



# Class of 2023

Senior Counseling Lesson  
Postsecondary  
Fall 2022

# 22-23 Kell Counseling Needs Assessment

<https://forms.office.com/r/bdz29Zszhy>



# Agenda

- Needs Assessment
- Kell Counselors
- Upcoming Events
  - Trade Talks
  - December Grads
- Naviance Counselor Recommendation Form
- Registration for AM College Workshops
- Naviance Transcript Request Process
- Planning for Your Future
- Aspects of the Application Process
  - Types of Applications, GPA, SAT/ACT, Deadlines, Best College Match for you
- Scholarships
- Teacher Recommendations



## LAURA POTTS

Counselor Department Head  
Enjoys watching sports and loves the VOLS.

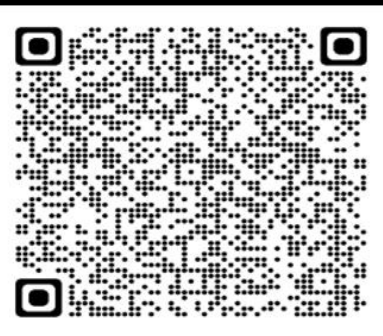
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## HOLLY VON LANKEN

High School Counselor  
Enjoys outdoor sports and photography.

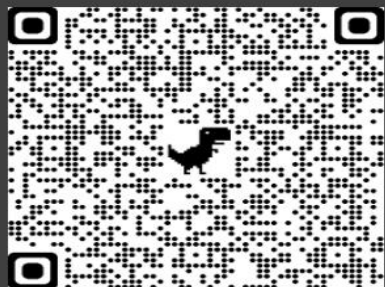
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## KENDRAH DEGRUY

High School Counselor  
Enjoys reading and spending time with family.

Working with students with last names that begin with N-Z. Please scan the QR Code below to make an appointment.



## BRIAN FENNER

High School College and Career Counselor  
Enjoys watching sports and spending time with family.

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

- 8/16/22 Senior Parent Night
  - College Application Process & Financial Aid/Scholarships
- 8/16/22 Lunchtime College Application Workshop
- 9/11/22 College Fair/Symposium Wheeler H.S.
- 9/14/22 Trade Talk #1 (Additional Info email [laura.potts@cobbk12.org](mailto:laura.potts@cobbk12.org))
- 9/20/22 FAFSA/Financial Aid Meeting GSFC Mr. Marcus Hilliard 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM
- 10/15/22 College/University Early Action and Early Decision Deadlines



# KELL HIGH SCHOOL

4770 Lee Waters Road, Marietta, 30066 | Phone: 678-494-7844

**i** Notification: Student Schedules  
July 29, 2022 at 08:55 AM

**i** Notification: STUDENT BUS ROUTE INFORMATION  
July 26, 2022 at 08:27 AM

**i** Notification: FALL 2022 PARKING INFORMATION  
July 09, 2022 at 05:04 PM

Bus Numbers & Routes

Cobb Digital Library

Cobb Shield

CTL5 Learn

CTL5 Support

Digital Textbooks

Employment Opportunities

Enroll Your Student

Family Info Guide

GoFan Tickets

GOSA District Report Card

GOSA Kell Report Card

Grades & Attendance

Lunch Menus

Make Online Payments

Naviance

Student Laptop Program

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# My Planner

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- Overview
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- Tasks Assigned to Me**

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## Class of 2023 (A-Ga)- Student Info for Counselor Rec

Status: Not started

### Task information

Requirement:

RECOMMENDED

**Description:**

[Click the link to complete the Student Info for Counselor Letter of Recommendation](#)

<https://forms.office.com/r/4xwb4zmBNY>

### To-Dos

No to-dos to show

### Recent Updates

No Updates

Form must be completed 2 weeks PRIOR to the student application deadline for the college/university or scholarship deadline. **Official request is made when you pay \$2** (in person at the counseling office OR through MyPaymentsPlus) for your transcript & supplemental documents to be sent to the specific college/university or scholarship.

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It is the student responsibility to keep up with deadlines and specific requirements for the college/university that you are applying. **Lack of planning on your end does not constitute an emergency for your counselor and/or teacher(s).** Requests are completed in the order that they are received.

