CLASS OF 2023

Senior Handbook

Hillsborough County
PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Preparing Students for Life

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Standard Diploma Requirements

Academic Advisement – What Students and Parents Need to Know

What are the diploma options?

Students must successfully complete one of the following diploma options:

- 24-credit standard diploma
- 18-credit Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL)
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathway
- Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) curriculum
- International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma curriculum

What are the state assessment requirements?

Students must pass the following statewide assessments:

- Grade 10 English Language Arts (ELA) or a concordant score
- Algebra 1 end of course (EOC) or a comparative score

Refer to Graduation Requirements for Florida's Statewide Assessments for concordant and comparative scores.

Students enrolled in the following courses must participate in the corresponding EOC assessment, which constitutes 30 percent of the final course grade+:

- Algebra 1
- Biology 1
- Geometry
- U.S. History

+Special note: Thirty percent not applicable if not enrolled in the course but passed the EOC (credit acceleration program [CAP]).

What is the difference between the 18-credit ACCEL option and the 24-credit option?

- 3 elective credits instead of 8
- Physical Education is not required
- Online course is not required

What is the difference between the CTE Pathway option and the 24-credit option?

- At least 18 credits are required
- 4 elective credits instead of 8
  - 2 credits in CTE courses, must result in completion and industry certification
  - 2 credits in work-based learning programs or up to 2 elective credits including financial literacy
- Physical Education is not required
- Fine and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or Practical Arts is not required
- Online course is not required

24 Credit Standard Diploma

4 Credits ELA

- ELA 1, 2, 3, 4
- ELA honors, Advanced Placement (AP), AICE, IB and dual enrollment courses may satisfy this requirement

4 Credits Mathematics*

- One of which must be Algebra 1 and one of which must be Geometry
- Industry Certifications that lead to college credit may substitute for up to two mathematics credits (except for Algebra 1 and Geometry)
- An identified computer science** credit may substitute for up to one mathematics credit (except for Algebra 1 and Geometry)

3 Credits Science

- One of which must be Biology 1, two of which must be equally rigorous science courses
- Two of the three required course credits must have a laboratory component
- Industry Certifications that lead to college credit may substitute for up to one science credit (except for Biology 1)
- An identified computer science** credit may substitute for up to one science credit (except for Biology 1)

3 Credits Social Studies

- 1 credit in World History
- 1 credit in U.S. History
- 0.5 credit in U.S. Government
- 0.5 credit in Economics

1 Credit Fine and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or Practical Arts*

1 Credit Physical Education*

- To include the integration of health

8 Elective Credits

1 Online Course

Students must earn a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale for all cohort years and pass statewide, standardized assessments unless a waiver of assessment results is granted by the IEP team for students with disabilities.

* Eligible courses are specified in the Florida Course Code Directory.

**A computer science credit may not be used to substitute for both a mathematics and science credit.

Scholar Diploma Designation

In addition to meeting the 24-credit standard high school diploma requirements, a student must meet all of the following requirements:

- Earn 1 credit in Algebra 2 or an equally rigorous course
- Pass the Geometry EOC
- Earn 1 credit in Statistics or an equally rigorous mathematics course
- Pass the Biology 1 EOC*
- Earn 1 credit in Chemistry or Physics
- Earn 1 credit in a course equally rigorous to Chemistry or Physics
- Pass the U.S. History EOC*
- Earn 2 credits in the same World Language
- Earn at least 1 credit in an AP, IB, AICE or a dual enrollment course

*A student is exempt from the Biology 1 or U.S. History EOC assessment if the student is enrolled in an AP, IB or AICE Biology 1 or U.S. History course; takes the respective AP, IB or AICE assessment; and earns the minimum score to earn college credit.

- Meet the standard high school diploma requirements
- Attain one or more industry certifications from the list established (per s. 1003.492, F.S.)

What are the additional graduation options for students with disabilities ?

Two additional options are available only to students with disabilities. Both allow students to substitute a CTE course with related content for one credit in ELA 4, mathematics, science and social studies (excluding Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1 and U.S. History). The two options are as follows:

- Students with significant cognitive disabilities may earn credits via access courses and be assessed via an alternate assessment.
- Students who choose the academic and employment option must earn at least 0.5 credit via paid employment.

What is the CAP?

The CAP allows a student to earn high school credit if the student passes an AP examination, a College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or a statewide course assessment without enrollment in the course. The courses include:

- Algebra 1
- Biology 1
- Geometry
- U.S. History

State University System (SUS)

Admission into Florida's public universities is competitive. Prospective students should complete a rigorous course of study in high school and apply to more than one university to increase their chance for acceptance. To qualify to enter one of Florida's public universities, a first-time-in-college student must meet the following minimum requirements (credit earned by industry certification does not count for SUS admission):

- High school graduation with a standard diploma, a minimum of a 2.5 GPA, and admission test scores meeting minimum college-ready test scores per Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 6.008
- 16 credits of approved college preparatory academic courses per BOG Regulation 6.002
- 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
- 4 Mathematics (Algebra 1 level and above)
- 3 Natural Science (2 with substantial lab)
- 3 Social Science
- 2 World Language (sequential, in the same language or other equivalents)
- 2 approved electives

State University System of Florida

The 28 colleges of the Florida College System serve nearly 800,000 students. Colleges offer affordable and stackable workforce credentials including certificate programs, associate in science degrees and associate in arts degrees, which transfer to a bachelor's degree program. Many colleges also offer workforce bachelor's degree programs in areas of high demand. All Florida College System institutions have open-door admissions for students who earned a standard high school diploma or an equivalent diploma or successfully earned college credit.

Florida College System

Florida also offers students 49 accredited career and technical colleges or centers throughout the state, which provide the education and certification necessary to work in a particular career or technical field. Programs are flexible for students and provide industry-specific education and training for a wide variety of occupations.

Career and Technical Education Directors

Where is information on financial aid located?

The Florida Department of Education's Office of Student Financial Assistance administers a variety of postsecondary educational state-funded grants and scholarships.

Office of Student Financial Assistance

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
fldoc.org

TEST COMPARISON

SAT	ACT
Cost: $60 Late registration: Additional $30.00	Cost: $63 (including essay: $88.00) Late registration: Additional $36.00
General Information: • Non-multiple choice answers included • No guessing penalty • Testing time - 3 hours, 3 hours & 50 minutes with essay	General Information: • Entirely multiple choice • No guessing penalty • Testing time - 2 hours & 55 minutes, 3 hours & 40 minutes with essay
Test Contents: EVIDENCE-BASED READING & WRITING • Reading Test • Writing & Language Test MATHEMATICS • Problem Solving & Data Analysis- Focuses on quantitative literacy • Heart of Algebra – Focuses on the mastery of linear functions and systems • Passport to Advanced Math – Questions require the manipulation and answering of complex equations • Additional Topics in Math – Geometric and trigonometric skills most relevant to college and career readiness	Test Contents: ENGLISH • Production of writing, knowledge of language, and conventions of standard English MATHEMATICS • Number & quantity, algebra, functions, geometry, and statistics & probability READING • Key ideas & details, craft & structure, and integration of knowledge & ideas SCIENCE • Interpretation of data, scientific investigation, and evaluation of models, inferences, & experimental results WRITING (optional) • Writing skills **A student's scores on the Writing Test have no effect on the score of any ACT Assessment Test or the Composite score.
Scoring: Evidence-Based Reading/Writing 200 – 800 Math 200 – 800 Maximum Score 1600	Scoring: English 1 – 36 Mathematics 1 – 36 Reading 1 – 36 Science 1 – 36 Composite (average of E, M, R, & S tests)/Maximum Score 1 – 36 Writing (optional) Writing sub score 2 – 12 STEM score: 1-36 ELA score: 1-36

ACT DATES 2022-2023

For College Admissions & Scholarships

ACT REGISTRATION
Online: www.actstudent.org

Cost: $63.00 No Writing
$88.00 Plus Writing
Additional $36 for late registration

Photo ID and admission ticket required on test day.
Test locations/dates subject to change. Please be aware that test centers may be experiencing closures or reduced capacity due to COVID-19 limitations. For current information about your test center, see link: https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/test-center-locator.html

SCHOOL	TEST CENTER CODE	SAT/ACT HIGH SCHOOL (CEEB) CODES
Alonso	212060	101714
Armwood	208290	101596
Blake	207010	101750
Bloomingdale	164980	101778
Brandon	196770	100150
Chamberlain	186500	101692
Durant	207190	101423
East Bay	207290	101880
Freedom	213170	101771
Gaither	154740	101738
Hillsborough	206490	101705
Jefferson	207560	101710
King	207300	101717
Lennard	233630	102061
Leto	207040	101718
Middleton	213490	101765
Newsome	218890	100957
Plant	197470	101700
Plant City	209110	101420
Riverview	206950	101528
Robinson	201400	101728
Sickles	206820	101752
Spoto	228480	102059
Steinbrenner	232770	102192
Strawberry Crest	231080	102193
Sumner	251150	102538
Tampa Bay Tech	206920	101732
Wharton	207980	101751

Students who qualify for free or reduced lunch are eligible for fee waivers. Visit your school counseling department for more information.

