Junior Advisement Class of 2027!



BRIDGE LAW SURVEY

Please complete this before your advisement appointment or you will need to do this during the advisement

- Go to www.cobbk12.org/walton
- Go to Find It Fast >>> Naviance
- Go to "My Planner" and click "Tasks"
- Select "Take This Survey" (right side of screen),
 look for the pink diamond with with a white arrow
- Click "Start"
- Answer the questions and select "Save and Finis-ture Planning
- If a pathway had not been selected, select one





REGISTRATION DAY FOLDER INFORMATION

Inside your folder, you will find:

- Your transcript
- Your current schedule
- Your HOPE Report (yellow paper)

Possibly any or all of the following may be in your folder:

- ISA or STEM flowchart
- Social Security Number letter if we are missing your SSN
- Records Room reminder for immunization booster: Form MCV4

You can also access the PowerPoint presentation from the Walton School Counseling website at www.waltonhighcounseling.com/presentations



WHAT IS JUNIOR ADVISEMENT?

Junior Advisement aims to help you plan for senior year and ensure you have all your Georgia high school graduation requirements. There are four parts:

- 1. PowerPoint Presentation This provides you with further information about postsecondary options after graduating high school. Please review this before your Junior Advisement appointment.
- 2. Bridge Bill Survey Georgia requires all juniors to complete this survey in Naviance. Please complete this at home or before your JA appointment.
- 3. Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) This allows you to view and plan out courses for senior year to meet academic and career goals.

 Parents/Guardians may view this plan on ParentVue >> Student Info >> Update Student Info >> Graduation Plan
- 4. Check out with a school counselor Once you've completed the Bridge Bill, you will meet individually with a counselor during your preregistered time. At this appointment (20 minutes), a school counselor will help you complete your IGP and answer your questions.























Walton Counseling Department

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Postsecondary options

Apprenticeships and job training

Military

Specialty School

2-Year and/or Technical College

4-Year College/University

What does "College" mean?

Someone with a high school diploma can attend several types of schools to earn an undergraduate degree or certificate



SPECIALTY SCHOOL

- Certificate or diploma
 - ex: Aveda Institute



2-YEAR AND/OR TECHNICAL COLLEGE

 Certificate, diploma, or Associate's Degree

ex: Chatt Tech, GA Highlands



4-YEARCOLLEGE UNIVERSITY

- Bachelor's Degree
- ex: KSU, UGA

APPRENTICESHIPS & TRADES

- Training lasts 1 5 years and provides on-the-job training, often paid.
- These kinds of programs can lead to secure and well-paying jobs.
- Additional education and training can provide high levels of advancement and increased salaries.
- Examples include electricians, plumbers, HVAC technicians, certified cooks, firefighters, automotive/aviation technicians, licensed practical nurses, welders, and legal assistants.









STATE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE



<u>Click here</u> to learn about workforce development initiatives in Georgia



The <u>HOPE Career Grant</u> can boost a student's ability to start a rewarding career in a well-paying, high-skilled, high-demand job without accumulating much student debt. Combined with the <u>HOPE Grant</u>, these two grants can cover the tuition for 17 programs of study. <u>Click here</u> to learn more about the HOPE Career Grant.



