

# Florida High School Graduation Options

2008-2009 School Year, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade Students ONLY

Subject Area	Traditional 24-Credit Program	Three-Year College Preparatory Program	Three-Year Career Preparatory
English	4 credits, with major concentration in composition, reading information, and literature	4 credits, with major concentration in composition and literature	4 credits, with major concentration in composition and literature
Mathematics	3 credits, one of which must be Algebra I or its equivalent, or a higher-level mathematics course	3 credits at the Algebra I level or above from the list of courses that qualify for state university admission	3 credits, one of which must be Algebra I or its equivalent
Science	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component
Social Studies	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics
Foreign Language	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
Practical Arts and/or Performing Arts	1 credit in either area or a combination of both areas	Not Required	3 credits in single vocational/career education program and 2 credits in electives or 3 credits in single career/technical certificate dual enrollment and 2 credits in electives or 5 credits in vocational/career education (including 3 credits in one sequential career and technical education program)
Physical Education	1 credit (including 1/2 credit of Personal Fitness and 1/2 credit of physical education elective)	Not Required	Not Required
Life Management Skills	1/2 credit	Not Required	Not Required
Electives	8 1/2 credits	3 credits	3 credits
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
State Assessment Requirements	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)
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 the courses required for the college preparatory program and a weighted or unweighted grade that earns at least 3.0 or its equivalent points in each of the 18 required credits.	Cumulative weighted GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale in the courses required for the career preparatory program and a weighted or unweighted grade that earns at least 2.0 points or its equivalent in each of the 18 required credits.

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Subject Area	Traditional 24-Credit Program	Three-Year College Preparatory Program	Three-Year Career Preparatory
English	4 credits, with major concentration in composition, reading 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 I or its equivalent, or a higher-level mathematics course	3 credits at the Algebra I level or above from the list of courses that qualify for state university admission	3 credits, one of which must be Algebra I or its equivalent
Science	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component	3 credits in natural science, two must have a laboratory component
Social Studies	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics	1 credit World History 1 credit American History .5 credit American Government .5 credit Economics
Foreign Language	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	1 credit in fine arts	Not Required	Not Required
Physical Education	1 credit in physical education to include the integration of health	Not Required	Not Required
Majors, Minors, or Electives (4)	8 credits: 4 credits in a major area of interest and 4 credits in elective courses, which may be combined to allow for a second major area of interest, a minor area of interest (3 credits), individual elective courses, intensive reading or mathematics intervention courses, or credit recovery courses	3 credits in electives	3 credits in single vocational/career education program and 2 credits in electives or 3 credits in single career/technical certificate dual enrollment and 2 credits in electives or 5 credits in vocational/career education (including 3 credits in one sequential career and technical education program)
<b>Total</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>18</b>
State Assessment Requirements	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)	Passing scores on the Grade 10 FCAT or scores on a standardized test that are concordant with the passing scores on the FCAT (ACT or SAT)
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