*Students who require non-Saturday testing **for approved reasons** may request this during the online registration process. Visit ACT's website for more information.*

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Florida Student Scholarship & Grant Programs

Florida Academic Scholars Award (FAS): 29 ACT Composite Score

Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS): 25 ACT Composite Score

Florida Gold Seal Vocational & CAPE Scholars Awards (GSV/CAPE): 17 English/18 Reading/19 Math

For additional information visit www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org.

TEST DATES & LOCATIONS		
September 10, 2022 (Registration Deadline 8/5/22)		
October 22, 2022 (Registration Deadline 9/16/22)		
Alonso	Brandon	Chamberlain
Durant	Gaither	Bloomingdale
Lennard	Armwood	Hillsborough
Gaither	Sickles	Tampa Bay Tech
Freedom	Plant	Jefferson
Strawberry Crest	Newsome	Plant City
Riverview	Spoto	Sumner
December 10, 2022 (Registration Deadline 11/4/22)		
Alonso	Armwood	Brandon
Bloomingdale	Chamberlain	Durant
East Bay	Freedom	Gaither
Hillsborough	Jefferson	Lennard
Middleton	Newsome	Plant
Plant City	Riverview	Robinson
Steinbrenner	Sumner	Tampa Bay Tech
Newsome	Sickles	Strawberry Crest
Spoto	Leto	
February 11, 2023 (Registration Deadline 1/6/23)		
Alonso	Armwood	
Brandon	Chamberlain	Durant
Spoto	Freedom	Gaither
Hillsborough	Lennard	Plant
Plant City	Riverview	Newsome
Strawberry Crest	Steinbrenner	Sumner
Tampa Bay Tech	Leto	Jefferson
April 15, 2023 (Registration Deadline 3/10/23)		
Alonso	Armwood	
Brandon	Durant	East Bay
Freedom	Gaither	Hillsborough
Jefferson	Lennard	Leto
Middleton	Newsome	Plant
Plant City	Riverview	Robinson
Spoto	Steinbrenner	Sumner
Tampa Bay Tech		
June 10, 2023 (Registration Deadline 5/5/23)		
Alonso	Armwood	Brandon
Durant	Freedom	Hillsborough
Lennard	Leto	Middleton
Plant	Sickles	Sumner
Gaither	East Bay	Steinbrenner
Spoto	Robinson	
July 15, 2023 (Registration Deadline 6/16/22)		
Gaither	Brandon	Durant
Hillsborough	Lennard	Leto
Middleton	Sumner	East Bay
Spoto		

SAT DATES 2022-2023

For College Admissions/Scholarships

SAT REGISTRATION
Online: www.collegeboard.org

SAT: $60.00
Additional $30 for late registration

Photo ID and admission ticket required on test day. Test locations/dates subject to change. Please be aware that test centers may be experiencing closures or reduced capacity due to COVID-19 limitations. Check the website for test center closures: https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/test-center-closings

SCHOOL	TEST CENTER CODE	SAT/ACT HIGH SCHOOL (CEEB) CODES
Alonso	10696	101714
Armwood	10610	101596
Blake	10653	101750
Bloomingdale	10706	101778
Brandon	10140	100150
Chamberlain	10660	101692
Durant	10561	101423
East Bay	10269	101880
Freedom	10659	101771
Gaither	10663	101738
Hillsborough	10668	101705
Jefferson	10671	101710
King	10666	101717
Lennard	10695	102061
Leto	10672	101718
Middleton	10988	101765
Newsome	10699	100957
Plant	10670	101700
Plant City	10560	101420
Riverview	10581	101528
Robinson	10675	101728
Sickles	10667	101752
Spoto	10693	102059
Steinbrenner	10236	102192
Strawberry Crest	10647	102193
Sumner	n/a	102538
Tampa Bay Tech	10679	101732
Wharton	10673	101751

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Florida Student Scholarship & Grant Programs

Florida Academic Scholars Award (FAS): 1330 Total Score

Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS): 1210 Total Score

Florida Gold Seal Vocational & CAPE Scholars Awards (GSV/CAPE)
Reading test: 24, Writing & Language Test 25, Math 24

TEST DATES & LOCATIONS		
October 1, 2022 (Registration Deadline 9/2/22)		
Alonso	Armwood	Chamberlain
Bloomingdale	Brandon	Durant
East Bay	Freedom	Sumner
Hillsborough	Lennard	Leto
Middleton	Newsome	Plant
Sickles	Riverview	Robinson
Spoto	Tampa Bay Tech	Wharton
Strawberry Crest		
November 5, 2022 (Registration Deadline 10/25/22)		
Alonso	Armwood	Blake
Bloomingdale	Brandon	Chamberlain
Durant	East Bay	Freedom
Sumner	Hillsborough	Jefferson
Lennard	Leto	Middleton
Newsome	Plant	Riverview
Robinson	Spoto	Steinbrenner
Strawberry Crest	Tampa Bay Tech	Wharton
Sickles	Plant City	
December 3, 2022 (Registration Deadline 11/3/22)		
Alonso	Armwood	Chamberlain
Bloomingdale	Brandon	Durant
East Bay	Freedom	Blake
Hillsborough	Lennard	Leto
Middleton	Newsome	Plant
Plant City	Riverview	Robinson
Sickles	Spoto	Tampa Bay Tech
Wharton	Sumner	Strawberry Crest
March 11, 2023 (Registration Deadline 2/10/23)		
	Armwood	Blake
Bloomingdale	Brandon	Durant
Freedom	East Bay	Hillsborough
Lennard	Leto	Middleton
Newsome	Plant	Robinson
Spoto	Tampa Bay Tech	Sumner
Riverview	Wharton	
May 6, 2023 (Registration Deadline 4/7/23)		
Alonso	Armwood	Blake
Bloomingdale	Brandon	Chamberlain
Durant	East Bay	Freedom
Steinbrenner	Hillsborough	Lennard
Leto	Middleton	Newsome
Plant	Plant City	Riverview
Robinson	Sickles	Spoto
Sumner	Tampa Bay Tech	Wharton
June 3, 2023: (Registration Deadline 5/4/23)		
Alonso	Blake	Bloomingdale
Brandon	Durant	Freedom
Armwood	Hillsborough	Lennard
Leto	Middleton	Newsome
Plant	Spoto	Robinson
Armwood	Tampa Bay Tech	
East Bay	Sumner	Riverview
Strawberry Crest		

ACT/SAT Test Prep

Check out Khan Academy for SAT prep. Practice is the key to success!

Take full length practice tests, brush up on specific skills with short lessons, and get test taking tips and strategies.

Link Your Collegeboard Account to Khan Academy for personalized SAT Practice

Resource Websites:

- Collegeboard- www.collegeboard.org (View your PSAT score report and evaluate strengths/weaknesses)
- ACT Academy (free)- Academy.act.org
- ACT Online Prep- www.actonlineprep.org
- Free online test prep- www.number2.com
- SAT vs. ACT – www.kaptest.com/sat/sat-vs-act
- Free SAT Practice - www.kaptest.com/sat/free/sat-practice
- Free ACT Practice - www.kaptest.com/act/free/act-practice

Find complete criteria on the Bright Futures scholarship eligibility here: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/

Information	Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)	Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)	Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV)	Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)
Required GPA	3.5 Weighted	3.0 Weighted	3.0 weighted/ 3.5 unweighted In career and technical education courses	5 or more postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications which articulate for college credit
Required SAT/ACT/PERT Score to Earn	SAT 1330 ACT 29	SAT 1210 ACT 25	SAT 24 Reading Test/25Writing & Language Test/24 Math Test ACT English 17/ Reading 19/ Math 19 PERT Reading 106/Writing 103/ Math 114	
Hour Requirements	100 Volunteer Hours OR* 100 Paid Work Hours	75 Volunteer Hours OR* 100 Paid Work Hours	30 Volunteer Hours OR* 100 Paid Work Hours	30 Volunteer Hours OR* 100 Paid Work Hours
Number of Hours of Funding Available	100% of program of study	75% of program of study	100% of program of study up to 72 credit hours in AS, AAS, CCC, or PSAV's 60 credit hours in ATD's	After completing an AA or AS, 100% of bachelor of science or bachelor in applied science program up to 60 hours

*Students may **not** use a combination of volunteer and paid work hours to meet the requirement.

