

GMHS STUDENT SERVICES SENIOR NEWSLETTER **CLASS OF 2021**



Graduation: Thurs., June 10th, 4 PM, RCC

Summa Cum Laude: weighted GPA 4.25 or higher Magna Cum Laude: weighted GPA 4.0 - 4.249 Cum Laude: weighted GPA 3.75 - 3.99 NC Scholar: unweighted GPA 3.5 and specific courses

For SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION and other important announcements, visit <u>www.garnerhs.wcpss.net</u>

View announcements daily on the GMHS homepage.

Follow us on Twitter to get information and updates on classes, registrations, scholarships, and upcoming events for students at GMHS! @gmhsStudentSvcs

Know how many credits and which courses you must pass to graduate in June. Questions??? Make an appointment with your counselor by using your wcpss email to contact your counselor directly, especially while we are virtual - we will set up a phone call with you (See Counselors' contact information on the back of this newsletter.)

Know and meet your college/university application deadlines! (check <u>www.cfnc.org</u>)

Meet the GMHS College Advisor: Jimmy Hill. He is available to speak with you and your parents to help guide you through the college application process. Schedule your appointment to speak with Jimmy via his e-mail: gmhs.cacduke@gmail.com,

Apply FREE to participating colleges during CFNC "College Application Week" Oct. 19 - Oct. 23 AND thru Oct. 30 by using the CFNC online college application. For more information see www.cfnc.org

Senior College Night/Financial Aid Night will occur virtually on October 1 @ 6:00 PM for you and your parents/guardians to learn about the college application process and the application process for FINANCIAL AID and the FAFSA (free application for federal student aid) deadline. For virtual details, please visit the homepage for announcements and listen to phone messages regularly for this information.

Schedule an appointment with the GMHS Financial Aid Counselor. Sandra Winters will be available starting in September to meet (most likely virtual) with students and/or their parents by appointment to learn how to complete your FAFSA (free application for federal student aid) on time! Make appointments through the Student Services office. Ms. Winters is here on Tuesdays from 9:00 - 2:00.

Register to take the Armed Services Vocational Area Battery test (ASVAB) – Contact Career Development Coordinator, Lisa Daughenbaugh, for information about the ASVAB and the military and for career planning and exploration. Email:ldaughenbaugh@wcpss.net Follow on Twitter for job openings, career events, etc.: @GMHSCarServ

Register for the SAT/ACT. ACT - www.actstudent.org SAT- <u>www.sat.org</u>. Registration deadlines are several weeks before the actual test dates, so register early!

GENERAL GRADUATION REOUIREMENTS

- Minimum 26 specific credits
- Complete requirements for Future Ready Core Course of Study: Four Math credits, Four English Credits, Three Science Credits, Four Social Studies Credits, One Healthful Living Credit, Ten Electives, two of which must be any combination of CTE, ARTS and/or World Languages

Useful Websites for College Planning

www.garnerhs.wcpss.net

Garner Magnet High School Check out the GMHS website for current happenings at our school. Visit the Student Services and College Planning pages (click on Students, then College Planning) for scholarship information, instructions on ordering transcripts, SAT/ACT information, college visits to GMHS and much, much more!

The College Foundation of North Carolina

www.CFNC.org This *excellent* website helps you plan for college, apply to college and learn how to pay for college. Includes specific information on all colleges and universities in NC, including both fouryear and community colleges; career information; and scholarship information. Students can apply directly to North Carolina colleges, keep track of extracurricular activities, and much more. It is a ONE-STOP-SHOP for students and parents. Visit www.CFNC.org and click on "Create My CFNC" to set up your personal CFNC account.

The College Board

www.collegeboard.org

The website contains information on the SAT, college admissions, financial aid, and scholarships. Use this website to register for the SAT during the fall of your senior year and request your SAT scores be sent to the colleges/universities to which you are applying.

The ACT

www.actstudent.org

The website contains information on the ACT, admissions, financial aid, and scholarships. Use this website to register for the ACT and request your ACT scores be sent to the colleges/universities to which you are applying.

Is A Four-Year NC Public University in Your Future? Minimum Admission Requirements:

2.5 weighted GPA OR (due to COVID-19)

1010 on Math and Critical Reading combined of the new SAT or 19 Composite ACT

Two of your ten elective credits must be Level I and II of the same World Language

You must complete NC Math I, NC Math II, NC Math III and a higher level math beyond NC Math III

<u>Private</u> Four-Year Colleges can have different minimum admission requirements.

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Four Year College Admission is **COMPETITIVE** and admission offices evaluate applicants in regard to the rigor of their curriculum, GPA, class rank, SAT or ACT scores, extra-curricular activities in school and volunteer work in the community. Senior year courses and grades are very important! Seniors should not change their schedules as College Admission Offices expect seniors to successfully complete all courses listed on the transcript submitted with their college application. Continue to challenge yourself academically to get admitted to college and to better prepare for college work!