**Gaston Virtual Academy (GVA)**

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**High School Counselor:** Yeva Hall-Williamson (grades 9-12)

**About us:**

“GVA” is a newly branded choice school, within the Gaston County School District, that provides NC Department of Public Instruction-approved, remote education to students within Gaston County through qualified teachers. Visit our school website at <https://www.gaston.k12.nc.us/virtualacademy>

**Weighted Courses**

GVA Honors Courses: *offered for academics, plus AP English 11, and AP Statistics*

Gaston Online: *GO! is a virtual learning program where courses are created and administered by Gaston County Schools’ teachers for high school students. \*More HONORS and AP courses available.*

North Carolina Virtual Public School*: NCVPS is the online course provider for public schools in NC and is governed through the NCVPS organization and the NC Department of Public Instruction. \*More HONORS and AP courses are available.*

College Now (Formerly CCP): *is a dual enrollment program for high school juniors and seniors. The purpose* is to accelerate completion of college courses while in high school. Enrollment opens three times a

school year (fall, spring, and summer and students must register for Gaston College during open enrollment).

**Mission:** GVA will strive to provide quality education to students, using cutting-edge technology, and a flexible Learning environment for all students.

**Vision:** GVA will deliver highly effective digital learning through innovative Learning experiences for each student to help them reach their full potential and lead productive lives in an evolving society.

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**Gaston County Schools’ High School Grading Information**

**Weighted Grade Point Scale**

Standard Course Honors/AP Prep AP

A = 4.0 A = 4.5 A = 5.0

B = 3.0 B = 3.5 B = 4.0

C = 2.0 C = 2.5 C = 3.0

D = 1.0 D = 1.5 D = 2.0

F = 0 F = 0 F = 0

*Class Rank/GPA is calculated at the end of each semester by using the weighted 4.0 scale*

**Grading Scale**

A 90-100

B 80-89

C 70-79

D 60-69

F Below 60

(*eligible for credit recovery/grade suppression*)

**Graduation Requirements: EVERY CLASS WHETHER AN ELECTIVE OR ACADEMIC IS WORTH 1.0 CREDIT**

All students are required to complete a minimum of 28 credits (of 32 offered) to graduate + meet the following graduation requirements:

4 English

4 Math (Math I, Math II, Math III and a Math course above Math Ill aligned with post-secondary plans)

4 Social Studies (World History, Civic Literacy, Economics & Personal Finance, **and/or** American History paired with a fourth history elective) \*new requirements vary by grade level.

3 Science (Earth/Environmental, Biology, and a Physical Science)

1 Health/PE

12 Electives

Graduate Early!