



Your Child's Future...it Begins Now!

Right now is the time for your child to begin preparing for his or her future. In 2010, the Georgia General Assembly passed the BRIDGE law which requires students in grades 6-12 to receive college and career guidance and options in preparation for a successful future. BRIDGE is an acronym for Building Resourceful Individuals to Develop

Georgia's Economy. The notion behind the law is that if students begin preparing early enough and declaring their interests often enough, they are more apt to have a successful future, thus helping to grow Georgia's economy.

In order to meet the BRIDGE law requirements, Tattnall County Schools have chosen to use Georgia Career Information System (GCIS) and Georgia Career Information System Junior (GCIS Junior) as the primary tool for education and career planning. Students will be able access assessments, set goals, and plan for their future using the GCIS program. Parents, you too will have access to your child's career information and planning guides through your PowerSchool's parent portal login (more information on accessing your child's account will come at a later time).

The BRIDGE Law requires:

- 8th grade students** - Complete a career aptitude inventory (YouScience)
 - Use career interest and career aptitude inventory results to complete an Individual Graduation Plan
- 7th grade students** - Complete one additional career interest inventory and save it in their electronic career profile
 - Explore at least 3 career clusters based on the career inventory results and save results and career statements in their electronic career profile.
- 6th grade students** - Create an electronic career profile (Already created through PowerSchool)
 - Complete at least one career interest inventory and save results in their career profile

In the near future, your child's school counselor, Pam Davis, will be advising your child on his or her future plans. Students will be able to access their GCIS account through PowerSchool's student portal. **Should you have any questions, please contact NTMS Counselor, Pam Davis, @ 912-557-3993 or pdavis@tattnall.k12.ga.us.**

ATTENTION: Upcoming 2019-2020 TCHS 9th Graders:

Dual Enrollment - Educating Georgia's Future through Dual Credit

In 2015, the Georgia General Assembly passed a law that streamlined the existing dual-credit programs. Dual Enrollment is the process by which high school students may earn high school course credits while taking college courses. Dual Enrollment is available to any Georgia student in grades 11 & 12 enrolled in a public school, private school, or home-study program operated pursuant to O.C.G.A. 20-2-690 in Georgia. Students must apply and be accepted to a participating postsecondary institution.

For more details and information regarding other dual credit programs, including articulation, please contact the Georgia Department of Education at the following web address: www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/CTAE/Pages/Transition-Career-Partnerships.aspx.