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~~~Important Deadlines!!~~~

***UGA Early Action Deadline October 15, 2016**

Regular admission deadline January 15, 2017

***GA Tech Early Action deadline October 15, 2016**

Regular admission deadline January 10, 2017

***Kennesaw State Univ. priority deadline Oct. 28, 2016**

Regular admission deadline May 5, 2017

***Dalton State College deadline July 1, 2017**

***Senior trip to Dalton College for PROBE college fair
October 7th, 9:15am-1:30pm**

(more details to follow at a later date, \$5 fee for trip)

***Shorter University to visit RHS Nov. 10th during all 3 lunches**

***Kennesaw State University to visit RHS Oct. 20th during lunches**

FAFSA application begins October 1st, 2016

~~~Important Testing information!~~~

## 2016-2017 RHS Testing Calendar

### First Semester

Dec. 12-22 End of Course Tests

### Second Semester

TBA

## 2016-2017 SAT Test Dates

<http://sat.collegeboard.com/register/sat-dates>

| <u>SAT Date</u>  | <u>Register-By-Date</u> | <u>Late Registration</u> |
|------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| October 1, 2016  | September 1, 2016       | September 20, 2016       |
| November 5, 2016 | October 7, 2016         | October 25, 2016         |
| December 3, 2016 | November 3, 2016        | November 22, 2016        |
| January 21, 2017 | December 21, 2016       | January 10, 2017         |
| March 11, 2017   | February 10, 2017       | February 28, 2017        |
| May 6, 2017      | April 7, 2017           | April 25, 2017           |
| June 3, 2017     | May 9, 2017             | May 24, 2017             |

### What does it Cost?

| <b>Test</b>                                   | <b>Fees</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------------|
| SAT                                           | \$45.00     |
| SAT w/essay                                   | \$57.00     |
| Late registration fee                         | \$28.00     |
| Change Fee(test type, center, or date change) | \$28.00     |
| Waitlist fee                                  | \$46.00     |

## 2016-2017 ACT Test Dates

*For the United States, U.S. Territories, Puerto Rico, and Canada*

<http://www.actstudent.org/regist/currentdates.html>

| Test Date          | Registration Deadline | (Late Fee Required)               |
|--------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|
| September 12, 2016 | August 5, 2016        | August 6 – August 19, 2016        |
| October 22, 2016   | September 16, 2016    | September 17 – September 30, 2016 |
| December 10, 2016  | November 4, 2016      | November 5 – 18, 2016             |
| February 11, 2017  | January 13, 2017      | January 14 – 20, 2017             |
| April 8, 2017      | March 3, 2017         | March 4–17, 2017                  |
| June 10, 2017      | May 5, 2017           | May 6– 19, 2017                   |

### *What does it cost?*

| Test             | Fees    |
|------------------|---------|
| ACT (no writing) | \$42.50 |
| ACT plus Writing | \$58.50 |
| Late Fee         | \$27.50 |
| Standby testing  | \$51.00 |

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## ACT Training

**Looking to Improve Your Scores?**

[www.36university.com/chattanooga](http://www.36university.com/chattanooga)

**Hamilton Place YMCA**

**Cost: \$50**

**More info? 423-505-8558**

## **College Fairs**

### **Dalton Fair**

Friday, October 7, 2016

9:00am – 1:00pm

Dalton State College (Pope Student Center)

RHS will be providing transportation for seniors who return permission form and pay fee (sign up for texts for more up to date info)

Go to the following website to register for a barcode to make it easier for colleges to share info with you

### **Rome Fair**

Wednesday, October 5, 2016

9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The Forum: A Civic Center Complex

301 Tribune Street

Rome, Georgia 30162

### **Dade County Fair**

Tuesday, October 6th, 2016, 9:30am – 11:00am

## **Admission Criteria**

**Dalton State** <https://www.daltonstate.edu/admissions/beginning-freshman.cms>

**Kennesaw** <https://www.daltonstate.edu/admissions/beginning-freshman.cms>

## ~~~~~Scholarships~~~~~

### **Mary Ellen Locher Foundation Scholarship**

<http://www.melfoundation.org/#/scholarships/scholarship-information>

1. Given to children of breast cancer patients, either survivors or deceased.
2. Must live within a 50 mile radius of Chattanooga, TN.
3. Minimum GPA of 2.5

