



**SEPT.
7, 2023
6PM
CAFE**

**UNDER
CLASS
MEN
INFO
NIGHT**

**THIS EVENT IS FOR
9-11TH STUDENTS AND
FAMILIES. TOPICS WILL
BE ON GRADUATION
REQUIREMENTS,
STUDENT PLANNING,
DATES AND MORE!**

Who to Know

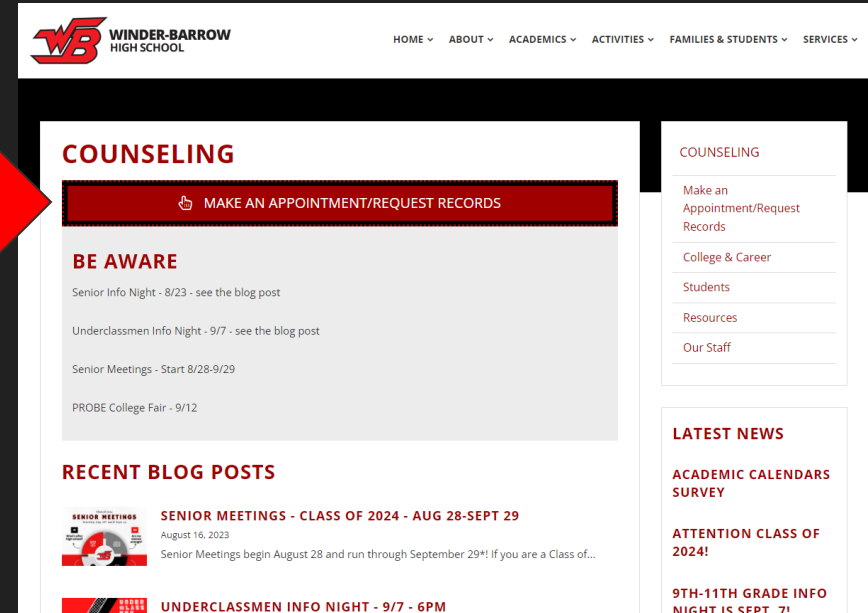
- All counselors serve 9th-12th grade!
 - Cory Peppers: A-D
 - Beth Ann Hamilton: E-L
 - LaCava Ross: M-R
 - Lia Petriccione: S-Z
- Career Center: Daniel Bennett
- Graduation Specialist: Alyson Cramer
- Principal: Derrick Maxwell
- Assistant Principals:
 - Jared Noblet (Athletic Director)
 - Josh Coleman
 - Rebecca Lichliter
 - Clifford Marcus
 - Daniel Bennett
- Records Clerk: Meredith Owens
- Data Clerk: Wendy Casper

Counseling Students

- Personal/social counseling
- Academic counseling
- Testing, graduation requirements, conferences, scheduling
- Hospital Homebound Setup
- 504 Plan Meetings/Determination
- Scholarships, recommendation letters
- Senior Meetings/Junior Meetings
- Admissions information
- Career exploration
- Community resources
- Dual Enrollment advisement
- College/Career Planning
- Credit Recovery
- GA Futures
- Suicide Prevention Lessons

Seeing Your Counselor

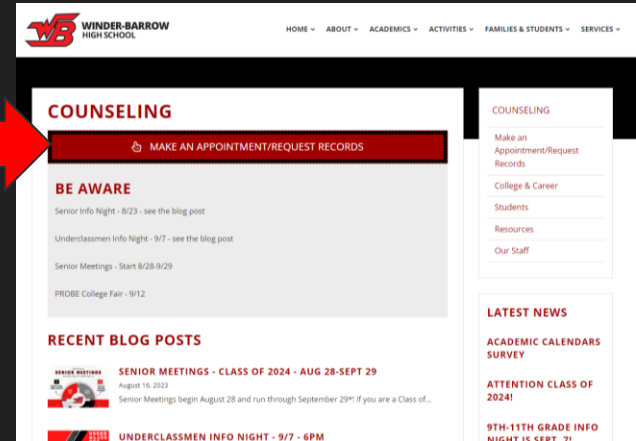
- Online Appointment Scheduler
 - [WBHS Counseling Office](#)
 - Phone Call
- Parents: Contact your child's counselor through phone or e-mail.



