Welcome!

Statesboro High School

9th Grade House

A Smaller Learning Community
Introductions

- Dr. Waters, Principal
- Mrs. Julie Mizell, Asst. Principal
- Brian Thomas, Counselor
- Mrs. Petronia Dixon, 9th Grade Secretary
- 9th Grade Teaching Staff
Topics of Discussion

- Expectations
- General High School Information
- High School Graduation Requirements
- Proposed Changes to HOPE Scholarship
- Testing Plan
- Registration
- Q & A
Expectations

- All education exists for the purpose of a career.
- Goals: 90% promotion rate & 90% graduation rate
- Take courses – one time only; Credit recovery
- Partnership: School, Parent, and Student
- Attendance is crucial!
- Accountability: No pass, no promotion
- Stretch beyond the classroom (homework, studying, reading, preparation)
Everything in 9th Grade Counts!

- Want to play spring sports? Must pass three out of four classes fall semester.
- Need help paying for college? All academic courses in grades 9–12 count towards HOPE Scholarship.
- Want to be an Honor Graduate? Must have a 90 average in all classes in grades 9–12.
High School Information

- A minimum of 24 Carnegie units is required to receive a diploma.
  - English – 4 units
  - Social Studies – 4 units
  - Math – 4 units
  - Science – 4 units
  - CTAE and/or Modern Language
  - and/or Fine Arts – 3 units
  - Health/Personal Fitness – 1 unit
  - Electives – 4 units

- 32 available credits
Promotion Policy

- The following units must be earned for class placement
  - 10th grade  6 units
  - 11th grade  12 units
  - 12th grade  18 units
Bridges – Career Planning & Post Secondary Education

- One of ten different career areas
- Allows students to focus their learning around a career area that interests them
- Not currently a state requirement but is strongly recommended.
- Joint-enrollment (Accel)
Planning for Future Programs

- **Accel/Dual Enrollment** – Courses at GSU in 11th or 12th grade. 85 average in academic courses required.
- **Work-Based Learning (Work Study)**
  - Students to earn elective credits while on the job at a local employer
    - Receives wages for hours worked
  - Requires two units of technical career electives from the same area.
- **Apprenticeship**
  - Similar to work-based learning
  - Student works in a career area in which he/she has previously demonstrated a strong interest and aptitude
    - Early Childhood Education, Construction, etc.
HOPE Scholarship Program

- Maintains the current merit-based HOPE Scholarship for students with a GPA of 3.0.
- Beginning this fall, students with a 3.0 GPA attending Georgia public colleges and universities will receive 90 percent of tuition rate.
- The legislation will eliminate funds for books and fees, eliminate funding for remedial classes, cap eligible hours at 127
HOPE Scholarship–Continued

- Creates the Zell Miller Scholarship program for valedictorians, salutatorians, and those students who graduate from high school with a GPA of 3.7 or higher and have received a score of at least 1200 on combined Critical Reading Score and Math Score on the SAT or have received a score of at least 26 on the ACT.
- These students will receive full tuition at Georgia’s public institutions and the full private HOPE award at our private institutions if they maintain a 3.3 GPA in college.
Freshmen Registration

- Required Courses
  - 9th Grade Literature**
  - Math I**
  - Biology**
  - World History**
  - Health/Personal Fitness
  - Three Electives
    - Computer Apps – suggested
    - Math I Support based on MAP
    - Reading based on MAP

**Pre–AP options. Purpose is to prepare for AP (Advanced Placement–college level coursework)
Based on middle school MAP scores
Required enrichment assignment
Letters were sent out to students March 1st whose MAP scores met requirements for Pre–AP courses in one or more areas.

If student did not meet required score, then parent can request student to be placed on waiting list for one or more areas. Email Mr. Thomas with student’s name and area requested (bthomas@bulloch.k12.ga.us)

Students still have opportunity to qualify based on spring MAP scores

Honors courses require Enrichment Assignments to be completed over the summer.
# Required MAP Scores
(These scores are adjusted annually based on overall group performance)

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Enrichment Assignments for Pre–AP Courses

- These assignments are required for all students taking a Pre–AP course.
- All of these assignments will be due on the first day of school, August 1\textsuperscript{st}.
- They will be posted on SHS website June 15\textsuperscript{th}. 
9th Grade Registration

- All ninth graders will take the following courses:
  - 9th Grade Literature
  - Biology
  - World History
  - Math
  - Health/P.E.
- These courses will be pre-loaded into their schedule. (students will NOT enter these courses themselves)
- Students who meet requirements for Pre-AP courses will have those changed manually later by guidance staff
- 9th graders will only be choosing electives on the computer in registration process today.
Freshman Electives (if available)

- JROTC/Army I
- Foundations of Logistics and Transportation (Automotive)
- Occupational Safety and Fund. (Construction)
- Introduction to Healthcare Science
- Introduction to Culinary Arts
- Weight Training (P.E. prerequisite)
- Team Sports (P.E. prerequisite; not associated with any varsity sports teams at SHS)
- Introductory Lifetime Sports
- Computer Applications I
- Basic Agriculture Science and Tech.
- Foundations of Engineering and Tech.

Enter the top three in the Student Portal and four additional as alternates.
It is important to know about the different tests in high school.

Implications for your high school career and post-secondary plans (after high school).

Testing Plan
- Lists every major test and the purpose
- Identifies the target group
- Notes approximate grade and date it is given or recommended grade level it should be taken.
Standardized Tests for 9th Graders

- Every freshman will take an End-of-Course-Test (EOCT) for the following courses:
  - Ninth Grade Literature and Composition
  - Biology
  - Math I

- EOCT’s currently count 15% of the student’s overall average in the course.

- MAP
Proposed changes in the state legislature:
- Next year's first-time freshmen will take only the writing portion of the GHSGT. Their EOCTs will count 20%.
Resources

- shs.bulloch.k12.ga.us
- www.ga411.com
Online Course Requests
Rising 9th Graders
March 17 – 27, 2011
Log in to the Student Portal
https://campus.bulloch.k12.ga.us/campus/portal/bulloch.jsp
Click the Registration Link
Required Courses

9th Grade
Literature
Math I
Biology
World History
Health/P.E.
Request Electives – Click Course Search
Enter part or all of the course name and Click Go
Select a course to view

[Image of a screenshot from a school's Infinite Campus Student Information Portal showing a search for English Lit with a course number]
Request the Course

![Image of Infinite Campus Student Information Portal with course details and a button to request the course.]

23.05200 English Lit/Comp
- Final Average-English Credits: 1.000

Requesting Units: 2

- Request this Course
- Request as an Alternate
Click Course Search to find another course
Complete your requests

- Request your top three elective choices
  - Request your top two electives if weightlifting is entered under Required courses (football players)

- Alternate courses – Four more elective choices
Log Off – Always!