Information for All Scholarships

Number of Years to Reinstate an Initial Award	Number of Years of Funding Available	Restoration Opportunity
Within 5 years of high school graduation	Up to 5 years from high school graduation	For insufficient GPA in 1st year of funding ONLY

Apply for Bright Futures beginning October 1st of your Senior Year
https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/

Required Bright Futures test scores for the class of 2022 and beyond are subject to change with new legislation.

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Volunteer Service and Paid Work Guidelines

Bright Futures – Florida Academic Scholars Award, Florida Medallion Award, Gold Seal Vocational Award

To access an award through the Bright Futures Program, a student must complete a program of volunteer service work or, beginning with a high school student graduating in the 2022-2023 academic year and thereafter, paid work, as approved by the school. The student may identify a social or civic issue or a professional area that interests him or her and develop a plan for his or her personal involvement in addressing the problem or learning about the area. The student must, through papers or other presentations, evaluate and reflect upon his or her volunteer or paid work experience. (Florida Statute 1009.534)

Volunteer Service or Paid Work may include, but is not limited to, a business or governmental internship, work for a nonprofit community service organization, or activities on behalf of a candidate for public office. These hours will meet the requirement for the Florida Bright Futures Award Program. Students must satisfy the hours requirement by either completing all volunteer hours **OR** completing 100 paid work hours.

Scholarship	Volunteer Hours	OR*	Paid Work Hours
Florida Academic Scholarship	100	OR*	100
Florida Medallion Scholarship	75	OR*	100
Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholarship	30	OR*	100
Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholarship	30	OR*	100

Students may **not use a combination of volunteer and paid work hours to meet the requirement*

Hours That Are Not Acceptable

- Court mandated community/volunteer service.
- An activity where there is no leader or responsible adult on site to evaluate and confirm student performance.
- Donations (ex. blood, Locks of Love, canned food)
- Hours submitted after graduation.
- Fostering of animals
- Hours performed overnight at camps or designated events (exception Relay for Life).

How to document volunteer hours:

- To discover, submit and manage volunteer service hours, students must log into Profferfish. **Register** and learn how to use Profferfish.
- **All volunteer service hour documentation MUST be submitted through Profferfish, and approved by both the agency and a parent, by the school's graduation date.**

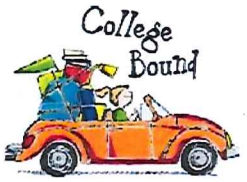
How to document paid work hours:

- Paid work hours must be submitted on the proper **district form** and submitted to the school counseling office at your school.
- A copy of a pay stub may be submitted in lieu of a signature and must be attached to the paid work hours documentation form.

Other General Guidelines

- Any volunteer service hours submitted or approved after the graduation date, even if earned *prior* to graduation will not be accepted. **No Exceptions**.
- Only paid work hours earned **beginning July 1st, 2022** will be accepted.
- Students must perform the volunteer service during non-school hours.
- A parent/guardian cannot represent as a service agency or work contact.
- Volunteer Service/Paid Work hours will be capped at eight hours per day.
- No volunteer service should be performed until AFTER the agency and opportunity have been approved in Profferfish.
- **Frequently Asked Questions regarding Profferfish>>**

For questions regarding Profferfish, please contact your school counselor or email: Profferfish@hcps.net



Senior Checklist

August

- ✓ Complete college research & make a final list of four or more to which you plan to apply
- ✓ Gather college application information
- ✓ Determine application options (early decision, early action, or regular decision)
- ✓ Begin essays for college applications
- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Meet with college representatives who are visiting your school
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Submit volunteer hours completed over the summer via Profferfish
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor

September

- ✓ Pick up the State University System College Admissions Requirement Matrix (SUS) from your counselor
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Gather letters of recommendations
- ✓ Continue to work on essays for college applications
- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Meet with college representatives who are visiting your school or attend college fairs
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Work on completing college applications
- ✓ Check with your school counselor or JROTC regarding the ASVAB exam date at your school if you are interested in the military **or** want to take a career interest inventory test
- ✓ Continue to submit volunteer hours via Profferfish

October

- ✓ Attend any area college fairs or a Pasos al Futuro event
- ✓ Complete your SSAR – if required by college/university
- ✓ Meet with college representatives who are visiting your school
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue completing college applications
- ✓ Continue to submit community service hours via Profferfish
- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Apply for Florida Financial Aid (Bright Futures) at www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/home/ApplyHere
- ✓ Apply for Financial Aid at www.fafsa.gov

November

- ✓ Meet with college representatives who are visiting your school
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue completing college applications
- ✓ Continue to submit volunteer hours via Profferfish
- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Apply for Hillsborough Education Foundation Scholarships

Senior Checklist Continued

December

- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Complete & submit college application materials
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue to submit volunteer service hours via Profferfish

January

- ✓ Attend Hillsborough Technical Colleges info sessions and complete applications – if interested
- ✓ Register for SAT, ACT, and/or SAT subject tests as applicable; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ Complete & submit college application materials
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up copy from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue to submit community service hours via Profferfish

February/March

- ✓ Attend the NACAC College Fair in Tampa (possibly via Zoom)
- ✓ Check the status of your financial aid awards by accessing your online college accounts
- ✓ If needed contact the college's financial aid offices to determine if additional financial aid documents are required
- ✓ Update the FAFSA with new tax information if needed
- ✓ Apply for housing and pay deposits as applicable (dates may vary)
- ✓ Schedule college orientation sessions (dates may vary)
- ✓ Register for SAT or ACT, if scores still needed for Bright Futures, etc.; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue to submit volunteer hours via Profferfish
- ✓ Update SSAR to include any semester 1 grades/test scores

April

- ✓ Check the status of your financial aid awards by accessing your online college accounts
- ✓ Schedule college orientation sessions (dates may vary)
- ✓ Register for SAT or ACT, if scores still needed for Bright Futures, etc.; be aware of registration deadlines!
- ✓ View Scholarship Matrix on district website or pick up from your counselor
- ✓ Apply for applicable scholarships
- ✓ Continue to submit volunteer hours via Profferfish

May

- ✓ Commit to the college that you will attend and pay deposits as applicable
- ✓ Return your college's financial aid award letter indicating the awards you are accepting and declining
- ✓ Attend college orientation sessions (dates may vary)
- ✓ Submit all final volunteer and paid work hours **before** graduation
- ✓ Continue to apply for scholarships
- ✓ Update Bright Futures application with the final college selection if needed
- ✓ Register for SAT or ACT, if scores still needed for Bright Futures, etc.; be aware of registration deadlines!

June/July

- ✓ Attend college orientation sessions (dates may vary)
- ✓ Continue to apply for scholarships
- ✓ Request dual enrollment transcripts from HCC and/or AP scores from CollegeBoard to be sent to the college you will attend
- ✓ Continue to monitor Bright Futures award status
- ✓ Register for SAT or ACT in JUNE, if scores still needed for Bright Futures, etc.; be aware of registration deadlines!

IMPORTANT COLLEGE TERMS

ACCREDITATION: Recognition of a college or university by any of the regional or national accrediting bodies, indicating that the institution as a whole has been judged to be meeting its objectives.

CANDIDATES REPLY DATE: A policy among subscribing institutions that permits students to wait until May 1st to choose, without penalty, among offers of admissions/financial aid. (This does not include candidates accepted under Early Decision plan.)

COALITION APPLICATION A standard application that is accepted by 140 colleges and universities. Some schools will accept the Coalition application in addition to current applications, while other schools will require all students to use the Coalition application.

