

**9th Grade
Orientation**

VIDALIA HIGH SCHOOL

9th Grade Orientation

2025-2026



Welcome Class of 2029



Administration:

Mr. Ellis Strobridge, Principal

Mr. Steve Freenor, Assistant Principal

Mr. Corey James, Assistant Principal

Mrs. Jamie Sharton, Instructional Coach

Coach Tommy Dalley, Athletic Director

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Where will you V in May of 2029?

GRADUATION



Goals & Expectations



- To provide a positive and safe environment where effective teaching and learning is the focus!
- To ensure that every student graduates equipped with the knowledge, skills, and character needed to succeed in college, the military, or a meaningful career.

HOW DO WE GET THERE?



ATTENDANCE



A student may accumulate no more than five absences, excused or unexcused, per block per semester. After five parent notes per semester, students must turn in a doctor's note for an absence to be considered excused. **All notes, including medical, submitted three days after an absence will not be accepted.** All absences over five will be unexcused.

- This excludes deaths in immediate family, personal illnesses with a doctor's note, dentist visits with a dentist's note, or verifiable emergency illnesses in immediate family.

A student's absence will be counted as excused when it complies with the Georgia State Policy governing excused absences. Such absences include:

1. Personal illness
2. Death in the immediate family
3. Recognized religious holidays
4. Any absence that has the prior approval of the administration
5. Mandated court order
6. Serve as a Page in the General Assembly
7. Register for or go to vote
8. Military exams or physical exams
9. Conditions rendering attendance impossible or hazardous to student health or safety

The principal may also approve an absence beyond five if it is beyond the student's control, for example: a mandated court order, military exams, and other just reasons. Unexcused absences over five school days and excessive excused absences will be referred to the Pupil Services Coordinator for investigation.

BEHAVIOR



Follow behavioral expectations as outlined in the student handbook (Pages 58-66)

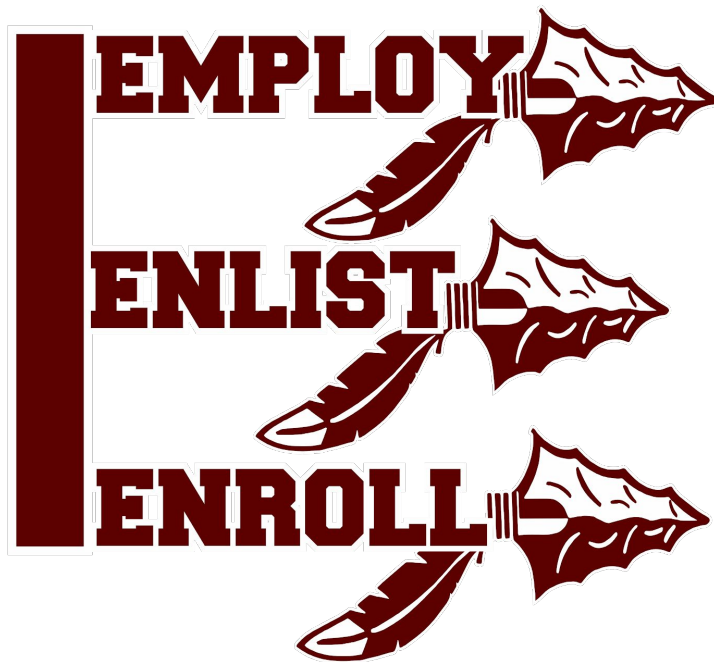
- **Dress Code (Pgs. 50-52)**
- **Cell Phone Use (Pg. 59)**
- **No wearing of ear piece of any kind (Pg. 59)**
- **No Hats or Hoodies in the building (pg. 60)**

CREDITS



- 8 Classes per year (4 Each Semester)
- Each semester - 2 Core and 2 Elective or Health/PE
- 32 total Classes over 4 years
- Minimum of 23 Credits required to graduate
 - 16 Core Classes (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies)
 - 3 CTAE/FA/FL, 1 Health and PE and 3 Elective Classes
- All classes count toward your Grade Point Average (GPA)

3E Graduation Framework



Sample Schedule

Vidalia High School Student Schedule

7/31/25

Student Number:

Grade 10

Period	Term	Course	Teacher	Room
1(A)	S1	Honors Advanced Algebra	Ricks, Kelli	406
2(A)	S1	Introduction to Construction	Meredith, Thomas Grey	837
3(A)	S1	Advanced Placement English Language/Comp	Campbell, Rachelle	627
4(A)	S1	Weight Training Girls	Ingle, Britt	GYM
ADV(A)	S1	10 GRADE ADVISEMENT	Salter, Wally	603

Period	Term	Course	Teacher	Room
1(A)	S2	Advanced Placement Biology	Blount, Elissa	423
2(A)	S2	Advanced Placement Government/Politics	Davis, Jillian	609
3(A)	S2	Carpentry I	Meredith, Thomas Grey	837
4(A)	S2	Weight Training Girls	Godbee, Mandy S	GYM
ADV(A)	S2	10 GRADE ADVISEMENT	Salter, Wally	603



LUNCH SCHEDULE (based on 3rd block class):

1st Lunch: 100 Hallway, Askins, English/Language Arts, Social Studies, and Spanish classes
2nd Lunch: Science classes, SECCA, CLC, Health/PE, Weights, 700 Hallway, and 800 Hallway
(CTAE classes)

Bell Schedule

AM Detention	7:00 - 7:25 AM	
1st Block	7:30 AM - 8:50 AM	
AM Break	8:50 - 9:00 AM	
2nd Block	9:00- 10:20 AM	
WIN/Advisement	10:25 - 11:05 AM	
3rd Block	1st Lunch 11:05 - 11:40 (Lunch) 11:45 - 1:05 (Class)	<u>1st Lunch</u> 100 Hall 600 Hall <u>2nd Lunch</u> SECCA & CLC Gym & Weights CTAE & Science Fletcher
4th Block	1:10-2:30 PM	
PM Detention	2:35 PM - 3:00 PM	

Get Involved



- Statistics prove students involved in extracurricular activities are more likely to enjoy school, attend regularly, and graduate successfully. VHS offers a wide range of clubs, team sports, and programs to help you get connected!
- **VHS** has many opportunities to get involved!!

New Year New Start



Starting high school is the beginning of an exciting new chapter. As 9th graders, this is your chance to reset, rise above past challenges, and become the person you've always wanted to be. Every class, every choice, and every new connection is a step toward your future, so step in with confidence, because your journey starts now.

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Vidalia Indians



**Ellis Strobbridge, EdS.
Principal**

Vidalia High School

Let's Have A Great School Year

BUILDING MAP

