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College-Bound Broncos:

Seniors who have chosen and been accepted to the college they will attend, come by A36 and put your name on the clip board by the TV so that we can post your information on the "College-Bound Bronco" wall. If you will be going into the military or some other type of after high school adventure, we would love to put your name up also.

Greater Atlanta Historically Black College and University (HBCU) College Fair:

Join us for the inaugural Greater Atlanta HBCU Fair on Saturday, **Feb. 9** from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm at Meadowcreek High School, 4455 Steve Reynolds Boulevard, Norcross.

Need Information about Free and Reduced school meals?

Visit <http://gwinnett.schoolsunchapp.com> to begin the online process. The online application is very user friendly, but you may also call the school nutrition office for help: 678-301-6307.

Selective Service System (SSS) Registration:

Males are required to register with SSS within 30 days of their 18 birthday. If a young man reaches age 26 without registering, he can be **PERMANENTLY BARRED** from ever receiving: Federal student loans, Placement in a federal job training program, eligibility for a job with the federal government, a driver's license or license renewal in most states. In addition, male immigrants who wish to become citizens can face significant delays if they fail to register by age 26. **Register Today: Visit www.sss.gov !**

GEORGIA SCHOLAR PROGRAM:

The Georgia Scholar Program is an effort by the Georgia Department of Education to identify and recognize high school seniors who have achieved excellence in school and community life. There is no monetary value associated with this recognition, however, being named a "Georgia Scholar" looks great on a resume and will be beneficial in receiving other scholarships. Students who are named Georgia Scholars will be recognized at the GCPS Board Meeting in May, the BHS Honors Night in May, and will receive a special gift from Mr. Ford.

The Criteria for Selection for the 2019 Georgia Scholars Program is as follows:

- Four units in English Language Arts
- Four units in Math, including one unit in Algebra 11 (or its equivalent)
- Three units in Science, including one unit in Physics or Chemistry
- Three units in Social Studies, including Economics, Citizenship, World History, and U.S. Studies
- Two units in a single Foreign Language
- One unit in Fine Arts, chosen from Visual Arts, Music, Dance, or Dramatic Arts
- Minimum SAT score of 1360 (critical reading and math only) at one test administration, or a minimum composite score of 31 ACT at one test administration.
- Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.75 in core courses (language arts, math, science, social studies, and foreign language) at the end of senior year first semester
- Registered to vote if a U.S. citizen and 18 years of age on or before January 31, 2019.
- Evidence of self-esteem and concern for others in day-to-day activities. Documentation: A letter of reference (attached to application) from an adult outside the school or family. The writer should fully identify him/herself. Reference letter should be one page only.
- A student has participated in at least three different competitive interscholastic activities (e.g., athletics, music and literary events, fairs, and exhibits).
- A student has been appointed by school official or elected to positions of leadership in a minimum of two different organizations sponsored by the school. List at least two different leadership positions held, including the dates of service.
- A student has shown evidence of leadership in a minimum of two different organizations outside the school, including being appointed by an organization sponsor or elected to a position of leadership or role of responsibility in a minimum of one of these activities. This does not include paid positions. List position(s) of responsibility/leadership, including dates of involvement/service.

Applications are available in the Counseling Office. In order to be considered for selection as a Georgia Scholar, all criteria must be met. Individual questions regarding the criteria should be directed to Mrs. Varzaly who coordinates the Georgia Scholar Program for Brookwood High School. **Deadline: Completed applications must be received in the counseling office no later than Jan. 25**

Paid Summer Internships for High School Students:

The TAG-Ed Summer Internship Program provides real-world experiences for high-achieving students with strong STEM aptitude. Students are placed in companies interested in investing in STEM talent and impacting the future technology workforce. Our 2019 goal is to make 200 placements! Applications are available at www.tagedonline.org . Internships are limited and are on a first come, first serve basis. Requirements: Student must be 16+ years old to participate, must complete a minimum five-week assignment, upon completion, interns agree to act as a student mentor for future applicants. **Deadline: Feb. 15**

About Your College Applications:

If your college application requires that a.....