### **Pedro Del Valle Leadership Scholarship**

<https://www.marines.com/becoming-a-marine/commissioning-programs/four-year-colleges/nrotc>

1. Must be at least 17 yrs. old and high school senior
2. ASVAB score 74 or higher, ACT score 22 or higher, SAT combined score 1000 or higher
3. You must apply to one of the approved NROTC colleges and universities, which include some of the top academic institutions in the nation.
4. Pays 100% of cost of education

### **Frederick C. Branch Leadership Scholarship**

<https://www.marines.com/becoming-a-marine/commissioning-programs/four-year-colleges/nrotc>

1. Must be at least 17 yrs. old and high school senior
2. ASVAB score 74 or higher, ACT score 22 or higher, SAT combined score 1000 or higher
3. You must apply to one of the approved NROTC colleges and universities, which include some of the top academic institutions in the nation.
4. Pays 100% of cost of education

### **Wendy's High School Heisman Scholarship**

<http://www.wendysheisman.com>

1. Seniors who excel in academics and are involved in their community and extracurricular activities.
2. Must participate in at least one of the 43 sports sanctioned by the National Federation of State High Schools and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher
3. Deadline for submission October 3, 2016 **BUT before submission applications must be reviewed and confirmed by school representative so please you have put the reviewers email information in correctly.**

### **National Young Arts Foundation**

<http://www.youngarts.org/apply>

1. Are you an actor, dancer, filmmaker, designer, musician, photographer, singer, songwriter or writer?
2. Cash awards up to \$10,000. More than \$150 million in scholarships.
3. Deadline to apply **October 14, 2016**

### **Horatio Alger National and State Scholarship Program**

<https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/about-our-scholarship-programs/>

1. Seniors who plan to pursue a bachelor's degree in the Fall of 2016
2. Demonstrate financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income)
3. Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities
4. Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
5. 2.0 GPA
6. Be a United States citizen
7. Deadline to apply **October 25, 2016**

### **2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Award**

<http://spirit.prudential.com/media/managed/SOC-How-To-Apply.pdf>

1. Win \$1,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C, next May!
2. Are you making a difference through Volunteer?
3. Deadline to apply **November 8, 2016**

### **Mercer University Engineering Scholarship Challenge**

<https://forms.mercer.edu/engineering/forms/scholarship-challenge/>

1. Challenge is on Macon, GA campus on November 12, 2016
2. Seniors who are interested in Mercer's engineering, industrial management and technical communications program
3. Deadline to apply **November 12, 2016**

### **The Freedom Alliance Scholarship Fund**

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

1. The dependent son or daughter of a U.S. Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Guardsman or Marine who has become permanently disabled as a result of an operational mission or training accident
2. The dependent son or daughter of a U.S. Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Guardsman or Marine who has been killed in action
3. The dependent son or daughter of a U.S. Soldier, Sailor, Airman, Guardsman, or Marine who has been classified as a (POW) or (MIA)

### **2017 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest**

<https://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest.aspx>

1. Write an essay about a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1956
2. 1<sup>st</sup> place-\$20,000, cash awards for top 25 essays
3. Deadline for completed essay **January 4, 2017**

### **North Georgia EMC – TVA Howard Baker Memorial Scholarship**

<http://www.ngemc.com/Scholarships>

1. Must reside in household with electricity provided by NGEMC
2. Graduating senior planning to attend accredited college or technical school
3. \$1,000 scholarship
4. Deadline to apply **January 16, 2017**

### **Georgia EMC – North GA EMC Walter Harrison Scholarship**

<http://www.ngemc.com/Scholarships>

1. Must reside in household with electricity provided by NGEMC
2. Graduating senior planning to attend accredited college or technical school
3. \$1,000 scholarship
4. Deadline to apply **January 16, 2017**

