

# College & Career Prep Packet

Matanzas High School  
School Counseling Team



## Top Items to Concentrate On

- Verify that you are on track with meeting your graduation requirements including state exams or concordant scores needed to graduate
- Prepare for and register for the SAT and/or ACT and CLT
- Complete college and career research/visits and apply to your colleges in fall of your senior year
- Complete the FAFSA (opens on Oct. 1st) and the FFAA "Bright Futures Application" (opens on Oct. 1st) of your senior year
- Save the College & Career Prep Packet and refer to as needed for resources
- Accumulate community service hours to look marketable for scholarships (100 volunteer or paid work hours needed for top Bright Futures award)

**Academic Advisement**  
**Students Entering Grade 9 in 2023-2024 and Thereafter**

**What Students and Parents Need to Know**

**What options lead to a standard diploma?**

Successful completion of one of the following options:

- 24 credits
- Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) curriculum
- International Baccalaureate (IB) curriculum
- 18-credit Academically Challenging Curriculum to Enhance Learning (ACCEL)
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) Pathway (See section [s.] [1003.4282](#), Florida Statutes [F.S.] )

**What are the state assessment requirements?**

Students must pass the following statewide assessments:

- Grade 10 English Language Arts (ELA) or a concordant score
- Algebra 1 end-of-course (EOC) or a comparative score

A waiver of assessment results is granted by the Individual Educational Plan (IEP) team for students with disabilities. Additionally, students who have been enrolled in an English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) program for less than two years may meet the requirement for grade 10 ELA by satisfactorily demonstrating grade level expectations of formative assessments.

Refer to [Graduation Requirements for Florida's Statewide Assessments](#) for concordant and comparative scores.

Students enrolled in the following courses must participate in the corresponding EOC assessment, which constitutes 30 percent of the final course grade\*:

- Algebra 1
- Geometry
- Biology
- U.S. History

\*Special note: Thirty percent not applicable if not enrolled in the course but passed the EOC (Credit Acceleration Program [CAP]). (See s. [1008.22](#), F.S.)

**What is the difference between the 18-credit ACCEL option and the 24-credit option?**

- 2.5 elective credits instead of 7.5
- Physical Education is not required

**What is the difference between the CTE Pathway option and the 24-credit option?**

- At least 18 credits are required
- 3.5 elective credits instead of 7.5
  - 2 credits in CTE courses, must result in a program completion and industry certification
  - 1.5 credits in work-based learning programs; Physical Education is not required
- Fine and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, CTE or Practical Arts is not required

**24-Credit Standard Diploma Requirements**

Available To All Students, Including Students With Disabilities

<b>4 Credits ELA</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ELA 1, 2, 3, 4</li> <li>• ELA honors, Advanced Placement (AP), AICE, IB and dual enrollment may satisfy this requirement</li> </ul>
<b>4 Credits Mathematics*</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of which must be Algebra 1 and one of which must be Geometry</li> <li>• Industry Certifications that lead to college credit may substitute for up to two mathematics credits (except for Algebra 1 and Geometry) **</li> <li>• An identified computer science*** credit may substitute for up to one mathematics credit (except for Algebra 1 and Geometry)</li> </ul>
<b>3 Credits Science*</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One of which must be Biology, two of which must be equally rigorous science courses</li> <li>• Two of the three required course credits must have a laboratory component</li> <li>• Industry Certifications that lead to college credit may substitute for up to one science credit (except for Biology)**</li> <li>• An identified computer science*** credit may substitute for up to one science credit (except for Biology)</li> </ul>
<b>3 Credits Social Studies</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 credit in World History</li> <li>• 1 credit in U.S. History</li> <li>• 0.5 credit in U.S. Government</li> <li>• 0.5 credit in Economics</li> </ul>
<b>0.5 Credit in Personal Financial Literacy****</b>
<b>1 Credit Fine and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, Career and Technical Education, or Practical Arts*</b>
<b>1 Credit Physical Education*</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To include the integration of health</li> </ul>
<b>7.5 Elective Credits</b>
<b>Students must earn a 2.0 unweighted grade-point average (GPA) on a 4.0 scale for all cohort years and pass statewide, standardized assessments.</b>

\*Eligible courses are specified in the [Florida Course Code Directory](#).

\*\*Industry certifications for which there is a statewide college credit articulation agreement approved by the State Board of Education may substitute for mathematics and science credit.

\*\*\*A computer science credit may not be used to substitute for both a mathematics and science credit.

\*\*\*\*This requirement was added for students entering grade nine 2023-2024 and thereafter.

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**Scholar Diploma Designation**

In addition to the requirements of s. 1003.4282, F.S., a student must satisfy the following requirements:

- Earn 1 credit in Algebra 2 or an equally rigorous course
- Pass the Geometry EOC
- Earn 1 credit in Statistics or an equally rigorous mathematics course
- Pass the Biology 1 EOC++
- Earn 1 credit in Chemistry or Physics
- Earn 1 credit in a course equally rigorous to Chemistry or Physics
- Pass the U.S. History EOC++
- Earn 2 credits in the same World Language
- Earn at least 1 credit in an AP, IB, AICE or a dual enrollment course

\*\*Special note: A student is exempt from the Biology 1 or U.S. History EOC assessment if the student is enrolled in an AP, IB, or AICE Biology 1 or U.S. History course; takes the respective AP, IB or AICE assessment; and earns the minimum college credit.

**Industry Scholar Diploma Designation**

- Meet standard high school diploma requirements
- Attain one or more industry certifications from the list established (per s. 1003.492, F.S.)

**What is CAP?**

The CAP allows a student to earn high school credit if the student passes an AP examination, a College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or a statewide course assessment without enrollment in the course. The courses include:

- Algebra 1
- Geometry
- Biology
- U.S. History

**What are the additional graduation options for students with disabilities?**

Students, in collaboration with parents and the IEP team, may choose two additional standard diploma options available only to students with disabilities. Both allow students to substitute a CTE course with related content for one credit in ELA 4, mathematics, science and social studies (excluding Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology 1 and U.S. History). The two options are as follows:

- Students with a most significant cognitive disability may earn credits via access courses and be assessed via an alternate assessment.
- Students enrolled in the academic and employment option must earn at least 0.5 credit via paid employment in addition to meeting the standard diploma graduation requirements.

