



JUNIOR

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AGENDA

- Introduction
- Roben Faircloth, Career Source Northeast Florida
- Larry Roziars
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- Graduation Requirements/Dual Enrollment
- Planning for Senior Year
- Financial Aid/Scholarships/Applying to College

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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- ***24 Credit Standard Diploma***

- 4 English Credits
- 4 Math Credits (Algebra 1+ Geometry + 2)
- 3 Science Credits (Biology + 2)
- 3 History Credits (W. History + US History + ½ Econ. + ½ Gov't)
- 2 Consecutive World Language Credits
- 1 Hope Credit
- 1 Performing Fine Arts (PF) / Practical Arts (PA)
- 6 Elective Credits

- ***18 Credit Standard Diploma***

- 4 English Credits
- 4 Math Credits (Algebra 1+ Geometry + 2)
- 3 Science Credits (Biology + 2)
- 3 History Credits (W. History + US History + ½ Econ. + ½ Gov't)
- 1 Performing Fine Arts (PF) / Practical Arts (PA)
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- Reading FSA (350) or Reading Concordance (SAT - 24 / ACT - 19)
- Algebra 1 EOC or Pert Comparative Score (97) or PSAT/NMSQ* Concordant Score (430) or SAT (420) or ACT (16)
- 2.0 GPA or above
- 24 Credit Diploma – Online class (Gov or Econ)



**DUAL
ENROLLMENT
OPPORTUNITIES**

POSTSECONDARY READINESS SCORES

	SAT	ACT	Pert
Reading	24	19	106
English/Writing	25	17	103
Math	24	19	114
Math (MAC1105)	29	23	123

SANDALWOOD OPTIONS FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT

FSCJ

- 3.0 and College Ready Test Scores
- ACT, SAT or Pert in Reading, Writing & Math
- Early Admission (3.5 GPA)
- On Campus courses (not offered @ SHS)

Edward Waters

- 2.5 GPA
- 2.0 SLS (student must take 1st or 2nd semester)

Embry Riddle

- 2.5 GPA

Subject to change based on College requirements

HOW TO PLAN YOUR JUNIOR AND SENIOR YEAR

MS. WAKEFIELD
&
MS. REVELS

EVERY YEAR IS IMPORTANT!

Freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior year: no matter where you are in high school, there are certain things students should be doing each year to ensure that they graduate on time and are successful after high school



JUNIOR YEAR- FALL



Take the PSAT. Students must take the test in 11th grade to qualify for National Merit scholarships and programs.



Attend in-person or online college fairs and college prep presentations.



Explore careers and their earning potentials using resources such as FSCJ's Career Coach

JUNIOR YEAR- SPRING



Register

Register for college admission exams such as the SAT and ACT; take practice tests to prepare before the big day.



Research

Research ways to pay for college.



Identify

Identify scholarship opportunities to pursue; note deadlines on calendar.



Contact

Contact colleges to request information and applications.



Begin

Begin visiting colleges of interest.

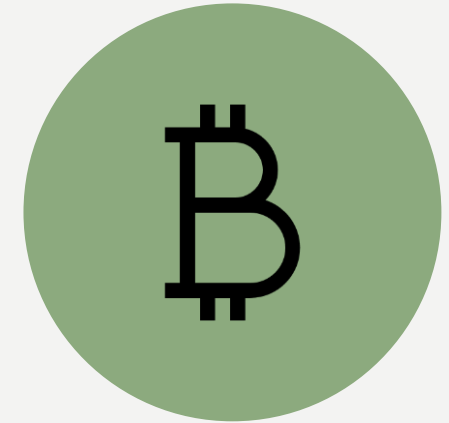
SUMMER BETWEEN JUNIOR & SENIOR YEAR



CONTINUE COLLEGE VISITS.



NARROW DOWN THE COLLEGES
BEING CONSIDERED.



CONTINUE RESEARCHING AND
APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS
AND GRANTS.

