

# FINANCIAL AID BASICS

*Wiregrass GA Technical College*



*Emails* - [financialaid@wiregrass.edu](mailto:financialaid@wiregrass.edu)



- Send emails from your **Wiregrass student email**.
  - We can't share account information with a personal email.
- Include your student ID number (**900**\_\_\_\_\_).
- We can't include financial aid or balance amounts over the phone or over email.

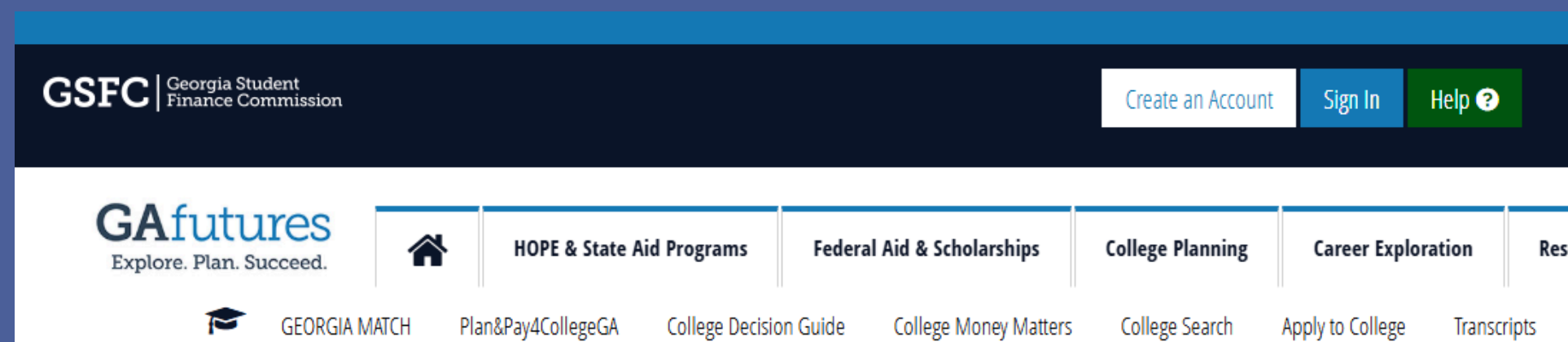
FAFSA - [studentaid.gov](https://studentaid.gov)



- Apply for financial aid by filling out a FAFSA.
  - A new FAFSA needs to be completed before every Fall semester.
- Include the **Wiregrass Valdosta** school code (**005256**)
  - Do NOT use the Fitzgerald code
- The FAFSA can evaluate eligibility for **Pell** and **HOPE!**
  - Only classes in your program will be covered!

# GSFAPP - [gafutures.org](https://gafutures.org)

- We recommend completing a GSFAPP for state aid *if you are a GA resident*. The application is good for **10 years**.
  - *If there's something wrong with the FAFSA, we can use this to check HOPE eligibility.*
- You can also use your GAfutures account to monitor your eligibility for HOPE.



# HOPE

- HOPE Grant

- Certificate  
or Diploma  
Programs

- HOPE Scholarship

- Degree Programs (Associate's)
- Must submit ALL transcripts from prior colleges.



GAfutures.org / My GAfutures /

Welcome to Your Student Dashboard

- Plan&Pay4CollegeGA
- ACT/SAT Scores
- GSFAPP, FAFSA and Selective Service
- Messages
  - No recent Messages

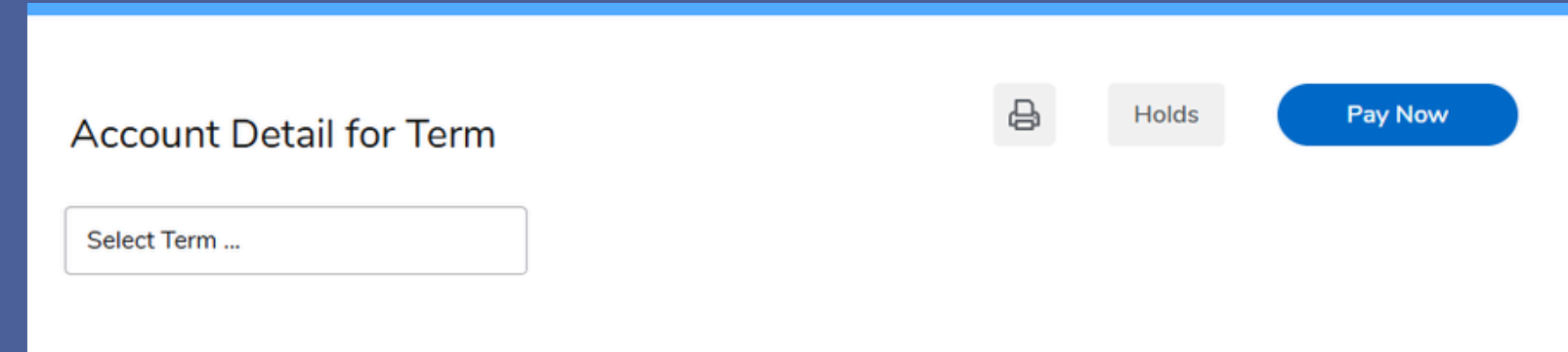
- Profile
- Messages
- My Dual Enrollment Profile
- My High School HOPE GPA
- My High School Transcript
- My College HOPE Profile
- College Application
- Document Upload
- Saved Colleges
- Saved Scholarships