Please make sure that all colleges/universities that you are applying to are listed in your Naviance under "Colleges I'm Applying to".

Naviance login steps:

- go to Kell High School website (<https://www.cobbk12.org/Kell>)
- click on "Find It Fast" in the top right hand corner
- choose "Naviance"

\* Required

1. Student First Name \*

2. Student Last Name \*





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# SENIORS

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## Senior Transcript Request

There are 2 Parts to requesting a transcript. Both must be completed and match for your transcript to be sent.

- 1- Naviance
- 2- MyPaymentsPlus

## Naviance Student Login

Step by step instructions to login to your Student Naviance account



## Senior Workshops-

### Computer Lab Reservation for help with Naviance and application process

If you are not sure how to use Naviance or need help with the college application process please be sure to reserve a time in the KHS Counseling Computer Lab located in the Counseling Office/College and Career Center

## Requesting Counselor Recommendation

All counselor recommendation requests must be made 2 weeks prior to the STUDENT deadline.

## Senior Parent Night

Information for you and your senior children to plan for life after high school.

## Matching Naviance Common App Accounts Requesting and Paying for Transcripts

Directions to match your Naviance and Common App Accounts to enable the submission of transcripts to the colleges you are applying.

## Requesting Teacher Letter of Recommendation

Check with your teacher before making the request in Naviance. Allow time for teacher to complete recommendation.

## POST SECONDARY OPTION AND COLLEGE APPLICATION PROCESS

Information to plan for life after high school.

## JUNIOR-SENIOR CHECK LIST

TIPS AND LINKS TO MAKE YOUR JUNIOR AND SENIOR A SMOOTH ONE.

## Kell Senior Transcript Request

\*It takes at least 24-48 hours (regular school days) to process all requests and to verify Part 1 & Part 2 are **complete and match**, before transcript will be sent to the college requested. If there is an error when entering information, student will be contacted to make corrections. Please do NOT email the counseling department asking about the status of transcript requests. This delays our response time for all requests.

### Part 1: Naviance (this must be completed by the student PRIOR to paying for the transcript)

Step 1: Add every college you are interested in applying to “Colleges I’m Thinking About” List

#### Searching & adding colleges that FIT you:

- Use the Search for Colleges or College Lookup options to find colleges
- Complete *SuperMatch*
- Favorite each college you plan to apply to “Colleges I’m thinking About” List
- Click on the Heart Symbol next to the name of the college you are interested in to add to your colleges “I’m thinking about”

College	Delivery type	Added By	Expected Difficulty*	Application Deadlines	Interest
+ Chattahoochee Technical College		Student	N/A	N/A	N/A
+ University of Georgia		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines	N/A
+ Kennesaw State University		Student	N/A	Multiple Deadlines	N/A

Step 2: Move colleges from “Colleges I’m Thinking about” to “Colleges I’m Applying to”

- VERIFY the application deadline for each college
- CHOOSE if you applied via Common App or directly to the institution (this is **very important** to be accurate)

STEP 1: Add Applications	STEP 2: Request Transcripts	
<p>Chattahoochee Technical College</p> <p>Which application deadline do you prefer? Rolling</p> <p>How will you submit your application? Direct to the institution</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I've already sent my application</p>	<p>University of Georgia</p> <p>Which application deadline do you prefer? Regular Decision January 1</p> <p>How will you submit your application? Via Common App</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I've already sent my application</p>	<p>Kennesaw State University</p> <p>Which application deadline do you prefer? Regular Decision June 1</p> <p>How will you submit your application? Direct to the institution</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I've already sent my application</p>
<input type="button" value="Add Applications"/>	<input type="button" value="ADD AND REQUEST TRANSCRIPTS"/>	

# Transcript Request Card

Name of University/College or other Institution	Common App	Electronic	US Mail	Pick Up	Is a School Report required?	Is a Counselor Recommendation Required?	Completed Counselor packet in Naviance?	Today's Date	College Deadline	Paid	Counselor Rec/ School Report (date sent)	Transcript (date sent)
1 Signature _____					YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	Initial Midyear				
2 Signature _____					YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	Initial Midyear				
3 Signature _____					YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	Initial Midyear				
4 Signature _____					YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	Initial Midyear				
5 Signature _____					YES NO	YES NO	YES NO	Initial Midyear				

