

CLASS OF 2022

What you need to know in Sophomore Year

Please take out a piece of paper and something to write with.

WHO IS MY COUNSELOR?

We are here to support you academically, with post-secondary planning (college/career), and socially/emotionally.

- Last Names A-G: Mrs. Cashwell
- Last Names H-P: Mrs. Barber
- Last Names Q-Z: Ms. Bennett
- AICE Program: Mrs. Bechtle



HOW CAN MY COUNSELOR HELP ME?

- We work together with students, families, teachers and other school staff to help you achieve. We assist with:
 - Academic planning
 - Personal/social challenges
 - Planning future education and career choices

Students may request an appointment with their counselor online.
A pass will be sent for you on the day of the appointment.

WHY ARE WE HERE? GRADUATION!









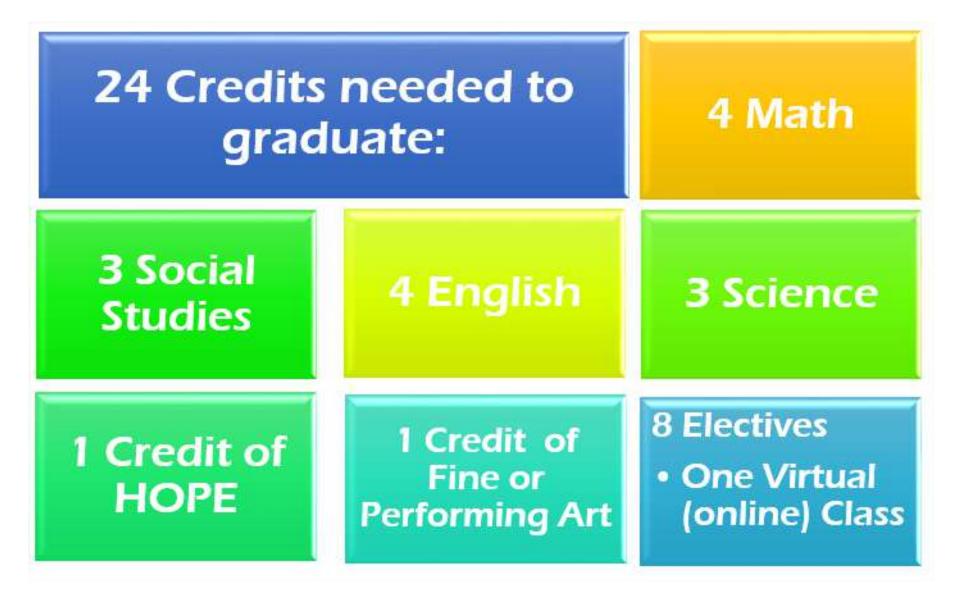




REVIEW OF GRADUATION REQUIREMENT (CHECK OUT GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS PAGE)

- 3 basic requirements:
- Earn 24 Credits
 - *Note: World language is not required for graduation.
 - •2 years are required for Bright Futures and university acceptance. Universities in FL are encouraging more than two years of a language.
- Earn a 2.0 GPA
- Pass 10th grade FSA and Alg 1 EOC

EARN 24 CREDITS



PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

- 9th \rightarrow 10th Grade = 5 credits
- 10th \rightarrow 11th Grade = 11 credits
- 11th \rightarrow 12th Grade = 17 credits

LET'S DO A QUICK GPA REVIEW

GPA = Grade Point Average

Add up the "grade points" you have earned, and divide by the total number of grades.

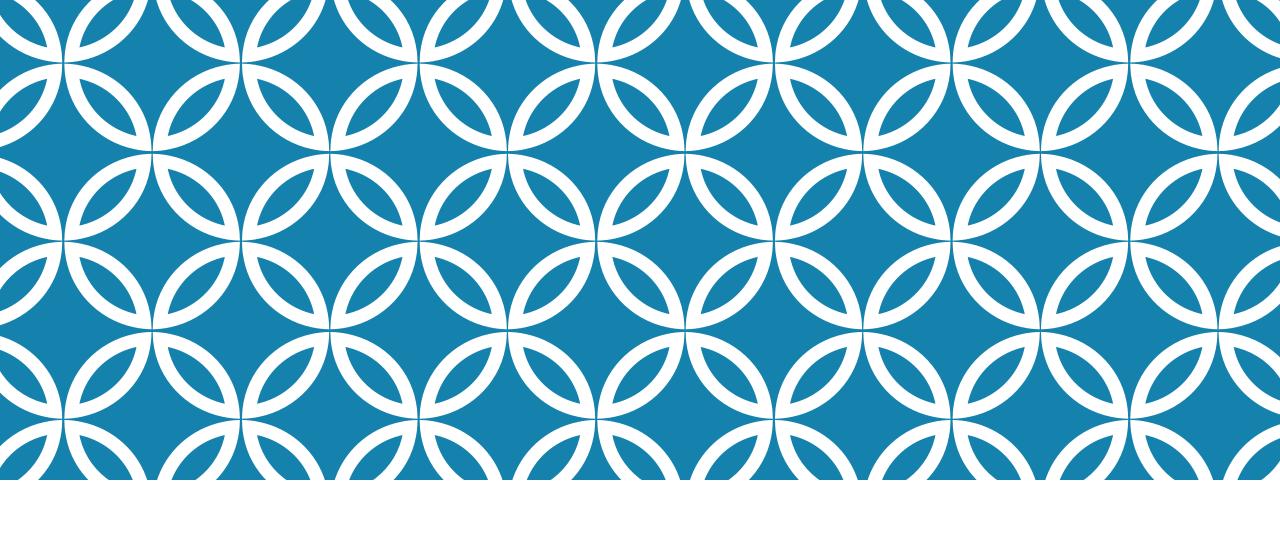
$$^{\bullet}A = 4$$
, $B = 3$, $C = 2$, $D = 1$, $F = 0$