**State University System**

Admission into Florida's State University System (SUS) institutions is competitive. Prospective students should complete a rigorous course of study in high school and apply to more than one university to increase their chance for acceptance. To qualify to enter one of Florida's public universities, a first-time-in-college student must meet the following minimum requirements (credit earned by industry certification does not count for SUS admission):

- High school graduation with a standard diploma, a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and admission test scores meeting minimum college-ready test scores per Board of Governors (BOG) Regulation 6.008
- 16 credits of approved college preparatory academic courses per BOG Regulation 6.002
- 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
- 4 Mathematics (Algebra 1 level and higher)
- 3 Natural Science (2 with substantial lab)
- 3 Social Science
- 2 World Language (sequential, in the same language or other equivalents)
- 2 approved electives

**Florida College System**

The 28 colleges of the Florida College System serve more than 650,000 students. Colleges offer affordable and stackable workforce credentials including certificate programs, associate in science degrees and associate in arts degrees, which transfer to a bachelor's degree program. All colleges also offer workforce bachelor's degree programs in areas of high demand. All Florida College System institutions have open-door admissions for students who earned a standard high school diploma or an equivalent diploma, or earned college credit.

**Career and Technical Colleges and Centers**

Florida also offers students 49 accredited career and technical colleges or centers throughout the state, which provide the education and certification necessary to work in a particular career or technical field. Programs are flexible for students and provide industry-specific education and training for a wide variety of occupations.

Career, Adult and Technical Education  
District Postsecondary Institutions

**Where is information on financial aid located?**

The Florida Department of Education's Office of Student Financial Assistance administers a variety of postsecondary educational state-funded grants and scholarships.

Office of Student Financial Assistance

For more detailed information on Graduation Requirements visit the Florida Department of Education's webpage at <https://www.fldoe.org/schools/k-12-public-schools/sss/graduation-requirements/>.

## ACT/CLT/SAT Test Dates & Information 25-26 yr

(Updated 8/30/25)

### American College Testing (ACT)

- Create an account and register for a test at <https://www.act.org/content/act/en-florida.html>
- Flagler Palm Coast High School Test Center Code: **100185**; FPC School Code: **10201**
- Cost - \$65 (English Math, Reading); Writing Add on Fee - \$25; Science Add on Fee - \$4 (fees subject to change)
- Visit [ACT Fee Waiver Eligibility](#) for qualification info-waivers can be picked up from the Guidance Secretary
- Starting in **Spring 2025** ACT science as well as writing will be optional
- **What are the ACT scores needed to meet the concordant score graduation requirements?**
  - For ELA - ACT English and Reading subtests (averaged) - 18 or above
  - For Math - ACT Math subtest - 16 or above
- **Study Resources** - [Free ACT Practice Tests](#); [ACT Test Prep](#); [ACT Tips and Strategies](#)

Registration Deadline	Test Date	Deadline for changes, and late registration (Additional Fees Apply)
June 6, 2025	July 12, 2025	June 20, 2025
August 1, 2025	September 6, 2025	August 19, 2025
September 12, 2025	October 18, 2025	September 30, 2025
November 7, 2025	December 13, 2025	November 24, 2025
January 7, 2026	February 14, 2026	January 21, 2026
March 6, 2026	April 11, 2026	March 24, 2026
May 8, 2026	June 13, 2026	May 27, 2026
June 5, 2026	July 11, 2026	June 24, 2026

### Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT)

- Create an account and register at <https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/sat>
- Matanzas High School Test Center Code: **10759**; MHS School Code: **102007**
- Cost - \$68; late, change, etc fees apply (fees subject to change)
- Visit [SAT Fee Waiver Eligibility](#) for qualification info-waivers accessed through your College Board account
- **What are the SAT scores needed to meet the concordant score graduation requirements?**
  - For ELA - SAT EBRW section - 480 or above
  - For Math - SAT Math section - 420 or above
- **Study Resources** - [Build Your SAT Plan](#); [SAT Practice Tests](#); [My SAT Practice 101](#); [Khan Academy Test Prep](#)

Registration Deadline	Test Date	Deadline for cancelation, changes, and late registration (Additional Fees Apply)
August 8, 2025	August 23, 2025	August 12, 2025
August 29, 2025	September 13, 2025	September 2, 2025
September 19, 2025	October 4, 2025	September 23, 2025
October 24, 2025	November 8, 2025	October 28, 2025
November 21, 2025	December 6, 2025	November 25, 2025
February 27, 2026	March 14, 2026	March 3, 2026
April 17, 2026	May 2, 2026	April 21, 2026
May 22, 2026	June 6, 2026	May 26, 2026

### Classic Learning Test (CLT)

- Create an account and register at [CLTexam.com](http://CLTexam.com); CLT (**BE SURE to choose the 11th/12th grade exam**) cost - \$69
- See [Overview and Prep](#) and [Starting Your Exam](#); and take the [CLT Practice tests](#) available in your CLT account!
- The CLT is **not offered at MHS** but you may be able to register for an **AT HOME REMOTELY PROCTORED CLT**
- Visit [CLT Financial Assistance for qualification](#) info
  - For ELA - CLT - Sum of 36 on Verbal Reasoning and Grammar sections
  - For Math - CLT Quantitative section - 14 or above

### Test requirements for Reading and Math

FAST ELA passing Score                      247 Level 3  
B.E.S.T. Algebra I EOC passing score      400 level 3

### Comparative Scores for the B.E.S.T. Algebra I EOC Assessment:

SAT Math	420
PSAT NMSQT Math	430
PSAT 10 Math	430
ACT Math	16
PRE SAT Math	16
CLT Quantitative Reasoning	14
CLT10 Quantitative Reasoning	14
Statewide Geometry EOC assessment	Level 3

### Concordant Scores for the FAST Grade 10 ELA Reading Assessment

SAT Reading AND Writing	490
PSAT NMSQT Reading AND Writing	470
PSAT 10 Reading AND Writing	470
ACT English AND Reading (averaged)	18
PRE ACT Secure English and Reading (averaged)	18
CLT Grammar/Writing and Verbal Reasoning (SUM)	39
CLT10 Grammar/Writing and Verbal Reasoning (SUM)	39

# College Prep Timeline Checklist

Stay organized and on time with application and admissions deadlines by using a checklist!

