

LCHS Seniors

Class of 2017

This is YOUR year!

Senior Year Career College Planner

- Useful tool to help guide your big year
- Keep copy posted somewhere prominent
- Stay Connected!
 - Remind 101
 - Text @msguida to 928-277-8984
 - Twitter
 - LCTrojan Guide
 - Instagram
 - lchsguidance
 - Facebook
 - LCHS Trojans

Graduation Requirements:

- Reviewed during Instructional Focus
- On the LCHS website – click on counselor
- If you have any questions about your classes, please see Mrs. Gordon as soon as possible!!!

Your Responsibilities

- Look at your transcript and complete a check sheet (you can find both of these documents online). Make sure you are scheduled for everything you need in order to graduate
- Stay on top of all deadlines: testing, admissions for colleges you are interested in
- Ask questions and follow up if you have questions or concerns

What if I need to make up credits?

- Make up any credits as soon as possible
- Credit recovery is during IF and Early Release this year
- If you are waiting on a credit recovery spot to open, I would strongly recommend you attending night school
- Don't wait until the last minute

Senior Opportunities/Privileges

- Mandatory Study Hall – Grades and Behavior Referrals are checked every 9 weeks
- Make sure you are where you are supposed to be!
- Must leave campus during early release – cannot wander halls!

College Choices:

- You should know by now which colleges to which you will be applying
- Go to www.gafutures.org to search colleges
- Go to college websites, read the application
- Put all application deadlines and financial aid deadlines on your calendar
- Develop a timeline
- Visit college campuses – get NI requests from Mrs. Walker in the Guidance Office
- Come to...

College Night – September 28!

- Probe College Fair: 6:00 PM in the LCHS Gym
- Meet with college admissions counselors from various colleges
- Great opportunity to network/ get information

SAT and ACT:

- If you plan to attend a 4-year college, you must take one of these tests.
- SAT – www.collegeboard.org
- ACT – www.actstudent.org
- If you have not yet taken one of these tests, you should take the test as soon as possible
- Test dates and registration deadlines available in the Guidance Office and on the SAT/ACT websites
- LCHS will no longer put SAT/ACT score on transcripts
- Have your scores sent directly to colleges

ACCUPLACER:

- Test used for admission to a technical college and/or a junior college
- For Albany Tech: See Mrs. Brendel in the Career Center for more information or contact Albany Technical College
- For Darton: Test is administered at Darton College. Contact the testing center to schedule a time.

ASVAB:

- Test used for entry into the military
- Test will be administered at LCHS – listen to announcements for test date
- Test can be taken with a military recruiter – contact them for more information

Sending Transcripts to Colleges in Georgia:

- Go to www.gafutures.org
- Log in to your account
- Click on My Gafutures tab
- Click on My Transcript
- Select the college(s)
- If you do not enter your social security number when you create your gafutures, you cannot send your transcript this way

Sending Transcripts to Out-of State Schools:

- See Mrs. Walker in the Guidance Office
- Fill out the information on the clipboard
- You must include the complete address of the college

Letters of Recommendation:

- Ask at least two weeks in advance
- Provide the person you are asking with your resume
- Great resume example on the LCHS Counselor website
– click on Useful Links
- Provide the complete address of where the recommendation is to be sent
- Provide the deadline

Scholarships:

- The LCHS Scholarship Information is updated frequently
- It is posted on the LCHS website –click on Counselor – Available Scholarships
- You may search for scholarships at www.gafutures.org or other scholarship search websites
- Visit the financial aid page of colleges that you are applying to for information
- Apply early and watch deadlines!

FAFSA

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- Used to apply for scholarships, grants and loans
- Submit FAFSA as early as possible
- Earliest date is October 1, 2016
- Apply at www.fafsa.ed.gov

HOPE:

- There is a power point slide show on the LCHS website detailing HOPE requirements
- Information about calculating your HOPE GPA is on the LCHS website – click on Counselor, then Scholarships
- Brochures are available in the Guidance Office
- www.gafutures.org - run by GSFC – get your HOPE gpa and everything HOPE on this website

Applying for HOPE:

- www.gafutures.org
- Filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) through gacollege411 will reduce the amount of time it takes to complete the process
- Check with the college you are going to attend to make sure you are completing the applications they require

STAR Student:

- Student with the highest SAT score at one sitting – Math, Critical Reading and Writing combined
- Last date to qualify is the November 5 test

LCHS Honor Graduates:

- Must have a 4.1 weighted academic GPA
- AP courses – add 1 full point to the 4 point scale
- Honors courses – add 1/2 point to the 4 point scale
- Honors with Distinction: Must have a 4.1 weighted academic GPA and must have taken six honors level courses in grades 9-12 (at least one must have been an AP class)
- Valedictorian and Salutatorian – must meet the requirements for Honors with Distinction

Applying for Early Action at UGA?

- UGA's deadline is October 15
- You must apply by October 5, so that I can submit all counselor evaluations by the deadline!

Regular College Admissions:

- Deadlines vary from college to college
- Check with each college to which you are applying – write all deadlines on your calendar



Questions?