For Honors/Pre-AICE level classes, add .5 points.

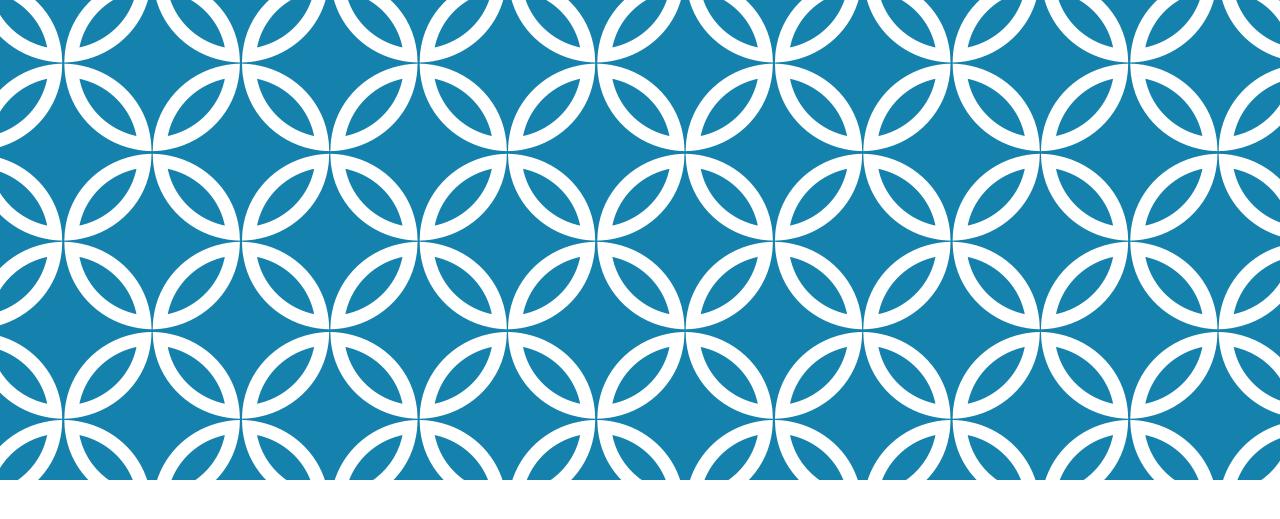
$$^{\bullet}A = 4.5$$
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For AICE/AP/Dual Enrollment classes, add 1

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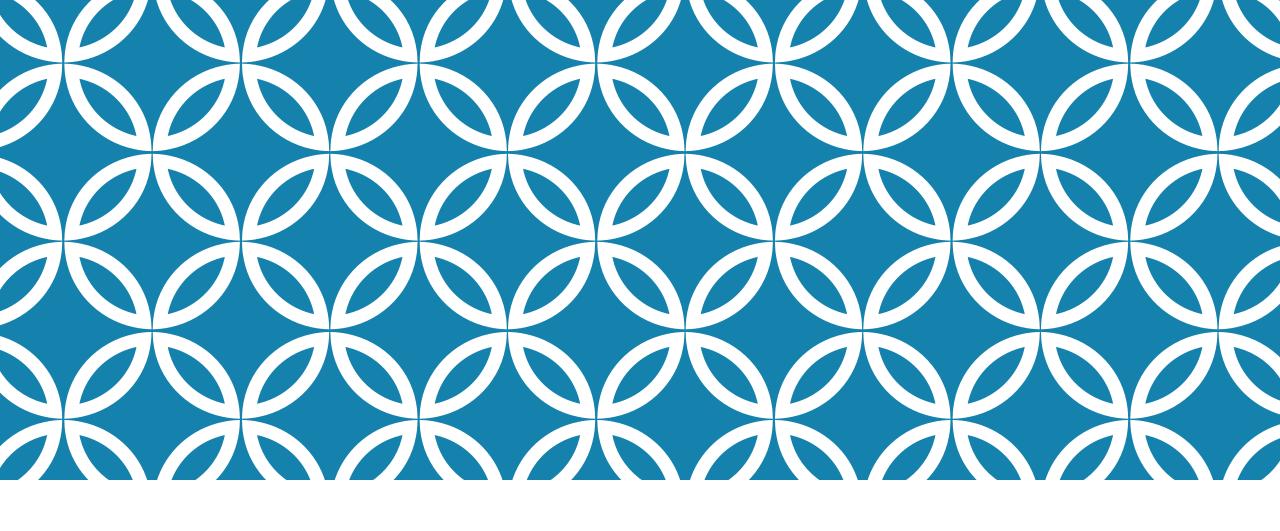


