GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

ST. AUGUSTINE HIGH SCHOOL

COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS

Misconception #1: There are different diploma tracks (i.e. career, college, advanced)

• Correct: Everyone pursues the same standard diploma path, some may choose to pursue additional distinctions.

Misconception #2: The FCAT is going away

 Correct: The FCAT will be replaced in the 2014-2015 school year by a Common Core-aligned assessment

COMMON MISCONCEPTIONS CON'T

Misconception #3: Foreign Language is required to graduate

• 2 years of a foreign language is required for Bright Futures and admission to a college/university

Misconception #4: Community Service is required to graduate

- Community service is required for Bright Futures
 - 100 hours for FAS
 - 75 hours for FMS
 - 30 hours for FGS

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- There is ONE standard diploma
- ALL students pursue a standard diploma*
- ALL students meet the same requirements to graduate from high school, regardless of post-secondary plans
- *AICE students are exempt from a few requirements

DISTINCTIONS

- In addition to the standard diploma, there are two additional "distinctions" that students can earn
- Merit
- Scholar
- A student's choice to pursue or not pursue one or both of these does not have any bearing on whether or not they:
 - Graduate from high school
 - Are accepted to a college or university

REQUIREMENTS



- 2.0 Un-Weighted GPA
- <u>Semester</u> grades are calculated into GPA's
- A = 4.0
- B = 3.0
- C = 2.0
- D = 1.0

ASSESSMENT

- Must pass 10th grade Reading FCAT 2.0
- Must take the 10th grade FCAT Writing
- Must pass the Algebra 1 End-of-Course Exam
 - Also counts as 30% of the Algebra 1 course grade

END OF COURSE EXAMS

- All count as 30% of the overall grade for the following courses:
 - Algebra 1
 - Geometry (or Pre-AICE Math 2)
 - Biology (or Pre-AICE Biology)
 - US History

CREDITS

- 4 English
- 4 Math (must include Algebra & Geometry)
- 3 Science (must include Biology)
- 3 Social Studies (World History, US History, US Gov & Econ w/Financial Literacy
- 1 Fine/Performing Art
- 1 HOPE
- 8 Electives

ONLINE COURSE

- Essential skill for college and career readiness
- SAHS is creating virtual-blended courses to meet the requirement
- 2012-2013 Piloting
- 2013-2014 US Gov & US Gov Honors in place
- Driver's Ed doesn't count for current 9th graders

DESIGNATIONS

MERIT DESIGNATION

- In addition to standard diploma:
 - Earn at least one industry certification

SCHOLAR DESIGNATION

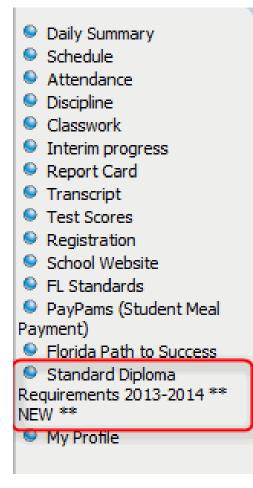
• In addition to standard diploma:

- Pass 11th Grade ELA Assessment (2014-15)
- Earn Algebra 2 Credit
- Pass Algebra 2 EOC (2014-15)
- Earn Statistics or Equally Rigorous Math credit (Pre-Calculus, AP Stat, AP Calculus, AICE Math)
- Pass Biology 1 EOC
- Earn Chemistry or Physics Credit
- Pass US History EOC
- Earn 2 credits in same foreign language
- Earn 1 AP/AICE/DE credit

SUMMARY

- We've got your student covered!
- Everyone pursues the same track
- Students who wish to earn the additional "designation" do some more things
- Ultimately what matters: post-secondary
 - Career Readiness
 - College Readiness
 - Colleges On website post admissions criteria visit early, familiarize yourself
 - Bright Futures On website they post their criteria

IN CASE YOU FORGET



QUESTIONS?