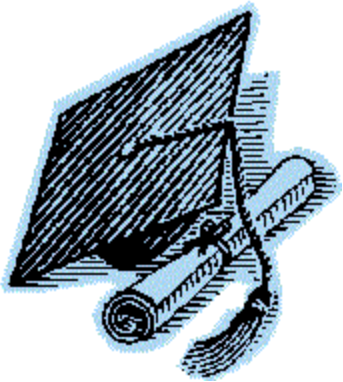


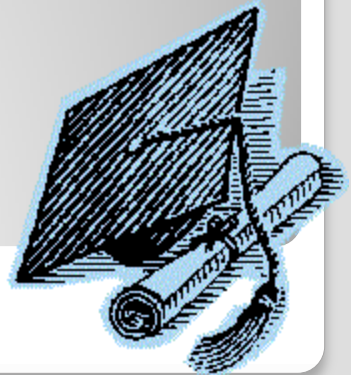
High School – Do you know?

Transcripts, GPA, and Hope Scholarship



- The Carnegie unit is a credit earned with the successful (passing) completion of a high school course.
- We most commonly refer to Carnegie units as “credits”.
- Catoosa County Public Schools (CCPS) requires 28 Carnegie units in state and locally required courses to graduate (If you fail a required course, you must take it again).

What are Carnegie units?

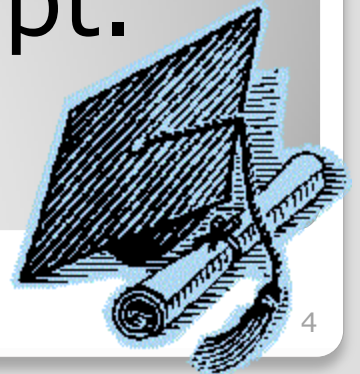


SUBJECT	UNITS REQUIRED
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	4
Social Studies	4
Health/Personal Fitness	1
Technology	1
CTAE/F. Language/Fine Arts	3
Electives	7
TOTAL	28

What Carnegie units are required?

- A transcript is an academic record of every course taken (passed and failed) and all grades received.
- Even if you take a class over (because you failed it) both classes stay on the transcript.

What is a transcript?



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A = 90-100 B = 80-89 C = 74-79 D = 70-73
F = Below 70

CCPS does not weight grades based on level of courses taken. The Weighted Cumulative GPA listed on this transcript is a numerical average based upon the amount of credit awarded for the class (0.5 or 1.0 units of credit), and on a 100-point scale. The Unweighted Cumulative GPA listed is based on a 4.0 scale.

- Colleges require a high school transcript as a part of the application process.
- Colleges review your transcript as evidence to of whether or not you are prepared to attend that particular college.
- Many scholarships are based on the quality of your transcript.

Why is a transcript important?

- Types of classes you took in high school
 - Academic **versus** non-academic courses
 - Honors/AP **versus** less difficult options
 - Did you take the most rigorous options at RHS?
- Classes you failed
 - Failing a course is not impressive; it will tell college you may not be ready
- Your Grade Point Average (GPA)
 - Calculated average of grades based on a 4.0 scale
 - Many college and scholarships only consider academic courses

What information is on a transcript?

- English
 - Includes journalism
- Math
- Science
 - Includes animal science, plant science, health science tech, essentials of healthcare, and computer science principles
- Social Studies
 - Includes psychology
- Foreign Language

What are academic courses?

- Scale scores are assigned to courses grades on a 4.0 scale:
 - A = 4.0
 - B = 3.0
 - C = 2.0
 - D = 1.0
 - F = 0.0
- All scale scores are adding and dividing by the total number of courses taken.

How do you calculate GPA?

- Look at the transcript on the next slide:

- Assign each course grade a scale score
- Add the scale scores =
- How many classes =
- Total scale score/number of classes =

Calculating GPA Example:

Course	Mark
2009-2010 Grade 09 Term 2	
23.0610040 9th Lit/Comp H	85
50.0211000 Art I	99
07.4411000 Comp Apps	90
Credit: 3.000 GPA: 91.33 U/W G	
2009-2010 Grade 09 Term 3	
17.0110000 Health B&G	95
Credit: .500 GPA: 95.00 U/W G	
2009-2010 Grade 09 Term 4	
45.0570040 Amer Govt H	79
27.0810088 Math I(AlgGeomStats)	81
27.1440088 Math Support I	86
36.0510051 Pers Fitness B&G	70
40.0110040 Phys Science H	85
Credit: 4.500 GPA: 81.33 U/W G	
2010-2011 Grade 10 Term 2	
23.0620037 10th Lit/Comp CP	74
48.5410000 Intro Eng Drawing & Design	94
27.0820000 Math II(GeomAlg2Stats)	75
60.0710037 Spanish I CP	58
Credit: 3.000 GPA: 75.25 U/W G	
2010-2011 Grade 10 Term 4	
45.0811037 AP World History	88
26.0120037 Biology I CP	90
50.0313000 Draw/Paint	96
50.0711000 Photography	94
Credit: 4.000 GPA: 92.00 U/W G	

