St. Augustine High School



#### Cambridge A.I.C.E. Advanced International Certificate of Education

# Welcome!

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# A.I.C.E. at St. Augustine High

- St. Augustine High started the Cambridge A.I.C.E program in 1997.
- SAHS was the 2<sup>nd</sup> school in the US to begin an A.I.C.E program.
- A.I.C.E courses are among the most rigorous available to St. Johns County students

## What is A.I.C.E.?

- Advanced studies program affiliated with Cambridge International Examinations in the United Kingdom.
- C.I.E. is the largest program like this in the world
  >10,000+ participating schools

> over 160 countries

- Students explore areas of strength and interest while taking college-level courses in HS
- Rigorous, international curriculum

heavily writing-based

strong emphasis on critical thinking, analysis, interpretation

## Why A.I.C.E.?

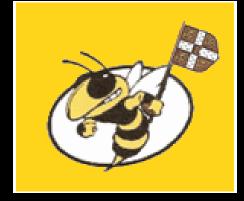
- Rigor of HS Coursework is the best predictor of college success
- Extra GPA Points
  - A.I.C.E Courses 1.0 extra (Same as AP, IB and Dual Enrollment)
  - Pre-AICE Courses 0.5 extra
- Earn College Credit in HS (500+ US Colleges/Universities)
- A.I.C.E. Diploma Award = Bright Futures (more later)
  2012 FSU study = Among AP, IB, Dual Enrollment and A.I.C.E, students entering university having participated in A.I.C.E had the highest first year GPA.

# **College Admissions Advantage**

- Rigor of HS Coursework = College Success
- A.I.C.E courses get extra points from the admissions board. (Same as AP and IB)
- All A.I.C.E courses used in GPA re-calculation
  Including Art, General Paper, Thinking Skills, etc.
- A.I.C.E Credits in College
  - > International Counselor
  - GCE "A Levels" not A.I.C.E

# The A.I.C.E.Curriculum

- Curriculum requirements are customized to YOUR STRENGTHS – offering more flexibility
- Requirement for A.I.C.E Curriculum Complete 7 A.I.C.E -level courses
  - At least one in each of 3 subject groupings:
    - Math/Science
    - Language
    - Humanities
  - AND The Core: AICE Global Perspectives
- Students who complete A.I.C.E Curriculum are exempt from HOPE, American Gov't/Economics, Practical/Fine Arts and Virtual Course graduation requirements



#### A.I.C.E Curriculum Requirements VS. Cambridge A.I.C.E. Diploma Award

### What's the Difference?

### **A.I.C.E Curriculum Requirements**

Completing the A.I.C.E. Curriculum Defines Graduation Requirements for A.I.C.E. Students

> American Gov't/Economics, HOPE, Fine Arts & Online course not required

- <u>Complete\*</u> Seven A.I.C.E level courses one in each academic category (\*1. earn a passing grade, 2. "sit for"/<u>TAKE</u> the exam)
  Math/Science
  - > Language
  - Humanities
  - > Global Perspectives
    - Optional Category Interdisciplinary Studies
- IN ADDITION: Must meet course progression requirements for university entry within the SAHS A.I.C.E. Program (i.e. 4 credits in <u>AICE</u> English, 2 World Language, 3 Science, 3 Social Studies)
  - Please see Course Planning Sheets by grade level

#### Cambridge A.I.C.E Diploma Award

The A.I.C.E. Diploma Award is an internationally recognized **AWARD** for academic rigor – **NOT** the High School Diploma

- Pass 7 A/AS Level Exams
  Grades range from A-E
- Pass at least one in each category
  - Math & Science
  - > Languages
  - Humanities
  - The Core: Global Perspectives

## **Scholarships**

#### A.I.C.E Diploma Award recipients with 100 hours of community service are automatically awarded the Florida Academic Scholars Award (Bright Futures)

> Must complete 100 hours of community service.

SAT and ACT score requirement is waived.

*GPA requirement is waived* 

>FloridaShines.org

## **A.I.C.E. Curriculum Completers**

#### Another Bright Futures Advantage for A.I.C.E.

#### A.I.C.E. Curriculum Completers

- Complete the AICE Curriculum Requirements
- Achieve the required SAT/ACT Scores
- Complete the required community service hours
- GPA Requirement is waived

### Math/Science Courses

- AICE Biology
- AICE Chemistry
- AICE Environmental Management\*
- AICE Math
- AICE Physics
- AICE Psychology\*\*
  - \*Count in Math/Science <u>OR</u> Humanities
  - \*\*Counts as math/science for AICE curriculum only, SUS = Social Science. Can count in Humanities category also.



