

# Northview 25-26 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> grade parent night

## FAQ

**1. Is it necessary to have your child involved in an extra tutoring program outside the regular school curriculum?**

It is not required to receive extra tutoring or academic support outside of school; however, each student is different. If you find that your child is struggling academically, the first step we would recommend is reaching out to the teacher to understand how he/she can improve using resources already available. However, we do find that many families share that they benefit from utilizing extra resources outside of school such as tutoring.

**2. How many Dual Enrollments are needed for college credits?**

Dual enrollment is an option for students who are interested in participating in college classes for high school and college credit. Every university has their own requirements for college graduation, but students in high school can have up to 30 units of college credit paid for by the state through the dual enrollment program.

**3. How can I request dual enrollment, and what are the benefits of dual enrollment?**

Eligibility for dual enrollment generally begins the summer after a student's sophomore year. The counseling department will offer a lunch and learn regarding dual enrollment in February as well as a parent presentation at that time to support students who are interested in dual enrollment. For specific questions regarding dual enrollment for your child, please reach out to your school counselor!

Dual enrollment is an excellent opportunity for students to gain experience in real college classes, earn high school and college credit, and it can be paid for by the state for up to 30 units of credit! Additionally, dual enrollment courses are completed in one semester (rather than a year-long on-level, honors, or AP course), so students may be able to earn more high school credits in a year than the traditional format.

**4. What are the pro and cons of taking summer classes?**

Some students decide to take summer classes in order to advance through coursework to be allowed to take more challenging work at a later time in high school. Others choose to take summer classes in order to make room in their school schedule for courses of interest or to have room for 3DE. Generally, counselors do not recommend taking summer classes unless a student is behind on credits needed for graduating. The coursework over the summer is very accelerated in pace and often not cover all of the standards taught in the face-to-face year-long course, which can sometimes result in students struggling in the subsequent course in that subject area.

**5. What are the 3DE options? Can 10th grade still join 3DE?**

<p><b>6. Who is replacing Mrs. Wilkerson or when her maternity leave is over?</b> Mrs. Wilkerson is back from leave and ready to support students and families on her caseload of Sh-Z!</p>
<p><b>7. Each semester is one grade?</b> Yes, each semester students earn 0.5 credits for all passed courses taken. For example, if a student is in Biology for the year they will earn a Biology grade for semester 1 and for semester 2, totaling 1.0 unit for the course by the end of the year. Grades are not averaged from semester 1 to semester 2.</p>
<p><b>8. If at college, a HOPE student loses his scholarship, can he recover it raising his grades?</b> Yes, a student in Georgia can recover the HOPE Scholarship by raising their grades, but it can only be done once. To regain eligibility, you must bring your HOPE GPA up to the required 3.0 at a specific "checkpoint". To learn more, explore <a href="http://gafutures.org">gafutures.org</a>.</p>
<p><b>9. Where can we get digital textbooks for AP Precalculus and SAT preparation and practice tests. Hard bound books can also be recommended.</b> We recommend requesting these resources directly from your student's math teacher. There are several resources on the College Board's website for SAT and other subject-area prep, but you can also find resources through Khan Academy and Kaplan.</p>
<p><b>10. Who is the NCAA counselor?</b> Cara Dunn, <a href="mailto:dunnc1@fultonschools.org">dunnc1@fultonschools.org</a></p>
<p><b>11. Are students on h4 visa (kids of parents working on h1b visa) also eligible for Hope and Zell Miller scholarships for in state colleges?</b> Students and families who have questions regarding eligibility criteria for the HOPE and Zell Miller scholarships as it relates to non-citizenship requirements must contact the Georgia Student Finance Commission. School Counselors are not able to determine eligibility.</p>
<p><b>12. Will counsellors be helping children with choosing their subjects based on their career interests for their high school journey?</b> School counselors meet with 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> graders in the spring to discuss the upcoming year course requests, and at this time, counselors work with students to help align their interests with graduation requirements. We also encourage students to speak with their teachers for course recommendations as well.</p>
<p><b>13. You had mentioned about in state tuition scholarship like Hope and Zell Miller, what about scholarships and financial aid opportunities for out of state universities and how soon and what are the process for applying for those out of state scholarships and financial aids?</b> The school counseling department regularly posts scholarships on our counseling website for students and families to consider. We recommend contacting specific universities to understand their financial aid processes in and out of state.</p>

Students may learn more about individual college scholarships by attending college visits scheduled in the counseling department.

**14. Can you discuss more on the information with students interested in applying for universities that are out of the state of Georgia? Is the time applying for it the same?**

Each university has their own set deadlines and application requirements. Generally, students can apply to colleges through the common app, which will also list each college deadline. Additionally, students and families can use the SchoolLinks app on Classlink to look at deadlines and application requirements for colleges and universities of interest.

**15. Where can I find out a clear list of what the upcoming or next courses students will take following a lit 1 ELA 9th grade, for example, what would the 9th grader needs to take in 10th, 11th and 12th grade to fulfill the 4 credits? Same with science, if they took biology h at 9th grade, what would take usually take in the following grades including senior year? math, after algebra 2 in 9th grade? What are the next 3 years' courses to take usually? Etc**

Students are placed in the appropriate next course for the subject area based off of their scores in their current class and teacher recommendation. Students and families can utilize Northview's course catalog to learn the general recommendations and prerequisite scores for placement into the next level course on Northview's counseling website under Academic Advisement. Additionally, there are course sequencing charts on our counseling website for ELA and Math.

**16. Is the AP night in spring for students or parents or for both! What is it about?**

AP Night is virtual. AP teachers upload videos sharing information, expectations, and more about their course.

**17. If a student took ap gov in 9th grade, what are the courses the students will be taking in 10th, 11th and 12th grade usually?**

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