

Bartram Trail High School



JUNIOR YEAR

INFORMATION PARENTS & STUDENTS SHOULD KNOW
AS THEY PREPARE FOR 11TH GRADE

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Is it true junior year is the MOST important year of high school?

Every year of high school is important because each year contributes to a student's cumulative GPA/rank, highlights a student's interests and shapes who they are as a student and person.

Junior year is slightly different because it is often the last FULL school year completed before students begin to make post-secondary plans.

Two and four year colleges, Technical schools and military recruiters strongly consider performance in grades 9-11.

GPA and rank are calculated twice per year – End of 1st semester and end of the school year; therefore, when a student is applying to college at the beginning of their senior year, they are using their GPA/class rank from 9-11 grades.

Important Tasks for 11th Grade students

Review

Review transcripts in HAC and check for errors. Students are strongly encouraged to order an official transcript through Parchment.

Attend

Attend college & career fairs, speak with college/career/ military reps when they are on campus.

Research

Research post-secondary institutions and programs of study to aid in senior year course selections.

Visit

Visit post-secondary schools. Students should compose a list of the schools they wish to attend.

Apply

Apply to any scholarships for which students may qualify

Important Tasks for 11th Grade students

Submit

Community service hours and/or work hours to Ms. Richards for Bright Futures. Students should strive to submit **100 hours** by the conclusion of 11th grade.

Retake

Retake any courses on transcript with D or F to improve GPA and/or get on track to earn credits for graduation. Speak with School Counselor.

Confirm

Required state testing, GPA, and course requirements have and are being met for graduation.

Identify

Teachers who you would like to write a letter of recommendation for college or scholarships. Ask them in advance

Maintain

Work to maintain strong grades, seek help when needed.

TESTING



IN- SCHOOL TESTING

PSAT

OCTOBER

Register and pay for PSAT/NMSQT if student wants to possibly qualify for National Merit Scholarship

ASVAB

November/December

If interested in the military, take the Armed Forces Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB).

ACT

February

ACT school day is offered in February to all Juniors. This test date is free to all 11th graders.



- ACT, CLT, and SAT registration is completed by the student/parent
- Administration of the ACT and SAT national tests is conducted by employees of these organizations.
- ACT and SAT national tests are administered on Saturdays at various testing locations throughout the state.
- Students may choose their testing dates and locations.
- The CLT test may be taken at home
- Keep in mind that students have the option to send scores to colleges. Bright Futures requires that students send their scores to at least one of the 12 state universities (UF, FSU, FAMU, UNF, etc.) Score reports are free to send prior to testing.

Test Accommodations

Students with a 504 plan or an IEP may qualify for accommodations.

These accommodations must be requested and approved by College Board (AP, SAT, and PSAT) , ACT, and/or CLT.

For additional information, deadlines, and consent forms, please visit:
<https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/testing/testing-accommodations-for-act-sat-psat-and-ap-exams/>



COMMUNITY SERVICE

How to Submit Community Service/Paid Work Hours

Community Service : Provide a signed letter on the organization's letterhead describing the service performed, beneficiaries of the service, and a description of the service event

Paid work: Submit a copy of pay stub

Complete the reflection log- available on the School Counseling webpage and in the Main Guidance area

Make a copy of all completed forms for your records

Provide letterhead/pay stub and reflection log to Ms. Richards with all required signatures included.

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-by-monthly-deadlines/>

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

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

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	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	<p>4 - English <i>(three must include substantial writing)</i></p> <p>4 - Mathematics <i>(at or above the Algebra I level)</i></p> <p>3 - Natural Science <i>(two must have substantial laboratory)</i></p> <p>3 - Social Science</p> <p>2 - Foreign/World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i></p>	3.50	<p>2025-26 Graduates²: 29/95/1330</p> <p>2026-27 Graduates³: 29/95/1330</p>	100 hours	100 hours	100 hours
FMS		3.00	<p>2025-26 Graduates²: 24/82/1190</p> <p>2026-27 Graduates³: 24/82/1190</p>	75 hours	100 hours	100 hours

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.



Schedule

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

1

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!**

2

Planning on going to a vocational school?

Take classes at FCTC to get a jump start on your education for free.

3

Planning on going to a state college like SJRSC or FSCJ?

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)



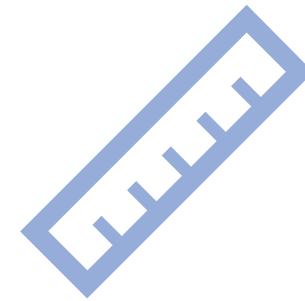
3 Electives (additional academic course, academy, 1 modified period, Co-Op)

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 post-secondary plans.

Reduced Schedule vs. Blended vs. Co-Op?