Task	✓
<b>Summer (Prior to Senior Year)</b>	
Use resources such as Florida Shines to assess your interests and explore potential future careers/college majors <a href="https://www.floridashines.org/careers-college-and-workforce">https://www.floridashines.org/careers-college-and-workforce</a> Explore Florida's fastest growing jobs - <a href="https://floridajobs.org/economic-data/employment-projections/fastest-growing-occupations">https://floridajobs.org/economic-data/employment-projections/fastest-growing-occupations</a>	
Select the top 7-10 schools you feel best meet your needs. Reduce the list to 5-8 by September. Make sure to include 1-3 "Likely colleges, a few "Target" options and 1-2 "Reach" schools	
Use the college's website and college research engine(s) to compare and contrast schools and request information about your intended or proposed major/area of study. <a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/</a>	
Plan college tours/visits (Try to see campuses while classes are in session and students are on campus)	
Check admission requirements and the freshman profile on each college website	
Create a pros and cons list of each school (Pros and Cons worksheet in the college prep packet)	
<b>Fall</b>	
Meet with your school counselor to check your progress, and that you have all of the courses and credits to graduation. <b>Verify your name, address, DOB, SSN, test scores, grades, credits on your transcript</b>	
Complete the transcript request form to send transcript to schools/scholarships you're applying to (allow 10-14 business days) The form is located under <u>Transcript Requests</u> on the MHS website	
Apply to colleges directly through their website or through <u>Common App</u> , send scores from your SAT, ACT, AICE , CLT account (Most colleges require you to send your scores directly from your test account)	
Check each college's admissions page for their early/preferred dates/deadlines, and use a planning tool, app, or calendar of important deadlines/dates to keep track of these dates	
Verify receipt of <u>ALL</u> documents. Your application is not complete without ALL requirements completed and uploaded or mailed and received by the college by the deadline, including fees paid in full by the deadline	
Make connections with teachers, coaches, employers, mentors, club sponsors, etc for possible recommendation letters. Provide at least 2 weeks advance notice and a <b>resume</b> when requesting letters. Only request a letter IF needed for an application.	
Register to take or retake appropriate test(s), and study for test(s) (ACT, CLT, SAT, AICE, AP, ASVAB, etc)	
Complete a community service log (found in the Upper Spot or on the MHS website), turn in log sheets to the guidance secretary. You are responsible for keeping a copy of your log sheets for your records!	
<b>October</b>	
Create a FAFSA FSA ID at <a href="https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa">https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa</a> FAFSA opens on <b>Oct. 1st of 12th grade!</b>	

FL Fin Aid Application <a href="https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home">https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home</a> See the FFAA guide in the college prep packet for instructions - app opens on <b>Oct 1st of 12th grade</b> (dates subject to change)	
Create a high school resume for recommendation letters, scholarship and job applications. (see college and career prep presentation on MHS Guidance Page or prep packet for resources and tips)	
<b>December - January</b>	
Check that all fees are paid, all holds are lifted and that you have completed all steps of the admissions process	
Complete the transcript request form (on MHS website) to send mid-year transcripts for requesting schools. Verify receipt of second transcript through your college or Common App account or by calling the college	
Participate in any financial aid/scholarship presentations (Ex. FL Shines Webinars/Community events)	
<b>February</b>	
Check deadlines for housing, financial aid, scholarships, deposits (housing is limited on most FL campuses!)	
<b>Spring</b>	
Look for the SAR report from FAFSA. Submit revisions as needed and send deposits to schools	
Carefully choose your school and notify all schools of your decision	
<b>Throughout the year</b>	
Study, maintain good grades, turn in community service hours and engage in clubs, sports, activities	
<b>Check in with your school counselor for progress checks/info.</b> Check your school and college email often if you are off campus for parts of the day or the whole day. Check the MHS Pirates website/senior page, Schoology and socials several times per week.	
Meet with college admissions representatives visiting MHS (if available). Listen to announcements (daily announcements are posted on the MHS website), check Schoology for info on college visits/tours	
Submit college, military, trade school and other acceptance letters to the guidance secretary	
Continue research for scholarships (National opportunities, check the scholarship wall, scholarship page, and scholarship doc - prep packet)	
<b>May</b>	
The last chance to apply for Bright Futures/other Florida grant money is the day before graduation	
Submit a final transcript to your college of choice/Military, etc. You will need to fill out the final senior transcript request form for your final transcript (the one that reads that you've graduated) to be sent to your college/program of acceptance (make sure you include the correct admissions mailing address)	

# Which College is right for me?

## College Pros & Cons Worksheet

Name of College/University: \_\_\_\_\_

Importance: H = High, M=Medium, L=Low, NR=Not Relevant

Things to Think About	Pros	Cons	Level of Importance
<b>Financial Fit</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the total cost? Tuition? Fees?</li> <li>• Is this an affordable option for you and your family?</li> <li>• Does the college offer any scholarships, financial aid or grants?</li> </ul>			
<b>Available areas of study</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What field of study options did you learn about?</li> <li>• How well did the available majors align with your career direction?</li> <li>• How customizable is the degree?</li> <li>• Are you able to double major?</li> <li>• Is double majoring encouraged, recommended or discouraged?</li> </ul>			
<b>Programs</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is there an honors college or honor programs available?</li> <li>• Internships?</li> <li>• A Learning Lab and/or tutoring and academic support?</li> <li>• Disability services?</li> <li>• Career counseling and academic advisement?</li> <li>• Health care services?</li> </ul>			
<b>Student graduation and retention</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What percent of students graduate in 4 years?</li> <li>• What percent of incoming freshman stay after the first year?</li> <li>• What are the factors to consider?</li> </ul>			
<b>Distance from Home</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How long was the travel time?</li> <li>• Cost of to/from home?</li> <li>• How often will you travel home?</li> </ul>			
<b>School Geographical Setting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do you like the location?</li> <li>• Does it have social, recreational and employment opps you desire?</li> <li>• Can you get to off campus destinations easily without a car?</li> <li>• Do you like the weather/climate?</li> <li>• Do you like the community?</li> </ul>			