COMMON APPLICATION: A standard application form that is accepted by about 500 colleges in lieu of their own form. Available at www.commonapp.org. If you are applying to a college that requires the Common Application, you must use this form in order to send transcripts and recs electronically.

CSS/FINANCIAL AID PROFILE: A financial aid form produced by the College Board that is required for students seeking aid at approximately 10% of the nation's universities (including most highly selective institutions). Check colleges' websites for requirement information. Available at www.collegeboard.org.

DEFERRED ADMISSIONS: The practice of some colleges allowing an accepted student to postpone enrollment for one year.

DEFERRED DECISION: The practice of some colleges of holding an applicant's record to review again with the next applicant pool. A student who is deferred is neither accepted nor rejected. Most schools require 1st semester senior year grades and allow additional recommendations in the 2nd evaluation. Students should contact the admissions office to discuss ways to enhance the application and what should be submitted.

DEMONSTRATED NEED: The difference between the Expected Family Contribution and the total cost of attendance at a particular institution.

EARLY ACTION: An application process that permits students to submit an application to an institution of preference early in the senior year and receive a decision well in advance of the normal response dates in the spring. The candidate is NOT committed to enroll at that institution.

EARLY ADMISSION: Admitting students of superior ability into college courses and programs before they have completed their high school diploma. This type of application must be filed in the junior year.

EARLY DECISION: An application process in which a commitment is made by a student to the institution that, if admitted, the student WILL enroll. Only a student who can make a deliberate and well-reasoned first choice decision should apply early decision.

FAFSA (FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID): The financial aid form produced by the federal government that is required for nearly all colleges. Students and parents should fill out the form starting October 1st at www.fafsa.gov.

HONORS PROGRAM: Any program offering an opportunity for superior students to enrich their educational experience through independent, advanced, or accelerated study.

IMPORTANT COLLEGE TERMS

MODIFIED ROLLING ADMISSIONS: The practice of institutions to review applicant pools several times throughout the year. The school will post several deadlines and the dates in which those applications will be reviewed

NCAA INITIAL ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATION: In order to participate in intercollegiate sports at NCAA Div. I, II, or III colleges, students-athletes must submit their high school transcript and ACT/SAT scores to the NCAA Initial Eligibility Clearinghouse. When registering for either test, students should enter "9999" as one of their college choices to have test scores sent to the Clearinghouse.

NEED BLIND ADMISSIONS: The term that applies to colleges that make decisions without regard to the financial circumstances of the applicants. Colleges with need-blind admissions do not necessarily offer aid to meet the full need of all accepted applicants.

OPEN ADMISSIONS: The policy of some colleges of admitting virtually all high school graduates, regardless of academic qualifications such as high school grades and admission test scores. Often times only a high school diploma is required. (Community Colleges generally fall under an open admissions classification.)

ROLLING ADMISSIONS: An admissions procedure by which the college considers each application as soon as required materials have been received. The college then notifies each applicant of acceptance or rejection as soon as possible.

SAT SUBJECT TESTS: One hour tests available in 18 subjects. These tests are required by the most selective colleges. Check the admissions page of the colleges' websites. Typically colleges recommend sending 2-3 subject test scores. For a complete list of subject tests offered and to register, visit www.collegeboard.org. Students are encouraged to take their "best" subjects to show the college their strengths.

SELF-HELP AID: The portion of a financial aid package consisting of loans and wages from a work-study job.

SAR (STUDENT AID REPORT): A form sent to families in response to submission of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid that includes the Expected Family Contribution, a figure that may be modified at colleges that use institutional methodology.

SSAR (Student Self-Reported Academic Record): An online form required in lieu of an official transcript by UF, FSU, FAU, New College and FL Poly. Students self-report all of their high school and dual enrollment courses completed and currently in progress instead of requesting a transcript to be sent.

TEST OPTIONAL: A term used by institutions that means it is not mandatory for students to submit their SAT and/or ACT scores as a part of their application.

WAITLIST: A term used by institutions to describe a process by which they may initially delay offering or denying admissions during the regular decision pool. These students may be considered if space is available after admitted students have indicated whether or not they will attend.

SELF-REPORTING COURSEWORK (SSAR)

SSAR is a student self-reported academic record that lists the classes and associated grades that have been attempted, or will be attempted, for high school and/or college credit. It replaces the high school and college transcripts used by a few college admissions offices (ex. UF, FSU, FAU) during the initial review process. Official transcripts will only be requested and sent AFTER graduation to validate what is entered on the SSAR. Please research which colleges on your list require you to submit a SSAR and which require an official transcript. Since accuracy is critical, you are advised to have a copy of your high school summary sheet (unofficial transcript) available to use as a reference when filling out the SSAR.

Start your SSAR here: https://ssar.selfreportedtranscript.com/login.aspx

Tips:

- District GPA = Weighted GPA
- Plant does an exact rank, not a percentile
  [example: 175 (your rank) /592 (total number of seniors)]
- You should list the high school you are graduating from and all of the courses listed on your summary sheet regardless of how many different schools you attended.
- All senior year courses must be included and listed as "in progress." If you are unsure of what courses you will be taking second semester, provide your best estimate and update the SSAR if anything changes. If your schedule changes, you must immediately update your SSAR. To make changes to the SSAR, simply log in to the SSAR website with the email address and password used to create your original SSAR.
- Every course listed on your summary sheet must be entered in the SSAR (including middle school, online, dual enrollment, etc.) This also applies to any courses of these types that the student is taking in their senior year.
- Most of the grades on your summary sheet are semester grades. If there is a course that is a single grade for one credit, enter that grade twice (once for first semester and once for second semester). This also applies to dual enrollment courses that were awarded a full high school (1.0) credit.
- Summer courses: You will record the course and grade in the preceding school year. For example, if you took a course between the 9th and 10th grades, you would enter the course in the 9th grade.
- If you are unsure of what subject area a course falls into, please reach out to the admissions office of your college(s).
- **After you complete and submit your SSAR on the SSAR website, you are NOT DONE. It must be individually linked through the application status check portal at each respective college that requires it.**

Some of these tips were copied from the SSAR FAQ sections of UF and FSU's websites. Please visit these websites for how-to videos and the most up to date information.

FINANCIAL AID (FAFSA)

The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** is the financial aid form you will need to complete with your parent(s) in order to apply for student grants (i.e. Pell Grant), work-study, and loans for college tuition. Also, some colleges require students complete the FAFSA to be considered for their institutional scholarships.

Everyone is encouraged to apply for financial aid.

Income and assets are not the only factor reviewed for eligibility. Family size, number of children in college, and cost of the college are also important factors.

Apply online at www.fafsa.gov starting October 1st every year in college.

If you plan to start college in the fall, complete the 2023-2024 FAFSA using 2021 tax information.

If you plan to start college in the summer, complete the 2022-2023 FAFSA using 2020 tax information AND the 2023-2024 FAFSA using 2021 tax information.

Before you apply:

Parents: Gather your income tax return information for the 2020 or 2021 year. Much of the information asked will be the same. You do NOT have to file your income tax return before you fill out the FAFSA, but gather all the tax information so you can fill out the form completely.

Get an FSA ID: The FSA ID serves as your electronic signature. Both the student AND the parent need to apply for an ID. You will each have a separate ID. To get the ID, fill out a brief application at https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account/launch. Parent(s) and student can create an ID on this site that you will use to sign the FAFSA application. You will use this same ID each year your complete the FAFSA.**SAVE THESE LOGINS!**

Timeline:

FAFSA opens on October 1st and our state deadline is typically mid-May. However, you should submit your FAFSA as soon as possible because college and private aid deadlines may be much earlier than state deadlines. Some colleges will require you to submit an additional financial aid form (such as CSS/Financial Aid Profile). Check college's website for requirements and the form is available at cssprofile.collegeboard.org.

