

# Tiger News



### Upcoming Advisement Dates/

#### Activities :

- October 6th– GA College 411
- October 11th– Domestic Violence Awareness “Wear Purple Day”/ Video
- October 12th—GA College 411 / Report Card
- October 13th– Breast Cancer Awareness Day- “Wear Pink Day”
- October 27th & 28th– Red Ribbon
- October 28th— “Slam Dunk Drugs Are Junk” Student vs. Faculty Bball game

## Mapping Your Future: Sophomore Year

Your sophomore year is the perfect time for you to be thinking about your future and what you want that future to be like. Start thinking more seriously about what careers make the best use of your skills and incorporate your interests. When you find a career path that involves work you love, you will set yourself up for success. While you still have time to learn and explore, the earlier you can find the career area that is right for you, the easier it will be. You will be able to make the best decision, like choosing the right college, studying the correct subjects, and earning the degree that will get you the job you want. Ask yourself:

- What is my favorite subject and why?
- What is my least favorite subject and why?
- What kind of assignments do I enjoy?
- What are my hobbies, and what is my favorite part about those hobbies?
- What activities am I involved in and why?

Sometimes matching a career to your interests is easy. For example, if you love history, maybe you want to become a history teacher. Other career fields may not be obvious to you, for example, you may love reading and writing, and maybe that could lead to working as a lawyer. There is help available as you plan your career:

- Ask your school counselor about taking a career assessment test. This kind of test asks you several questions about your interests and abilities and does the work of matching you to possible careers. Every student should take a career assessment test.
- “Shadow” someone in a field that interests you, especially if you aren’t sure if that career is right for you. By observing that kind of work in action, you’ll be able to see what your life might be like on a day-to-day basis if you chose that career field. That person can also tell you about their experience, educational background, and how they found the job that they have.

If you still aren’t sure, that’s okay! You may not have yet discovered your passion, and that’s one of the great things about college. Plan to take interesting elective classes, read a lot of books, and talk to people. The right career for you is just waiting to be discovered!

## Topic of the Month

This Month the G.W. Carver Guidance and Counseling Department will be focusing on Career planning and Hope Scholarship. Every student at G.W. Carver should have a GAcademy411 account. If you do not have an account please see your counselor or visit [gacollege411.org](http://gacollege411.org) and setup an account. The website is very useful in selecting career and college choices, and has valuable resources to help you after high school.

Georgia's HOPE Scholarship is available to Georgia residents who have demonstrated academic achievement. The scholarship provides money to assist students with their educational costs of attending college in Georgia. A student who graduates from a HOPE-eligible high school or completes a HOPE-eligible home study program must earn a 3.00 cumulative grade point average on all core coursework. Applying for the HOPE Scholarship is easy, but you should always check with the college you are going to attend to make sure you are completing the applications they require. Students have three options for applying for the HOPE Scholarship.

- ♦ Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) By using your GAcademy411 account and accessing the FAFSA application from GAcademy411, you can reduce the amount of time it takes to complete this form.
- ♦ Electronic application ([www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org))
- ♦ Paper application ([www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org))

### Character Words For the Month:

October/November:

–**Citizenship** : Respectful devotion to one’s country and or school

- **Compassion**: Showing Concern or sympathy for others

\*\*\* What have you don't lately to show Citizenship and Compassion? What can you do today to show Citizenship and Compassion? Come tell you Counselor your plans today!

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