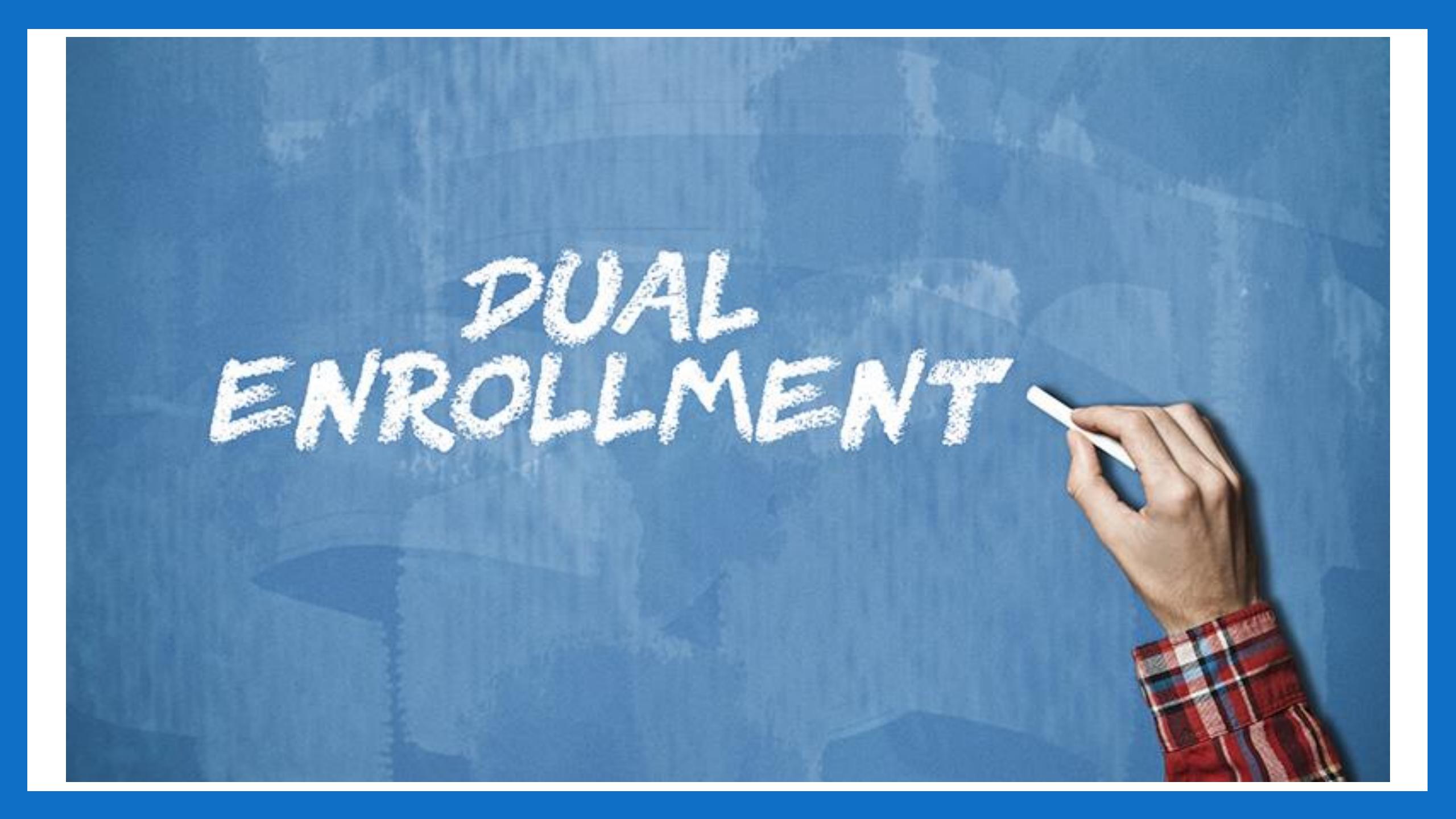
Reduced – 11th graders can have ONE modified period if they meet the requirements

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

- Student must provide their own transportation.

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

- Students must 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 must provide their own transportation



DUAL
ENROLLMENT





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St. Johns River State College

- Dual Enrollment through St. Johns River State College is a program that allows students to take a college level course 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.
- We suggest students 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 at SJRSC?

- 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:
<https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/dual-enrollment-sjrsc/>

Common SJR State Dual Enrollment Courses

Course Title	Course Prefix & Number	High School Credit
Academic Pathways	SLS 1122	.5 credit elective
Career Development	SLS 1301	.5 credit elective
English Composition 1	ENC 1101	1.0 credit English
English Composition 2	ENC 1102	1.0 credit English
College Algebra	MAC 1105	1.0 credit Math
US History to 1877	AMH 2010	.5 credit US History
US History since 1877	AMH 2020	.5 credit US History
US Federal Government	POS 1041	.5 credit Government
Macroeconomics	ECO 2013	.5 credit Economics
Microeconomics	ECO 2023	.5 credit Economics
Humanities	HUM 2020	.5 credit elective
Personal Finance	FIN 1100	.5 credit Personal Financial Literacy

First Coast Technical College



- Dual Enrollment through First Coast Technical College is a program that allows students to take a career and technical education course and earn high school credit at the same time.
- These courses are designed for students that want to get a head start on their career pathway.
- Students receive industry level hands-on training in a work environment lab.
- You must provide your own transportation!

FCTC Dual Enrollment Programs



- Applied Cybersecurity
- Dental Assisting
- Diesel Systems Technician
- Early Childhood Education
- Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning/Refrigeration (HVAC/R)
- Landscape & Turf Management
- Master Automotive Service Technology
- Nursery Management
- Professional Culinary Arts & Hospitality
- Welding Technology

How do I qualify for dual enrollment at FCTC?

- 2.0 unweighted GPA
 - This needs to be maintained every semester
- Valid CASAS scores (comprehensive adult student assessment systems)
- Good attendance & discipline records
- Must be a high school student
- Approval by school counselor/administration
- Must have availability in their BTHS schedule
- For more information visit:
<https://www-bths.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/dual-enrollment-fctc/>

Dual Enrollment Applications

St. Johns River State College

- Registration/Application packets will be available in guidance.
 - Summer 2026 = March
 - Fall 2026 = Late April/May

First Coast Technical College

- Applications available now
- Due February 27, 2026

THANK YOU!

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