**Total Scale Score =
50**

Total Classes = 17

**17/50 =
2.94 GPA**

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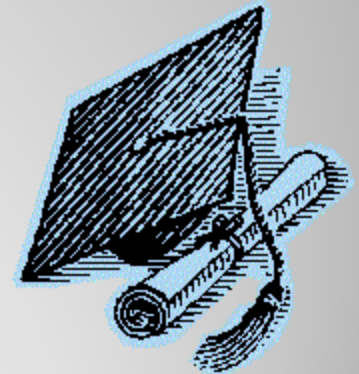
Did you...

- Hope Scholarship calculates GPA using **ONLY** academic courses.
- Competitive universities (i.e Georgia) calculate GPA using **ONLY** academic courses.
- GPA for Graduates with Highest Honors is calculated using **ONLY** academic courses.
- Hope Scholarship adds .5 for AP and MOWR (college) courses when calculating GPA

Our example transcript academic GPA = 2.55

Are there different ways to calculate GPA?

- Does it have rigor (honors, AP, MOWR)?
- Are there any failed courses?
- Is the GPA good?
 - Hope Scholarship requires a 3.0
 - Average entering freshman GPA at:
 - Georgia = 3.9
 - Kennesaw State = 3.23
 - Dalton State = 3.14
- Our example GPA is 2.94



Is our example transcript good?

- It is a merit based program for Georgia students funded by the Georgia Lottery.
- It provides financial assistance for post-secondary options including technical certificates and college degrees.
- Eligibility is based on academic achievement.
- There are 4 programs (2 scholarships and 2 grants) available to high school graduates.

What is the HOPE program?

	HOPE Scholarship	Zell Miller Scholarship
GPA requirements	3.0 in academic courses	3.7 in academic courses
Rigor	4 Rigor classes	4 Rigor classes
SAT/ACT	Not applicable	SAT 1200 minimum on math/ reading OR ACT 26 minimum
Eligibility	Students may earn HOPE scholarship after 30 semester hours of college, if not eligible through high school.	Zell Miller is only awarded to graduating high school seniors who qualify.

What are the HOPE Scholarships?

	HOPE Scholarship	Zell Miller Scholarship
Award Amount	Percentage of public school standard tuition OR \$1968 per semester at private school	Full public school standard tuition OR \$2174 per semester at private school
Maintaining in college	Must maintain a 3.0 GPA at designated checkpoints (30, 60, 90 hours attempted)	Must maintain a 3.3 GPA at designated checkpoints (30, 60, 90 hours attempted)
What if I fall below the required average?	Lose HOPE and may only be eligible to regain it once	Lose Zell Miller, eligible for HOPE, and may only be eligible to regain Zell Miller once

More on HOPE Scholarships

AP LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION	
AP LANGUAGE AND COMPOSITION	AP MACROECONOMICS
ACCELERATED GEOMETRY/ ADV ALGEBRA	AP BIOLOGY
ADVANCED ALGEBRA	CHEMISTRY (CP or Honors)
ACCELERATED PRE-CALCULUS	HUMAN ANATOMY (CP or Honors)
PRE-CALCULUS	PHYSICS (CP, Honors, and/or AP)
ADVANCED MATH DECISION MAKING	SPANISH (II, III, and/or IV)
AP CALCULUS AB	GERMAN (II, III, and/or IV)
AP STATISTICS	

What HOPE Rigor Classes are at RHS?

	HOPE Grant	Zell Miller Grant
GPA requirements	None	None
Rigor	None	None
SAT/ACT	None	None
Eligibility	Enrolled in a certificate or diploma program	Enrolled in a certificate or diploma program
Award Amount	Percentage of standard tuition	Full standard tuition
Maintaining in college	Must maintain a 2.0 GPA at end of every semester	Must maintain a 3.5 GPA at end of every semester
What if I fall below the required average?	If lose, may regain only once	If lose, may regain the next term if GPA eligible

What are the HOPE Grants?

- No, think of HOPE as having multiple levels. What “level” scholarship do you earn? You may earn one but not both.
- Also, only high school graduates are eligible for Zell Miller. If you do not qualify then, you can never earn it. However, you can earn the Hope Grant or Scholarship in college.

**Can I get more than one
HOPE program?**

- CCPS Program
- Criteria:
 - 28 high school credits
 - Minimum of 6 at the honors/AP level
 - 90 or higher cumulative numeric GPA in Hope Core classes
- Valedictorian and Salutatorian are the two students with the highest GPA and graduating with Highest Honors

What is “Graduates with Highest Honors?”

- www.gafutures.org
- Has comprehensive information that GA high school students need to prepare for college

Where can I find more information?