

Senior Workshop



*Graduation is right around
the corner!*

Attendance Policy

- Students in grades 9-12 who have accumulated more than (5) unexcused absences will be required to go through the attendance appeal process
- **Every** absence will require an independent excuse

Differences in GPA

- HOPE GPA is calculated by using **Core Academics** plus **Foreign Language**
 - Math, Science, Social Studies, English and Foreign Language
 - Electives **DO NOT** count
 - CTAE course that count as a science credit **is calculated into your HOPE GPA**
 - Any **extra points** that are added by the school AP(5), De(4)Honors(3) **are deducted (.5 added back for DE & AP)**
 - **See your HOPE GPA through your GAFutures account**
- High School GPA is calculated using all types of credits
 - Math, Science, Social Studies, English and Foreign Language
 - Electives **DO** count

Honor and Superior Honor Graduates

- **Honor Graduates**

- 90 or better cumulative average

- **Superior Honor Graduates**

- 95 or better cumulative average
- Academic Pathway
 - **Requirements**
 - Earn four credits in one academic subject area
 - One of those credits must be an AP course or a DE course
 - Plus two credits of Foreign Language

HOPE/Honors, DE, & AP Classes

- Honors (3), DE (4) and AP (5) Classes receive additional points towards your High School Core GPA
- Please remember that HOPE does NOT honor those points. However, for AP and DE courses GSFC will add a 0.5 to the grade...up to a 4.0
- Once these points are removed it **CAN** keep you from receiving HOPE

SAT & ACT Dates

Registration Fee

SAT: \$52 No Writing
\$68 With Writing

Late Registration Fee

SAT: \$30

For test dates and
registration deadlines
refer to
collegeboard.org

Registration Fee

ACT: \$55 No Writing
\$70 With Writing

Late Registration Fee

ACT: \$35

For test dates and
registration deadlines
refer to act.org

SAT, ACT & ASVAB Test Prep Resources

- Khan Academy is another online test prep resource that is free for SAT
- SAT and ACT Prep Materials are also available in the library
- USA Test Prep
- Edmentum (come to the CPC to sign up)

STAR Student

- Take the two-part SAT on any national testing date. *Last test date is **Nov 7, 2020**.
- Score highest on any single test date (scores may not be combined from two or more test dates).
- At the end of Junior year, based on GPA, must be in the top 10% of the class.
- If the student with the highest SAT score does not meet the top 10 criterion, the student with the next highest SAT score who does meet the criterion becomes the nominee.

College Applications Process

- Submit applications **ASAP**
 - All colleges have different deadlines
 - Request an unofficial transcript
 - May need a Letter of Recommendation
 - Fill out & RETURN a Senior Brag Sheet a week prior to deadline
- Immunizations
 - Required form
 - May have to get shots
- Proof of Residence
 - Driver's license
- Apply for housing
- **Send a final official high school transcript.**
 - After graduation
 - Must let Registrar know where to send it.
 - Request for DE transcripts to be sent to your college choice(s)

Not sure what your plans are for after graduation??

YouScience

Online aptitude test that will give you insight into what to do after graduation.

- Careers
- Colleges
- Personalized feedback on yourself that can be used for interviews and resumes

Have you completed YouScience & need your results?

E3 Month

Enroll, Enlist, Employ

October 2020

- Calendar and bulletin board beside Coach Dobson's snack cart with all events
- List with free college applications will be sent next week

HELP US, HELP YOU!

A survey was sent to your email. Please be sure to fill this out, so that we can help you succeed after graduation.

FAFSA

- Free Application for Student Financial Aid can be submitted the 1st of October
- This is the application for HOPE and any other state or federal assistance
- 2018 tax return
- Students ***and*** parents need to create an FSA ID at <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/>

FAFSA Workshop

Dates:

- Oct. 27 5pm-7pm
- Nov. 12 8:30am-12pm

Second Semester:

- Jan. 14 8am-12pm
- Feb. 11 1pm-4pm
- March 10 8am-12pm
- April 15 1pm-4pm
- May 6 8am-12pm

What to bring:

- Your Social Security #
- Alien Registration # (if you are not a US citizen)
- 2018 tax return
- FSA IDs for student and parent
- Must make appointment!

Local Scholarships

- **Required Documentation**
 - Scholarship Application
 - College letter of Acceptance
 - Two community letters of recommendation
 - Two teacher letters of recommendation
 - Transcript **WITH** SAT or ACT scores
- **Additional Requirements**
 - Completed FAFSA
 - Cumulative GPA of 2.5
- **Jan 29- Local scholarship application posted online**
- **Feb 26- Applications due to CPC**

The last SAT date for Local Scholarships is Mar. 13th

The last ACT date for Local Scholarships is Feb. 6th

Service Hours

- Service Hours are not required for graduation
- Google Form
 - Describe the type of service
 - Must have a representative from the organization to sign-off on the service hours.
- Any questions, email Ms. Howard:
lhoward@cook.k12.ga.us

Scholastic Jackets

- To earn a Scholastic Jacket, students must have a 90 cumulative average through the first semester of their senior year.
- Earning a jacket does **not** automatically qualify you as an honor graduate.
- If you meet this criteria you will be notified by the CPC.

Non-Service Hours

- Anything you get paid for
- Going to the chorus concert
- Going to clinicals for school
- Anything you get a grade for
- Conferences
- Peer Leadership

***You must provide a service on a voluntary basis**

Herff Jones Dates

** November 6- FINAL senior product ordering during lunches

**The last date to add or *delete* items from your order!

- March 8- cap & gown and product delivery

Yearbook

- **Yearbook order deadlines:**
 - \$55 before February 4th, 2021
 - \$65 after February
 - Pre-orders can be placed until the end of April.
- **Senior Ads** (Google Form has been emailed to your school email):
 - December 3rd will be the first deadline (lower pricing)
 - February 4th is the final deadline
- **Senior Directories:**
 - Due December 3rd

DE Important Info

- Nov 20th - all DE applications must be completed for Spring enrollment.
- Fill out the DE google form if you plan to take DE courses in the spring
- See Ms. Braye Wilkes in the CPC if you have any questions

Senior Remind

Students: Text

@cook2021 to 81010

Parents: Text

@cook2021pa to 81010