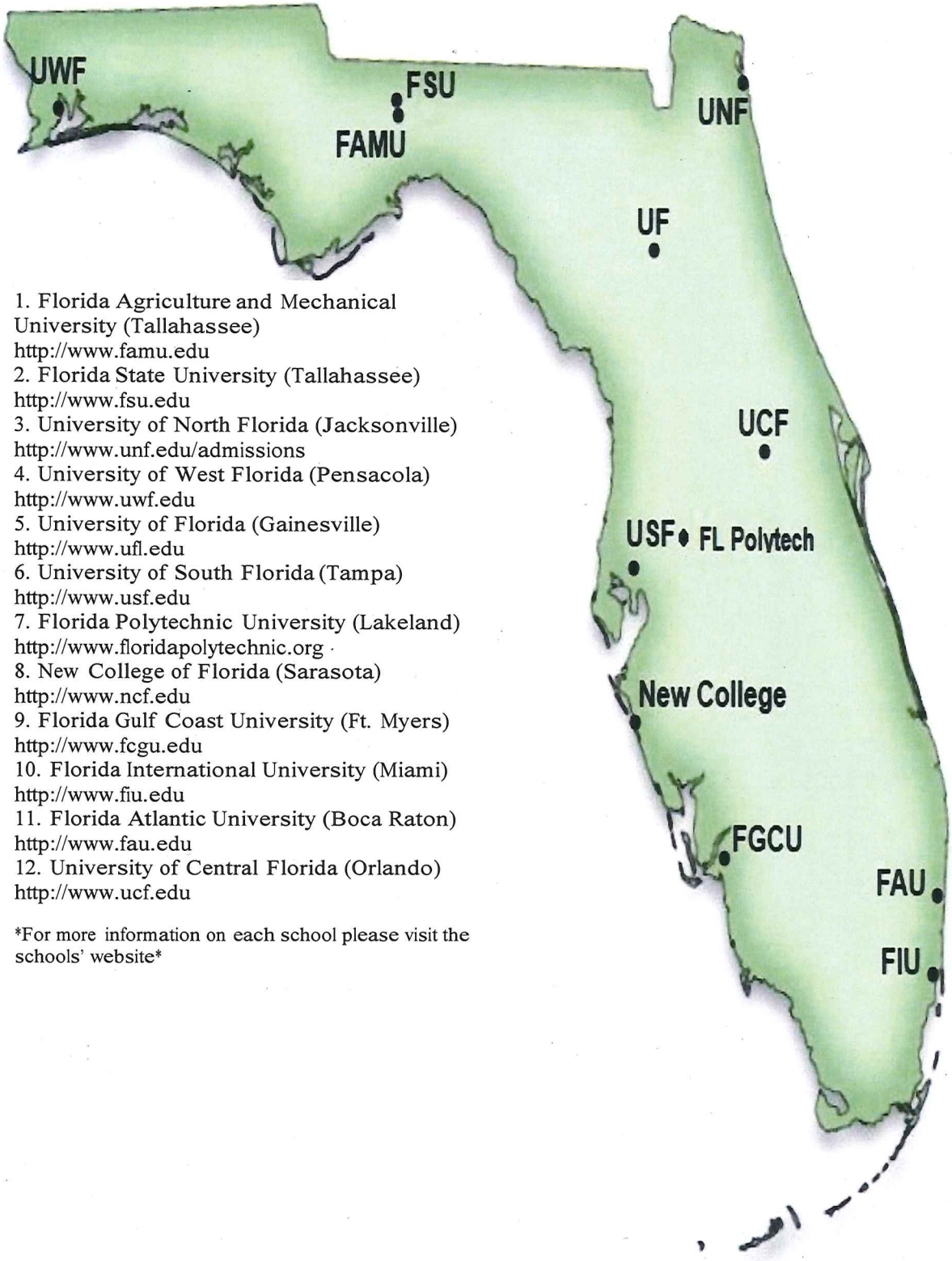
Many colleges will have institutional financial aid forms you must access and complete through each college's financial aid portal. Please check these one by one and make sure to complete all requirements.

Other Information:

You will need to reapply for financial aid every year. If your family's financial situation changes, you will get more or less aid. You do not need to be accepted to college to apply for financial aid. However, to actually receive funds, you must be admitted and enrolled in college. After applying, you will get an award letter and have the opportunity to accept or deny any of the aid offered to you.

Questions or problems with the FAFSA: Call 1-800-433-3243.

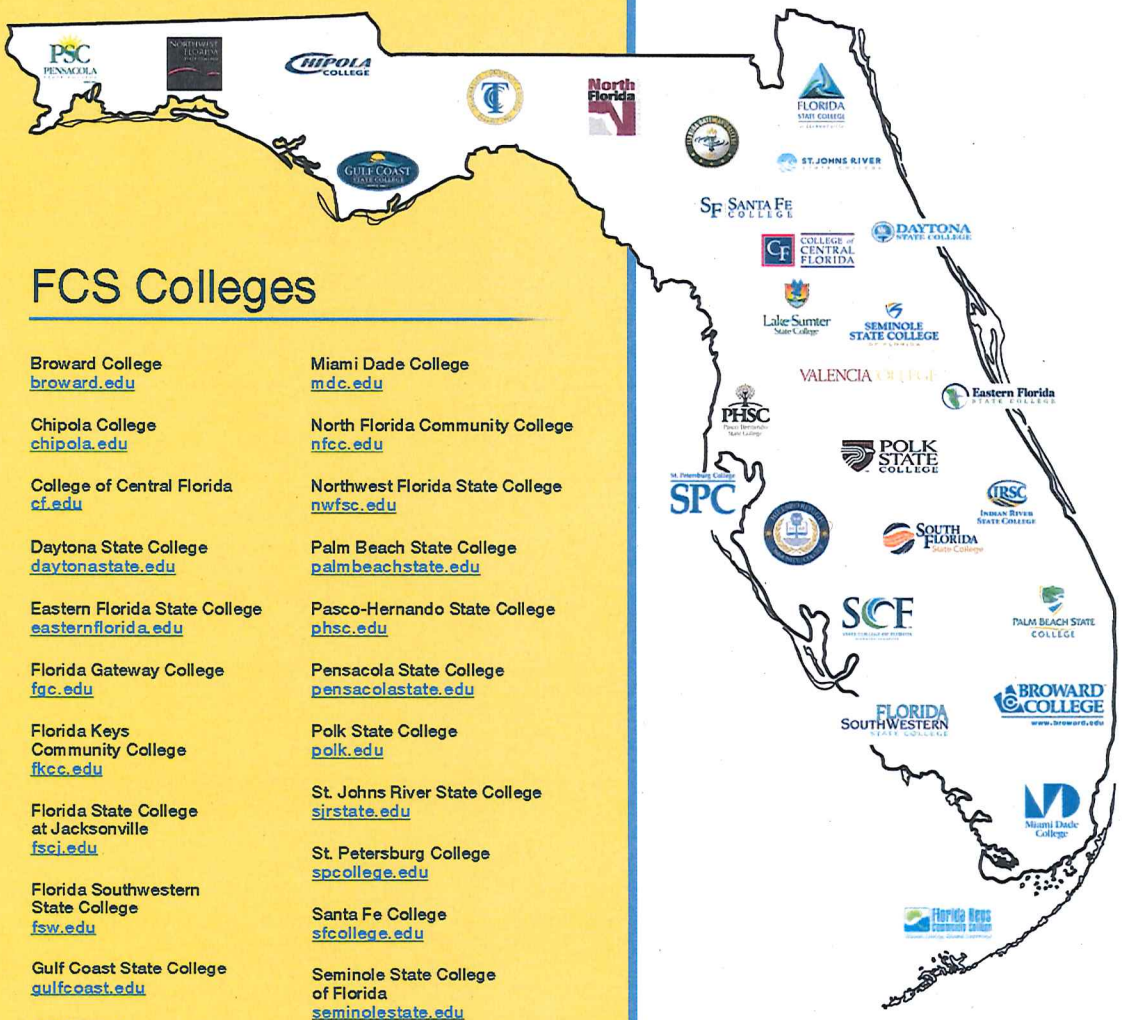
State University System Map



1. Florida Agriculture and Mechanical University (Tallahassee)
http://www.famu.edu
2. Florida State University (Tallahassee)
http://www.fsu.edu
3. University of North Florida (Jacksonville)
http://www.unf.edu/admissions
4. University of West Florida (Pensacola)
http://www.uwf.edu
5. University of Florida (Gainesville)
http://www.ufl.edu
6. University of South Florida (Tampa)
http://www.usf.edu
7. Florida Polytechnic University (Lakeland)
http://www.floridapolytechnic.org
8. New College of Florida (Sarasota)
http://www.ncf.edu
9. Florida Gulf Coast University (Ft. Myers)
http://www.fcgu.edu
10. Florida International University (Miami)
http://www.fiu.edu
11. Florida Atlantic University (Boca Raton)
http://www.fau.edu
12. University of Central Florida (Orlando)
http://www.ucf.edu

