

STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE NINE IN 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR

Graduation Requirements			
Subject Area	24-Credit Program	Three-Year, 18-Credit College Preparatory Program	Three-Year, 18-Credit Career Preparatory Program
English	4 credits with major concentration in composition, reading for information, and literature	4 credits with major concentration in composition and literature	4 credits with major concentration in composition and literature
Mathematics	4 credits, one of which must be Algebra 1 or its equivalent and one of which must be Geometry or its equivalent	4 credits, one of which must be Algebra 1 or its equivalent or a higher-level mathematics course from the list of courses that qualify for state university system (SUS) admission, and one of which must be Geometry or its equivalent	4 credits, one of which must be Algebra 1 or its equivalent and one of which must be Geometry or its equivalent
Science	3 credits in science, two of which must have a laboratory component and one of which must be Biology 1 or an equivalent course or a series of courses	3 credits in science, two of which must have a laboratory component and one of which must be Biology 1 or an equivalent course or a series of courses	3 credits in science, two of which must have a laboratory component and one of which must be Biology 1 or an equivalent course or a series of courses
Social Studies	1 credit World History 1 credit U.S. History .5 credit U.S. Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit U.S. History .5 credit U.S. Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit U.S. History .5 credit U.S. Government .5 credit Economics
World Languages	Not required for high school graduation; but required for admission into state universities	2 credits in the same language or demonstrated proficiency in a second language	Not Required
Fine Arts and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or Practical Arts	1 credit in Fine or Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or Practical Arts (eligible courses specified in Course Code Directory)	Not Required	Not Required
Physical Education	1 credit in Physical Education to include the integration of Health	Not Required	Not Required
Electives	8 credits	2 credits	3 credits in single vocational/career education program and 1 elective credit <i>or</i> 3 credits in single career/technical certificate dual enrollment and 1 elective credit <i>or</i> 4 credits in vocational/career education (including 3 credits in one sequential career and technical education program) – pending legislative action*
Total	24 credits	18 credits	18 credits
Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirements	Cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale	Cumulative GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale in required courses and a weighted or unweighted grade that earns at least 3.0 points or its equivalent in each of the 18 required credits	Cumulative weighted GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in the required courses and a weighted or unweighted grade that earns at least 2.0 points or its equivalent in each of the 18 required credits
State Assessment Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students must earn passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading (or scores that are concordant with the passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading) • Students must earn a passing score or attain an equivalent score on the Algebra 1 EOC Assessment in order to earn course credit. • Geometry and Biology 1 EOC Assessment is required and the results will constitute 30 percent of the student's final course grade, if enrolled. • The final grade for U.S. History or U.S. History Honors must include a minimum 30 percent of the U.S. History EOC Assessment. 		
Special Notes			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All courses earned toward the three-year, 18-credit college preparatory program must satisfy admission requirements for the State University System. To determine which courses meet State University System admission requirements, please use the Comprehensive Course Table. At least 6 of the 18 credits must be completed in courses that include dual enrollment, AP, IB, AICE, or are specifically listed as rigorous by the Florida Department of Education. • At least one course within the 24-credit program must be completed through online learning. 			