SENIOR YEAR- FALL



- Register for and take (or retake) the **SAT** and/or **ACT**, if not already done.
- Complete and submit college applications *prior to deadlines*.
- Complete and submit scholarship applications *prior to deadlines*.
- Request transcripts and letters of recommendation.
- Meet with a counselor to verify that graduation requirements will be met on schedule.
- Work with parents to complete and submit the **FAFSA** and the **Florida Student Financial Aid Application**.
- Finish submitting scholarship applications.
- Speak with military recruiters, college admissions representatives, and career recruiters.

SENIOR YEAR SPRING

Visit colleges on their “short list.”

- Consider college acceptances; compare financial aid packages offered.
- Call college financial aid representatives with questions.
- Decide on the college to attend and contact its offices.
- Make informed decisions about student loans.

Although the temptation to goof off during the last year of high school may be strong, students should be made aware that college admissions officers will expect to see that they've worked hard to keep grades up and continued their involvement in school and community activities. Reassure your aspiring college student that he or she can still enjoy life and time with friends while remaining focused on larger goals!

**TAKING THE TESTS, FINDING
SCHOLARSHIPS, & APPLYING
FOR COLLEGE!**

TESTING

- Your student should begin preparing for the SAT/ACT now.
 - PSAT was taken in October; results are available in their College Board account (www.collegeboard.org).
- Register for Spring 2020 test dates!
 - Your student will take a FREE SAT in school in April 2020, but should plan to take the ACT and/or SAT multiple times before applying to college.
 - Test fees run about \$45/test, so we strongly suggest creating a study schedule and/or attending test prep sessions.
- What is superscoring?
 - Scholarships like Bright Futures and most colleges/universities will “superscore” your students ACT/SAT attempts. This means that they take the highest subsection scores to combine them for the highest possible overall score.
- Aim to be complete with testing no later than November of senior year.
 - Many colleges will have priority deadlines in November and December, and you want your student to have their scores ready to go by the time they apply!

DID YOU KNOW?

The University of North Florida offers FREE test prep sessions to Duval County Public Schools juniors and seniors? Have your student register at the link below!

https://www.unf.edu/welcomecenter/DCPS_Test_Prep.aspx

Upcoming Dates: 1/25, 2/22, 4/4
Saturdays, 8am-12pm

FAFSA

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid – FAFSA.ED.GOV
- Provides more than \$120 billion in federal grants, loans, and [work-study](#) funds each year to more than 13 million students paying for college or career school.
- Opens on October 1st of the student's senior year
- Need previous years tax information
- Both student and parent must complete the FAFSA in order to get a Student Aid Report (SAR) which will provide an estimated family contribution (EFC) to determine the student's eligibility for the federal grants and funding.

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BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

- Types of Awards
 - Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)
 - Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)
 - Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV)
 - For use in a career education or certificate program
 - Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)
 - For use in a career education or certificate program
- All Bright Futures awards are merit-based and require a combination of GPA, postsecondary test scores (ACT/SAT), and community service hours.
- Students should keep track of their community service hours using the verification sheet on our website.
- Community service must be completed with a nonprofit organization and must be approved by the counselor!



<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org>

HOW DOES MY STUDENT QUALIFY FOR THE FMS AND FAS AWARDS?

- Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)
 - Minimum 3.5 weighted* GPA
 - SAT 1330 or ACT 29
 - 100 hours community service
- Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)
 - Minimum 3.0 weighted* GPA
 - SAT 1210 or ACT 25
 - 75 hours community service

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	2019-20 Graduates: 29/1290 2020-21 Graduates: 29/1330	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2019-20 Graduates: 26/1170 2020-21 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.

*The minimum GPA is cumulative and is based on the specific 16 credits necessary for eligibility. Electives are not considered in overall GPA.

HOW DOES MY STUDENT QUALIFY FOR THE GSV OR GSC AWARDS?

- Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV)
 - Minimum 3.0 weighted* GPA
 - Take at least 3 full credits in a single Career and Technical Education program (i.e. Culinary, IT, etc.) and achieve 3.5 unweighted GPA in those courses
 - Minimum college-ready scores on PERT, SAT, or ACT (see chart)
 - 30 hours community service
- Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)
 - Earn a minimum of five postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications that articulate for college credits
 - 30 hours community service

*The minimum GPA is cumulative and is based on the specific 16 credits necessary for eligibility. Electives are not considered in overall GPA.

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

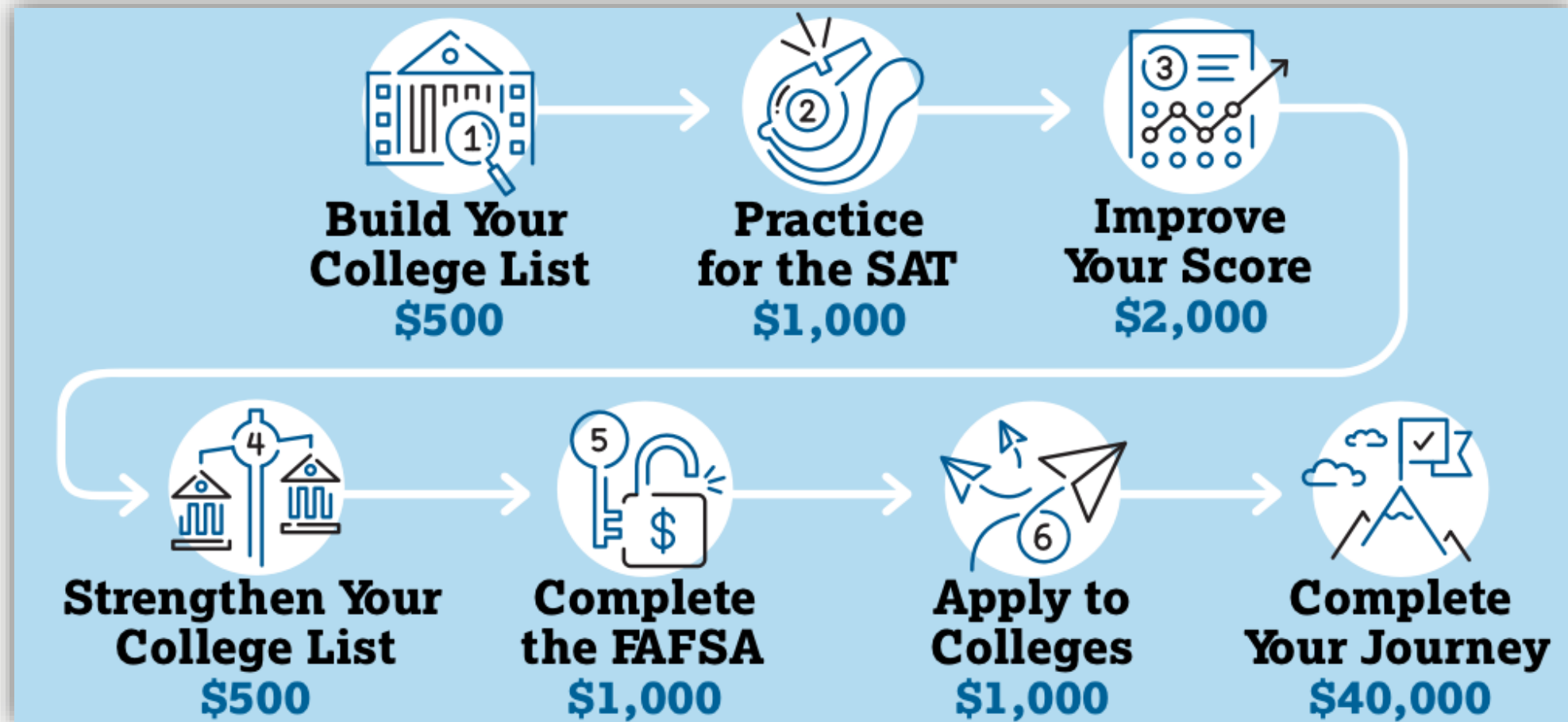
Required test scores follow those established by State Board of Education Rule 6A-10.0315.