For more information on each school please visit the schools' website

Florida College System



FCS Colleges

Broward College
broward.edu

Chipola College
chipola.edu

College of Central Florida
cf.edu

Daytona State College
daytonastate.edu

Eastern Florida State College
easternflorida.edu

Florida Gateway College
fgc.edu

Florida Keys Community College
fkcc.edu

Florida State College at Jacksonville
fsci.edu

Florida Southwestern State College
fsw.edu

Gulf Coast State College
gulfcoast.edu

Hillsborough Community College
hccfl.edu

Indian River State College
irsc.edu

Lake-Sumter State College
lssc.edu

State College of Florida, Manatee-Sarasota
scf.edu

Miami Dade College
mdc.edu

North Florida Community College
nfcc.edu

Northwest Florida State College
nwfsc.edu

Palm Beach State College
palmbeachstate.edu

Pasco-Hernando State College
phsc.edu

Pensacola State College
pensacolastate.edu

Polk State College
polk.edu

St. Johns River State College
sjrstate.edu

St. Petersburg College
spcollege.edu

Santa Fe College
sfcollege.edu

Seminole State College of Florida
seminolestate.edu

South Florida State College
southflorida.edu

Tallahassee Community College
tcc.fl.edu

Valencia College
valenciacollege.edu

The career pathways depicted are aligned with the meta-major academic pathways identified in Rule 6A-14.065 that were established for the purposes of advising Florida College System associate degree seeking students of the gateway courses that are aligned with their intended academic and career goals.

Career Pathways concept and design by Broward College.

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Florida's Private Colleges & Universities

Adventist University of Health Sciences	www.adu.edu	Orlando
Ave Maria University	www.avemaria.edu	Ave Maria
Barry University	www.barry.edu	Miami Shores
Beacon College	www.beaconcollege.edu	Leesburg
Bethune Cookman University	www.cookman.edu	Daytona Beach
Eckerd College	www.eckerd.edu	St. Petersburg
Edward Waters College	www.ewc.edu	Jacksonville
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University	www.erau.edu	Daytona Beach
Everglades University	www.evergladesuniversity.edu	Boca Raton
Flagler College	www.flagler.edu	St. Augustine
Florida College	www.floridacollege.edu	Temple Terrace
Florida Institute of Technology	www.fit.edu	Melbourne
Florida Memorial University	www.fmuniv.edu	Miami
Florida Southern College	www.flsouthern.edu	Lakeland
Hodges University	www.hodges.edu	Naples
Jacksonville University	www.ju.edu	Jacksonville
Johnson University	www.johnsonu.edu	Kissimmee
Johnson & Wales University	www.jwu.edu	North Miami
Keiser University	www.keiseruniversity.edu	Fort Lauderdale
Lynn University	www.lynn.edu	Boca Raton
Miami Int'l University of Art & Design	www.artsinstitutes.edu/miami	Miami
Northwood University	www.northwood.edu	Tampa
Nova Southeastern University	www.nova.edu	Fort Lauderdale
Palm Beach Atlantic College	www.pba.edu	West Palm Beach
Ringling College of Art & Design	www.ringling.edu	Sarasota
Rollins College	www.rollins.edu	Winter Park
Southeastern University	www.seu.edu	Lakeland
Saint Leo University	www.saintleo.edu	Saint Leo
St. Thomas University	www.stu.edu	St. Thomas
Stetson University	www.stetson.edu	Deland
University of Miami	www.miami.edu	Coral Gables
University of Tampa	www.ut.edu	Tampa
Warner Southern College	www.warner.edu	Lake Wales
Webber International University	www.webber.edu	Babson Park

CAREER EXPLORATION

Many college applications will ask students to choose a major. Finding the right career and getting there is a journey. Check out the following resources to learn about different career possibilities and associated majors based on your personality and interests.

Tips for career exploration:

Think about what interests you or people you've read about or met who have interesting jobs. Identify potential careers in your areas of interest. Research what skills, classes, and degrees different jobs require. You might discover that you don't like any of the courses needed to complete a college major that would prepare you for one of the jobs on your list.

Resources for Researching Careers:

16personalities.com

Recent research in careers suggest that personality type has a much greater impact on career satisfaction than was originally thought. Try this "freakishly accurate" quiz to see where you fall.

http://www.self-directed-search.com

Take the "Self Directed Search"--the most widely used inventory in the world. It's a self-administered, self-scored, and self-interpreted career counseling tool. ($9.95)

https://roadtripnation.com/

Take the career interest profiler or explore different careers with the Career Cluster Finder. The Roadtrip Nation Interview Archive consists of over 5,000 videos on struggle, triumph, and self-discovery that are broken into 48 themes and 29 interests. This is a great way to learn more about topics and careers you may be interested in from thought leaders!

https://www.floridashines.org/find-a-career

FloridaShines has the resources you need to explore careers, make a plan, and prepare for work.

What's Next?

Once you've researched possible careers and made a list, it's time to take action! Try out these ideas to gain valuable insight into what a day in the careers that interest you looks like.

Volunteer where you're likely to meet someone who has one of the jobs that interests you. Look into a paid or unpaid internship.

Accompany someone working in that field to see what a day on the job is like. Find a mentor who can give you perspective and advice.

Talk to family members and friends who work in those careers or know others who do.

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Student Services

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Bridging the Gap between Adult Education, Postsecondary, and the Workforce

Educational career counseling and academic advising is available for free to assist students with enhancing their knowledge along with an alignment of resources to meet education and career objectives. Financial aid assistance, grant and agency funding resources are available.

Adult Education Programs

Eight Adult Administrative Sites in Hillsborough County: Bowers/Whitley, Brandon, Chamberlain, Gary, Jefferson, Lennard, Leto, and Plant City

- Adult Basic Education (ABE)
- High School Credit
- General Education Diploma (GED)
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)
- Family Literacy

Career Pathways for the Adult Education student provides career development standards, digital literacy, and workforce preparation activities designed to be integrated in the ABE, GED, and ESOL curriculum.

Use QRC code to send Request for Information form to be contacted by an ACSC Student Services Counselor/Advisor

Technical College Programs

Four Technical College sites in Hillsborough County: Aparicio-Levy, Brewster, Erwin, Learey

- Apprenticeship
- Business & Marketing Mgt
- Early Childhood Education
- Health Science
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Industrial Trade & Manufacturing
- Information Technology
- Public Service

Career Pathways for the potential Technical College student provides support services for students to transition into postsecondary education, apprenticeship programs and the workforce. Students learn to locate resources, navigate, organize, and plan for their educational and career goals.

Please call and ask to speak with a Counselor for more information. (813) 231-1907
5410 N. 20th Street – Tampa, FL – 33610 – Se habla Español

Program Offerings

Effective for School Year 2022-2023

Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) - 2022-2023 CTE Curriculum Frameworks
https://www.fldoe.org/academics/career-adult-edu/career-tech-edu/curriculum-frameworks/2022-23-frameworks/

ALTC	BTC	ETC	ACSC	OFA
APARICIO-LEVY TECHNICAL COLLEGE	BREWSTER TECHNICAL COLLEGE	ERWIN TECHNICAL COLLEGE	Adult and Career Services Center	Office of Financial Aid
hillsboroughschools.org/altc	hillsboroughschools.org/brewster	hillsboroughschools.org/erwin	ACSC supports all our colleges	OFA supports all our colleges
813.740.4884	813.276.5448	813.769.5180	813.231.1907	813.231.1635

