Class of 2026 - Junior Parent Night FAQ



Graduation Requirements

- 1. How do we confirm that my child is on track to have 17 credits?
 - a. Transcripts can be viewed on Infinite Campus. If you are unable to locate the transcript in Infinite Campus, you can also contact your student's counselor.
- 2. Are volunteer hours required for graduation?
 - a. There is not a particular way to document volunteer hours. Volunteer hours are not required for graduation.
- 3. How do we see GPA and credits for our student?
 - a. You may view the numeric average and accrued credits in Infinite Campus.
- 4. Do AP Computer Science Principles and AP Computer Science count as elective credit?
 - a. Yes. These courses count as an academic elective.
- 5. If you take more than 4 of core classes like science or math, do the extra show up as electives or 5 or 6 under math or science on the transcript?
 - a. On the transcript, it will show up as a math and science course but will count towards the electives credit if you have exceeded the required 4 units.
- 6. What if we don't have any elective credits but we have 2 orchestra and had 3 World Language Credits? Does it coincide with the Elective Credits or are they separate?
 - a. Orchestra and World Language are electives, so they can count in both categories.
- 7. What if my student took physical science in middle school?
 - a. If your student took a high school credit bearing class in middle school, the credit will transfer to the high school and be listed on the high school transcript.

End of Course Questions

- 1. Do AP Biology students need to take the Georgia milestones?
 - a. No. Students take the Milestone for on-level or Honors Biology.
- 2. Do AP US History, AP Lang, Dual Enrollment US History or Dual Enrollment American Literature students have to take the EOC?
 - a. Starting the 2025-2026 school year, only algebra, biology, Lit/Comp II, and US History on level will have an EOC.
- 3. Do I need to take the EOC if I took an EOC course over the summer?
 - a. Yes, if you did not opt-out of the EOC, then you will need it to finalize your grade for the following courses taken in summer (Algebra, Biology, and US History)

PSAT/SAT/ACT/National Merit

- 1. What is the date for PSAT at Northview for Juniors?
 - a.
- 2. Does my student need to register to take the PSAT?

- a. No. All 9th-11th Grade students can take the exam. They just need to be sure to show up on test day.
- 3. Will PSAT be face to face for juniors? Do we have other option dates if we cannot take it face to face?
 - a. Yes. The test will be face to face. However, it is optional. Students can opt not to take the test if they are not comfortable taking the test.
- 4. What is the qualification criteria for National Merit Scholarship?
 - a. The criteria for National Merit (NMSQT) varies each year.
- 5. Where do we register for our student to take the SAT/ACT?
 - a. You can visit www.act.org (ACT).
- 6. Does Northview offer SAT Prep classes?
 - a. Yes, we offer SAT and ACT Prep classes. Email your student's counselor for more information on how to sign up and class availability.
- 7. Does taking the SAT/ACT multiple times have any negative effects on college applications?
 - a. Not necessarily. A student can test multiple times. Some colleges "superscore," which involves combining the highest scores across test sessions, and some do not.
- 8. How can we view the PSAT scores?
 - a. You can view the scores via their CollegeBoard account.

Advanced Placement

- 1. If you take the AP exam for a class and pass (without taking the AP class itself), do you get college credit for that specific AP exam?
 - a. College credit based on AP exam scores are different for each college. Please be sure to check with the college to determine what score you will need to earn and if they will accept the credit.

HOPE/Zell Miller

- 1. Where can I find the GAFutures HOPE GPA?
 - The HOPE/Zell Miller GPA can be found in GAFutures.org. Students will need to create an account. All HOPE/Zell Miller related questions can be located on GAFutures.org.
- 2. Is Honors considered rigorous for the Zell Scholarship?
 - a. Please visit https://www.gafutures.org/media/ks5f5zw5/rigor-course-list-09252024.pdf
- 3. How would you get the Zell Miller Scholarship as it requires you to be a Valedictorian or Salutatorian, and Northview doesn't provide class rank?
 - a. Being the class valedictorian or salutatorian is not required for HOPE/Zell eligibility; however, you are automatically eligible for the Zell Miller Scholarship if you are the valedictorian or salutatorian.
- 4. How do we know we need to update our SSN for HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarship?
 - a. If the student creates an account in GAFutures and attempts to view their HOPE GPA, the student will receive a message saying, "Information Entered Does Not

Match Our Records". If received, students must provide the SSN to either Ms. Elliott or Ms. Woolstenhulme.

- 5. What if I do not have an SSN?
 - a. You may not be able to apply for Financial Aid.

Dual Enrollment

- 1. Is my child eligible for dual enrollment in their junior year?
 - a. Please reach out to your counselor for more details on eligibility.
- 2. Can I please have more info on Dual Enrollment?
 - a. Please be sure that your student attends our Dual enrollment lunch and learn in February. More details will be sent to the student's FCS email in the days leading up to the lunch and learn. Dual enrollment deadline for the upcoming school year is March 31st, 2026.
- 3. For Dual Enrollment, do we have to physically go to another college?
 - a. Depending on the college, face-to-face and/or virtual courses may be offered.
- 4. How do dual enrollment letter grades transfer to the Northview transcript?
 - a. The grading scale below is used, and an additional 7 points are added. For example, if your college transcript shows a "B" for your grade, then your unweighted grade would be an 85 and the weighted grade on the transcript would be a 92.

A+:	100
A:	95
A-:	90
B+:	89
B:	85
B-:	80
C+:	79
C:	75
C-:	70
D+/D/D-	70*
F:	60

- 5. Do you need a full schedule to do dual enrollment?
 - a. Your student must have an open period for Dual enrollment for the state to pay for the course. If you have a full schedule, you will need to either drop a face to face course OR pay to take the dual enrollment class outside of their schedule.

Junior Meetings

- 1. When will we know about the dates for junior status meeting?
 - a. You should receive an email at least two weeks prior to your meeting date. Students will be given a pass to come out of class.
- 2. Are parents invited to the Junior Status Meetings?
 - a. Parents are invited to the Junior Status meetings. Parent attendance is optional.

<u>College</u>

- 1. When do you start applying to college?
 - a. You start applying to college during your senior year. Typically, applications will open during the Fall semester of your senior year. There may be a select few colleges that open their applications during the summer.
- 2. Could you explain Rolling Admissions and Regular Decision in greater detail?
 - a. *Rolling admissions*: when the college reviews the application at the time of arrival and provides a decision within 2-4 weeks (sometimes more depending on college).
 - b. *Regular decision*: when the college provides a deadline date and will review all applications at that time. The decision will be out in bulk at a later date.
- 3. What if my student is interested in playing a sport in college?
 - a. Please reach out to the school Athletic Director, Scott Schwarzer, or the student's coach for any NCAA related questions or concerns.
- 4. Any advice for students planning on taking a gap year?
 - a. Be intentional about what you plan to do (volunteering, preparing for college, working, etc.).

Miscellaneous

- 1. How can my student set up an appointment with their counselor?
 - a. Students can fill out a Counseling Request form found when they first walk into the counseling suite and place it in their counselor's folder. Counselors will call the student in when they are available. In case of an emergency (i.e., they or another person is in danger) however, please have them find an available counselor immediately.
- 2. Where can I find scholarship information?
 - a. Please check our NHS Counseling website, <u>www.northviewcounseling.com</u>, for more information. Naviance also has great scholarship searching tools.
- 3. How can my student find this presentation?
 - a. You and your student can find the presentation on our Northview Counseling website at Northviewcounseling.com under the Academic Advising tab.