# GTCHS SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT MIDDLE COLLEGE PROGRAM & ACCUPLACER PREP

- Starting Sophomore (10th grade) year GTCHS students can enroll in dual-credit courses at GTC
- Eligibility Requirements:
  - Passing grades in all classes
  - Qualifying ACCUPLACER scores
  - Meeting course prerequisites

- Early College Cohort
  - Information Session
  - Application Process

- How many dual-credit courses can Sophomores take?
  - TWO per semester (Fall 2022 & Spring 2023)
  - Total of FOUR for the Sophomore year

- How do I learn more about the Middle College program?
  - GTCHS Middle College Handbook
  - Ask questions during IGP conferences
  - Email your School Counselor

#### ACCUPLACER

- Evaluates your readiness & eligibility for college courses
- Evaluates skills in:
  - Math
  - Reading
  - Writing
- Scores will be distributed in Freshman Success
- College course options will be discussed during your IGP conference in the spring

# TAKING ACCUPLACER

- Untimed
- Computerized
- Multiple-choice format
- Test Date on campus
  - November 19th

#### MATH PORTION

- Tests 3 types of math skills:
  - Arithmetic
     Whole numbers, Decimals, Percents, Number Comparisons
  - Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, & Statistics (QAS)
     Rational numbers, Ratio, Proportions, Exponents, Algebraic Expressions, Linear Equations, Probability, Geometry
  - Advanced Algebra & Functions (AAF)
     Linear Equations, Factoring, Quadratics, Radical and Rational Equations,
     Polynomials, Exponentials, Logarithms, and Trigonometry

Math scores qualify you for more than just math classes at GTC!

#### READING

- Obtain meaning from a range of texts
- Determine meaning of words & phrases in short & extended contexts
- Knowledge & Skills Categories:
  - Information & Ideas
  - Rhetoric
  - Synthesis
  - Vocabulary

# WRITING (ALL MULTIPLE CHOICE)

- Ability to revise and edit multi-paragraph text
- Knowledge & Skills Categories:
  - Expression of Ideas
    - Development, Organization, Effective Language Use
  - Standard English Conventions
    - Sentence Structure, Usage, Punctuation

#### ACCUPLACER SCORES

#### ENG 101 placement

- Qualifies you to take the majority of college courses
  - English, History, Languages, Psychology, Sociology, etc.

#### Scores for ENG 101 Placement

Writing 253 or higher

Reading 253 or higher

#### ACCUPLACER SCORES

MAT placement

MAT 109/110 (College Algebra)
MAT 120 (Prob & Stat)

Reading & Writing scores of 253+

QAS score of 268-275

AAF score of 237-262

#### RETAKING ACCUPLACER

- If you don't achieve appropriate scores:
  - You may retake that portion <u>one time</u>

- If you don't achieve appropriate scores after retaking that portion:
  - You must <u>wait 6 months</u> until you can take that portion again.

### STUDY RESOURCES

- NEXT GENERATION ACCUPLACER Sample Questions
  - https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/student/ practice
- GTC Placement Center Recommendations
  - http://main.gaccuplacer.sc.brainfuse.com
    - Click on Skills Surfer, College Placement Tests,
       Accuplacer Preparation Guide

# STUDY RESOURCES

- GTC Math Recommendations
  - math.com
  - www.mathtv.com/
  - www.khanacademy.com

# STUDY RESOURCES

- GTC Reading/Writing Recommendations
  - webgrammar.com/
  - grammarbook.com
  - englishpage.com/vocabulary/vocabulary.html

## IMPORTANT DATES

- November 19 ACCUPLACER testing on campus
- 1st Week of December Receive ACCUPLACER score report
- End of January- Deadline to retake a portion of ACCUPLACER