**Part 2:** Pay \$2 per transcript in person at the Counseling Office OR in [MyPaymentsPlus](#)

\*Part 1 in [Naviance](#) must be complete before paying for transcripts\*

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- Click on **Events & Activities**
- Choose **Transcript payment**
- Identify the **quantity** of transcripts you are requesting
- Complete the form to **MATCH the deadlines and submission type** from your [Naviance](#) account colleges "I'm applying to"



**NOTE:** Kell High School does not submit ACT or SAT scores to any college. If you need to send your ACT and/or SAT test scores to a college, it must be requested through your student ACT.org or CollegeBoard account.

Naviance Student Login

Step 1- [Kell High School website](#) or [Cobb County School District website](#)

Step 2- Click on **"FIND IT FAST"**

\*Top right-hand corner of page

Step 3- Choose **"Naviance"**

\*\*If necessary, use **Student Office 365** credentials to login to Naviance

# Planning for Your

# Future?

A few other options to consider:

- Military
- Technical College
- Workforce
- Apprenticeship
- Entrepreneurship
- University/College
- Gap Year



## Have you completed the necessary steps to arrive at your destination?

<u>Technical/Two Year/Specialty College</u>	<u>Four Year/Specialty College</u>	<u>Military</u>	<u>Workforce</u>	<u>Gap Year</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take the ACCUPLACER</li> <li>• Refer to individual college's application checklist</li> <li>• Complete and submit application(s)</li> <li>• Pay application fee(s) to the college(s)</li> <li>• Request transcript(s) to be sent to the college(s) * GAFutures.org * Counseling office</li> <li>• Research for scholarships</li> <li>• Request pin # for FAFSA</li> <li>• Complete the FAFSA or GSF Apps after January 1</li> <li>• Request final transcript</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take the SAT/ACT</li> <li>• Refer to individual college's application checklist</li> <li>• Complete and submit applications</li> <li>• Pay application fees to the colleges</li> <li>• Request recommendation letters (if needed) according to your high school's procedure</li> <li>• Request transcripts to be sent to the colleges * GAFutures.org * Counseling office</li> <li>• Research for scholarships</li> <li>• Request pin # for FAFSA</li> <li>• Complete the FAFSA or GSF Apps after January 1</li> <li>• Request final transcript</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Take the ASVAB</li> <li>• Discuss with parent or guardian</li> <li>• Talk to a recruiter</li> <li>• Visit to MEPS (Military Entrance Processing Station) with recruiter to complete a physical, select MOS (Military Occupational Stations), and join the branch of choice</li> <li>• Request final transcript</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Create a resume</li> <li>• Look for job openings, internships or apprentice programs</li> <li>• Inquire about possible entry skills test</li> <li>• Complete and submit applications</li> <li>• Practice for interviews * Research employers * Develop 3 questions</li> <li>• Interview * Know what to wear * Arrive early * Bring resume</li> <li>• Send a thank you letter after the interview</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do your research. If you are thinking about going abroad with a specific organization, understand what your responsibilities are, and what the organization is responsible for.</li> <li>• Decide what you want from the experience—the freedom to explore a new city/country, or the opportunity to get involved with a specific issue or initiative.</li> <li>• Create a rough timeline for before and during the trip including all preparations in order to leave such as saving enough money and getting a passport, and what you will do once you get there.</li> <li>• Create a budget. Think about travel expenses, food and accommodations, and currency exchange rates.</li> </ul>

Athletes must register with the NCAA ([www.eligibilitycenter.org/](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org/)) or NAIA Eligibility center (<http://www.playnaia.com/>) and release transcript to through the counseling office.