- Counselor Report Form be completed by your Counselor, please be sure you complete the student section of this form before turning them in to Mrs. Varzaly in the Counseling Office.
- Letter of Recommendation be written by your Counselor, be sure to complete the electronic student and parent brag sheet

located at www.brookwoodcounseling.com.

Counselor Assignments (10th – 12th)

A-Co.....Ms. Medlin
Cr-He.....Dr. Benton
Hi-Me.....Dr. Benjamin
Mi-Sa.....Mrs. Linderman
Sb-Z.....Mr. Blair
9th Grade A-O.....Mrs. Settles
9TH Grade P-Z.....Dr. Ricks
ESOL Students in 9th – 12th will also see Ms. Settles

Electronic Transcripts:

You can request electronic transcripts through www.GAFutures.org. Electronic transcripts are available for most schools in Georgia and they are FREE.

Paper Transcripts:

It is the responsibility of each student to mail his/her transcripts. Students requesting transcripts must complete a form in the Counseling Office stating the number of transcripts needed. Each transcript will be “officially” sealed in an envelope that must not be opened by the student for it to remain official. The cost is \$5.00 for each. Please allow 3-5 days for completion of your request.

College/University’s visiting BHS – don’t forget to request a pass from counseling prior to day of visit:

VA Tech (Corp of Cadets)	Jan. 9	Commons during all lunches
GGC	Jan. 15	3 rd Period
Univ. North GA	Jan. 18	2 nd Period
U.S. Naval Academy	Jan. 24	2 nd Period
Mercer	Jan. 24	3 rd Period

SAT (sat.org/register)		SAT/ACT 2018-2019		ACT (actstudent.org)	
Registration	Test Date	Registration	Test Date	Registration	Test Date
	Deadline		Deadline		Deadline
Mar. 9	Feb. 8	Feb. 9	Jan. 11	Jan. 11	Jan. 11
May 4	Apr. 5	Apr. 13	Mar. 8	Mar. 8	Mar. 8
June 1	May 3	June 8	May 3	May 3	May 3
		July 13	June 14	June 14	June 14

SAT/ACT Fee Waivers:

Students must be enrolled in the free/reduced meal program to be eligible. The waivers cover two separate SAT/ACT test registrations and two registrations for the SAT Subject Tests. If you would like to apply for the free/reduced lunch program, visit <http://www.gwinnett.k12.ga.us/gcsnp.nsf/pages/freeandreducedinfo0-about> . If you qualify for fee waivers, see Mrs. Varzaly in the counseling office.

ACT Academy:

ACT Academy is a *free* personalized online learning tool and test practice program. It provides learners with a personalized study plan based on previous test scores or platform diagnostics and features video lessons, interactive practice questions, full-length practice tests, educational games, and other materials targeted to a students’ academic needs. For more information, visit www.act.org/academy .

ACT and Kaplan Test Prep Partnership:

ACT announced that Kaplan is now the exclusive, official partner to offer free, live, online prep to any student with fee waivers and low cost live online prep to everyone else! For more information, please visit www.kaptest.com/act/pages/actpartnership .

SAT and Khan Academy Test Prep Partnership:

At Official Practice on Khan Academy, you can access thousands of questions approved by the College Board, take four official SAT practice tests, and create personalized SAT study plans based on your results for FREE. For more information, please visit <https://www.khanacademy.org/sat>

Introducing Acceptd – a powerful online network connecting students with Performing Arts programs nationwide:

The International Thespian Society and Acceptd are teaming up to provide students with the only online digital audition and recruitment platform. Students can build their online audition portfolio at no cost, find the right program for their strengths, be recruited by programs across the world, and audition for dozens of schools, summer programs and thespian festivals. To explore Acceptd, go to: www.getacceptd.com .