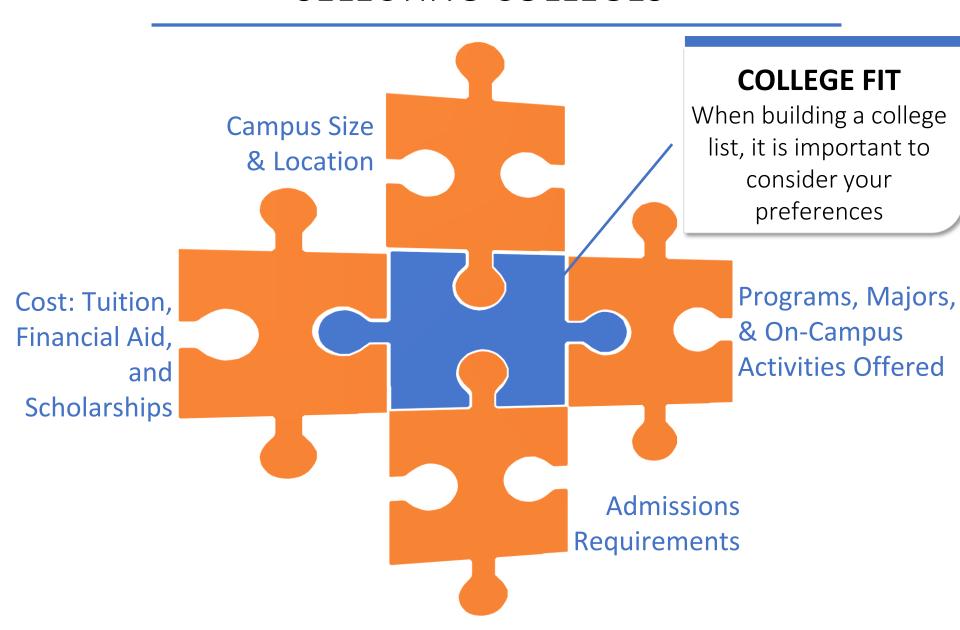
<u>Dual Enrollment Accelerated Career Diploma</u> offers an alternate path to high school graduation by allowing students to earn 2 technical certificates, a technical diploma, or an associate's degree at a technical college (e.g., Chatt Tech) in a high-skilled, high-demand field. Email betsy.alpert@cobbk12.org for more information.

Military and Military Academies

Military Branch	Websites	Military Academy
Army	www.army.mil and www.goarmy.com	US Military Academy (West Point) www.westpoint.edu
Navy	www.navy.mil and www.navy.com	US Naval Academy www.usna.edu
Air Force	www.af.mil and www.airforce.com	Air Force Academy www.usafa.af.mil
Marines	www.marines.mil and www.marines.com	Future Marines attend the US Naval Academy
Coast Guard	www.uscg.mil and www.gocoastguard.com	US Coast Guard Academy www.uscga.edu

- Speak with a recruiter to learn about opportunities available in the military
- Excellent scholarships are available for those who pursue ROTC in college
- Take the <u>ASVAB</u> for career placement and branch eligibility
- Military academy appointments are highly competitive

SELECTING COLLEGES



HOW TO RESEARCH COLLEGES

- Naviance
 - SuperMatch College Search
 - Research Colleges I'm Thinking About
 - Sign up for <u>college rep visits</u> at Walton
- Take official campus tours
 - One excused absence for juniors and two excused absences for seniors
 - Provide attendance with an official excuse note from the college
 - Shows "demonstrated interest"
- Attend college fairs
- Take <u>virtual campus tours</u>
- Make a college advisement appointment with <u>Dr. England</u> (Spring 2026)
- Read your email!



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS VS. COLLEGE ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

High School Graduation

- Determined by GA Department of Education (GaDOE)
- Tracked by you, your teachers, and your school counselor
- You graduate if you earn the minimum 23 required credits in specific areas

College Admissions

- Determined by the individual college
- Tracked by you it is your responsibility to find out what the school needs/wants
- Materials that are needed before you can be accepted – you may not be accepted with just the minimum
- May include college entrance exams (SAT, ACT, or Accuplacer)

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	Required	Diploma Requirement
	Credits	
English	4	Must include 9 th Lit and American Lit
Mathematics	4	Must include Algebra, Geometry and Advanced Algebra, or their equivalencies
Science	4	Must include Physical Science/Physics; Biology; Chemistry or
		Environmental Science or an AP Science; and 1 additional unit of
		science.
Social Studies	3	Must include World History, United States History, American
		Government and Economics
Health and PE	1	Health and Personal Fitness (0.5 credit each)
Required	3	From Career Tech, World Language and/or Fine Arts
Electives		
Additional	4	
Electives		
Total	23	Minimum required credits

COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS – SAT & ACT

- Some colleges have adopted a <u>test-optional</u> policy. It is your responsibility to research each college's requirements.
- Most colleges will accept either SAT or ACT
- We recommend that students take both the SAT and ACT at least once by the end of their junior year, whether officially or as a practice test.
- Students receiving free/reduced lunch qualify for fee waivers (email <u>rebecca.england@cobbk12.org</u>)
- <u>Click here</u> for more information about college entrance exams



COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS — SAT VS. ACT

SAT

- Virtual
- 2 sections (Math and Reading)
- No penalty for guessing
- 1600 maximum score
- Free online practice: **Khan Academy**
- **Click here** to register
- 6/6

ACT

- Paper/Pencil or Virtual
- 4 sections (Math, ELA, Science & Reading)
- No penalty for guessing
- 36 maximum score
- Free online practice: <u>ACT Academy</u>
- Click here to register
- Test Dates: 11/8, 12/6, 3/14, 5/2,
 Test Dates: 12/13, 2/14, 4/11, 6/13, 7/11





OTHER TESTS YOU MAY NEED

Accuplacer

- May be required placement exam for 2-year and technical colleges
- Schedule to take this test at the chosen college if required for admissions purposes
- Click here for more information



ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Battery)

- Aptitude/career exam required for entrance into the military that determines your eligibility for jobs
- The ASVAB was given at Walton on Wed, Sept 17th during WEB
- Spring Semester March 18, 2026
- <u>Click here</u> to register



DUAL ENROLLMENT

- Georgia's Dual Enrollment (DE) program allows high school students to earn college credit while working on their high school diploma.
- DE covers tuition, mandatory fees, and required textbooks.
- The goal of DE is to increase college access and completion and prepare students to enter the workforce with the skills they need to succeed.
- Students can take both academic and CTAE (career tech) courses.
- <u>Click here</u> for more information regarding DE, including how to register for upcoming mandatory DE information sessions.



Individual Graduation Plan

Your Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) is a tool used to help you when planning your courses and to ensure you are on track for graduation.



Today, you will be creating or updating your IGP predicting what courses to take next school year. Each student's plan will look different. Remember this is just a plan, registration is a separate process.



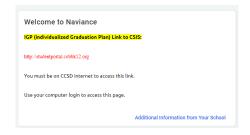
How to access the IGP

 Log into Naviance and on the welcome page the IGP link is listed

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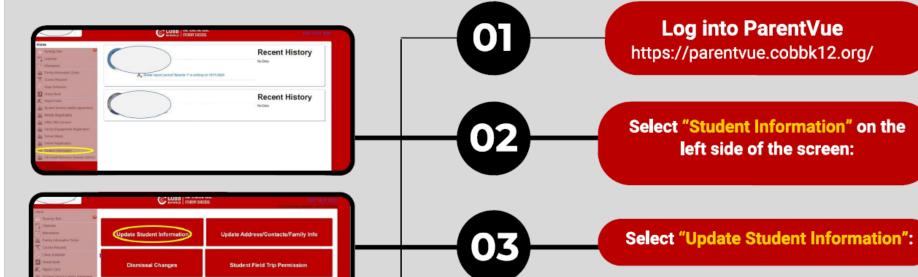
go to http://studentportal .cobbk12.org

** Log in using your CCSD computer/email login info **





Student IGP view in ParentVue



Select "Graduation Plan" :

If you have more than one student, make sure to select this button under the student you the student you want to view is showing in the top left corner

Students Studen

A few notes:

- The Graduation Plan is only available to high school students
- It does work on mobile devices
- The report viewed through ParentVue is a snapshot in time of when the student last worked in the IGP portal

REVIEW

- After your Junior Advisement Session you will have:
- Reviewed Junior Powerpoint
- Completed Bridge Bill
- Met with a Walton School Counselor to review Individual Graduation Plan



Upcoming Events for Spring 2026

Junior College Panel – February 2026

ASVAB - March 2026

Junior Classroom
Guidance Lessons- spring
2026 (where we go into
the classrooms and
review steps for summer)