<p><b>Campus and Facilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do you like the size and setting of the campus?</li> <li>• Small or large classes?</li> <li>• Is the campus diverse?</li> <li>• How is the condition of buildings?</li> <li>• Would you feel comfortable and safe?</li> <li>• Does it have the modern conveniences and necessities you're looking for?</li> <li>• How is the quality of the facilities related to your area of study?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Students/Campus Feel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Describe your sense of those students you met and the general student culture.</li> <li>• School Spirit?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Faculty and Academics</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Does the course catalog offer what you need and want?</li> <li>• If you observed any classes, how did the class size feel? Did you like the professor? The classroom?</li> <li>• If you met the dean, other professors or advisors in the college, what were key take-aways?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Dormitories</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Did you like the size and condition vs the cost?</li> <li>• Describe the bathroom access and accommodations?</li> <li>• Process for choosing where you live and your roommates?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Dining Hall and Food Options</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Look, feel and access to the dining hall?</li> <li>• Food and menu appeal?</li> <li>• Meal plan options?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Extracurricular Facilities &amp; Opportunities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• If you play a sport or have a certain club or extracurricular activity in mind, such as rowing or theater, did the school have the facilities you were hoping for?</li> <li>• What are the school sponsored athletics?</li> <li>• What is the level of athletic competition? NCAA? NAIA? Club level? Intramural?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Student Social Life</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What social involvement options did you learn about?</li> </ul>			
<p><b>What most surprised you during your visit?</b></p>			

# How Can I Prepare for Scholarships, Financial Aid and College?

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**Accumulate Community Service Hours** - *Many local and national scholarships require students to be involved in the community and having volunteer hours is a great way to prove involvement.*

- 100 volunteer or paid work hours to achieve the top Bright Futures award
- An average of 150-250 hours looks good to scholarship committee boards
- Community Service log sheets are available on the MHS Pirates website and in the Upper Spot

**Join a Club and/or Sport**- *Scholarship boards look for students that are "well rounded", and have evidence of community dedication, leadership skills, organizational and collaborative skills, and are conscientious.*

- Join a community based club or participate in school or club sports (Note: Some scholarship eligibility rules require students to have been a member of the club or sport for several years prior to applying for the scholarship)

**Take Challenging Classes and Work Hard** - *Many scholarships are merit based and closely consider the student's grades, GPA, academic accomplishments, and the rigor of courses taken.*

- Aim for the most rigorous classes that you can be successful in, take honors and advanced courses when appropriate

**Get Ready for the SAT, ACT, or CLT**- *Some scholarships require minimum SAT, ACT or CLT scores or consider scores when reviewing applications.*

- Take the PSAT as a sophomore, and the PSAT/NMSQT as a junior (if offered), to help you qualify for scholarships
- Sign up for Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®, so you can access free, personalized study tools to help you get ready for the test
- Check out the Guidance page on the Pirates website for college entrance exam test prep resources

**Recommendation Letters** -*Scholarships may require recommendation letters. People that you've developed positive relationships with know you best and can write letters for you (Ex. Pastor, Coach, Teacher, employer, community leader).*

- Please only request recommendation letters if the college, program or scholarship is requesting them
- Request the letters several weeks in advance, provide the reason for the letter, and the individual or institution the letter should be addressed to
- Provide an updated and quality resume to the writer of your recommendation letter

**Free Application For Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - 12th grade** - *Completing the FAFSA is the first step toward getting financial aid, and students who complete the FAFSA early tend to receive the better financial aid packages*

- Visit <https://studentaid.gov/> to start the FAFSA process as soon as it opens!
- Set up a time to sit with your parents/guardians to work on the application
- Gather all important documents including tax information before starting

**Complete the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) - 12th grade** - *Opens October 1st of student's senior year- The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program rewards students for their academic achievements by providing funding to attend a postsecondary institution in Florida. The application also matches students to other Florida grants and financial aid*

- Visit <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home> to fill out the FFAA

**Resume** - *Many scholarships require the student to submit an appropriate high school resume*

- Flagler Schools Senior Local Scholarships through Award Spring (located on the MHS website under scholarships)- Students who fill out the application will be required to submit a resume  
Use Xello in Classlink or visit the General Template Gallery under New documents Google Drive for resume templates
- Conduct an Internet search for resume examples - there are many free samples and resources available

## FLORIDA FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION (Bright Futures Application) Tutorial/Quick Guide 2025 - 2026 Yr Graduates

**First Visit** - <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home> or do a search for Bright Futures. The home page has a picture of a sky and a green road sign that reads Graduates Next Exit.

**Next**, click on the Create a Student Account link. It's blue and located under the First-Time Applications heading <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPPRFILE/SAPPRFILE> and begin filling out the application

- 1: SS # (DO NOT ENTER YOUR SS# if you are unsure of the number. You can update your profile later once you have your number).
- 2: FLE # **This is not required**
- 3: Fill in your demographic and contact information
- 4: Graduation Date: TENTATIVE date - **TENTATIVE Grad Date 5/31/2026; (TENTATIVE Early Grad Date - 12/19/2025)**
- 5: Email: Do NOT use your school email (You will not be able to access it once you graduate)
- 6: Click Submit
- 6: Take a picture/screenshot of your user ID and password (**Do not lose your ID and password!**)
- 7: Go to: Please click here to complete your Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA)
- 8: Demographic Information  
State of Residency FL/ US citizen
- 9: No
- 10: Department of Veteran Affairs - most will be No.
- 11: Rosewood - if you don't know what Rosewood was, it is a NO
- 12: Hispanic - if yes, put country from dropdown
- 13: Farmworker - Most should be NO
- 14: Click Next
- 15: Academic background
  - Yes
  - Public
  - Flagler
  - Matanzas
- 16: Continue to Academic Background - Post secondary Plans
- 17: No to baccalaureate
- 18: In state/out of state - unsure put Daytona State College
- 11: You do not have to put in alternate schools
- 12: Next
- 13: Submit - **ONLY CLICK THIS ONCE! DO NOT CLICK IT MULTIPLE TIMES!**

### **IMPORTANT SENIOR INFORMATION**

1. Complete your FAFSA **early!**: <https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/afsa> (opens on Oct 1st!)
2. Consistently check the Award Spring Senior Local Scholarship Application website and complete the application once it opens (Fall of your senior year) <https://flaglerschools.awardspring.com/>
3. Consistently check the MHS website, Senior page, and Schoology. You can also follow MHS on Twitter and Facebook <https://www.mhspirates.com/students-families/seniors>
4. Check the Guidance Page for helpful info and resources <https://www.mhspirates.com/school-services/guidance>
5. Remember - You need 100 community service hours for the top FAS Bright Futures award and scholarship committee boards are looking for an average of 250 hours

