

# Palm Beach Central High School

CREDITS AND GRADUATION EXPLAINED

# Graduation Requirements

- ❑ 24 Credits
- ❑ Pass FSA Reading
- ❑ Algebra 1 EOC
- ❑ 1 Virtual Credit
- ❑ 2.0 GPA
- ❑ 20 Community Service Hours



# Graduation Requirements

- ❑ English- 4 credits
- ❑ Math- 4 credits
  - ❑ Must include Algebra and Geometry
- ❑ Science- 3 credits
  - ❑ Must include Biology and a Physical Science
- ❑ Social Sciences- 3 credits
  - ❑ Must include World History, US History, and Economics/Government
- ❑ Physical Education- 1 credit (.5 PE/.5 Pers Fit)
- ❑ Fine Art- 1 credit (Art, drawing, Digital info tech)
- ❑ Electives- 8 credits
  - ❑ Two credits of the same foreign language are required to enter the State University System and to earn the Medallion and Scholars level of the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program.



# How Do Students Earn Credit? (Non-EOC Course)

- A grade of D or higher in a semester class earns .5 of a credit.

$$\begin{array}{c} 7 \\ \text{Classes} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} 0.5 \\ \text{Credit} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} 3.5 \\ \text{Credits} \end{array}$$

- A full course load is 7 classes each semester. 3.5 credits can be earned each semester, which means 7 credits for the year for classes taken on campus.

$$\begin{array}{c} 3.5 \\ \text{Classes} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \text{Semesters} \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} 7 \\ \text{Credits} \end{array}$$

# Semester Grades (Non-EOC Courses)

- The semester grade is determined by adding up the two 9-weeks grades plus the exam.

1<sup>st</sup> 9  
weeks  
40%

2<sup>nd</sup> 9  
weeks  
40%

Exam  
20%

- Students **must** pass **two** of the three grades in order to earn credit for the semester.

# How is credit earned in an EOC Course?

- Each of the four quarters and the midterm exam will equal 70% of the final course grade. The EOC will be the other 30%.
- All EOC courses taken for the first time are year-long courses with 1.0 credit awarded.
- Students **must** sit for the exam at the end of the year to earn credit for the course.
- EOC courses include Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology and US History.



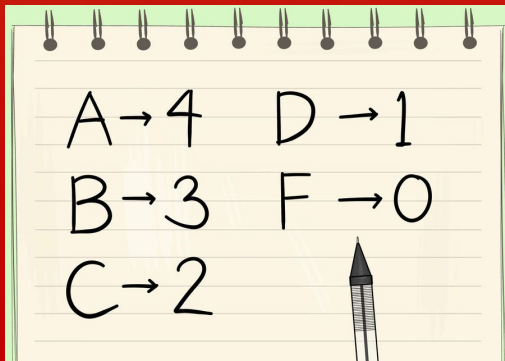
# Attendance & Credits



If a student misses more than 10% of the class periods then they must pass the semester exam in order to receive credit in the class.

# Grade Point Average (GPA)

- ❑ GPA is the unweighted cumulative average
- ❑ GPAs are determined by semester and EOC course grades
- ❑ HPA is the GPA with additional points awarded for Honors, AICE, AP, Dual Enrollment
- ❑ Honors level classes are weighted on a 4.5 scale
- ❑ AICE, AP, Dual Enrollment courses are weighted on a 6.0 scale
  - ❑ Please note that Bright Futures and many colleges recalculate HPAs with college level coursework weighted on a 5.0 scale





# Concordant Scores for current 9th-11th graders

Test	Reading Scores
ACT English and Reading	18
SAT	480

Test	Math Scores
SAT Math	420
PSAT Math	430
ACT Math	16

- ❑ Students qualify for 2 fee waivers for each SAT and ACT, if they qualify for Free & Reduced Lunch.
- ❑ Students may qualify for College Application fee waivers if they take the SAT and ACT with a fee waiver.

# Concordant Scores 12th Graders

Test	Reading Scores
ACT English and Reading	18
ACT Reading	19
SAT	430 or 24

Test	Math Scores
SAT Math	420
PSAT Math	430
ACT Math	16
PERT	97

- ❑ Students qualify for 2 fee waivers for each SAT and ACT, if they qualify for Free & Reduced Lunch.
- ❑ Students may qualify for College Application fee waivers if they take the SAT and ACT with a fee waiver.

# Standardized Testing



Test Date	Registration Deadline
August 24	July 26
October 5	September 6
November 2	October 3
December 7	November 8
March 14	February 14
May 2	April 3
June 6	May 8



Test Date	Registration Deadline
September 14	August 16
October 26	September 20
December 14	November 8
February 8	January 10
April 4	February 28
June 13	May 8
July 18	June 19

# Dual Enrollment & Early Admit

## Who is eligible?

- ❑ Dual Enrollment: 1 or 2 courses per semester at Palm Beach State or other SUS. **Minimum Unweighted GPA: 3.0**
- ❑ Early Admit: 12<sup>th</sup> grade students will take all courses at the college or university. **Minimum Unweighted GPA: 3.2**
- ❑ Must have college ready test scores on the SAT/ACT or PERT exams
- ❑ Visit the Guidance Webpage for Checklist to complete steps to enroll in the Dual Enrollment Program.

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