EDU, Inc. Common Black College Application:

EDU, Inc. has been developed to augment the marketing and recruitment efforts of HBCU’s and to increase the number of educational opportunities for students nationwide. Students can apply to all 53 member institutions for a one-time fee of \$35. Applications are

available online at www.eduinonline.com .

What is the Academic Common Market (ACM)?

The ACM is a tuition-savings program especially for college students who live in the 15 states that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) the state of Georgia is included. How to participate in the ACM? You must first go to the website www.sreb.org/page/1304/academic_common_market.html , search the eligible ACM programs and institutions for your home state, contact the institution, apply for that program and get admitted.

Mercer University's Business Scholarship Challenge – Feb. 2:

As students consider their college choice and possible areas of study, I would like to invite them to explore Mercer and attend our Business Scholarship Challenge on Saturday, Feb. 2. At this event, students have the opportunity to interact with business faculty, participate in innovation labs, and interview for scholarships, ranging up to full tuition. Applications are available at www.business.mercer.edu/challenge .

ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) – Friday, Feb. 8:

The ASVAB is free and measures vocational aptitudes and career strengths. You do not have to be interested in the military to register. Registration sign-up is in the counseling office beginning Jan. 3.

Eastside Medical Center – Summer Teen Volunteer Program (Volunteer):

Students ages 16-18 can spend the summer helping others while deciding if a medical career is right for them. Applicants are asked to pass a drug test and background check, complete two tuberculosis skin tests, be vaccinated for chicken pox and show appropriate documentation from your doctor, have two letters of recommendation, write a 300-word essay on why you want to serve as a youth volunteer at Eastside, and obtain parent/guardian consent. Applications are available online at www.eastsidemedical.com - scroll down to careers > volunteer opportunities > volunteer program. Only 10 students will be accepted. **Deadline: Completed applications must be received at the address on the application by Feb. 15**

The University of North Georgia Military Scholarship (UNGMS) Dahlonega:

We have 42 Georgia Military Scholarships to award to high school seniors. These are full scholarships that pay for room, meals, tuition, fees, books, and uniforms for all four years at (UNG) – a Senior Military College. In addition, recipients receive monthly pay and stipends for serving as enlisted members of the Georgia Army National Guard while being full time students and Cadets at UNG. The scholarship is worth approximately \$70,000 over four years. Criteria: Seniors in excellent physical condition, have above a 3.0 cumulative GPA. Interested students must be accepted for admission to UNG in a “regular admit” status. Step-by-step instructions for applying for the scholarship can be found online at www.ung.edu/cadet and click on the “Scholarships” tab. Your scholarship application and all supporting documents must be received by UNG by **March 1** in order to be considered.

March 2 Success:

To have a strong future, the U.S. Army provides high school students with a large selection of educational programs. March 2 Success is an online, self-paced course designed to improve your performance on standardized tests while enhancing your math, science and English skills. March 2 Success is available 24/7 so students can log on at times that are convenient for them. March 2 Success is FREE and there is no obligation. To enroll visit www.march2success.com .

Tennessee Tech's Reduced Tuition for Out-of-State Students:

This program is called Eagle's Reach and it was created to make attending our national accredited and academically recognized university affordable for out-of-state students. Under this program, out-of-state students will qualify for a large reduction in their college cost of attendance. The Eagle's Reach Tuition Reduction program lowers out-of-state tuition by more than \$11,200 every year. To learn more, visit www.tntech.edu/eaglesreach .

ROTC Scholarship Information:

Air Force ROTC: <http://www.afrotc.com/scholarships/high-school/overview/>

Army ROTC: <http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students.html>

Marine/Navy ROTC: www.nrotc.navy.mil

National Guard: <https://www.nationalguard.com/tools/guard-scholarships>

University of North Georgia Cadet Admissions: <http://ung.edu/military-college-admissions/costs-financial-aid>