

Junior Planning

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Are You
Ready?

Graduation Requirements

- 24 credits in required areas
- A minimum GPA of 2.0
- Passing Score on the Alg 1 EOC or concordant score
- Passing Score on the 10th grade Reading FST or concordant score
- 20 community service hours
- Online class requirement

Credit Breakdown

- **4 English Credits**
- **4 Math Credits**
 - Algebra 1
 - Geometry
 - 2 Math Electives
- **3 Science Credits**
 - Biology
 - Physical Science
 - Physical Sci, Chemistry, Earth/Space, Physics
 - 1 Science Elective
- **3 Social Studies Credits**
 - World History
 - US History
 - Gov/Econ
- **1 Performing/Practical Art Credit**
 - Fine Arts, Speech, Debate, etc.
- **0.5 Personal Fitness Credit and 0.5 PE Credit**
- **8 Elective Credits**

Grade Forgiveness

How to help students meet the 2.0
GPA requirement

- Available to students who have earned a D or F as a semester grade
- Florida Virtual School (FLVS)
- Edgenuity Credit Lab
- Course remains on transcript, grade forgiveness removes the lower grade from the cumulative GPA



FLORIDA VIRTUAL
SCHOOL



SAT and ACT

Helping with College Readiness and
to Meet Concordant Scores for
graduation

SAT

- Reading & Writing and Math sections
- Maximum score on each section is 800
- Going digital starting March 2024
- www.collegeboard.org



ACT

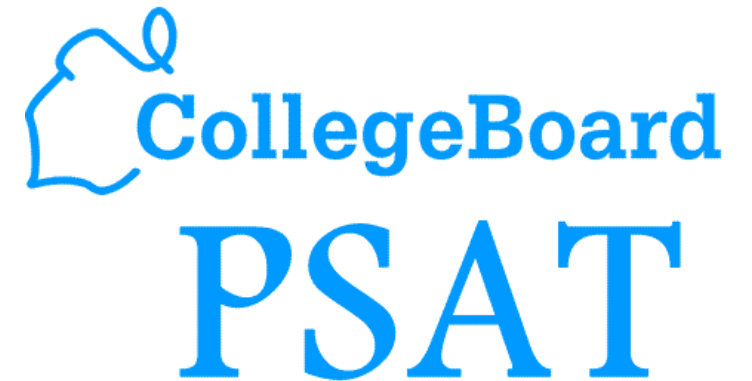
- Verbal, Math, Reading, Science sections
- Maximum score on each section is 36
- www.act.org



PSAT

Help prepare for the SAT

- Completed in their Sophomore year
- Score report can be downloaded from www.collegeboard.org
- My College QuickStart
 - Personalized online college and career planning kit available for all students who took the PSAT/NMSQT
- Use Khan Academy as a free study resource
 - Can [link](#) accounts for personalized feedback



Community Service

- [Community Service Guidelines](#)
- Non-paid volunteer work with a non-profit agency
- 20 hours required for graduation
 - More are required for Bright Futures



Bright Futures Scholarship

Florida Academic Scholar – 100%

- 16 credits
 - 4 Math, 4 English, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies, 2 years of World Language
- 3.5 weighted GPA
- 29 on ACT or 1340 on SAT
- 100 community service hours
- Maintain 3.0 GPA in college

Florida Medallion Scholar – 75%

- 16 credits
 - 4 Math, 4 English, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies, 2 years of World Language
- 3.0 weighted GPA
- 25 on ACT or 1210 on SAT
- 75 community service hours
- Maintain 2.75 GPA in college



FLORIDA SUS ADMISSIONS (MIDDLE RANGES)



University of Florida

HPA: 4.4 - 4.7
SAT: 1350 - 1480
ACT: 30 - 34



Florida State University

HPA: 4.2 - 4.6
SAT: 1250 - 1400
ACT: 28 - 32



University of Central Florida

HPA: 3.96 - 4.49
SAT: 1250 - 1370
ACT: 26 - 30



University of South Florida

HPA: 3.97 - 4.48
SAT: 1230 - 1370
ACT: 26 - 31



Florida Gulf Coast University

HPA: 3.56 - 4.33
SAT: 1090 - 1230
ACT: 22 - 27



Florida Atlantic University

HPA: 3.73 - 4.33
SAT: 1110 - 1270
ACT: 23 - 29



Florida International University

HPA: 4.2 - 4.6
SAT: 1200 - 1350
ACT: 25 - 30



Florida Poly Phoenix

HPA: 4.1 - 4.6
SAT: 1250 - 1400
ACT: 27 - 31



University of North Florida

HPA: 4.0 - 4.5
SAT: 1100 - 1260
ACT: 22-28



Florida A&M University

HPA: 3.67
SAT: 1100
ACT: 22.3



University of West Florida

HPA: 3.61 - 4.2
SAT: 1060 - 1240
ACT: 21 - 27



New College of Florida

HPA: 3.5 - 4.2
SAT: 1113 - 1320
ACT: 22 - 29

Click [HERE](#) for more information

Timeline for Juniors

February and March

- Prepare, Register, and take SAT/ACT
- Explore colleges
 - Internet searches, schedule virtual college tours, network with current college students
- Explore college majors (career assessments)
- Plan senior year courses

April and May

- Continue to take SAT/ACT
- Make a list of college options, attend virtual/in-person tours
- Familiarize yourself with the application process, deadlines, and plan how you will apply
 - Common App, Coalition, Institution website
- Request teacher recommendations if applicable

Timeline for Juniors

June and July

- Finalize list of colleges
- Complete college essays
- Work on resume and personal statement if applicable
- College Visits of top choices

August and September

- Apply to colleges
- Request teacher/counselor recommendations if applicable



College Admissions Criteria

- Academic courses and achievements
 - Junior years grades are the last chance to demonstrate abilities to college
 - Colleges still consider courses taken in senior year
- Test scores (SAT/ACT)
- Admissions essays
- Recommendations
- Leadership
- Extra-curricular accomplishments
- Special talents



Resources

- Use this link to look at colleges:
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>
- Click [here](#) to find additional information about scholarships and financial aid
- Click [here](#) for FAFSA information
- Searchable Resource: <https://www.fastweb.com/>
- FL Resource for Career Assessments:
<https://www.floridashines.org/>