FLDOE Program Number	Program Title	Length of Study		Offered at HTC Campus			
		Instructional Clock Hours	Estimated months to complete	ALTC	BTC	ETC	ETC West Campus
Agribusiness							
A010512	Veterinary Assisting	750 hours	9 months	√			
Business and Marketing Management							
B070110	Accounting Operation	900 hours	10 months			√	
M812040	Distribution & Logistics Management	900 hours	10 months		√		
Early Childhood							
E300100	Early Childhood Education	600 hours	Day & Eve Available		√		
Hospitality and Tourism							
N100520	Fundamental Foodservice Skills	600 hours	7 months			√	
N100500	Professional Culinary Arts & Hospitality	1200 hours	14 months			√	
Human Services							
I120403	Barbering	900 hours	Evenings 19 months			√	
D500100	Cosmetology	1200 hours	14 months			√	
I120425	Facials Specialty	220 hours	3 months				√
I120415	Nails Specialty	180 hours	4 months				√
Information Technology							
Y100200	Computer Systems & Information Technology (CSIT)	900 hours	10 months	√		√	
Y100400	Cloud Computing & Virtualization	900 hours	10 months			√	
Y700100	Web Development	1050 hours	10 months		√		
Public Service							
P430211	Firefighter (**Hillsborough County Fire**)	492 + 40 hours	Eves + Sat 7 months	√			
P430211	Firefighter (**Tampa Fire**)	492 + 40 hours	Days 5 months	√			

FLDOE Program Number	Program Title	Length of Study		Offered at HTC Campus			
		Instructional Clock Hours	Estimated months to complete	ALTC	BTC	ETC	ETC West Campus
Apprenticeships							
Various	Building Trades	up to 4 years	Various			√	
Health Science							
H170222	Central Sterile Processing Technology	650 hours	7 months		√		
H170113	Dental Assisting Technology and Management - ATD	1230 hours	12 months			√	
W170212	Emergency Medical Technician - Applied Technology Diploma (**ATD**)	300 hours	Day & Eve 5 Months	√			
H120406	Massage Therapy	750 hours	9 months			√	
H170515	Medical Assisting	1300 hours	15 months			√	
H170600	Medical Clinical Laboratory Technician (**ATD**)	1515 hours	15 months			√	
H170530	Medical Coder/Biller (**ATD**)	1110 hours	12 months			√	
H170500	Pharmacy Technician	1050 hours	12 months		√		
H170302	Phlebotomy	165 hours	Day & Eve Available			√	√
H170607	Practical Nursing	1350 hours	Day & Eve Available			√	
H170211	Surgical Technology	1330 hours	15 months			√	
Transportation, Industrial Trades, and Manufacturing Technology							
C400400	Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning/Refrigeration (HVAC/R)	1350 hours	Day & Eve Available			√	
I470608	Automotive Service Technology	1800 hours	21 months		√	√	
T400700	Automotive Service Technology 1	1050 hours	12 months			√	
T400800	Automotive Service Technology 2	750 hours	9 months			√	
T404100	Automotive Maintenance and Light Repair Technician	600 hours	Evenings 12 months	√			
C510300	Carpentry	1200 hours	14 months			√	
C100200	Drafting	1500 hours	17 months			√	
I460312	Electricity	1200 hours	14 months			√	
T650100	Diesel Systems Technician 1	1050 hours	11 months		√		
C500500	Plumbing	1080 hours	11 months			√	
X600400	Solar Photovoltaic System Design, Installation and Maintenance - Entry Level	600 hours	7 months			√	
J400400	Welding Technology	1050 hours	Day & Eve Available			√	

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Career and Educational Counseling/Advising

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HCC INFORMATION

Steps to apply to HCC:

1. Apply online at www.hccfl.edu during 2nd semester of your senior year.
   You need 2 proofs of residency when filling out the application (i.e. parent's driver's license information, parent's voter registration, or parent's vehicle registration).

2. Submit the FAFSA (Financial Aid) form online at www.fafsa.gov.

3. Complete the Welcome Orientation

4. Go to HCC campus or schedule a phone call to meet with an advisor. Have SAT or ACT scores and a copy of your high school transcript with you.
   Students can also take the PERT test at HCC if you do not have SAT or ACT score.
   Visit https://www.hccfl.edu/support-services/testing/testing-locations for specific testing information.

5. Register for classes (on campus or online)

6. Send final transcript to HCC at the end of your senior year.

Here are some of the programs available at Hillsborough Community College:

Associate in Arts Degree

The Associate in Arts degree is designed for students who wish to transfer to a university. It is protected by the Articulation Agreement among all public Florida institutions of higher education. A student who is awarded an Associate in Arts degree by HCC has met the general education requirements for admission to the upper division of public universities.

Associate in Science Degree

The Associate in Science degree is awarded to students who successfully complete one of the technical programs. These areas of study are designed primarily to prepare students for immediate employment.

Some program titles: Accounting & Business, Architecture & Building Trades, Communications, Counseling, Education, Engineering, Environment, Health & Medical, Hospitality & Culinary, Information Technology, Office Administration, Law & Public Safety, Transportation, Veterinary Technology, and Welding

College Credit Certificate and Applied Technology Diploma

A College Credit Certificate is awarded for programs of less than 2 years in selected technical areas. Each of the certified programs is designed to prepare students for entry into a particular field, or to upgrade skills in the field. After completing a certificate program, many students continue studying their specific area and complete requirements for an Associate in Science degree.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

College is expensive. There's tuition, room and board, books, food…it all adds up fast! The following list provides information about where to find scholarships:

- Check Canvas often or contact your school counselor for a copy of the scholarship matrix. The scholarship matrix can also be found on the district website.

- Participate in Collegeboard's Big Future Scholarships program: www.collegeboard.org

- Check college websites. Many universities offer merit scholarships. These are typically posted under "financial aid" or "scholarships." Check early: deadlines are typically during 1st semester.

- Check other scholarship search engines such as:
  www.scholarships360.org
  www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
  www.scholarships.com
  www.cappex.com

- **Hillsborough Education Foundation** offers many scholarships for Hillsborough County seniors. The application will open at www.educationfoundation.com in October.

- Apply for **Bright Futures** starting **October 1st** of your senior year. You must submit before graduation. **You can apply before meeting all the requirements.**
  Directions: Go to www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org. Click on the following links:
  "First Time Applicants"
  "Create a Student Account"
  Complete the required fields
  Click Submit
  SAVE the Username and Password automatically generated for you. You will use this to log back in and check on the status of your application once it has been submitted.
  Fill out the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA)

- **ROTC Scholarships** through various branches of the military. These scholarships can potentially be full tuition scholarships, and have various test score and GPA requirements.

- Make sure to follow scholarship directions and be aware of deadlines. Type all parts of applications (essay, resume, etc.). Make copies and keep on file.

Start your scholarship search EARLY!!

Websites to Know

Entrance Exam Practice and Registration Sites:

www.collegeboard.com (PSAT, SAT, SAT Subject Tests)
satpractice.org (SAT)
www.khanacademy.org
www.academy.act.org (ACT)
www.act.org (ACT)
www.march2success.com

College Information Sites:
http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org
www.imfirst.org

Financial Aid Information Sites:
www.fafsa.gov Caution: Do Not Use! www.fafsa.com
www.studentaid.gov
www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org (Bright Futures application)

Scholarship Information Sites:
www.fastweb.com
www.scholarships.com
www.educationfoundation.com
www.cappex.com
www.chegg.com/scholarships
www.raise.me

Career Sites:
www.usajobs.com
www.jobcorp.com
www.careerbuilder.com
www.monster.com

Military Sites/ROTC Scholarship Information:
www. airforce.com
www.army.mil
www.uscg.mil
www.marines.mil
www.public.navy.mil

Scam Alert!

If you encounter one of these scenarios do not pursue that avenue for college assistance.

- The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back.
- Do NOT give your credit card information or bank account number to hold a scholarship EVER!
- You hear, "We will do all the work for you".
- The scholarship costs money.
- Do not believe, you were selected by a "National Foundation" to receive a scholarship or "You are a finalist in a contest" that you did not enter.
- You get an appointment time to see someone that you did not set.

DIVISION I ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

CORE-COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete a total of 16 core courses in the following areas, including 10 before the start of your seventh semester (seven in English, math or natural/physical science).

ENGLISH	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	ADDITIONAL (English, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
4 years	3 years	2 years	1 year	2 years	4 years

QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes enrolling at an NCAA Division I school need to meet these academic requirements to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in their first year of full-time enrollment.

- Complete a total of 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
  - Ten of your 16 core courses must be completed before the start of your seventh semester (senior year) of high school.
  - Seven of your 10 core courses must be in English, math or natural/physical science.
- Earn a corresponding test score that matches your core-course GPA (minimum 2.3) on the **Division I Sliding Scale**.*
- Submit proof of graduation to the Eligibility Center.