## Specific Requirements for Scholarships

### Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)

### Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)

Florida high school students who wish to qualify for the Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) award or the Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) award must meet the following initial eligibility requirements:

- Graduate high school from a Florida public high school with a standard Florida high school diploma (high school graduation requirements), graduate from a registered Florida Department of Education private high school, earn a GED, complete a home education program, or graduate from a non-Florida high school if specific conditions are met (see the Out-of-State (OOS) guide referenced here for additional details – OOS);
- Complete the required high school coursework;
- Achieve the required minimum high school grade point average (GPA);
- Achieve the required minimum score on either the ACT<sup>®</sup>, CLT<sup>®</sup>, or SAT<sup>®</sup> college entrance exam. Tests taken no later than August 31 are accepted for evaluation purposes.
- Complete the required number of volunteer service, paid work hours, or the combination of 100 total hours; and
- Submit an FFAA during your senior year between October 1, 2025, through August 31, 2026.

Type	16 High School Course Credits <sup>1</sup>	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT <sup>®</sup> /CLT <sup>®</sup> /SAT <sup>®</sup> )	Volunteer Service Only	Paid Work Hours Only	Combination of Volunteer/Paid 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	2025-26 Graduates <sup>2</sup> : 29/95/1330 2026-27 Graduates <sup>3</sup> : 29/95/1330	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - Foreign/World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2025-26 Graduates <sup>2</sup> : 24/82/1190 2026-27 Graduates <sup>3</sup> : 24/82/1190	75 hours	100 hours	100 hours

<sup>1</sup> The required coursework aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Florida Board of Governor's Regulation 6.002. Additional information regarding high school coursework can be found within the Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook.

<sup>2</sup> Students seeking postsecondary funding for the 2026-27 academic year.

<sup>3</sup> Students seeking postsecondary funding for the 2027-28 academic year.

## Volunteer Service and Paid Work Hours

Students must complete a program of volunteer service or, paid work, as approved by the district school board, the administrators of a nonpublic school. Each district school board and the administrators of a nonpublic school must establish approved activities and the process for documentation of volunteer service or paid work hours including the deadline by which they must be completed. Students must earn either the required volunteer service, paid work hours, or the combination of both for 100 total hours.

The student may identify a social or civic issue or a professional area that interests them and develop a plan for their personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning about the area. The student must, through papers or other presentations, evaluate and reflect upon their volunteer service or paid work experience. Volunteer service or paid work may include, but is not limited to, a business or governmental internship, work for a nonprofit community service organization, or activities on behalf of a candidate for public office. The hours of volunteer service or paid work must be documented in writing, and the document must be signed by the student, the student's parent or guardian, and a representative of the organization for which the student performed the volunteer service or paid work.

### Other ways to qualify

Students who have demonstrated academic merit through a recognition program may be eligible for Bright Futures without having to meet one or more of the requirements. Note: All Merit Recognition programs must be earned prior to high school graduation. Confirmations may come from AICE; IB and College Board as late as September. Please refer to the table below for how to qualify based on one of the merit recognition programs.

Merit Recognition Program	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year		Volunteer Service*	Paid Work Hours*	Combination of Volunteer/ Paid Hours	Bright Futures Award
	2025-26	2026-27				
National Merit® Finalists and Scholars			100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
			75 hours			FMS
AP Capstone Diploma			100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) - Diploma			100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
			75 hours			FMS
International Baccalaureate (IB) - Diploma			100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
			75 hours			FMS
AICE - Curriculum	29/95/1330	29/95/1330	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
	24/82/1190	24/82/1190	75 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FMS
International Baccalaureate (IB) - Curriculum	29/95/1330	29/95/1330	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FAS
	24/82/1190	24/82/1190	75 hours	100 hours	100 hours	FMS

\*Student must earn the required volunteer service, paid work hours, or a combination of both equal to 100 total hours.

### National Merit Finalists and Scholars

To identify National Merit Scholarship Corporation students, OSFA will need the official letter of recognition from National Merit Scholarship Corporation sent to High Schools.

- Achieve the required minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA in the Career and Technical Education credits;
- Achieve the required minimum score on the ACT®, SAT® or Florida Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT) exams (see table below); and
- Complete 30 volunteer service hours, 100 paid work hours, or the combination of both for 100 total hours.
  - Note: 75 hours of volunteer service hours will be required for students entering grade 9 in the 2024-2025 school year and thereafter.

### College Entrance Exams

Exam types cannot be combined; a student must qualify based on each sub-test score for a single exam type. Sub-test scores from different test dates may be used to meet the test requirement. The ACT®/ SAT®/PERT exams may be taken an unlimited number of times through August 31 of the student’s graduation year (or through January 31 for mid-year graduates).

Students should request that test scores be sent to one of Florida’s public colleges or state universities when they register for the ACT®/ SAT® so that test scores will be sent to the FDOE repository. PERT scores are reported on the student’s official high school transcript.

**Note:** Students can request single sitting **ACT** test scores be sent directly to Bright Futures using **CEEB code 0095** while on the ACT website.

Exam Type	Sub-test	Required Score
ACT®	Reading	19
	English	17
	Mathematics	19
SAT® (March 1, 2024, and thereafter)	Critical Reading or Evidence-Based Reading and Writing	490
	Mathematics	480
SAT® (Prior to March 1, 2024)	Reading Test	24
	Writing and Language Test	25
	Math Test	24
PERT (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, F.A.C.

### Volunteer Service and Paid Work Hours

Please refer to the **Volunteer Service and Paid Work Hours** section under FAS and FMS on page 4.

# Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) – FAQs and tips

## Apply as soon as possible starting October 1st!

Updated 8/29/25

### Why should I fill out a FAFSA?

Completing the FAFSA at <https://studentaid.gov/> the first step toward getting financial aid for college. The FAFSA gives you access to the \$150 billion in grants, loans, and work-study funds that the federal government has available. That's why it's important that every college-bound student complete the FAFSA as soon as possible once it **opens on Oct. 1st**

### When do I need to submit my FAFSA?

You can file a FAFSA **as early as Oct. 1st**. Some colleges have earlier FAFSA deadlines. **Check your college's "on time deadline"** to ensure that the processor has time to analyze and send the results of your FAFSA to the financial aid office. Aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis so apply as early as possible to be considered for the most, and best aid.

