



West Boca Raton High School

Freshman & Sophomore
Presentation

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Guidance Main Office **(561) 672-2021**

How to reach us!

- At the present moment, the best way to reach your school counselor is via email.
- We will set up a virtual appointment or an appointment over the phone.
- We are meeting with students in crisis in our office.
- Counselors are happy to assist in a safe, healthy, and productive manner.
- Thank you for working with us!

Lets Review: Graduation Requirements

English	4 required English I, II, III, IV
Mathematics	4 required Including Algebra I (or its equivalent) and Geometry
Science	3 required Including Biology, a physical science, and another equally rigorous course
Social Studies	3 required including 1 World History, 1 United States History, ½ United States Government and ½ Economics with Financial Literacy
Fine Arts	1 required in Fine or Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or an approved Practical Arts course
Physical Education (HOPE)	1 required Physical Education to include the integration of health (HOPE)

Lets Review: Graduation Requirements (cont.)

Electives	8 required
Online Class	1 required
World Language	Not required for high school graduation, but at least 2 credits are required for admission into four year colleges and universities
Minimum Graduation Credit Requirement	24 credits
Assessments	Earn passing score on Grade 10 FSA <u>Reading</u>, (or concordant on ACT or SAT) & Algebra 1 EOC <u>Math</u>
GPA	2.0 on a 4.0 scale (<u>unweighted</u>)
Community Service	20 Hours

FSA - 10th
GRADE!!!



ONLINE COURSE GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

www.flvs.net

1 Full course required
(not necessarily one full credit)

Example: Life management Skills (.5 credit) OR Spanish 1 (1 Credit) would
BOTH count for this requirement

Not English 2 semester 1- **ALL of English 2** (both semesters)

Course can be completed through FLVS, PBV, Edgenuity (E2020), online dual enrollment, etc.

ALL students must finish their
FLVS graduation requirement
and **community service** hours
to have senior privilege senior
year!!

*Allows students to leave one
period early

**WEST BOCA RATON
COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL**
Home of the Bulls

STUDENT NAME: _____

STUDENT #: _____ **GRADE:** _____

ADDRESS & PHONE: _____

PHONE # AND LOCATION OF VOLUNTEER WORK: _____

TYPE OF VOLUNTEER WORK: _____

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATES: _____

TOTAL HOURS: _____

STUDENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

20 HOURS
REQUIRED FOR
GRADUATION

75 or 100
Required for
Bright Futures

*Hours must be
turned in 30 days
after completion
of the event.

PSAT *Stay tuned for more info*

- **October 27th, 2020 - 9th grade**
- **October 29th, 2020 - 10th grade**
- Web link for additional practice:
 - KHAN Academy <https://www.khanacademy.org/test-prep/sat/new-sat-tips-planning/new-sat-how-to-prep/a/full-length-psat-nmsqt>
- PSAT is a real life testing experience- communication is coming for students know the location for test.
- Scores will Predict-- Future SAT test scores, course placement for next school year, possibly used for dual enrollment

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

In line with Palm Beach County School District's mission statement, all students must graduate college and career ready.

At West Boca High, we offer AP, AICE, dual enrollment and industry certification courses in order ensure our students are prepared for college and/or a career upon graduation.

Students are encouraged to graduate with at least one industry certification. These certifications save students money in the workforce and also help build their resume.

INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION

This is just a
small list of
what we offer!

Course	Industry Cert Offered	Avg. Cost of Tuition and Fees per Credit Hour
Digital Info Tech & IT Fundamentals	Microsoft Bundle (Word, PowerPoint, Excel)	\$320.64
Digital Media & Comm Tech 1	Adobe Photoshop & Adobe Illustrator	\$320.64
EMT	EMT	\$961.92
Tech Design	Autodesk Inventor	\$320.64
Pharmacy	Pharmacy Tech (PTCB & ExCPT)	\$961.92

AP Courses & Changes

This year College Board revamped its AP testing process.

The deadline to order tests has changed. It used to be March and now it is October!

As a result, students may not drop AP courses after October 30th or they will be subject to a \$40 obligation fee.

Accommodations for AP and AICE

Students with IEP or 504 plans have the option to take their AP and AICE exams with testing accommodations. This process is different than the process used for FSA or EOC and requires an application through College Board (AP) and/or Cambridge (AICE). If you have an IEP, 504 plan or use any school based accommodations then you are not automatically qualified to use test accommodations on AP or AICE exams. Therefore all students seeking to use accommodations on their exams must see Ms. Lombardi (IEP) or Ms. Wolfe (504) by the start of second quarter to begin the process. Start early!

College Fairs

[2020 South Florida National College Fair](#)

Most colleges/universities are having virtual visits this year; please contact any post secondary institution to inquire in regards to any visit in advance.

FREE SAT STUDY TOOL



For additional assistance with creating and linking your accounts, call CollegeBoard's student customer service line at **866.433.7728** and then follow the automated prompts.



