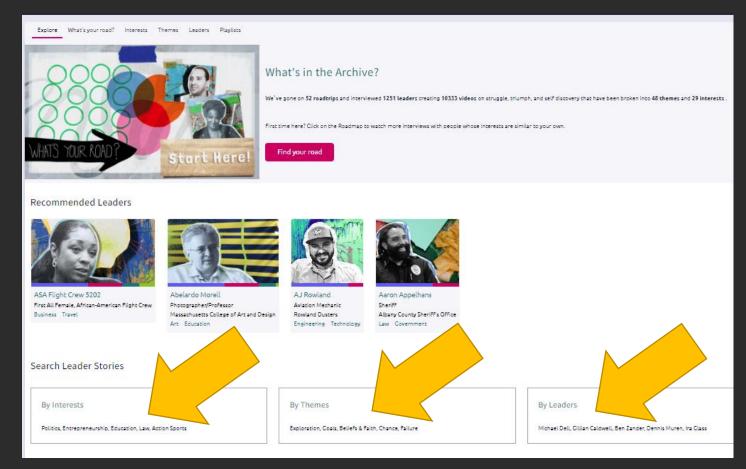
ROADTRIP NATION

Click "Careers" Click "Explore Roadtrip Nation Videos"

	Home Self-Discovery	Careers Colleges Planner		
	Career Exploration Favorite Careers and Clusters	Military Exploration Favorite Military Branches	Experiential Exploration Explore Roadtrip Nation Videos	
	Explore Careers Explore Clusters and Pathways	Explore Military Branches		
To-Do List Calendar View				

ROADTRIP NATION

Watch short videos based on your interests, themes, or leaders.



HAVE A WONDERFUL REST OF YOUR 9TH GRADE YEAR!!!

"IF CAULIFLOWER CAN BECOME PIZZA, YOU CAN DO ANYTHING"

