

High School, College and Career Resources

24 Credit Standard Diploma Graduation Requirements

- ✓ **4 English**
- ✓ **4 Math** (including Algebra I, Geometry)
- ✓ **3 Science** (including Biology, 2 additional sciences)
- ✓ **3 Social Studies** (*US History, World History, American Government, and Economics*)
- ✓ **1 HOPE**
- ✓ **1 Visual or Performing Fine Art**
- ✓ **2 World Languages** (*must be same language*)
- ✓ **Electives**

*Students on an **AICE, IB, or Special Diploma Programs of Study** should refer to the District Student Progression Plan or to their individual Graduation Tracker for graduation requirements.

Graduation Test Requirements

For students who enter 9th grade in 2012-2013

- ✓ FCAT 2.0 Reading – 245
- ✓ Algebra EOC – 399 or FSA 489

For students who enter 9th grade in 2013-2014

- ✓ Florida State Assessment – 349
- ✓ Algebra EOC – 399 or FSA Algebra 1 489

For students who enter 9th grade in 2014-2015

- ✓ Florida State Assessment - 350
- ✓ Algebra 1 FSA – 497 (if taken January 2016 and after)

Concordant scores on SAT and ACT (READING) or PERT (MATH)
For more information on Florida's graduation requirements see:
<http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7764/urlt/1415forwardflyer.pdf>

Virtual Course Requirement

Students who enter 9th grade in 2011-2012 and thereafter must complete a high school **on-line course** to graduate. Please discuss your options with your student's school counselor.

*Students following the 18 credit ACCEL, AICE, IB or Special Diploma Programs of Study are exempt from this requirement.



Options for High School Acceleration



- Your high school offers classes that can award college credit. These may include **Advanced Placement (AP)**, **Dual Enrollment**, **International Baccalaureate (IB)**, and **Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE)**. For more information, visit <http://duvalschools.org/Domain/4396>
- You may also be able to take classes that lead to an **Industry Certification**. For more information visit the DCPS Career and Technical Education department website: <http://duvalschools.org/cte>



FOCUS is the Student Information System, which allows district's students and parents to access grades, progress reports and attendance. Parents/Guardians must register for a new Focus account to access student information. www.duvalschools.org/focus

Promotion Requirements/24 Credit Diploma

From 9 th Grade	10 th	5 Credits, 1 English or 1 Math
From 10 th Grade	11 th	12 Credits, 2 English and 2 Math or Science
From 11 th Grade	12 th	18 Credits, 3 English and 4 Math or Science, Minimum 1.5 GPA

College and Career Planning

College and Career Planning
<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org>
www.floridashines.org
www.FloridaReadytoWork.com

Participating in College Athletics

www.ncaaclearinghouse.net



Scan with your mobile device to view the Bright Futures website!
Student eligibility is updated each semester starting in ninth grade.
Visit www.floridashines.org to check eligibility or for more information:
<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/>

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The **Free Application** for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form is available to students and parents to complete through the myStudentAid mobile app and the [fafsa.gov website](http://fafsa.gov).



Post-Secondary Readiness Scores
Dual Enrollment Eligibility Scores, Post-Secondary Ready
Scores needed for Seniors

rSAT		ACT		PERT	
Math: June 24, 2016 and thereafter					
Writing & Language: November 29, 2016 and thereafter					
Reading	24	Reading	19	Reading	106
Writing & Language	25	English	17	Writing	103
Math	24	Math	19	Math	114

ACT	Comparison	SAT
Assessment test that measures what you learned in school.	Type of Test	Aptitude test that measures how you apply what you learned in school.
English, Math, Reading, Science Reasoning, Essay (Optional)	Test Structure	Reading, Writing & Language, Math, Essay (Optional)
3 hours and 25 minutes (including 30 minutes for an optional essay)	Test Duration	3 hours (+ 50 minutes with optional essay)
There is no penalty for wrong answers	Penalty	There is no penalty for wrong or omitted answers
You can use a calculator on all math questions	Calculator Policy	Some math questions don't allow you to use a calculator
Optional. The essay will test how well you evaluate and analyze complex issues.	Essays	Optional. The essay will test your comprehension of a source text.
Scored on a scale of 1-36	How It's Scored	Scored on a scale of 400-1600
www.act.org	Online Registration	www.collegeboard.com

Test Resources

PERT Study Guide: <http://fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/5592/urlt/0078248-pert-studentstudyguide.pdf>
ACT: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/test-preparation.html>;
SAT: <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice/full-length-practice-tests>
Other Sites: www.majortests.com, www.march2success.com

Fee Waivers for SAT, ACT and College Applications

There are a number of reasons a student could qualify for up to TWO fee waivers for each test while they are juniors and seniors. The most common reason is Free or Reduced lunch program eligibility. Check with your school counselor about other qualifying situations. For specific eligibility requirements for **SAT** visit <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/register/fees/fee-waivers> and **ACT** <https://www.act.org/content/dam/act/unsecured/documents/FeeWaiver.pdf>

Students with disabilities may also be able to apply for **ACT/SAT Test Accommodations**. Check with your counselor about timelines, deadlines and **APPLY EARLY!**
SAT, PSAT, AP: www.collegeboard.com/ssd/student/index.html
ACT: <https://www.act.org/content/act/en/products-and-services/the-act/registration/accommodations.html>

MINIMUM Admissions Scores required for the State University System (SUS)

These are MINIMUM scores. Many State universities will require higher scores for admissions purposes. GPA, rigor of courses taken, extracurricular activities and community involvement will also be taken into consideration.

SAT		ACT	
Critical Reading	460	Reading	19
Math	460	Math	19
Writing	440	English/Writing	18