### **15th Annual National Co-op Scholarship Program**

<http://www.waceinc.org/scholarship/index.html>

1. Must have a 3.5 or better GPA
2. Must apply for the 2017-18 academic year at one of the WACE partner institutions...see website for list of colleges!
3. Scholarships vary with each college \$24,000-\$26,000
4. **EARLY APPLICATIONS ARE HIGHLY ENCOURAGED**
5. Application deadline **is different for each institution!**

### **Discus Awards: Honoring the All-Around High School Student**

<http://www.humanityrising.org/pages/scholarships>

1. Scholarships ranging from \$500-\$30,000
2. Deadline **February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017** (more scholarships posted at a later date)

### **SunTrust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes**

[www.suntrustededucation.com/scholarshipsweepstakes](http://www.suntrustededucation.com/scholarshipsweepstakes)

1. (30) \$500 scholarships awarded toward education at college or university
2. Open to high school seniors and current undergraduates
3. Free to enter and not based on GPA or financial need
4. 2 winners randomly chosen every two weeks from **Oct. 28- May 12, 2017**

### **Scholastic Art & Writing Awards**

<http://www.artandwriting.org/scholarships/>

1. Various awards up to \$10,000
2. Portfolio, Best-in-Grade, New York Life scholarships.
3. Various deadlines with each scholarship

## **More Scholarships**

Alabama Homes Builders Foundation  
Building Construction Technology  
[www.HBAA.org](http://www.HBAA.org)

FREE Christian College information as well as a \$2,500 scholarship drawing  
[www.ChristianConnector.com](http://www.ChristianConnector.com)

College Scholarship.com  
Academic  
<http://www.collegescholarships.com/>

United Negro College Fund  
<http://www.uncf.org/>

America Legion Scholarships  
<http://legion.org>

Methodist Scholarships  
[http://www.free-4u.com/methodist\\_scholarships.html](http://www.free-4u.com/methodist_scholarships.html)

Americorps  
<http://www.cns.gov/>

Walmart Community  
<http://www.walmartfoundation.org>

State Farm Scholarships  
<https://www.statefarm.com/about-us/community/education-programs/grants-scholarships>

FinAid: The Smart Students Guide to Financial Aid (scholarships)  
<http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/>

SEMA Memorial Scholarship Fund  
[www.sema.org/scholarships](http://www.sema.org/scholarships)

FMA, Fabricators & Manufactures Assoc. Foundation  
[www.fmafoundation.com](http://www.fmafoundation.com)

American Legion Scholarships  
<http://www.legion.org/scholarships>



Other Useful websites for Scholarship and Financial Aid information

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

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

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

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

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

[www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov)

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

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

[www.college-solutions.com](http://www.college-solutions.com)

[www.freschinfo.com/browse.htm](http://www.freschinfo.com/browse.htm)

[www.collegenet.com/mach25/app](http://www.collegenet.com/mach25/app)

[www.osfa.state.la.us](http://www.osfa.state.la.us)

[www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/express.html](http://www.ed.gov/offices/OPE/express.html)

[www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)

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

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

# Campus Visits

**Dalton State College** <https://www.daltonstate.edu/admissions/campus-tour.cms>

Information Sessions and Tours every Wednesday @ 2:00

Call 706-272-4436 for more information

**Fort Valley State University**

Open House Saturday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016. Registration begins @8:30am.

Program ends at 1:00pm with free cookout style lunch.

[www.fvsu.edu/open-house](http://www.fvsu.edu/open-house) to register.

**Georgia Southwestern State University Preview Days**

October 29<sup>th</sup>, February 4<sup>th</sup>, April 1<sup>st</sup>

<https://gsw.edu/admissions/preview-day-sign-up-form?view=form> to register

**Kennesaw State University** <http://visit.kennesaw.edu/info.php>

For reservation call 770-423-6500

**Mississippi State University –Fall Preview Days**

October 10th, October 24th, November 11<sup>th</sup>