### What if I haven't submitted my admission application yet?

You should **apply** for financial aid before being admitted. **Apply as soon as possible starting October 1st.**

### What do I need to do first?

Visit <https://studentaid.gov/sites/default/files/creating-using-fsaid.pdf> for instructions on how to **create a FSA ID**. The ID gives you access to Federal Student Aid's online systems and can serve as your legal signature.

### What documents do I need to gather to apply?

Social Security numbers, driver's license (if you have one), most recent federal income tax returns, W-2s, other records of money earned, current bank statements, records of investments and records of untaxed income (if applicable). If you are a dependent student, you will need most of the above information for your parent(s). If you are not a U.S. citizen, you will need your Alien Registration Number.

### Where do I apply?

Filing an online FAFSA is the fastest and easiest way to apply for aid. Tips throughout the application help you understand the questions. The online FAFSA will guide you through the application and provide tutorials and tech support.

### How long does it take to fill out the FAFSA?

Most people finish the FAFSA in less than 30 minutes. By filling out a FAFSA early, seniors should know earlier about their expected family contributions, which should be useful as they compare schools and evaluate costs. Current and prospective college students who overlook the December FAFSA kickoff and procrastinate too long, risk losing out on aid.

### Does applying for financial aid with the FAFSA cost money?

No, filing is **free**. It is the FREE Application for Federal Student Aid. Don't pay for a service that helps you fill out the FAFSA.

### I think my family's income might be too high to receive aid. Should I still apply?

Everyone should apply – there is no income cap. Most students are eligible for some form of financial aid.

### I filled out the FAFSA last year. Do I have to do it again?

Yes, you must resubmit the FAFSA with updated financial information each year. Financial aid is not renewed automatically.

### How can I be sure that my FAFSA gets sent to my college?

List the college of choice you're attending and its Federal School Code as a school choice in the "School Selection" section.

### How can I get the most aid?

Students should pay very close attention to financial aid-related deadlines. Some financial aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis so apply as early as possible to be considered for the most, and best aid.

**How can I estimate how much money I could get?**

Consider using [College Scorecard](#), [FAFSA 4Caster](#) or [Net Price Calculator](#) for an estimate of the financial aid you might receive.

**When do I find out how much financial aid I will receive?**

By early March, admitted freshmen who have filed the FAFSA will receive an official award notice via U.S. mail. In order for the college to consider you for a financial aid package, you must be an admitted student and have met the “On-Time” deadline. The Notification of Financial Aid Award states the terms and conditions of aid programs awarded to you. Read it carefully, and follow any instructions that pertain to you.

**How is my aid amount determined?**

The financial information you and your family provide on your FAFSA is used to determine your expected family contribution or EFC — how much you and your family are expected to contribute toward your educational expenses. Once your EFC has been determined, the college financial aid office will calculate your financial need. Financial need is the cost of attendance minus your EFC.

**What types of aid can I get?**

When the college receives your application information from the federal processor and you have been admitted, the financial aid office will award you an aid package based on your eligibility. One or more of the four types of aid (grants, scholarships, part-time employment, loans) are usually offered to eligible students to make up their financial aid package.

**What year of income do I need to report on my FAFSA?**

The **2026-27 FAFSA** will use **2024 income and tax information** for students and parents. Use the IRS Data Retrieval Tool when possible to automatically import your tax information into your FAFSA.

**I need help with the FAFSA. What should I do?**

Students and families can get free assistance and answers to their FAFSA questions at <https://studentaid.gov/help-center/answers/landing> or 1-800-433-3243, email, or by chatting with Aidan the virtual assistant. FAFSA help sessions are also available at colleges and in the community throughout Florida.

**With the online FAFSA, how do I sign the form?**

Students can sign the FAFSA electronically using their FSA ID. Parents of dependent students can also sign electronically, but must request their own FSA ID.

**My parents are divorced. Do I list both of their incomes?**

The parent you live with the most is the one you'll report financial information about. If that parent is remarried, you must include his or her income, too.

**Do I have to provide my parent's information on my FAFSA?**

The FAFSA distinguishes between students who are dependent and students who are independent. Parents of a dependent student are required to submit their financial and demographic information on the FAFSA. Parents of an independent student are not required to complete the FAFSA. Visit <https://studentaid.gov/apply-for-aid/fafsa/filling-out/dependency> for help on determining your dependency status.

**Is there an easier way to complete a FAFSA?**

The easiest way to complete your FAFSA with accurate tax information is by using the IRS Data Retrieval Tool (DRT) on the online application. In a few simple steps, most students and parents who filed a tax return can view and transfer their tax return information directly into their FAFSA. Visit <https://www.sfa.ufl.edu/fafsa-tips/> or <https://www.sfa.ufl.edu/process/how-to-apply-for-aid/> for helpful tips.

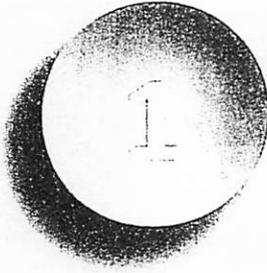
# Finish the FAFSA in Five Steps

## Gather Materials

- Social Security card
- Driver's license
- W-2 forms and tax returns specified on the FAFSA
- Current balance of cash, checking and savings accounts
- Determine your dependency status at [Dependency Questionnaire](#)
- If you're a dependent student, you'll also need your parents' financial information



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**CanGo2.org**  
visit [UCanGo2.org](#)  
or [StartWithFAFSA.org](#)  
for helpful tools and  
information about planning and  
paying for education after high  
school. Contact us at [UCanGo2@  
cap.org](#) or 866.443.7420.

**StudentAid.gov**  
complete and submit the FAFSA.

**SAID.ed.gov**  
create a Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID)  
once and reuse it each year to complete  
the FAFSA online.

**ReadySetRepay.org**  
learn about making smart borrowing  
decisions and strategies for successful  
student loan repayment.

**CollegeStart.org**  
find useful financial aid planning  
information and tools to calculate college  
costs and build your financial aid plan.

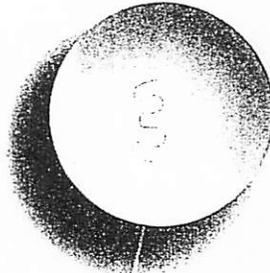
**OklahomaMoneyMatters.org**  
find helpful tools and resources  
to empower you to make  
positive financial choices.

