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Georgia Southern University welcomes more than 150 of the best and brightest high school seniors from Georgia and across the United States to campus this weekend for the eighth annual Southern Scholars Showcase. On Friday and Saturday, Nov. 30 – Dec. 1, students will tour Georgia Southern and interview for academic scholarships and the University Honors Program.

“We are so pleased to have these academically talented students visit our campus,” said Teresa Thompson, Ph.D., Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management. “This is a wonderful opportunity for these scholars to interact with our outstanding faculty and staff to learn firsthand about our in depth programming that integrates learning, service and leadership to empower students to become global citizens who lead with a lifelong commitment to service.”

For students to receive an invitation to the Southern Scholars Showcase, they must have outstanding SAT or ACT scores and GPA. Organizers of the scholarship event said the average SAT score for students attending last year’s event was 1345 (math and critical reading).

“Georgia Southern faculty and staff understand and value the importance of creating an academic and extracurricular environment of excellence for all students,” said Jean Bartels, Ph.D., Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs. “To be able to showcase our integrated culture of academic excellence through the Southern Scholars Showcase event gives us an extraordinary opportunity to share this commitment and vision with the most gifted of students of this year’s graduating class.”

After students and their parents tour campus and attend some informational sessions on Friday afternoon, they will meet at 5 p.m. for the Southern Scholars Showcase banquet and dinner at the Nessmith-Lane Conference Center, 847 Plant Drive. Students can meet and have their photographs taken with Georgia Southern President Brooks Keel, Ph.D., and Provost Jean Bartels.

The scholarship interviews begin Saturday morning with select students interviewing for the prestigious 1906 scholarship through the Honors Program. Between interviews, students and their guests will attend sessions to learn more about Georgia Southern’s honors program, student life, housing, engineering, intramurals and study abroad opportunities. There will also be campus and residence hall tours going on throughout the day. After the event wraps up at noon on Saturday, students and their families have the option to buy tickets for a reserved block of seats at the Central Arkansas vs. Georgia Southern football game.

“Hosting these scholars energizes our commitment to our mission, vision and belief in faculty and student engagement with the total academic enterprise,” said Bartels. “In our experience, students attending this event leave sharing our passion for all that Georgia Southern can provide for their academic growth and personal development.”

Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers 120 degree programs serving more than 20,500 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. In 2011, the University was named one of the Top 10 most popular universities in the country by U.S. News & World Report and is a top choice of Georgia's HOPE scholars. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered approach to education. Visit: www.georgiasouthern.edu.

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Tickets for Saturday's FCS Playoff game between Central Arkansas and Georgia Southern remain on sale. Student tickets cost just \$5 with a valid Eagle ID. Adult ticket prices start at \$27.

Adult Tickets:

Sections A,B,C,E,F,G,J,K – \$27
Sections C/E with Backs and Section D – \$30
General Admin Adult – \$27

General Admin Youth – \$15

Tickets can be purchased through Friday at three convenient locations on and around campus. The RAC, University Store and Georgia Southern Athletic ticket office located on the Lanier Drive side of Allen E. Paulson Stadium will all be selling student tickets during the week. All three locations are open from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. through Friday, and all three will be open on gameday. Both the University Store and the Ticket Office accept cash, credit cards and debit cards, while the RAC is cash only.

Kickoff for Saturday's second round playoff game against the Bears is set for 2 p.m.

It's win or go home now! A huge Paulson Stadium crowd is a must if we want to play "Just One More Time!" Make plans today to purchase your ticket and attend the game! Call 1-800-GSU-Wins for more information or to order tickets today.

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