The screenshot shows the website for Winder-Barrow High School. The navigation bar includes links for HOME, ABOUT, ACADEMICS, ACTIVITIES, FAMILIES & STUDENTS, and SERVICES. The main content area is titled 'COUNSELING' and features a prominent red button labeled 'MAKE AN APPOINTMENT/REQUEST RECORDS'. Below this, there is a 'BE AWARE' section with links to 'Senior Info Night - 8/23', 'Underclassmen Info Night - 9/7', 'Senior Meetings - Start 8/28-9/29', and 'PROBE College Fair - 9/12'. A 'RECENT BLOG POSTS' section highlights 'SENIOR MEETINGS - CLASS OF 2024 - AUG 28-SEPT 29' and 'UNDERCLASSMEN INFO NIGHT - 9/7 - 6PM'. A right-hand sidebar contains a 'COUNSELING' menu with links for 'Make an Appointment/Request Records', 'College & Career', 'Students', 'Resources', and 'Our Staff', as well as a 'LATEST NEWS' section with links for 'ACADEMIC CALENDARS SURVEY' and 'ATTENTION CLASS OF 2024!'.

Records Requests

- Requests can be made online from the appointment scheduler
 - Transcripts
 - Enrollment letters
 - Social Security Paperwork
 - Auto Insurance (Good Student Discount)
 - Withdrawals
 - Work Permit
- Or, you may email Ms. Owens - Records Clerk to start the process – meredith.owens@barrow.k12.ga.us



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Peach State Tour

Peach State Session Registration

- College presentations from representatives at Augusta University, GA State, GA Tech, UGA
- These events are FREE and open to ALL high school students and their families, but space is limited!
- Virtual and in-person options



WB STUDENTS & FAMILIES:
CONSIDER REGISTERING FOR AN INFO SESSION FOR MORE INFO ON AUGUSTA, GA STATE, GA TECH & UGA! IN-PERSON & VIRTUAL MEETINGS AVAILABLE!

[HTTP://WWW.PEACHSTATE TOUR.ORG/STUDENTS.HTML](http://www.peachstatetour.org/students.html)

PEACH STATE TOUR
Admission Information Sessions

The graphic also features a peach illustration, a map of Georgia, and logos for various sponsors including Georgia Tech, Georgia State, and Georgia Tech.

PROBE College Fair

September 12

- During school for Juniors and Seniors
- Face-to-face conversations with over 50 colleges and university reps
- Get admissions information and know deadlines and requirements



Apply to College Week

November 6-10

- Week-long activities to encourage & excite students about applying to college
- College Admissions Panel
- College Student Panel
- Apply to College Days
- FSA ID/Scholarship Day



**APPLY TO
COLLEGE
WEEK
2022**

**OCT. 31 -
NOV. 4**

Helping students understand their
next step after high school one pla
a time!

**APPLY TO COLLEGE
WEEK 2022**

**THEME
DAYS**

OCT 31-NOV 4, 2022

- Monday - **Dawn of Career Day** - Dress like career or job you want after high school but with a Halloween twist!
- Tuesday - **Profesh Dress** - Show everyone you know how to win the interview with your professional dress.
- Wednesday - **Senior Twin Day** - 9-11th, dress like your favorite senior student!
- Thursday - **College Gear Day** - Wear the gear of your favorite college or the one you plan to attend.
- Friday - **Massive Spirit Day** - Wear our Winder-Barrow gear with pride! Seniors wear your SENIOR t-shirts! Gooo Doggs!