ACADEMIC REDSHIRT

All academic redshirt student-athletes may receive an athletics scholarship during their first year of full-time enrollment and practice during their first regular academic term but may NOT compete during their first year of enrollment.

- Complete a total of 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
- Earn a corresponding test score that matches your core-course GPA (minimum 2.0) on the **Division I Sliding Scale**.*
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TEST SCORES

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DIVISION I
FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE

Core GPA	SAT*	ACT Sum*	Core GPA	SAT*	ACT Sum*
3.550	400	37	2.750	810	59
3.525	410	38	2.725	820	60
3.500	430	39	2.700	830	61
3.475	440	40	2.675	840	61
3.450	460	41	2.650	850	62
3.425	470	41	2.625	860	63
3.400	490	42	2.600	860	64
3.375	500	42	2.575	870	65
3.350	520	43	2.550	880	66
3.325	530	44	2.525	890	67
3.300	550	44	2.500	900	68
3.275	560	45	2.475	910	69
3.250	580	46	2.450	920	70
3.225	590	46	2.425	930	70
3.200	600	47	2.400	940	71
3.175	620	47	2.375	950	72
3.150	630	48	2.350	960	73
3.125	650	49	2.325	970	74
3.100	660	49	2.300	980	75
3.075	680	50	2.299	990	76
3.050	690	50	2.275	990	76
3.025	710	51	2.250	1000	77
3.000	720	52	2.225	1010	78
2.975	730	52	2.200	1020	79
2.950	740	53	2.175	1030	80
2.925	750	53	2.150	1040	81
2.900	750	54	2.125	1050	82
2.875	760	55	2.100	1060	83
2.850	770	56	2.075	1070	84
2.825	780	56	2.050	1080	85
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DIVISION II ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

CORE-COURSE REQUIREMENTS

Complete a total of 16 core courses in the following areas:

ENGLISH	MATH (Algebra I or higher)	NATURAL/ PHYSICAL SCIENCE (Including one year of lab, if offered)	ADDITIONAL (English, math or natural/physical science)	SOCIAL SCIENCE	ADDITIONAL COURSES (Any area listed to the left, foreign language or comparative religion/philosophy)
3 years	2 years	2 years	3 years	2 years	4 years

FULL QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes enrolling at an NCAA Division II school need to meet these academic requirements to practice, compete and receive an athletics scholarship in their first year of full-time enrollment.

- Complete a total of 16 core courses in the appropriate areas.
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PARTIAL QUALIFIER

College-bound student-athletes that do not meet Division II full qualifier standards will be deemed a partial qualifier. All partial qualifier student-athletes may receive an athletics scholarship and practice during their first year of full-time enrollment at a Division II school, but may NOT compete.

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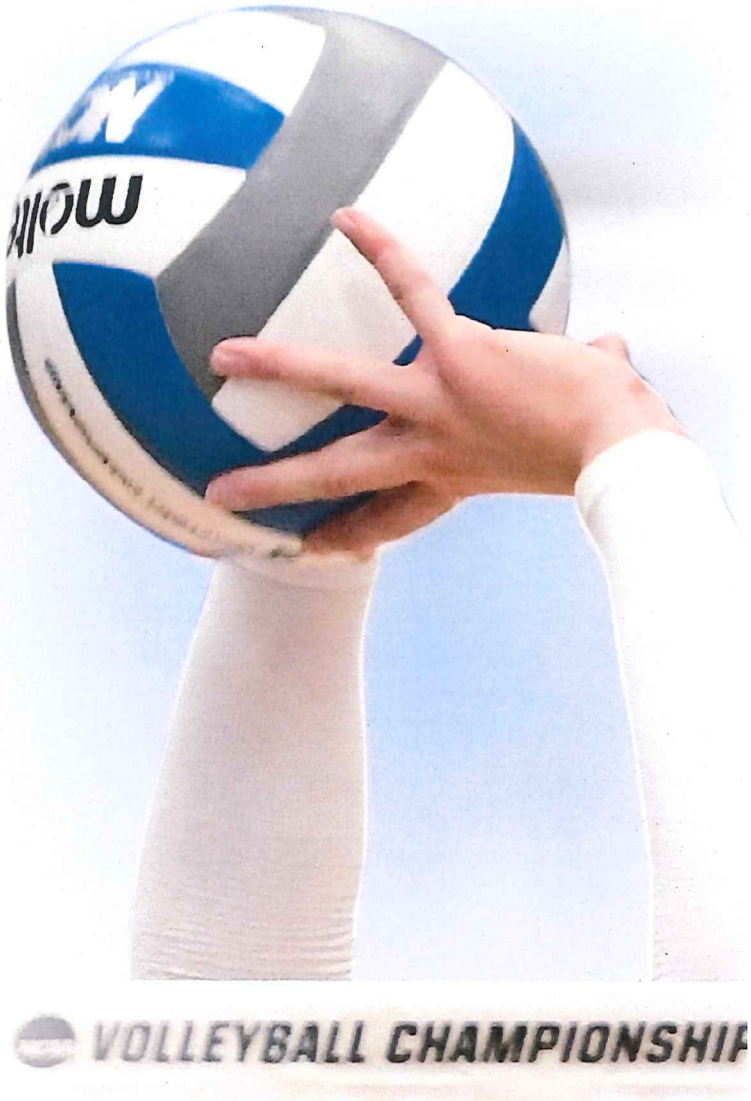

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DIVISION II
FULL QUALIFIER SLIDING SCALE

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3.225	440	40
3.200	460	41
3.175	470	41
3.150	490	42
3.125	500	42
3.100	520	43
3.075	530	44
3.050	550	44
3.025	560	45
3.000	580	46
2.975	590	46
2.950	600	47
2.925	620	47
2.900	630	48
2.875	650	49
2.850	660	49
2.825	680	50
2.800	690	50
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NAIA Information

NAIA Eligibility Center at PlayNAIA.org determines eligibility of all first-time NAIA student-athletes

The NAIA Eligibility Center, at PlayNAIA.org, is responsible for determining the NAIA eligibility of first-time student-athletes. Students must have eligibility determined by the NAIA Eligibility Center, and all NAIA schools are bound by the center's decisions.
Every student interested in playing sports at NAIA colleges for the first time needs to register online with the NAIA Eligibility Center.
What information will I need to provide? You'll create a personal profile with the basic facts about your academic history and sports participation to date.

- You'll need your current contact information, previous residences and addresses, high schools attended and history of your sports participation during and after high school graduation.
- When registering for the ACT/SAT, include the NAIA Eligibility Center (9876) on list of places scores should be sent.
- Ask your high school counselors to send the NAIA Eligibility Center a final official transcript that verifies high school graduation, class rank and cumulative grade point average.

Do I meet the freshman eligibility requirements?

If you will graduate from a U.S. high school this spring and enroll in college this coming fall, the requirements are;

- Be a graduate of an accredited high school or be accepted in good standing as defined by the enrolling institution
- Meet two of the three following requirements. If as an entering freshman you do not meet at least two of the three standards, you cannot participate in athletics for the first full year of attendance (2 semesters, 3 quarters, or equivalent).

1. Test Score Requirement	2. High School GPA Requirement	3. Class Rank Requirement
• 18 composite score ACT (for tests taken before March 2016). 16 composite score ACT for tests taken March 2016 - April 30, 2019. • 970 SAT Evidence-Based Reading/Writing + Math, 860 if taken between March 2016 – April 30, 2019.	• Achieve a minimum overall high school grade point average of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.	• Graduate in the top half of your high school class.

What are the costs?

Registration for students from the U.S. and Canada is $90 and Visa, Mastercard and Discover are accepted. This is a one-time nonrefundable registration fee and includes all services of the NAIA Eligibility Center. The registration fee will be waived for students with demonstrated need. If you receive a fee waiver for the ACT or SAT test or qualify for the federal free or reduced-cost lunch program, contact your high school counselor, who can provide confirmation of your eligibility for a fee waiver to the NAIA Eligibility Center.

Do I need to register with the NAIA Eligibility Center if I'm registering with the NCAA?

Determining if you meet eligibility requirements for NAIA eligibility is separate from NCAA eligibility certification. The NAIA and NCAA are two separate associations, with two different sets of rules and certification processes.