Set up by appointment PreviewDay.msstate.edu

**SCAD Day (Savannah College of Art and Design)**

SCAD's open house for prospective students and their families who want to visit professional-caliber spaces, chat with renowned professors, get a taste of SCAD classroom settings and student life, meet with admission representatives and experience life as a SCAD Bee. <https://www.scad.edu/admission/visit-scad/scad-days>

**Shorter University Preview Day**

Shorter University will be hosting a Preview Day on October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016 with check-in starting at 8:30 AM and the event beginning at 9:00 AM. They will have a chance to meet with professors, receive a full tour, have lunch in our cafeteria, and learn all they can about SU.

**University of Georgia**

Campus Tours Monday- Friday 8:00a - 5:00p, select Saturdays 9:30a – 3:00p

for reservations call the visitor center @ 706-542-0842

**Valdosta State University** [www.valdosta.edu/admissions/](http://www.valdosta.edu/admissions/)

Campus tours are offered twice daily Mon-Friday (by Appointment)

# College Application Timeline

## ✓ **September**

- ✓ Your counselor plays a big role in helping you get into college, so keep her informed. Meet to talk about your college plans and review your transcript.
- ✓ Get started on your applications right away if you plan to apply through an early decision or early action program. Deadlines for early applications tend to fall in October or November.
- ✓ Start working on your college essays. Write essays that focus on your experiences and make you stand out from the crowd.

## ✓ **October**

- ✓ Ask your counselor, teachers, and coaches or employers for letters of recommendation. Give them plenty of time to meet your deadlines and make sure to provide them with stamped and addressed envelopes.
- ✓ Take SAT tests. Make sure your scores are sent to each of your colleges.
- ✓ If you are applying under an early decision or early action program, be sure to get all forms in as soon as possible. Applying online might be the right option for you.

## ✓ **November**

- ✓ Submit early decision and early action applications on time.
- ✓ Work hard at completing your college essays. Proofread them rigorously for mistakes.
- ✓ Follow up with your teachers to ensure that letters of recommendation are sent on time to meet your deadlines.
- ✓ Mail applications as early as possible for colleges with rolling deadlines (admissions decisions are made as applications are received).

## ✓ **December**

- ✓ Try to wrap up college applications before winter break. Make copies of each application before you send it.
- ✓ Early decision and early application responses arrive this month.

## ✓ **January**

- ✓ Early decision and early application responses arrive this month.
- ✓ Some colleges include your first-semester grades as part of your application folder. This is called the mid-year grade report. Have your counselor send your grades to colleges that require them.

## ✓ **February**

- ✓ Contact your colleges and confirm that all necessary application materials have been received.
- ✓ Don't get senioritis! Colleges want to see strong second half grades.  
<http://www.collegeboard.com/student/apply/the-application/8626.html>

## ✓ **March**

- ✓ Some admissions decisions arrive this month. Read everything you receive carefully, as some of it may require action on your part.

## ✓ **April**

- ✓ Most admissions decisions and financial aid award letters arrive this month. Read everything you receive carefully, as some of it may require action on your part.
- ✓ Make a final decision, and mail the enrollment form and deposit check to the school you select before May 1 (the enrollment deadline for most schools).
- ✓ Notify each of the schools to which you were accepted that you will not be attending in writing so that your spot can be freed up for another student.
- ✓ On the waiting list? Contact the admissions office and let them know of your continued interest in the college and update them on your spring semester grades and activities.

## ✓ **May**

- ✓ AP Exams are administered. Make sure your AP score report is sent to your college.
- ✓ Study hard for final exams. Most admissions offers are contingent on your final grades.
- ✓ Thank your counselor, teachers, coaches, and anyone else who wrote you recommendations or otherwise helped with your college applications.