Junior Meetings

Class of 2025 - Spring 2024



- Students will be asked to schedule their appointment with their school counselor
- Counselors will cover graduation requirements, post-secondary planning, career information and more
- Meetings will be tailored to each individual student's goals
- Parents are welcome to attend, but not required

Promotion Requirements

- Credits earned by passing each course
- Grade Scale
 - A = 90-100
 - B = 80-89
 - C = 70-79
 - F = 69 and below (no credit given)
- Promotion by grade level:
 - 6.0 credits - Sophomore
 - 13.0 credits - Junior
 - 2 ELA
 - 1 Math
 - 1 Science
 - 1 SS
 - 18.0 credits - Senior

Graduation Requirements

- Minimum 24 Credits including:
 - 4 Language Arts
 - 4 Math
 - 4 Science
 - 4 Social Studies
 - 3 Pathway Courses
 - 1 Health & P.E.
 - Option: JROTC I-III
 - 4 General Electives
- Optional: 2 Foreign Language **REQUIRED** for 4-year colleges in GA



Credit Recovery

Foothills Charter High School



- \$500/credit, \$250/0.5 credit
- Counselors or Grad Specialist can assist
- Pay attention to course completion deadlines for graduation!
- Students may qualify to be Foothills Program Students
- Also, we will look to have after school and summer school opportunities at WBHS for no cost to qualifying students.

Graduation Testing Requirements

End of Course Tests

- American Lit
- Algebra
- Biology
- US History

Make a Plan: 9th Grade

Fall

- Meet with your school counselor to set goals/classes
- Help your student set goals
- Check school work regularly
- Talk about getting involved outside of class
- Consider taking the PSAT 8/9

Spring

- Discuss next year's classes during registration
- Start looking at colleges & technical schools
- See how much you need to save for college
- Make summer plans with meaningful activities

Make a Plan: 10th Grade

Fall

- Set goals for school year
- Help your student set goals
- Get involved!
- Check school work regularly
- Brainstorm schools to visit
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT
- Explore careers & majors

Spring

- Make a college visit
- Begin building a college list
- Collect information about the cost of college:
tuition/housing/fees
- Discuss next year's classes -
embrace challenges!
- Plan meaningful summer
activities

Make a Plan: 11th Grade

Fall

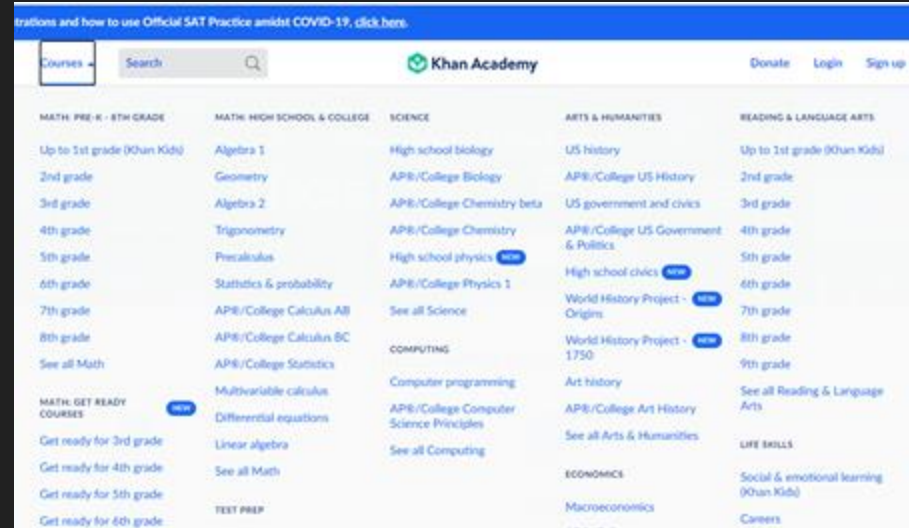
- Meet with your school counselor
- Set goals for school year
- Shadow professionals in careers of interest
- Prepare for the ACT/SAT
- Take the PSAT/NMSQT
- Deepen involvement

Spring

- Official Junior Meeting
- Refine your college list
- Take the ACT and/or SAT
- Solidify next year's classes
- Research scholarships
- Attend college fairs/events
- Make the most of your summer - college visits, research, conferences, etc.