# Types of applications



- **Common Application:** <https://www.commonapp.org/>
  - The Common App is an undergraduate admission application that applicants may use to apply to any of the 900+ member colleges and universities
  - Some schools are Common App exclusive which means they do not accept any application other than the Common App.
- **University/College** specific applications located on their **website**
  - *Ex: Reinhardt University & MIT*
- **Gafutures.org**
  - Universities and Colleges in the state might use this platform for applying and sending transcripts.
  - *Ex: Kennesaw State University & Chattahoochee Tech*
- **Common Black Application:** <https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/>
  - Applying to colleges can be stressful and expensive the Black College Application (CBCA) allows student to pay a onetime application fee of \$20 which can be applied to all or some of the 63 member HBCUs



# Things to consider about GPA

Many colleges consider only the **academic or core GPA**

- English, math, science, social studies, & World Languages

Colleges vary in the calculation of the GPA from your CCSD transcript.

- Some Colleges/Universities will take your **weighted classes or remove electives from calculation**  
AP, Honors, Dual Enrollment
- Some Colleges/Universities will take the GPA listed on your CCSD transcript and not recalculate anything.
- Some Colleges/Universities will use their own weighting system to recalculate your GPA.
- **Please be sure to contact the college rep or admissions office with any questions.**

# Standardized Tests

- Register for the SAT: [collegeboard.org](https://collegeboard.org)
- Register for the ACT: [ACT.org](https://act.org)
  - Colleges/Universities accept both
- Focus on the one you perform the best. You may have to take both to know which is best for you.
- Prep companies may help you choose one but taking both will help make the decision.
- Check to see if school is test optional for 23-24 admissions cycle & what does that mean for your application.

# Deadlines

Types of deadlines for colleges:

- 1) **Regular deadline**: receive a decision at the standard response date.
- 2) **Early action**: receive a decision earlier than the standard response date BUT are NOT required to accept the admission offer or make a deposit prior to May 1.
- 3) **Early Decision (BINDING)**: Commit to enroll at the college if admitted and offered a satisfactory financial aid package. Application deadlines are usually in November to December with a mid-to-late December notification. *You can only apply to one Early Decision school.*
- 4) **Rolling**: admissions decisions are usually made within 6 weeks of submitting the application. No specific deadlines
- 5) **Priority deadlines**: mostly associated with getting into the institutional scholarship pools. Check these deadlines closely.

# Check the university/college website

plan to apply and check for the following:

- **Deadlines**
  - **VERY IMPORTANT to plan!**
  - **Waiting until the day of the deadline may result in an incomplete application.**
- **Application Requirements**
  - Essays
  - Test Scores
  - ACT/SAT
  - Letters of recommendation teacher and/or counselor
- **Admitted Student Stats**
- **First Year Admission Stats**
- **Freshman Index/Profile or some variation**
- **Compare your scores with the college/university requirements to determine **Reach**, **Probable** or **Safety**.**

# Building a list of possible colleges

Know ***your*** academic profile

- Core, **un-weighted** GPA
- Standardized test scores
- Curriculum (rigor)
- Search for the college's admitted freshman profile.
  - Average or mid 50% GPA & test scores, ***not admissions requirements***
- Compare how you fit into the college's admitted freshmen profile.

- **Reach**: "I might be accepted."
  - Apply to 1-2 of these
- **Probable**: "I should be accepted."
  - Apply to 2-3 of these
- **Safety**: "I will be accepted."
  - Apply to at least 1 of these

