### BEING PREPARED FOR 11<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

BTHS School Counseling

### Important Tasks for 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

Review	Attend	Visit	Research	Apply
Review transcripts in HAC and check for errors	Attend college fairs and speak with college/career reps when they are on campus	Visit post- secondary schools	Research post- secondary institutions and programs of study to aid in senior year course selections	Apply to any scholarships for which students may qualify

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Take	Register	Register & Pay	Link
If interested in the military, take the Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)	Register and take the ACT and SAT Be sure to send scores to at least one university in Florida for Bright Futures purposes	Register and pay for PSAT/NMSQT if student wants to possibly qualify for National Merit Scholarship	Link CollegeBoard and Khan account to receive personalized practice based on 10th grade PSAT/NMSQT results

#### Important Tasks for 11<sup>th</sup> Grade

Continue to turn in community service letter/pay stubs to Ms. Richards

- We suggest students should have their 100 hours for the Bright Futures scholarship by the end of junior year
  - Students may use service hours OR paid work hours OR a combination of both

#### Stay on track for high school graduation

- Retake any courses on transcript with D or F to improve GPA and/or get on track to earn credits for graduation
- Work on making sure graduation assessments are met (if needed)
  - FAST ELA and BEST Algebra EOC





#### ACT & SAT Information

VERY IMPORTANT - Students will be evaluated for Bright Futures based on official test scores from the FDOE repository. To ensure Office of Student Financial Assistance obtains official test scores: Ensure demographics on your test registration and high school transcript match; and request your official test scores be sent to one of Florida's 12 state universities when registering for the ACT and/or SAT.

#### \*\*CLT: new test that can also be used\*\*

ACT registration (choose day, location, and pay for exam) -<u>https://www.act.org/co</u> <u>ntent/act/en/products-</u> <u>and-services/the-</u> <u>act/registration.html</u> Free ACT test prep https://www.act.org/co ntent/act/en/productsand-services/theact/testpreparation/free-acttest-prep.html





SAT registration (choose day, location, and pay for exam) -<u>https://www.collegebo</u> <u>ard.org/</u>

Free SAT test prep – Link students CollegeBoard account with Khan Academy for personalized practice for the SAT based on PSAT scores.

Free ACT during the school day in spring of student's junior year

#### ACT/SAT/PSAT/AP Test Accommodations

If your child has a disability that affects how they test (504 plan or IEP), accommodations are available.

These accommodations must be requested and are approved through College Board for AP, SAT, and PSAT and though ACT for ACT tests.

For additional information, deadlines, and consent forms, please visit: <u>https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/testing/</u>

#### **Community Service**



Not needed for graduation



Needed for \$\$ (scholarships, including Bright Futures)



Your goal should be to finish 100 hours of community service/paid work hours by the end of 11<sup>th</sup> grade so you will qualify for the highest level of the BF scholarship



How to find community service opportunities:

Bartram Trail School Counseling Schoology Updates https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/community-servicehours/

#### How to Turn in Community Service/Paid Work Hours

Have the supervisor of your service provide a signed letter on the organization's letterhead describing the type of service performed, who in the community the service benefited, and a description of the service event. Student and parent/guardian should sign this letter.

For paid work, student will need to print a copy of their pay stub.

Student should fill out the reflection log, located on the website and by Ms. Richard's desk.

Make a copy of all completed forms for your records.

Student provides letterhead or pay stub and <u>reflection log</u> to Ms. Richards with all required signatures included.

Please allow 1 month for hours to be updated.

Students may check their hours by logging in to HAC and clicking on the registration tab.

#### Scholarships

Start applying NOW!

https://www.raise.me/

https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/scholarships-information-and-tips/

https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search

https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/

Opportunities from parent and students' current employers

# What should juniors do to qualify for the Bright Futures scholarship?



Keep up with course work and maintain a good high school GPA – especially in CORE classes (English, Math, Science, Social Studies, World Language)



Stay involved in school and community



Turn in service hours/work hours to Ms. Richards in the main guidance office



Take ACT/SAT/CLT and send scores to Florida universities

#### **Bright Futures Requirements**

Туре	16 High School Course Credits <sup>1</sup>	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT®/CLT®/SAT®)	Volunteer Service Only	Paid Work Hours Only	Combination of Volunteer/ Paid Hours
FAS	4 - English (three must include substantial writing) 4 - Mathematics (at or above the Algebra I level) 3 - Natural Science	3.50	2023-24 Graduates: 29/96/1340 2024-25 Graduates: 29/96/1340	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours
FMS	(two must have substantial laboratory) 3 - Social Science 2 - Foreign/World Language (sequential, in same language)	3.00	2023-24 Graduates: 25/84/1210 2024-25 Graduates: 25/84/1210	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.

Gold Seal Vocational Scholar (GVS) can only be used to fund a career education, AS, or certificate program. See the Bright Futures Handbook for more information.

## Your Junior/Senior schedule should set you up for your first year out of high school



Planning on going to a 4-year college or university? Take classes that will prepare you for your major. **Take more classes beyond the minimum required for graduation!**  Planning on going to a vocational school? Take classes at FCTC to get a jump start on your education for free. Planning on going to SJRSC or FSCJ or another state college? Take SLS 1122 (Academic Pathways for College Success) to ease you into college mindset.

#### Typical Junior Year Schedule



English (either standard, honors, or AP)

Math (either standard, honors, or AP)



Science (either standard, honors, or AP)

US History (either standard, honors, or AP)

3 Electives (additional academic course, academy, 1 modified period, Co-Op)

#### Science & Math Classes for Next Year



#### Science

All science courses after Biology should be chosen based on a student's future career and post-secondary plans. Choose a course that sounds interesting to you and will prepare you for your post-secondary plans.



Math

All math courses after Algebra and Geometry should be chosen based on a student's future career and post-secondary plans. Choose a course that will prepare you for your postsecondary plans.

#### Reduced Schedule vs. Blended vs. Co-Op?

Reduced – 11<sup>th</sup> graders can have ONE modified period if they meet the requirements

Blended – Blend of classes at both Bartram Trail HS and dual enrollment at either SJRSC or FCTC

• Student should provide their own transportation.

Co-Op (must have a job) – Students can have up to 1 Co-Op period during 11<sup>th</sup> grade and will be allowed to leave campus early

- Students should work 5 hours per week for every Co-Op period on their schedule
- Assignments and pay stubs will be turned in to earn a grade in the course
- Student should provide their own transportation



### Dual Enrollment

- Dual Enrollment is a program that allows students to take a college level course at St. John's River State College and earn high school credit and college credit at the same time
  - These courses will count for high school graduation purposes, but students will also be building their college transcript\*\*
- Students may take a max of 10 DE credits in the fall/spring and 6 to 8 DE credits in the summer
- You must provide your own transportation!

#### How do I qualify for dual enrollment?

- 3.0 unweighted GPA
  - This needs to be maintained every semester
- Qualifying test scores (SAT, ACT, PERT, or PSAT)
- Must be a high school student
- Approval by school counselor/administration

• For more information visit: <u>https://www-</u> <u>bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/dual-enrollment-sjrsc/</u>

## Sample schedule for junior wanting dual enrollment:

Â	English
<u>L</u>	Math
5	Science
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	Academy or Elective
	Modified periods 1 and 2 OR 6 and 7

### THANKYOU!

All presentations will be posted on the School Counseling webpage on the BTHS website