

# One Cluster! Two Great Choices!

Students in the Norcross Cluster have the unique opportunity to choose the high school they wish to attend. We have found that students and families make the best choice by learning about both high schools and choosing the school that best fits their interests. There will be several virtual meetings over the next few weeks for student and parents to learn more about both schools. Recordings of these meetings will be available on the high school websites. Students and parents can begin familiarizing themselves with both schools by visiting the school websites at [PaulDukeSTEM.org](http://PaulDukeSTEM.org) and [NorcrossHigh.org](http://NorcrossHigh.org). Families will make their selection of which high school to attend in early December, after the Thanksgiving break.

## IMPORTANT DATES

- **Monday, November 9 @ 6:30 pm:** Virtual parent meeting about Norcross HS and Paul Duke STEM HS
- **Thursday, November 12 @ 6:30 pm (in Spanish):** Virtual parent meeting about Norcross HS and Paul Duke STEM HS
- **Monday, November 16 @ 6:30 pm:** Virtual student/parent meeting with in depth information about Paul Duke STEM HS
- **Tuesday, November 17 @ 6:30 pm:** Virtual student/parent meeting with in depth information about Norcross HS
- **Wednesday, November 18 @ 6:30 pm (in Spanish):** Virtual student/parent meeting with in depth information about Paul Duke STEM HS
- **Thursday, November 19 @ 6:30 pm (in Spanish):** Virtual student/parent meeting with in depth information about Norcross HS
- **Week of November 30:** Students submit their high school and elective course selections through eClass.

## REGARDLESS OF WHICH SCHOOL YOUR STUDENTS CHOOSE, GET INVOLVED!

Both Norcross High School and Paul Duke STEM High School offer a number of after school activities. These activities serve to compliment classroom learning to create an environment that encourages all students to achieve their greatest potential as responsible, productive members of a diverse society.



### • Unique Programs at NHS

- INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE
  - IB Diploma Programme
  - IB Middle Years Programme
- 3DE BY JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT
- ARMY JUNIOR ROTC



### • Unique Programs at PDS

- AP CAPSTONE PROGRAM
- CYBERSECURITY PROGRAMS
- INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS
- 10 STEM PATHWAYS
- SENIOR EXPERIENCE AND EXHIBITION



# NORCROSS CLUSTER HIGH SCHOOLS: A CHOICE FOR EXCELLENCE

## Which school is right for my students?

There are many similarities between Norcross and Paul Duke STEM High Schools, so please encourage your students to learn about both schools before determining which school is best for them.

- What are their interests, talents, and passions?
- What type of high school experience do they want?
- What are their current college and career goals?
- Which school matches them best?



## GWINNETT COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students are **required** to pass the High School Gateway Assessment, as well as core classes requiring an End of Course assessment, in order to to earn a regular high school diploma.

Subject	Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies	Health & PE	Fine Arts, World Languages, and Career & Technical Ed	Electives	Total Credits
<b>Credits required</b>	<b>4 Credits;</b> including Required 1 Credit of 9th Gr. Lit. & Comp., and 1 Credit of 11th Gr. Am. Lit. & Comp.	<b>4 Credits;</b> including Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II	<b>4 Credits;</b> including Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and science elective	<b>3 Credits;</b> including 1 Credit World History, 1 Credit U.S. History, .5 Credit Political Systems, and .5 Credit Economics	<b>1 Credit;</b> including .5 Credit Personal Fitness, and .5 Credit Health or JROTC	<b>3 Credits (Any Combination)</b> *2 credits of the same modern or classical language are required for university admissions in the state of Georgia.	<b>4 Credits</b>	<b>23 Credits</b>