BRIGHT FUTURES REQUIREMENTS

Florida Academic Scholarship and Florida Medallion Scholarship

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT [®] /SAT [®])	Service Hours
FAS	4 - English <i>(three must include substantial writing)</i> 4 - Mathematics <i>(at or above the Algebra I level)</i> 3 - Natural Science <i>(two must have substantial laboratory)</i>	3.50	2020-21 Graduates: 29/1330 2021-22 Graduates: 29/1330	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2020-21 Graduates: 25/1210 2021-22 Graduates: 25/1210	75 hours

¹ The required coursework aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Florida Board of Governor's Regulation 6.002. Additional information regarding high school coursework can be found within the [Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook](#).

Bright Futures Website: <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org>

Bright Futures Requirements

Gold Seal Vocational & CAPE Scholarship

**These scholarships can only be used for a student enrolled in a career education or certificate program.*

Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV)

- Achieve the required weighted minimum 3.0 GPA in the non-elective high school courses;
- Take at least 3 full credits in a single Career and Technical Education program;
- Achieve the required minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA in career education courses;
- Achieve the required minimum score on the ACT, SAT or Florida Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (P.E.R.T) exams; and
- Complete 30 service hours

Exam Type	Sub-test	Required Score
ACT®	Reading	19
	English	17
	Mathematics	19
SAT®	Reading Test	24
	Writing and Language Test	25
	Math Test	24
P.E.R.T. (Only applies to the GSV Scholarship)	Reading	106
	Writing	103
	Mathematics	114

Required test scores follow those established by [State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.0315](#).

Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)

- Earn a minimum of 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications that articulate for college credit; and
- Complete 30 service hours

Other Ways of Earning Bright Futures

Merit Recognition Program	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT®/SAT®)		Service Hours	Bright Futures Award
	2019-20	2020-21		
National Merit® Finalists and Scholars			100 hours	FAS
			75 hours	FMS
National Hispanic Scholars			100 hours	FAS
			75 hours	FMS
Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) - Diploma			100 hours	FAS
			75 hours	FMS
International Baccalaureate (IB) - Diploma			100 hours	FAS
			75 hours	FMS
AICE - Curriculum	29/1290	29/1330	100 hours	FAS
	26/1170	25/1210	75 hours	FMS
International Baccalaureate (IB) - Curriculum	29/1290	29/1330	100 hours	FAS
	26/1170	25/1210	75 hours	FMS

AICE Curriculum

- Complete a minimum of 14 AICE credits* identified by the Cambridge Assessment International Education (Cambridge International) in the Diploma Core and three academic areas as follows:
 - AICE Diploma Core – AICE Global Perspectives & Research AS level (Two Credits required)
 - Group 1 – Mathematics and Sciences (Two Credits required)
 - Group 2 – Languages (Two Credits required)
 - Group 3 – Arts and Humanities (Two Credits required)
 - Group 4 – Interdisciplinary Skills (Optional – Four Credits maximum)
 - Six additional credits required in any combination from the above four groups.

*Students earn one credit by completing and passing one AICE full credit course and another credit for taking the corresponding AICE examination.

National Honor Society

- In order to be eligible, the student must have completed 3 semesters of high school
- Have minimum GPA or HPA of a 3.8 (2019-2020) *subject to change*
- Invitation only – student will receive a letter from Ms. Nygren (March via English class)
- Student will complete information sheet with service activities
- 3 teacher recommendations needed
- Strict deadline
- Faculty Counsel makes decision on who is inducted into NHS

Dual Enrollment

- An opportunity to earn BOTH high school and college credit for free!
- Eligibility
- 3.0 cumulative GPA
- College ready test scores on the PSAT, SAT, ACT, and/or PERT in ALL subject areas.
- Check eligibility, sign up online, attend orientation, sign up for classes with counselor
- <https://www.palmbeachstate.edu/dualenroll/default.aspx>

ASVAB

- **ASVAB-Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery**
- ASVAB testing date: TBA
- The ASVAB is a multiple-aptitude battery that measures developed abilities and helps predict future academic and occupational success in the military
- Everybody can take the test.
- Freshman & Sophomore students – spots based on availability
- Passes required!
- It is free!
- For more information please email:
Jodi.mochel@palmbeachschools.org

Important College Information Tips

Critical Steps to Acceptance:

- GPA
- Test Scores
- Extracurricular activities – GET INVOLVED!!

Research Colleges & Careers:

- Florida Shines – Research colleges/majors/careers – www.floridashines.org
- Research colleges directly through the College/University website
- Occupational Outlook Handbook

Other Recommendations:

- Attend college fairs
- Attend college visits over the summer

Guidance Google classroom

Link: <https://classroom.google.com/c/NzY2MDk1MjcwNDBa?cjc=ntf3jnm>

This is a great way to keep up with ongoing announcements and student opportunities!

We are consistently updating our Google classroom, so please sign up!

Mental Health Resources

- School Behavioral Mental Health Professional – Ms. Townsend
- Elizabeth.townsend@palmbeachschools.org
- Co-Located Mental Health Professional – Ms. Orban
- Alicia.orban.c@palmbeachschools.org
- Call or email school counselor
- Referral process begins with school counselor

HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!!!!

- Regularly self-assess: If what you are doing isn't producing the level of results/success that it should, then it is time to try something different.
- Ask questions.
- Schedule an appointment with a teacher outside of class time to discuss the issue and obtain help.
- Avoid getting caught up in justifying and making excuses. Instead, focus your energies on being positive and proactive in confronting areas of difficulty head-on.
- Seek out assistance if you need help! (teachers, counselors, AP's)