

Class of 2021

8th Grade Orientation Putnam County High School



Mr. Marc Dastous, Principal
Dr. Fancia Harris, Assistant Principal

Who Are Your Counselors?



Shane Easley-9th/10th



Mark Adams-11th/12th



Available to assist all students throughout the day.

Parents may call or email the counselors to schedule appointments.

Why Are The Counselors Here?

- Academic Advisement
- College and Career Planning
- Personal/ Social Success
- Keeping Students Safe



Graduation Requirements

✓ Language Arts Core Credits	4
✓ Science Core Credits	4
✓ Mathematics Core Credits	4
✓ Social Studies Core Credits	4
✓ World Language <i>or</i> CTAE <i>or</i>	3
✓ Fine Arts <i>or</i> Advanced Academic Credits	
✓ Personal Fitness/Health	1
✓ <u>Required Elective Credits</u>	<u>3</u>
Total Required Units	23



Grade Point Average(GPA)

Transcripts- show the numeric grades/ overall numeric average

Cumulative Grade Point Average - is determined by adding all numeric grades together and dividing that total by the number of courses taken.

Core Grade Point Average is based solely on the five academic core courses. These courses include English/Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, and World Language. The Core GPA is the “real” measure of your academic performance in high school.

The **Core GPA** is the “real GPA” used for college entrance. Physical Education, Music, Theatre, Career, Technology, and Agriculture courses are **not a part of the Core GPA.**



Example of Cumulative GPA and numeric Core GPA and 4.0 scale GPA.

Course	Grade	4.0	Course	Grade	4.0
Algebra	70	2	Algebra	70	2
English I	80	3	English I	80	3
Physical Science	82	2	Physical Science	82	3
American Govt	75	2	American Govt	75	<u>2</u>
PE/ Health	92	4			
Intro to Culinary	90	4			
Weight Training	98	4			
JROTC	<u>88</u>	3			
TOTAL	675	24	TOTAL	307	10
Cumulative GPA	84.375	3.0	Core GPA	76.75	2.5

4.0 GPA Scale

GPA	Percentile	Letter Grade
4.0	95-100	A
3.9	94	A
3.8	93	A
3.7	92	A
3.6	91	A
3.5	90	A
3.4	89	B
3.3	88	B
3.2	87	B
3.1	86	B
3.0	85	B
2.9	84	B
2.8	83	B
2.7	82	B
2.6	81	B
2.5	80	B
2.4	79	C
2.3	78	C
2.2	77	C
2.1	76	C
2.0	75	C
1.9	74	C
1.8	73	C
1.7	72	C
1.6	71	C
1.5	70	C
1.4	69	D
1.3	68	D
1.2	67	D
1.1	66	D
1.0	65	D



Move On When Ready (Dual Enrollment)

- PCHS students are able to take College Core Academic classes and Occupational Classes.
- PCHS students are currently participating in dual enrollment courses at Central Georgia Technical College, Georgia College, and Georgia Military College.

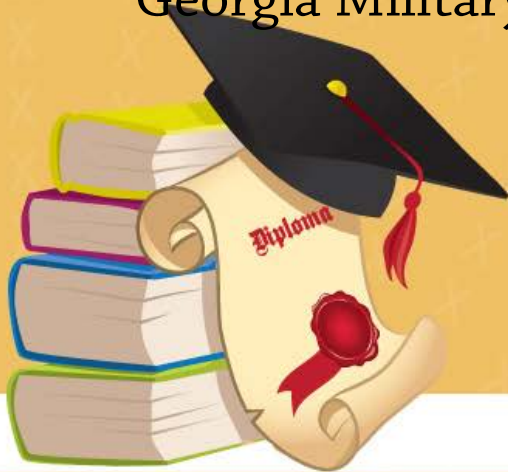


Move On When Ready (Dual Enrollment)

A student shall be eligible to participate in the program if he/she:

- o Is enrolled at Putnam County High School
- o Starts in 10th Grade
- o Has not received a high school diploma, and
- o Meets admission requirements and has been accepted by an eligible post-secondary institution.

Students may take courses at the following colleges: Georgia College, Georgia Military College, and Central Georgia Technical College.



How To Participate in MOWR Dual Enrollment

Students must be on track to graduate from high school before being allowed to register for any dual-enrollment classes.