# Loans

The logo for Sallie Mae, featuring the words "sallie mae" in a dark blue, lowercase, sans-serif font. A small red dot is positioned above the letter "i" in "sallie". A small "SM" trademark symbol is located to the right of the word "mae".

- Wiregrass **does not** participate with federal subsidized or unsubsidized loans. (*Loans through FAFSA*)
- We **do** accept private loans.
  - Wiregrass works directly with Sallie Mae and KHEAA (**Must have a FAFSA on file**).
- Outside loans will go through the Business Office.

# Payment Plan



- Payment plans through Netnet are available through the Business Office.
- The sooner you sign up, the lower your payments will be.
  - Includes an enrollment fee.
- **studentbalance@wiregrass.edu**



# Refunds

- Not everyone will receive a refund.
- Refunds are scheduled to go out on specific dates.
  - You will not receive a refund on every date.
- Attendance must be verified for each class before aid can be disbursed.
  - If your classes start on different dates, your refund may be split.
- For all questions about refunds, please contact the **Business Office**.
- **studentbalance@wiregrass.edu**



# Bank Mobile

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Technologies, Inc.

- New students *should* receive an email from **Bank Mobile** 2-3 weeks after the semester starts to choose their refund preference.
  - Direct deposit or paper check
- **Check the sender** before you click links or give personal information!
- Even if you don't expect to get a refund, set up your account with them in case you receive a refund later on.
  - Keep your information updated (**email address, bank info**).
- **studentbalance@wiregrass.edu**

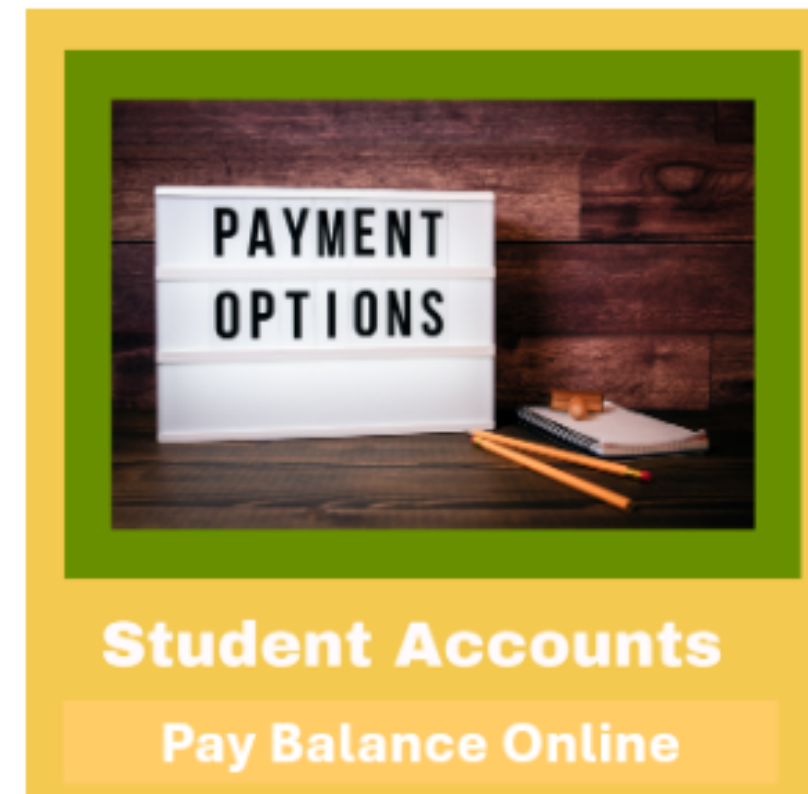
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## Financial Aid - Account



- **Financial Aid Applications**
- **Requirements**
- **Satisfactory Academic Progress**

## Student Accounts - Payments



- **Net Term Balance**
- **Authorized Aid**
- **Pay your Balance/Set up a Payment Plan**

# Quick Links

- **studentaid.gov**

- Fill out your FAFSA, check Pell LEU, & check loan status.

- **gafutures.org**

- Fill out a GSFAPP & check HOPE eligibility and hours.

- **wiregrass.okta.com**

- Main student login for email, financial aid, classes, etc.

- **wiregrass.studentforms.com**

- Complete verification, appeals, etc.

- **sss.gov**

- Register for the Selective Service (required for HOPE - Men 18+)

- **irs.gov**

- Download tax transcripts.