Khan Academy.org

- Free online tutoring
- 24/7 for anyone with an account
- Students and guardians can make accounts
- Free personalized test-prep for the SAT



What's after WBHS?

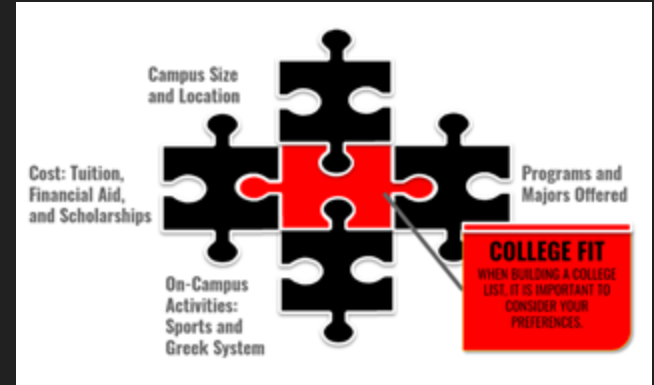
- Main topics covered during Senior Meetings and Junior Meetings
 - 4 Year College/University: Bachelor's Degree
 - 2 Year/Junior College: Associate Degree
 - Technical College: Associate Degree, Diploma Programs, Certificate Programs
 - Military: Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Marines, Navy
 - Workforce: Full-time job, Apprenticeships, Specialized training
- Students can use YouScience.com results to research further
 - Access YouScience through Student Portal

What do Colleges Consider?

- High factors: GPA and Grades, Rigor and Classes
 - SAT/ACT Scores
 - Normally a direct factor, during the pandemic schools have discussed eliminating scores from their decisions - check your school's info
- Other factors:
 - Essays and personal statements
 - Recommendations
 - Activities and accomplishments
 - Student demonstrated interest
 - Class rank
 - Interviews

Building a College List

- Consider the following:
 - Campus size/student population
 - Location: City, suburban, rural
 - Cost: Tuition, Financial Aid, Scholarships
 - Programs & Majors Offered
 - On-campus activities: Greek life, sports, intramurals/club sports



College Entrance Exams

- Plan ahead, research the college information, study, and take the exam if it's what is best for you.
- 4-Year Colleges: ACT or SAT
 - Normally, we recommend taking both (EARLY), choose one to take again to raise scores
 - No preference by colleges
 - Select schools to send to when you register for the exam
 - Check school admissions sites as some do not need ACT/SAT with high GPA
- Technical Schools: Accuplacer, ACT, or SAT accepted
- Military: ASVAB

ACT

- www.actstudent.org
- Philosophy: rewards strong grasp of material and content knowledge
- Score range: 1-36; No penalty for wrong answers
- Covers English, Math, Science, Reading and Writing (optional)
- Waivers available for students who qualify for F/R Lunch, please see your counselor.

ACT Testing Information

www.actstudent.org

Base fee: \$68.00

Test w/writing fee: \$93.00

Test option change fee: \$25.00

Late fee: \$36.00

Score Report: Up to FOUR reports for free.

Additional score reports: \$18.00

Qualifying for a fee waiver can pay for 2 ACT & 2 SATs during high school.



ACT Dates



Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Registration Deadline
September 9, 2023	August 4	August 18
October 28, 2023	September 22	October 6
December 9, 2023	November 3	November 17
February 10, 2024	January 5	January 19
April 13, 2024	March 8	March 22
June 8, 2024	May 3	May 17
July 13, 2024	June 7	June 21

***If you qualify for free or reduced lunch this school year, see your counselor about a fee waiver before registering.**

SAT

- www.collegeboard.org
- Philosophy: rewards logic, creative thinking and problem-solving
- Score range: 400-1600; No penalty for wrong answers
- Covers Math & Reading Comprehension
- Vocabulary focus - words students are likely to use in college
- Going to a digital exam format in March 2024
- Waivers available for students who qualify for F/R Lunch, please see your counselor.

