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## HOPE GPA Now Even Easier for Students and Parents to Track

Atlanta, GA – Today Governor Sonny Perdue signed into law legislation that requires each school system and private school transmit to GSFC an electronic transcript of courses and course grades for each student (9th-11th grade) that reflects the complete high school academic record of the student. Additionally, beginning with the fall 2011 term, GSFC will provide HOPE GPA's to all 9th-12th grade students and their parents through their My411 accounts on GAcollege411.org.

The law was changed in an effort to provide students with an easy and accurate way to keep track of their HOPE GPA and to give parents an additional tool to track their child's academic progress and to assist them in helping their child make decisions about course choices.

Under current Georgia law, each school system and private school is only required to submit the electronic transcripts and complete high school academic record for each student in the 12th grade.

“Students should not have to wait until their senior year, second semester, to know for sure if they are eligible for the HOPE Scholarship,” states Tim Connell, president of the Georgia Student Finance Commission. “The earlier students have access to this information, the better they and their parents can plan for their postsecondary educational options and financial needs.”

Information about the HOPE Program, and other scholarship and grant programs can be found at [www.GAcollege411.org](http://www.GAcollege411.org).

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### **About the Georgia Student Finance Commission**

Since 1965 the Georgia Student Finance Commission (GSFC) has provided more than \$9 billion in financial aid to help **over two million** Georgians achieve their dreams of higher education. GSFC also administers multiple scholarship and grant programs, including the nationally acclaimed HOPE Scholarship and Grant Program. Additional information about GSFC products and services is available at [www.gsfc.org](http://www.gsfc.org) or (800) 505-GSFC (4732).