# University of Marietta

## ADMISSION STATS FRESHMAN PROFILE FIRST YEAR STUDENT STATS

Josephine A student  
Joey D Student

Josephine

GPA 3.88

SAT 1400

AP/DE Classes 10

Extracurricular: Marching Band,  
Varsity Soccer, Model UN

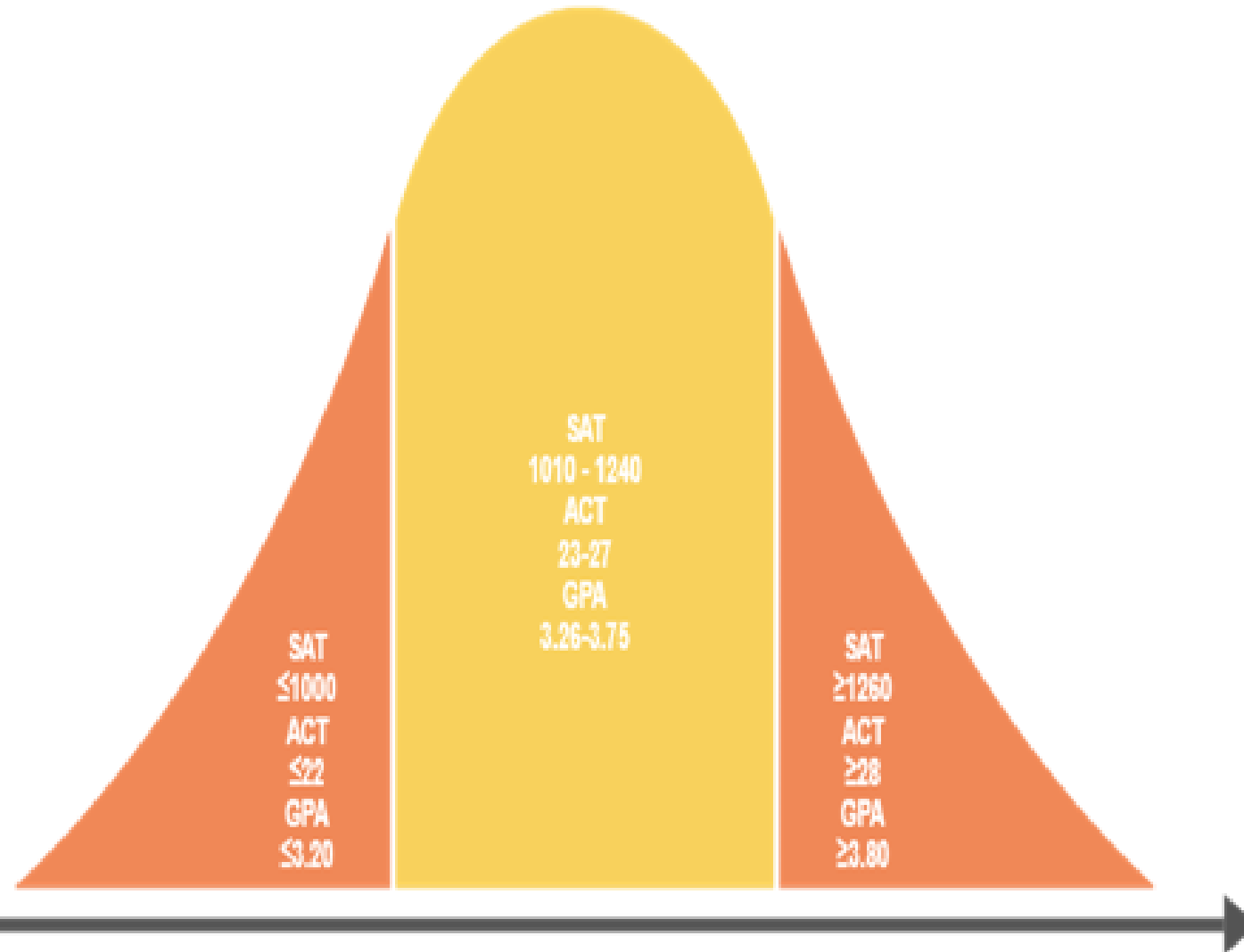
Joey

GPA 3.3

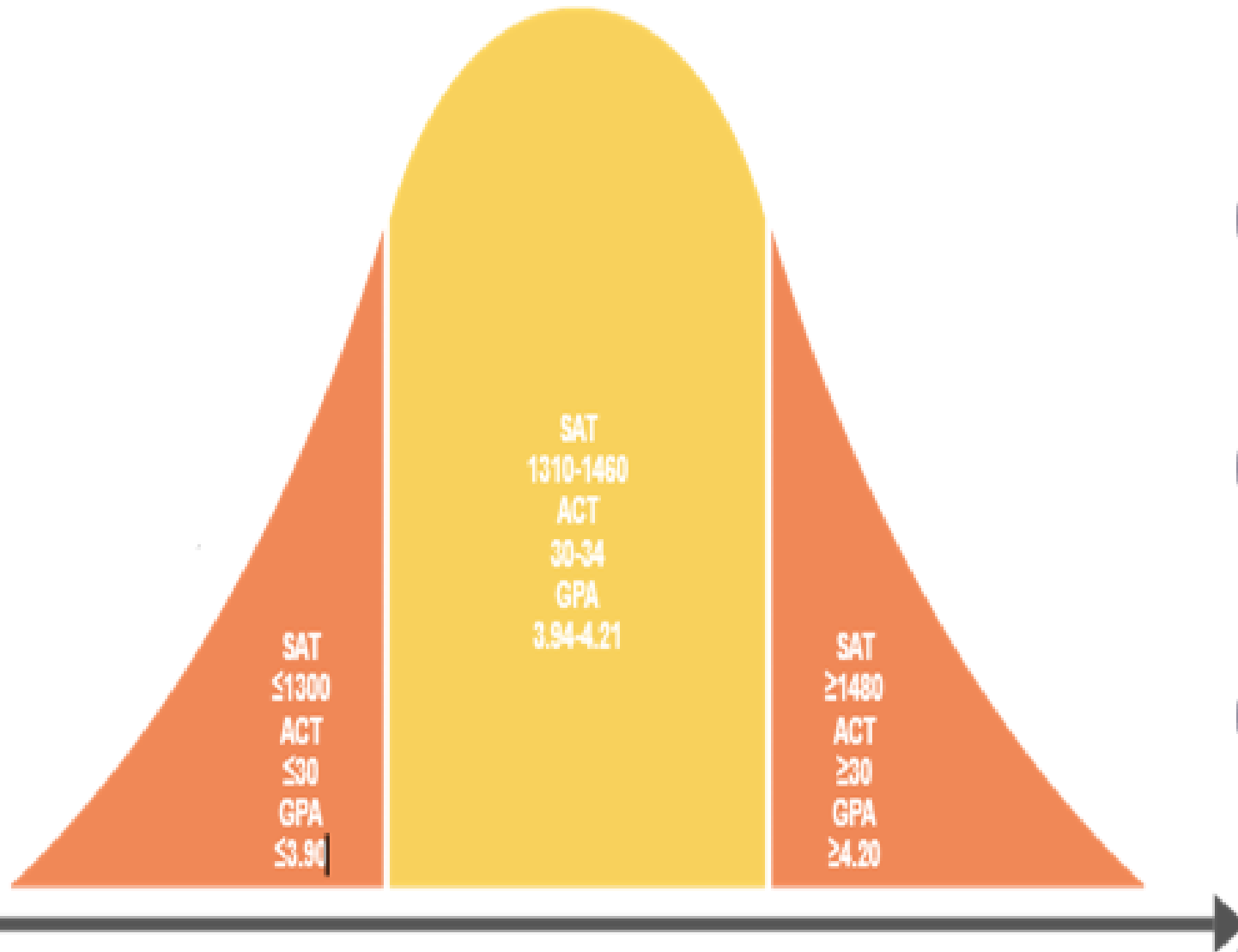
ACT 25

AP/DE Classes 0

Extracurricular: Varsity: Football,  
Wrestling, Baseball



# College of Cobb County



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# Scholarships

## RESEARCH – MEET DEADLINES – RESEARCH

- There are a great deal of scholarships available if YOU are willing to put in the **research** to find them and work to **apply** to them
- Websites Kell HS counseling page <https://60e872938fbea.site123.me/>
- JLV College Counseling
- Cappex
- [Goingmerry](#)
- <https://www.raise.me/>
- GAFutures
- Naviance national scholarship search
- collegeboard.org



# Teacher Recommendations

## Steps in Naviance

- Go to:
  - Colleges tab
    - Apply to College
  - Letters of Recommendation
- Click “Add Request”
  - Select a teacher from the dropdown list
  - Select recs to be sent to specific colleges
    - Note: If you select all current and future colleges, if a college limits the number of letters of recommendation allowed, recommenders who submit first will fulfill that limit, and any subsequent letters will not be accepted by the college.
    - If a college is grey, they probably don’t want recs sent
- Include a note with information you would like included and remember a thank you goes a long way
- Click Submit Request