

Boca Raton Community High School

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The Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) is a diploma program overseen by Cambridge Assessment International Education, a department of the University of Cambridge in Cambridge, England. AICE courses expose students to rigorous instruction as well as collegiate level exams. Cambridge helps students develop the in-depth subject knowledge and understanding that universities and employers look for. With passing scores, a student may enroll in a university with up to 45 hours of college credit.

AICE Diploma: There are two levels of AICE courses: “AS” (1 credit) and “A” (2 credits). To obtain an AICE diploma, a student must accumulate seven (7) credits by passing AS Global Perspectives and at least one exam from subject Group 1, Group 2 and Group 3 (within 25 months). Group 4 is optional with a maximum of two credits.

Group 1: Math and Sciences	Group 2: Languages	Group 3: Arts & Humanities	Group 4: (optional) Interdisciplinary
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Biology * Chemistry * Environmental Management * Information Tech * Marine Science * Mathematics * Psychology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * English Language * French * Portuguese * Spanish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Art & Design * Accounting * Business * Digital Media * Drama * English Literature * Geography * International History * US History * Media Studies * Psychology * Sociology * Travel & Tourism 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *A level Global Perspectives (Research project) *Thinking Skills *General Paper <p><i>Note: Maximum of 2 credits for group 4</i></p>

AS Global Perspectives ~ Required: one credit

Students have 25 months from the first exam to the last exam to complete the Cambridge program for a diploma. For example, if students begin exams in May of their freshman year, they need to be finished with their 7 points for the AICE diploma by June of their junior year.

Students who earn an AICE Diploma are exempt from the state of Florida’s virtual class requirement and personal fitness requirement. Also, they will earn the Bright Futures Florida Academic Scholar award if they also complete 100 hours of community service or 100 paid work hours. <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/>

Cambridge “A” and “AS” level exams use a wide range of assessment processes and techniques to supplement written examinations—orals, practicals, projects and coursework are all used in various subjects where they are the best means of measuring attainment.



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Cambridge grades use a letter system: A through U. A, B, C, D and E are all passing grades. "U" stands for ungraded and is not passing. A letter grade of "E" is equivalent to a "C" here in the United States or a "3" on an AP exam.

Cambridge Grade	U.S. Grade
A*, A	A+, A
B	A-, B+
C	B
D	C+
E	C

AICE courses are similar to AP (Advanced Placement) courses in several ways. Both the AICE and AP curriculums are college level. Cambridge Assessment writes the course outcomes for AICE and The College Board writes the outcomes for Advanced Placement. For both AICE and AP, there is an exam at the end of the school year. The Exam dates are pre-set and will be communicated to students well in advance since no make-up dates are offered. College credit is only earned by passing an exam.

Universities award credit based on a subject-by-subject basis according to grades earned on individual exams passed. Therefore, if a student does not earn the full AICE diploma, they can still earn college credit. Cambridge Assessment courses are accepted at universities throughout the world. **For more information on the recognition and acceptance of AICE**, please visit: <http://recognition.cambridgeinternational.org>

Boca High is proud to be recognized as a Cambridge Demonstration Center:

<https://www.cambridgeinternational.org/usa/demonstration-centers/>

Additional *websites*:

The Cambridge Assessment website is: <http://www.cambridgeinternational.org>

AICE course descriptions can be found at: (be sure to click the year in which the student will take the exam):

<http://www.cie.org.uk/qualifications/academic/uppersec/alevel/subjects>

Florida state statute provides information on passing scores and college equivalents for AP, IB and AICE. **Passing scores correlate to specific college courses in the State of Florida:**

<https://www.flsenate.gov/Laws/Statutes/2022/1007.27>

AICE exam schedules and additional information can be found at:

https://brhs.palmbeachschools.org/students_parents/a_i_c_e

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