

# Northside High School

GUIDANCE NEWS YOU CAN USE

## Welcome Mrs. Redondo

We are thrilled to welcome a new addition to the guidance department! Mrs. Redondo is in her 4<sup>th</sup> year as a School Counselor and we are so happy to have her with us. Starting in the spring, Mrs. Redondo will be working with our Dual Enrollment students. Please join us in welcoming her to the NHS family.



## Naviance Career & College Planning Tool

The NHS Guidance Department subscribes to a comprehensive career and college planning program that students can access from any computer and smart device via the internet. Counselors will be coming into your classes to teach you more about the program and all that it has to offer.

Here is the link that students will use to sign in:

<https://student.naviance.com/northsidehigh>

**Username: GTID**

**Password: Northside1**

## Tis the season to begin preparing....

- End of Course Exams will be here in the spring before you know it! Remember they count for 20% of your final grade)
- Any junior or senior wanting to take the ASVAB can stop by guidance to get a recruiters contact information. Testing can be set up through each individual branch representative.
- Start Building a resume



## Upcoming Events

### December 20

1<sup>st</sup> semester grading period ends

### December 23-January 7

Winter Break

### January 8

2<sup>nd</sup> semester begins

### January 14

Report Cards

### January 20

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday,  
No school

### February 7

Progress Reports

### February 17

President's Day, No school

## Check out these websites for ACT & SAT testing information!

[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

**NHS School Code:110838**

\*\*\* Fee waivers are available for students on free or reduced lunch. See Mrs. Rolison in guidance

## Freshmen

- Maintaining good grades, everything counts in High school. You want to do your best so you have a good G.P.A.

## Sophomores

- Check your HOPE GA on Georgia Futures
- Check your PSAT scores online through your College Board account starting December 11th.

## Juniors

- Register to take the ACT or SAT

## Seniors

- Apply, apply, apply to colleges if you haven't done so already
- Retake the ACT or SAT one final time to bring your score up.
- Register for your FASFA Pin number
  - Students can start fill out their FASFA @ <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/>

## Freshmen Students and Parents

As we prepare our students for college and careers, the high school curriculum is designed to be more rigorous. It is a common part of the freshman transition for students to be surprised, and sometimes overwhelmed, by the amount of work necessary to achieve the grades they have been accustomed to getting. In order to assist your child in adjusting to these increased expectations, you might want to suggest, and support them doing some of the following:

- Break larger assignments into smaller increments
- Take complete and well organized notes
- Create flashcards for studying and reviewing
- Ask your teachers for help before or after school
- Form a study group of classmates.
- Consult a knowledgeable upperclassman for help with material or study skills.
- Ask your teacher for a content specific website for help
- Reduce distractions when working, as much as possible.



## HOPE Rigor Courses

**Students MUST take and pass four (4) classes that meet the rigor requirement for HOPE and Zell Miller**

AP Language / AP Literature / Dual Enrollment English

Acc Geometry/ Algebra II

GSE Algebra II / GSE Pre Calculus / AP Calculus / AP Statistics

College Math Readiness / Dual Enrollment Math  
AP US History / AP World History / AP Macroeconomics

Dual Enrollment History

H Chemistry / AP Chemistry / H Physics / AP Biology

AP Environmental / Human Anatomy

Dual Enrollment Science

Spanish II / Spanish III / Spanish IV / AP Spanish

\*Not all classes listed are offered each school year. Visit <https://www.gafutures.org> for HOPE and Zell Miller info