- AICE English Language 1 and 2
- AICE Spanish Language
- AICE French Language

### **Humanities and the Arts**

- AICE Art and Design 1 (Digital or Draw/Paint or 3D)
- AICE Art and Design 2 (Digital or Draw/Paint or 3D)
- AICE International History
- AICE U.S. History
- AICE European History
- AICE Literature 1
- AICE Literature 2
- AICE Psychology
- AICE Environmental Management



#### AICE Global Perspectives 1

### **Optional/Interdisciplinary Category**

- Thinking Skills
- General Paper
- AICE Global Perspectives 2 (A Level)

- AICE English Language 1\*
- Pre-AICE Biology
- AP Human Geography\*
- Geometry Honors, Alg. 2 Honors
- Pre-AICE Language (Spanish or French)
- Elective (or Academy Course)
- Elective

- AICE English Language 2\*
- AICE International History\*
- Pre-AICE Chemistry
- Pre-AICE Language 2 (French or Spanish)
- Algebra 2 Honors, AICE Math\*
- Elective or Academy Course

- AICE English Literature 1\*
- AICE U.S. History\*
- AICE Physics
- AICE Math\*, AP Calc. AB\*, DE Math\*
- Pre-AICE Language 3 (if desired)
- AICE Global Perspectives\*
- Elective (AICE optional Courses) or Academy Course

- AICE English Literature 2\*
- AICE Science\*
- AICE Math\*, AP Calc. AB\*, AP Calc. BC\*, DE Math\*
- AICE European History\* (optional)
- AICE French or Spanish Language\* (optional)
- Elective (AICE optional Courses), Academy Course, DE, Modified Schedule

## **Other Advanced/College Courses**

- AP Calculus AB
- AP Calculus BC
- AP Statistics
- AP Psychology
- AP Studio Art 2-D Design
- AP Studio Art Drawing
- AP Studio Art 3-D
- Dual Enrollment (St. Johns River State College or Embry-Riddle)

## AICE Examinations What to Expect...

# **Typical Exam Schedule**

#### ▶9<sup>th</sup> Grade

- AICE English 1
- AP Human Geography
- ▶ 10<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - AICE English 2
  - AICE International History
- 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - AICE English Literature 1 & 2, AICE US History
  - Any AICE level course
  - Plus General Paper & Thinking Skills Exams in Nov. session

## **Things to Remember**

#### Exams are scheduled by <u>Cambridge</u>

- Expect exams beyond the end of our school year
- AM exams start BEFORE the buses arrive
  - Transportation needs to be arranged ahead
- Exams are ordered in January
- NO Make Up dates/times
  - What if students are sick?
- Completing an exam = present for ALL Papers
- Preliminary Spring 2017 Exam Schedule

#### Results!!

#### June 2016 results = August 2016

Cambridge Certificates = October 2016

November 2016 results = January 2017

Cambridge Certificates = February 2017

June 2017 results = August 2017

Cambridge Certificates = October 2017

- Students will have individual login/password
  - Different for EVERY exam session

### Is AICE Worth It?

#### Exam Passed = College Credit

- Any passing grade @ ALL FL Public Universities
- Over 500 Colleges/Universities in US
- 3 credit college course = approx. \$650 @ FL SUS
- Admissions Advantage College Applications
  - <u>Regardless</u> of whether exam was passed or not...
- Higher College GPA
- Bright Futures AICE Diploma Award
  - FAS Approx. \$1,500/semester, 4 yrs., = \$12,000!
  - Passing 7 exams = approx. \$4,550 in tuition savings

# **College Visits/College Fairs**

- Colleges @ SAHS sign up in Guidance
- NACAC Fair Prime Osborn Center, Jacksonville Sat. Oct. 15, 9 – 1pm
  - Register online print barcode
- Plan Campus Visits or AAB College Tour
  - AAB FSU October 26<sup>th</sup> (Permission forms on table)
  - Register online college open house, tours

### **Get Involved!**

#### AICE Advisory Board

Thurs. 8:30am, C302 – ALL AICE students/parents

#### AICE Booster Club

- Parent organization to promote & support the AICE Program, Students and Teachers
- Monthly meetings (<u>next meeting Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> 4pm</u>), fund raisers
- www.facebook.com/sahsaiceboosterclub
- Support the SAHS AICE Booster club when you shop on Amazon by using link <u>https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2511434</u>. Amazon will donate a portion of your purchases to the AICE Booster club.

#### **AICE Booster Club Fundraiser**

#### The AICE Booster Club has a table set up in the front hallway Please participate in our fund raiser



Pick up a Student Designed Magnet or Sticker for a \$10 donation (each) Funds support AICE Student activities

### In a Nutshell

#### FLEXIBLE

- Explore Multiple Interests in HS
- College Admissions Advantage
- Head start on College Credits
- Skills for College Success

## **Questions??**