SAT Testing Information

www.collegeboard.org

Base fee: \$60.00

Test center change fee: \$25.00

Late fee: \$30.00

Score Report: 1st FOUR reports are free if ordered NINE days after testing.

Additional score reports: \$14.00 and up

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SAT Dates



Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Registration Deadline
Aug 26, 2023	July 28, 2023	August 15, 2023
Oct 7, 2023	Sep 7, 2023	Sep 26, 2023
Nov 4, 2023	Oct 5, 2023	Oct 24, 2023
Dec 2, 2023	Nov 2, 2023	Nov 21, 2023
March 9, 2024 (Digital)	Feb 23, 2024	Feb 27, 2024
May 4, 2024 (Digital)	April 19, 2024	April 23, 2024
June 1, 2024 (Digital)	May 16, 2024	May 21, 2024

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Accuplacer

- Multiple-choice, untimed, computerized
- Covers Math/Algebra and Reading/Writing
- Register to take at the institution you plan to attend - typically after you apply
- Most frequently used at Technical Colleges
- May be used for Dual Enrollment admissions at some institutions

PSAT/NMSQT

- Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test
- Test date:
 - October 18, 2023 (10th, will automatically be registered)-FREE!
 - October 19, 2023 9/11 graders--Sign Up through My School Bucks (should be live in My School Bucks on 9/8/2023)* If you have free or reduced lunch, see your counselor.
- Available to 9th Grade Students and Juniors for \$20 (waivers available)
- Why take the PSAT?
 - Practice for the SAT - combined with Khan Academy
 - Scholarship money (juniors only)
 - Identifies AP Potential
- **Registration Deadline: Sept. 22, 2022**

9th/11th PSAT Signup Form



ASVAB Information

- Career exploration assessment for 11th and 12th graders (does not sign you up for military)
- Requirement for military entry (but not just for military!)
- Identify interests & provide information about verbal, math, science, and technical skills
- October 31, 2023 test date
 - Sign up via form in advisement/counseling office-will be available early October.
 - Scores will be released to recruiters 60 days after they become available.

Financial Aid Planning

- GAFutures.org
 - Financial Aid 101, HOPE Program, Scholarship search, Applications
- Bigfuture.org
 - Webinars for parents, Scholarship search, Cost estimators, Loan info
- Financial Aid Night - **November 7, 2023 @ 6pm, WBHS Cafeteria**
- Free Application for Federal Student Aid - fafsa.ed.gov
 - FSA ID for both student and parent - <https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>
 - FAFSA Completion Night- **TBD – January 2024**

HOPE Academic Rigor Requirements

A student must earn a minimum of 4.0 credits from the academic rigor course categories listed below prior to graduating from high school:

Advanced math, such as advanced algebra and trigonometry, math III, taken at the high school, or an equivalent or higher course taken for degree level credit at an Eligible Postsecondary Institution;

Advanced science, such as chemistry, physics, biology II, taken at the high school, or an equivalent or higher course taken for degree level credit at an Eligible Postsecondary Institution;

Foreign language courses taken at the high school, or taken for degree level credit at an Eligible Postsecondary Institution; or

Advanced Placement or Dual Credit Enrollment courses in Core subjects.