**Financial Aid Office**  
contact your college's financial  
aid office if you have  
questions or need to  
follow up after you've  
submitted the  
FAFSA.



## Create an FSA ID

- The FSA ID is your username and password
- Use your FSA ID to electronically sign your FAFSA and your student loan applications, make corrections to your FAFSA and more
- Go to [fsaid.ed.gov](#) to sign up
- Save your FSA ID to use again next year
- If you're a dependent student, one of your parents will also need an FSA ID. Utilize the FSA ID worksheet at [UCanGo2.org](#).



## Fill It Out

- Apply online at [StudentAid.gov](#) for quicker processing time and to save your information for next year
- Enter student and parent names as shown on Social Security cards
- Send your FAFSA results to up to 10 campuses
- Read about the IRS Data Retrieval Tool at [StudentAid.gov](#) to learn how to automatically transfer tax data to your FAFSA

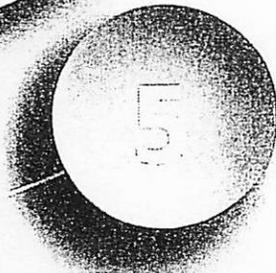


## Sign & Submit

- Print a copy of your answers from the **Summary** page and review for errors
- Enter your FSA ID to serve as your electronic signature
- Don't forget to click **SUBMIT** at the bottom of the screen
- Review your confirmation page for information about the campuses you've selected and an estimate of your federal aid eligibility

## Follow Up

- Watch your email for a Student Aid Report (SAR) and information from the institutions that received your FAFSA results
- Provide any other necessary documentation that may be required by your institution, such as your accepted financial aid offer, and be sure to follow up with the financial aid office if you have additional questions



A college education is an investment in your future, and financial aid is available to help manage the cost. One of the most important steps you can take to find grants, scholarships and low-cost loans is completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). We have some handy tips that will help you complete the FAFSA and start down the road to success!

- Complete the FAFSA as soon as possible after **Oct. 1** every year to meet college and state deadlines.
- Never pay to complete the FAFSA — the first letter in FAFSA stands for FREE!
- Set up your Federal Student Aid ID (FSA ID) at [FSAID.ed.gov](https://fsaid.ed.gov) before you complete the FAFSA. Use the FSA ID worksheet to keep track of your information. Find it at [UCanGo2.org/publications](https://ucango2.org/publications).
- Visit [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) to complete the application online or download the myStudentAid app to complete the FAFSA on your phone or tablet, and receive step-by-step instructions. You can also download and print a paper copy. Instructions are available at [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov).
- Hit the “**Save**” button often. Always use the “**Next**” and “**Previous**” buttons on the site. Never use the “**Back**” button on your browser or you may lose your information.
- If you have a question while completing the FAFSA online, you can check out “**Tool Tips**” (look for this icon: ) for detailed information on each item.
- Because [StudentAid.gov](https://studentaid.gov) is a secure site, your information is encrypted for privacy.
- IRS tax data can be electronically transferred directly to your online FAFSA.
- Dependent students will need to include information about their parents’ income and assets when completing the FAFSA. If you have a special situation, you should contact your campus’s financial aid office.
- If you answer “yes” to any dependency status question, you’ll be considered an independent student.
- You should receive a copy of the SAR (Student Aid Report) after submitting your FAFSA. Remember to review the SAR for accuracy.
- Males must be registered with Selective Service to receive federal financial aid. Even if you’re not 18 yet, you can still register for Selective Service on your FAFSA. To learn about the Selective Service, visit [sss.gov](https://sss.gov).
- Even if you think you won’t qualify for aid, fill out the FAFSA anyway! Income is only one of the factors considered and nearly everyone qualifies for some type of financial aid.
- Visit [StartWithFAFSA.org](https://startwithfafsa.org) to find FAFSA completion video tutorials available in English and Spanish.

**The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be completed every year you need financial aid for college. The FAFSA should be completed as soon as possible after Oct. 1 to meet state and federal deadlines for the upcoming academic year. Don't wait! Although you may qualify for several types of aid, if you wait too long, some funds may be exhausted.**

**Cappex** <https://www.cappex.com/> - Easy to use, packed with helpful info and \$30,000 of Cappex scholarship money

**Common App** <https://www.commonapp.org/plan> - planning tools to help through the application and admissions process

**Niche** <https://www.niche.com/> - Tons of college information and allows students to rate schools and provide reviews

**College Confidential** <https://www.collegeconfidential.com/> - Best known for its student forum where students can post questions or answer questions and provide advice

**Unigo** <https://www.unigo.com/> - Unigo \$10,000 scholarship plus college planning info, stats and student reviews

**CollegeBoard** <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/> - College planning, scholarship info and test prep

**College Navigator** <https://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator/> - Packed with trustworthy college information and statistics which help to determine the right college for you

**Florida Shines** <https://www.floridashines.org/> - College & career planning, scholarship and information on paying for college

### College Scholarship & Financial Aid Resources

**Student Aid** <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa> - Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) - **Opens on Oct. 1st of 12th grade**  
**FAFSA 4Caster** <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa/estimate> - Estimates your federal financial aid

**FinAid** <https://www.finaid.org/> Go-to guide for financial aid, college prep and how to reduce college costs

**FL Fin Aid & Bright Fut** <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home> - **Opens Oct 1st 12th grade**

**Florida Shines** <https://www.floridashines.org/pay-for-college> - Scholarships, grants, loans; Register for Florida Shines webinars starting in September to learn how to pay for college - <https://www.floridashines.org/college-101-event>

**Common App** <https://www.commonapp.org/plan/paying-for-college> - Video tutorial to walk you through filling out the FAFSA and links to the U.S Department of Education step by step video tutorials

**AWARD SPRING Senior Local Scholarships** TBA on <https://mhspirates.com/> - Look out for the senior local scholarship application

**\*StudentScholarships.org** <https://studentscholarships.org/> - Largest selection of scholarships on the web!

**\*Going Merry** <https://www.goingmerry.com/> - Free Scholarship & Financial Aid Platform with personalized matching

**\*RaiseMe** <https://www.raise.me/> - Start earning micro scholarships from colleges as early as 9th grade

**\*Weird Scholarships** <https://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/college-resource-center/unusual-college-scholarships/>