HOW IS YOUR CURRENT GPA?



WHY AREN'T D'S REALLY PASSING?

They may earn you credit for the course, but they won't get you to a 2.0 GPA!



GPA'S ARE <u>CUMULATIVE</u> — MEANING EVERY GRADE 9TH-12TH COUNTS

Don't fall into the sophomore slump!

IF YOUR GPA IS LOW...

• Grade Forgiveness can help. If you have a 'D' or an 'F' in a course, redoing the course can improve your GPA.

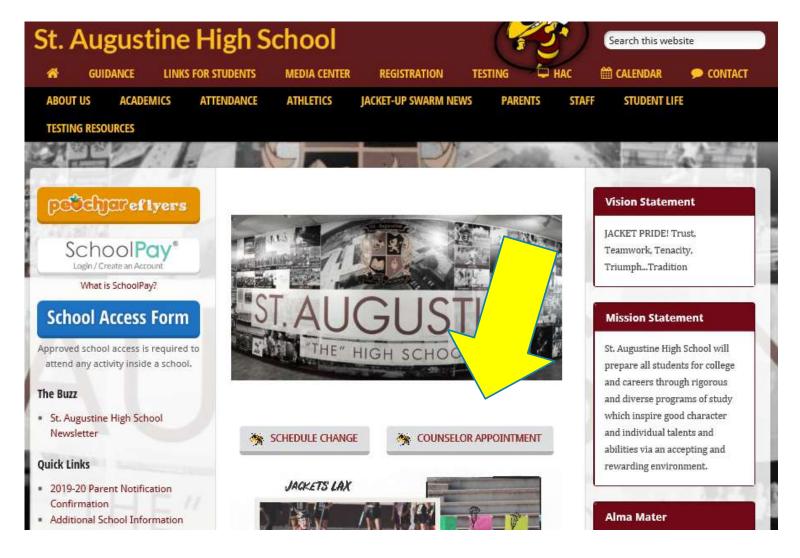
See your counselor for information.

WHAT IF I'M STRUGGLING?

- Track your assignments on HAC and Schoology.
- Communicate with your teachers.
- Take advantage of any retake opportunities.
- Meet with your teacher for extra help before school.
- Take advantage of your WIN time. That time is for getting help!
- Student tutors are available; ask your counselor for more information.
- Use online resources like <u>www.khanacademy.org</u>, and Algebra Nation.
- Make an appointment with your counselor.

NEED TO SEE YOUR COUNSELOR?

Make an appointment online. The link is on the homepage of the SAHS website.



WHAT DO I NEED TO DO AS A SOPHOMORE?

Realize that every day, every class matters!

Participate in class, do your homework, try your best.

 Get to know your teachers, counselor, and make connections.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO AS A SOPHOMORE?

 Start thinking about what you want to do after graduation. This will help drive your "path" through high school – which classes to take, which activities to join, etc.

 Get involved at school! Join clubs, sports, community service, social events, etc.

WHAT IS BRIGHT FUTURES? (LOOK AT CHART)

A scholarship program that can help pay for you to go to college!

Check out the Bright Futures chart with the criteria.

Start working hard now for a big payoff \$\$\$.

COLLEGE INFORMATION

Check out the checklist of what you should be doing each year of high school to get ready for college.

The SUS (State University System) chart shows you information for universities in Florida.

THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM (SUS)

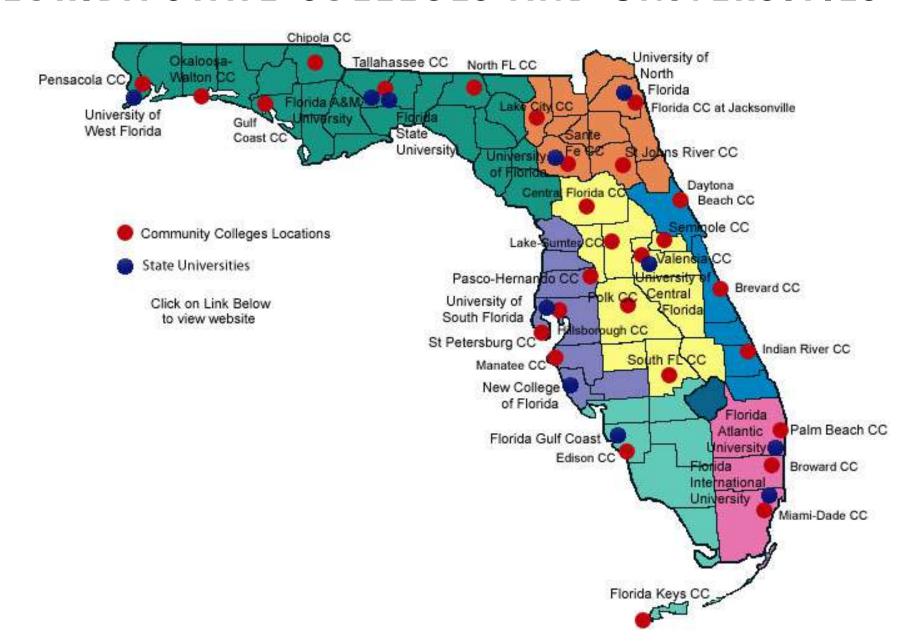


STATE COLLEGES IN FLORIDA

- In addition to State University System, there are the 28 Florida State Colleges.
- These colleges offer 2 year degrees (A.A. & A.S.), some certification programs, and some 4 year bachelor degrees.
- These colleges have open door admission with a high school diploma.

(However, you must demonstrate college readiness in order to avoid remedial classes!)

FLORIDA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES



WHERE CAN I FIND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES?

- Search online at www.volunteermatch.org.
- Pay attention to announcements for opportunities.
- Check with local organizations like food pantries, animal shelters, churches, elderly homes.
- Join clubs who provide volunteer opportunities (Key Club, Interact, Recycling Club)

COMING UP: THE PSAT!

- PSAT Practice SAT on October 16th during school; all 10th graders participate
 - •GREAT practice for the SAT! Taking the PSAT will give you personalized practice on Khan Academy!

DON'T MISS OUT ON IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND UPDATES!

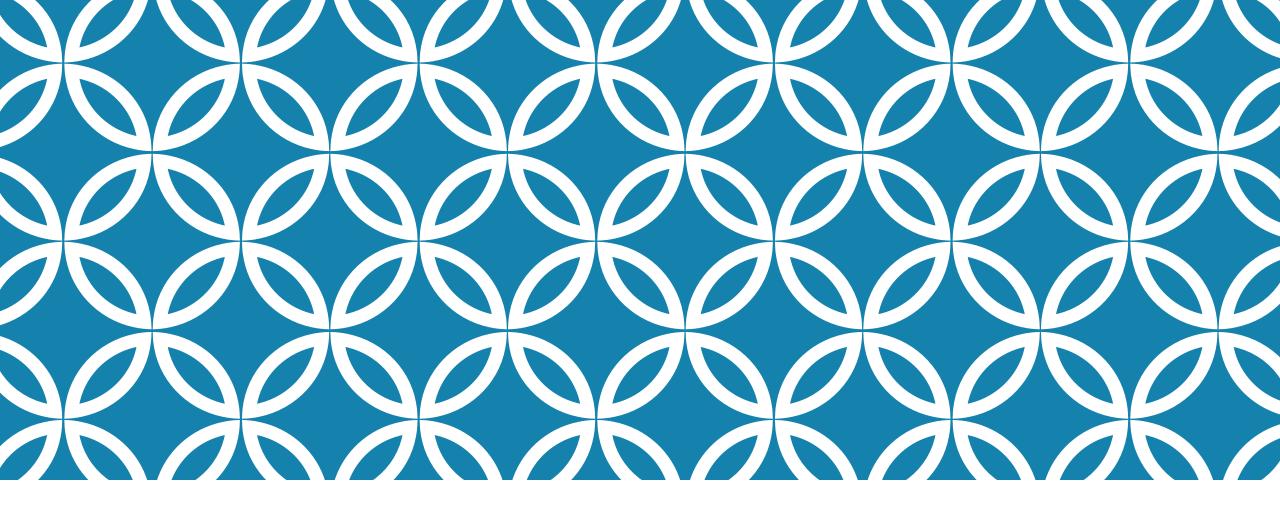
- Check out the Guidance website
- 2. Follow @JacketSchoolCounseling on



3. Watch the Jacket-up SWARM weekly news report

https://www-sahs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/jacket-news

4. Make an appointment online with your counselor or email your counselor if you have questions.



QUESTIONS?

Thank you for your time and attention!