- o Take the appropriate college entrance exam(ACCUPLACER), and meet minimum scores as required by the desired program(s)/course(s) of interest.
- o Provide the high school a copy of a completed MOWR Student Participation Agreement and the Putnam County Dual-Enrollment Contract
- o Complete the MOWR Funding Application by the college's and GSFC deadline

<i>Degree Level Minimum ACCUPLACER Scores</i>		<i>Diploma Level Minimum ACCUPLACER Scores</i>	
Reading	64	Reading	55
Sentence Skills	70	Sentence Skills	60
Algebra	57	Arithmetic	34

Language Arts Core Courses

Grade	Regular Track	Honors Track
9th	English I (10 th Literature)	Honors English I (10 th Literature)
10 th	English II (9th Literature) (EOC)	AP Language
11 th	American Literature (EOC)	Dual Enrollment English(1101/1102)
12 th	British Literature	Dual Enrollment English or British Literature

Mathematics Core Courses

Grade	Regular Track	Honors Track
9th	Foundations of Algebra and/or Algebra I (EOC)	Honors Algebra I (EOC) or Honors Algebra II
10 th	Algebra II	Honors Algebra II or Honors Geometry (EOC)
11 th	Geometry (EOC) Pre-Calculus(College-Bound)	Pre-Calculus
12 th	Advanced Mathematical Decision Making or Senior Math Options	Calculus or Dual Enrollment(Math)

Science Core Courses

Grade	Regular Track	Honors Track
9th	Physical Science (EOC)	Honors Physical Science (EOC) or Honors Biology (EOC)
10 th	Biology (EOC)	Honors Biology (EOC) or Honors Chemistry
11 th	Chemistry or Environmental Science	Any Approved Science Human Anatomy, Plant, Animal, Forensic Sciences
12 th	Any Approved Science Human Anatomy, Plant, Animal, Forensic Sciences	Physics

Social Studies Core Courses

Grade	Regular Track	Honors Track
9th	American Govt.	Honors American Govt.
10 th	World History	Honors World History or Dual Enrollment World History
11 th	U.S. History (EOC)	Dual Enrollment U.S. History or AP U.S. History
12 th	Economics (EOC)	Honor Economics (EOC)

Pathway Requirements

- All Putnam County High School graduates are required to complete a specialized area of study.
- Students can choose to complete a pathway in one or more of the areas.



Pathway Requirements(Areas)

- CTAE
- Fine Arts
- Advanced Academics
- World Languages



Career, Technical & Agricultural Education Pathways

- **Agriculture Education** - Veterinary Science, Animal Science and Agriscience Pathways
- **Transportation** - Automobile Maintenance & Light Repair and Automobile Service Technology Pathways
- **Communications** - Audio-Video Technology & Film and Graphic Design Pathways
 - **Hospitality & Tourism** – Culinary Arts Pathways
 - **Government & Public Safety** – JROTC Pathway
 - **Energy** – Energy Systems Pathway



Fine Arts Pathways

Students can complete a fine arts pathway by successfully completing 3 courses from one of these 5 areas.

Visual Arts-Visual Arts /Comp I, Pottery I, Photography I

Theatre -Drama I, Musical Theatre I, Musical Theatre II

Music- Beginning Band I, Jazz Band I, Chorus

Dance- Dance I, Dance II, Dance III

Journalism- Journalism I, Journalism II,
Journalism III



World Language Pathway

- Spanish I
- Spanish II
- Spanish III
- Spanish IV
- AP Spanish Language



Advanced Academics

- Two Foreign Language Courses
- One Degree(College) Level Course



Student-Athletes

	NCAA Division I	NCAA Division II	NCAA Division III	NAIA	NJCAA
What type of degree earned	4 Year (Bachelor's Degree)	4 Year (Bachelor's Degree)	4 Year (Bachelor's Degree)	4 Year (Bachelor's Degree)	2 Year (Associates)
Are Athletic Scholarships available	Yes	Yes	No (Academic or Needs Based)	Yes	Yes
Academic Standards needed to play	Yes- Several Rules(Sliding Scale, Core Courses)	Yes- Several Rules(Sliding Scale, Core Courses)	Yes-Admission to the college	Yes – Several Rules	Yes- Admission to the college

Extracurricular - Clubs

- FFA
- Skills USA
- Art Club
- International Club
- JROTC
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes(FCA)
- Thespian Society
- Anchor Club
- BETA Club
- National Honor Society
- Academic Decathlon



Extracurricular Activities

- Competition Cheerleading
- Spirit Squad/Cheerleading
- Softball
- Baseball
- Basketball
- Soccer
- Girls Volleyball
- Cross Country
- Track
- One-Act Play
- Literary
- Marching Band
- Flag Line
- Jazz Band
- Football
- Golf
- Tennis



Parent Portal

- Parents can now have access to their children's **grades, attendance, discipline, etc.** through the school's website at any time and from anywhere. The only thing required from you is an email address (which will be used as your username) and a password.
- If you do not have parent portal or if your email address has changed, please fill out a form tonight.
- You will be assigned a password after your contact information has been updated in the student information system (TEMS).
- You will receive your password via email or letter. Please check your junk mail as well.

- **Please get the form off the information table.**
- **Please fill out an updated Information Sheet.**



Things To Remember

- Please complete Free and Reduced Lunch Forms(Students can not charge)
- Please update your Parent Portal Accounts



Important Dates

- February- Academic Advisement at the Middle School. More Information to come.



Questions?