The GSC award can be used towards a technical degree, such as an Associate of Science or Associate of Applied Science. Upon completion of one of these degrees that articulates to a Bachelor of Science or Applied Science, the student may receive additional funding for up to 60 credit hours towards that Bachelors degree.

WHAT IS THE TIMELINE FOR BRIGHT FUTURES?

- Community service hours can be completed any time between the summer entering 9th grade and graduation day.
- Current juniors have until June 30, 2021 to earn the appropriate SAT/ACT/PERT scores.
- Students graduating in May 2021 **must complete the Florida Financial Aid Application between October 1, 2020 and August 31, 2021** to be eligible!
 - If your student is planning to be a mid-year graduate and plans to attend college in the Spring 2021, they must complete the FFAA by December 31, 2020.
- Award status notification will begin in March for early evaluations, with final evaluation notification sent in July and August. Notifications are posted to the student's online account.

COLLEGE BOARD OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS



<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

- FastWeb
- GoingMerry
- Sandalwood Website
- Employeer
- PTSA
- Community Businesses/Organizations
- Greek Organizations





HOW DOES MY STUDENT APPLY TO COLLEGE?

LET'S DISCUSS THE NEXT STEPS!

FIRST, RESEARCH INSTITUTIONS! WHAT SCHOOL IS THE BEST FIT?

- Students should identify at least 3 colleges that they are interested in attending.
 - At least TWO of these schools students should fall within the eligibility criteria
 - ONE school being more of a reach
- Visit the schools!
 - Visit college campuses on weekdays when school is in session so that your student can get a feel for the campus and determine if they can really “see” themselves there.
 - If physical visits are not possible, virtual tours are available online.
- For public schools in Florida, use the SUS matrix to determine where your student falls within the range of students recently accepted, looking at test scores and GPA.
- Consider having your student complete career interest surveys, such as FSCJ Career Coach or MyCareerShines.

DETERMINE COST AND WHAT YOU AND YOUR STUDENT CAN AFFORD

- Be realistic and honest in conversations with your student about what you can contribute financially to their education. Do not set them up for disappointment!
- Research the cost-per-year at various schools. Compare in-state vs. out-of-state tuition and the tuition of public vs. private colleges and universities.
- Consider cost-of-living and travel expenses if applicable.



START APPLYING AS EARLY AS JULY!

- Most colleges and universities will release their Fall applications in late July for students to begin applying.
- Applications can be found on school websites (always look for .edu) as well as through databases like CommonApp (www.commonapp.org) and The Coalition (www.coalitionforcollegeaccess.org).
 - The benefit to using CommonApp and/or The Coalition is that your student can apply to multiple schools using one application, and can request their counselor upload transcripts, recommendation letters, and other documents.
- All students apply as **FRESHMAN, FIRST TIME IN COLLEGE** regardless of participation in dual enrollment, early college, or early admission.



COMPLETE APPLICATIONS NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 1ST



- Although many schools will have a rolling admissions deadline, the “priority” deadline is typically December 1st.
 - Note that some schools will have an earlier deadline of November 1st (University of Florida, Florida State University).
- Before your student submits their application, ensure all parts are complete.



QUESTIONS?

Feel free to schedule an appointment with your student's counselor for additional individual questions.

Appointments can be scheduled via the Sandalwood Website.

Counselor break down by student last name-

A-C: Wakefield

D-Ho: Martin

Hu-Mon: Clarke

Moo-Sam: Revels

San-Z: Ambuehl

Early College: Solliday