**Fastweb** <https://www.fastweb.com/> - Scholarships targeted just for you based on your profile

**SCHOLARSHIPS.com** <https://www.scholarships.com/> Over \$3.7 million in scholarships and grants!

**Scholastic Art & Writing Awards** - <https://www.artandwriting.org/scholarships> - For creative teens!

**Cappex** <https://www.cappex.com/> - Cappex helps match you to over 11 billion in scholarship money

**TFS Scholarships** <https://www.tuitionfundingsources.com/> - Free access to over 7 million scholarships

**NyFF** <http://www.navigatingyourfinancialfuture.org/> - Scholarship & financial aid info grouped in one website

**Elks Scholarship Foundation** <https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm> - leadership, scholarship and financial need;  
**DEADLINE Nov. 12th 2025**

### Test Preparation & Practice (College & Career)

**Khan Academy** <https://www.khanacademy.org/> - Customized practice, official SAT practice tests, video lessons, hints and instant

feedback, study guides, test tips, and short quizzes to pinpoint your needed areas for practice

**Link accounts** <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/k12-educators/advising-instruction/practice-resources/link-accounts>

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**ACT Test Prep** [www.act.org/academy](http://www.act.org/academy) - Personalized practice tests, and plans based on test results from the PreACT and ACT

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**Classic Learning Test (CLT)** <https://www.cltxam.com/tests/practice-test/> - Login to your CLT account to find test prep

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**CollegeBoard** <https://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat/practice> - Practice app & tests, study groups, goal setting & study plan

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**Postsecondary Education Readiness Test (PERT)** [http://perttest.webstarts.com/pert\\_study\\_guide.html](http://perttest.webstarts.com/pert_study_guide.html)

**PERT Practice Tests and Study Guides** <https://www.mometrix.com/academy/pert-practice-test/>

**PERT Study Guide** <http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/5592/urlt/0078248-pert-studentstudyguide.pdf>

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**ASVAB Sample Questions** [http://official-asvab.com/samples\\_app.htm](http://official-asvab.com/samples_app.htm) The exam assesses skills and aids in predicting academic and job successes in life and in the military. **ASVAB Practice Tests** <https://www.asvabpracticetests.com/>

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**Albert** <https://www.albert.io/> - Interactive practice for college math and science, Advanced Placement exams, SAT/ACT

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**Learn Express** <https://www.learningexpresshub.com/productengine/LELIndex.html#/learningexpresslibrary/libraryhome> Test prep for SAT/ACT, AP, PSAT and college entrance essay writing

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**Testive** <https://www.testive.com/> - SAT/ACT Prep, weekly free class online (live webinar) and practice

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**Number2** <https://www.number2.com/> - SAT/ACT prep, exploring and applying to colleges

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#### Career & College Interest & Skill/Personality Surveys

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**ASVAB** <https://www.asvabprogram.com/> - Career Exploration Program/What is your dream job?

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**Education Planner** <http://www.educationplanner.org/> - Explore interests, careers and colleges that are a good match.

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**My Majors** <https://www.mymajors.com/> - 15 minute college major assessment

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**Myers Briggs** <http://www.humanmetrics.com/cgi-win/jtypes2.asp> - Free personality test based on Carl Jung's and Isabel Myers-Briggs' personality type theory. Career choice exploration is the next step after you discover your personality type.

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**Keirsey Temperament Sorter** <https://profile.keirsey.com/#/b2c/assessment/start> - Personality assessment that divides people into 4 temperaments, guardian, idealist, rational, and artisan.

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**MyPlan** <https://www.myplan.com/> - This assessment can help you identify your motivations and what is really important to you in your career. Additional information on careers, assessments, colleges and majors.

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**Career Cluster Interest Survey** <https://pathwayplanit.com/InterestSurvey> - Take the survey and see which career clusters match your interests. Explore careers, plan your education, find a job

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**My Next Move** <https://www.mynextmove.org/explore/ip> - What are your interests in relation to the work world? Take the interest profiler to discover career opportunities. **O\*Net** <https://www.onetonline.org/> - Career exploration & job analysis

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#### Tutoring

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**MHS Free Tutoring** - <https://www.mhspirates.com/academics/tutoring>

**Varsity Free Tutoring** <https://www.mhspirates.com/academics/tutoring> wide range of free tutoring services including 24/7 chat

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**Integral Academy** <http://integralmathacademy.com/> - Academic help, SAT/ACT and AP prep and enrichment opportunities

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**Kumon** <https://www.kumon.com/palm-coast> - Skill building in math and reading

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#### Other Resources

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**MHS Pirates Website** <https://www.mhspirates.com/> - Check out the site often for news, information and updates

**Senior Class** <https://www.mhspirates.com/students-families/seniors> - Check the senior class information page senior and MHS social media to stay informed

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# Brag sheet:

Student questionnaire for counselor  
letter of recommendation

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Brag sheets are a way for you to help your counselor and teachers write letters of recommendation. These forms give them more insight into who you are outside of school and your interests. Fill out these forms, and share them with your counselor and teachers when you ask them for a letter of recommendation!

This form is for students to fill out.

Complete this form to help your counselor write a letter of recommendation on your behalf. Keep in mind, the more specific the details you can give, the more personal and effective your recommendation will be.

Student's full name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's cell number: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

List three adjectives you would use to describe yourself.

What do you like to do for fun?



**Describe your academic strengths.**

Do you believe your academic record is an accurate reflection of your ability? If not, please explain why.

**What majors or careers are you considering?**

**Do you have any particular college preferences your counselor should know about?**

**School size:**

- Small (<2,000 students)
- Medium (2,000-15,000 students)
- Large (>15,000 students)
- Doesn't matter

**Campus setting:**

- Urban
- Rural
- Suburban
- Doesn't matter

**Type of school:**

- Public
- HBCU
- Private
- HSI

**Geographic:**

Cities: \_\_\_\_\_  
States: \_\_\_\_\_  
Regions: \_\_\_\_\_  
Countries: \_\_\_\_\_  
Proximity to home: \_\_\_\_\_  
Other (please describe): \_\_\_\_\_

**What colleges have you visited (in person or virtually) and what were your impressions?**

**What colleges are you considering applying to?**

