

Freshman Parent Night Part FAQ's

In which courses will my student receive 7 additional points?

Students will receive additional 7 points to passing grades in honors, AP, IB, and college level courses.

What are the main factors competitive, four-year colleges looking for when they are evaluating students for admission?

Competitive, four-year colleges most often consider academic rigor, grade point average, and standardized test scores. In addition, most of these competitive, four-year colleges will look primarily at core academic courses (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Language) when evaluating a student's transcript. They will also look at factors like extracurricular involvement, leadership, demonstrated interest, recommendations, etc.

How is Grade Point Average (GPA) calculated?

NUMERIC GRADE AVERAGE (NGA): Fulton County School System reports weighted NGA to colleges (ex. 87.4412). The final semester grade for every attempted HS course is averaged together on a 100-point scale.

CUMULATIVE GRADE POINT AVERAGE (GPA) ON A 4.0 SCALE: Every semester grade is converted from a numeric scale to a 4.0 scale and then averaged together. A=4; B=3; C=2; F=0 (ex. 2.254). Fulton County does not convert NGAs to 4.0 GPAs.

CORE GPA: The grade conversion is the same as the cumulative GPA above; however, the average is taken only from courses within core subject areas: English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Languages. Whether the 7 points is included in the CORE GPA calculation is determined by the college/post-secondary program.

HOPE GPA: The calculation process is the same as the CORE GPA above; however, all honors, AP, IB, and college level courses are stripped of their 7 points before being converted to the 4.0 scale. Courses taken in middle school are not included in the HOPE GPA calculation.

For **honors** courses, simply strip the 7 points and convert to a 4.0 scale:
Ex. $92-7=85$ and $85=3.0$

For **AP**, **IB**, and **college** level courses, strip the 7 points, convert to a 4.0 scale, and then add .5 (up to 4.0):
Ex. $92-7=85$ and $85=3.0$; $3.0 + .5 = 3.5$

HOPE GPA REQUIREMENTS:

HOPE - 3.0; ZELL MILLER - 3.7, academic rigor, and SAT/ACT requirements

*THE OFFICIAL HOPE GPA CALCULATION COMES FROM THE GEORGIA STUDENT FINANCE COMMISSION. *

Where can I find additional information about the HOPE and Zell Miller Scholarships?

You can find information about HOPE and Zell Miller at www.gafutures.org.

What the requirements for students to exempt Personal Fitness:

Students must complete 1 season of a Varsity sport or 2 seasons of a JV sport for the GHSA exemption, 2 seasons of Marching Band, and 3 years of JROTC.

**The county has proposed additional opportunities for students to exempt Personal Fitness. We will share more information when more information is available.*

How do I set up alerts in Infinite Campus?

- Log into your Infinite Campus Parent Portal Account
- Click on the “Person” icon in the upper right-hand corner
- Click on Settings
- Click on Notification Settings
- Choose which notifications you want to receive

How do I stay connected and find additional information about the Centennial Counseling Program?

Centennial’s counseling website, www.mycentennialcounseling.com, has a wealth of valuable information and resources. Click on “Contact Us” to email your student’s counselor directly.

The image shows a screenshot of the **mycentennialcounseling.com** website. The website header says "Welcome to Centennial High School Counseling" and includes a note: "Please check our website often for date/time updates. Scroll down to NEWS FEED for upcoming events - For all events, click on EVENTS & CALENDAR tab on the top bar". The main content area features eight blue buttons with white icons and text: "Graduation Coach & Credit Recovery", "Scholarships & Financial Aid", "Virtual School & Summer School", "Seniors", "SAT/ACT & Test Prep Opportunities", "New Enrollment", "Dual Enrollment", and "Rising 9th Graders". Below this is a section titled "Follow us on Instagram and Twitter" with the Instagram logo, the handle "@Knights_Scholar", the Twitter logo, and the text "Follow us for ALL the news you need to know from the counseling office!". To the right of the website screenshot is a graphic of a mobile phone displaying a text message. The message header says "JOIN REMIND 101". The "To" field shows the phone number "81010". The "Message" field shows "@a2025".

Where can I find the Freshman Parent Night – Part 2 survey?

<https://forms.office.com/r/jgSPS9Mz0s>