EXAMPLE

1.0 - Algebra II

1.0 - AMDM

1.0 - Human Anatomy

1.0 - Spanish II

[HOPE Academic Rigor List](#)

HOPE & Zell Miller Scholarship

- HOPE Scholarship: 4-year colleges
 - Must have minimum 3.0 HOPE GPA (LA, SS, Math, Science, FL)
 - Meet HOPE rigor requirements
 - Pays approx. 85% tuition @ public institutions (does NOT include room, board, books, etc)
- Zell Miller Scholarship: 4-year colleges
 - Must have min. 3.7 HOPE GPA AND 1200 SAT or 26 ACT in one test sitting
 - Meet HOPE rigor requirements
 - Pays 100% tuition @ public institutions (does NOT include room, board, books, etc)
- Both awarded at private schools, amounts vary

HOPE and Zell Miller Grant

- HOPE Grant: 2-year institutions
 - No HS GPA minimum, must maintain 2.0 during program
 - Covers about 80-85% of tuition (see GSFC.org)
- Zell Miller Grant: 2-year institutions
 - No HS GPA minimum, must maintain 3.5 during program
 - Covers 100% standard tuition based on institution
- HOPE Career Grant
 - Available to HOPE Grant qualified students enrolled in majors aligned with industries in GA needed more skilled workers

Dual Enrollment

- WBHS Coordinator: Daniel Bennett (CRC)
- Earn college credit while working on HS Diploma
- DE funds cover tuition, fees, and required textbooks
- All 10th-12th students are eligible but must meet institutional standards for admission

Current Process for DE (Spring 2024)

1. View Dual Enrollment Presentation HERE
2. Fill out DE interest form HERE
3. Mr. Bennett will reach out with next steps.

This process will change for 2024-25 school year. Be on the lookout for advertisements for Dual Enrollment information nights!

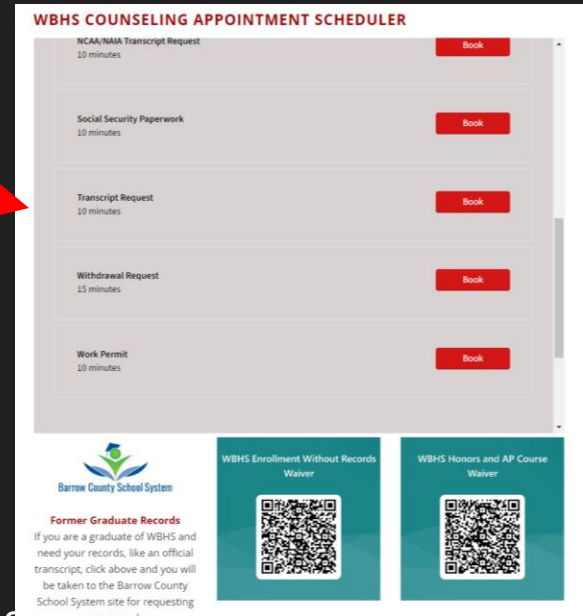
Dual Enrollment continued

- Carefully consider fit and preparedness for college-level work and expectations!
- Consider the schools you may attend after high school - do they prefer AP or DE?
- Sims Academy will house Barrow DE Options via Lanier Tech professors
- Other factors to consider:
 - Transportation
 - Fit with WBHS/extracurricular/job schedules

CHECK EMAIL THIS WEEK FOR MORE IN DEPTH PRESENTATION!

Sending Transcripts - REMINDERS

- Request a transcript from Ms. Owens
 - Make a request at bit.ly/WBHScounseling
 - Or, come by the counseling office
 - ****24 HOUR TURNAROUND TIME****
- In-State Schools
 - Submit through GAFutures.org
 - Free & immediate
- In-State or Out-of-State Schools
 - Request a transcript from Ms. Owens in counseling
 - Hard copies for other purposes



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Fall or Year-long AP Students

**AP Exam Registration will open mid-
September 2023**

Stay School Connected!



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[@wbhs_doggs](https://www.instagram.com/wbhs_doggs) (School)

[@wbcounseling](https://www.instagram.com/wbcounseling) (Counseling)

Final Notes

- Attendance is KEY!
- Turn in your work. ALWAYS.
- CONNECT and COMMUNICATE often with key players.
- ASK questions. MAKE appointments! We are here to help!
- Check grades on Student Portal OFTEN.
- Keep up with important dates--view it on the WBHS website.
- If you ever need mental health resources, please contact your student's counselor and we would be happy to send a list of local area resources.