



**Pineapple Cove Classical
Academy
Transition from Middle
School to High School
2021-2022**



Agenda

- Promotion from 8th grade to 9th grade
- Navigating the Transition
- High School Graduation Requirements
- Acceleration Opportunities
- Bright Futures Scholarship



Successful Completion of...

- ❑ **3 Courses each (middle grades or higher)**
 - Language Arts
 - Mathematics
 - Science
 - Social Studies
 - One of these courses must be Civics
 - Civics EOC constitutes 30% of the student's final course grade
- ❑ **1 Career and Education Course**
- ❑ **Meet District Attendance Requirements**

TIPS FOR STUDENTS

❑ **ACADEMIC Challenges**

- **ALL** grades are important.
- Plan on homework and projects taking more time.
- Teachers expect good note-taking skills.
- Many students find they need to learn how to study and how to manage their time.

TIPS FOR STUDENTS cont.

- ❑ **SOCIAL Challenges**-Many students admit being nervous about:
 - Teasing from older students
 - Stricter high school teachers
 - Making bad grades
 - Much more and much harder work than in middle school

TIPS FOR PARENTS

- ❑ **Parents can provide ACADEMIC support**
 - Structure time and place for homework and study.
 - Use a planner or calendar. Find a style that works for you.
 - Daily routine
 - Healthy meals
 - Limit night time social media to promote healthy sleep. Teens need more sleep than children and adults.

TIPS FOR PARENTS cont.

☐ Parents can provide **EMOTIONAL** support

- Encourage self-confidence and patience.
- Talk about values.
- Help your teen deal with conflict.
- Step down as decision makers and step up as coaches.
- Be a good listener. Be understanding and accepting of where your teenager is now.
- Give your teen space to handle challenges on their own.

TIPS FOR PARENTS cont.

- ❑ **Parents can encourage SOCIAL and EXTRACURRICULAR activities**
 - Encourage your child to join activities compatible with their interests.
 - Encourage your child to choose friends based on compatibility rather than popularity.
 - Welcome friends into your home.

Extracurricular Opportunities



Clubs

- Junior Classical League (Latin)
- Student Council
- Creative Writing
- History Club
- Gardening
- Ultimate Frisbee Club
- Art Club
- Steel Drums
- Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Extracurricular Opportunities



Athletics

- **Women's Volleyball**
- **Men's & Women's Cross Country**
- **Men's & Women's Track & Field**
- **Men's & Women's Basketball**
- **Co-ed Soccer**
- **Co-ed Flag Football (club)**
- **Cheer & Dance**

Extracurricular Opportunities

- ❑ **Honor Societies**
 - **Junior National Honor Society**
 - **National Honor Society**
 - **Quill and Scroll**
 - **Mu Alpha Theta**
 - **Rho Kappa**
 - **Science National Honor Society**
 - **National Art Honor Society**
 - **Sociedad Honoraria Hispánica**

Student Life

- **Students compete all year as members of a House named for a President: Washington, Lincoln, Jefferson, Roosevelt.**
- **Homecoming**
- **Junior/ Senior Prom**
- **Field trips**
- **Athletic Events**
- **Pep Rally**

High School Graduation Requirements



Graduation Requirements

English Language Arts	4.0 Credits: Classical Literature (1.0), British Literature (1.0), American Literature (1.0), Modern Literature (1.0)
Math	4.0 Credits: Must include a minimum of Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2
Science	3.0 Credits*: Must include a minimum of 3.0 credits with a laboratory component
History	3.0 Credits*: Must include World History (1.0), US History (1.0), American Government (0.5) and Economics with Financial Literacy (0.5)
World Language	3.0 Credits: Must include a minimum of two credits in Latin
Fine Arts	1.0 Credit
HOPE/PE	1.0 Credit
Required Electives	1.0 Credit: Moral Philosophy (0.5) and Senior Thesis (0.5)
Electives	7.0 Credits

Grade Point Average: Scholars must graduate with a 2.0 on a 4.0 scale.

Notes:

1. Scholars must satisfy a minimum of one credit through online learning. HOPE is offered through Florida Virtual School which will satisfy this requirement.
2. Scholars must achieve a proficient score on FSA English Language Arts 10th grade or have concordant standardized tests.
3. End of Course assessments are required for Algebra 1, Geometry, Biology, and US History. These EOC assessments count at 30% of the final grade. These must be passed for course credit.

*Scholars must complete 4.0 Science credits or 4.0 History credits.

Patriot Scholar Track VS Patriot Core Track



Key Differences

Patriot **Scholar** Track

- Requires Physics
- Requires 3 consecutive years of Latin

Patriot **Core** Track

- Does not require Physics
- Requires 2 consecutive years of Latin and 1 year of another language

Acceleration Options

Honors
AP
Dual Enrollment



Criteria Used for Placements

Academic Data

- Current Classes
- Current Grades

Test Scores

- PSAT
- MAP Scores
- FSA/EOC Scores

Personal

- Behavior
- Work Ethic



Advanced Placement Courses

- AP US History- 10th Grade
- AP Latin- 10th-12th Grade
- AP Literature: 11th or 12th Grade
- AP Language: 11th or 12th Grade



What is Dual Enrollment?

- Take college courses – tuition covered by PCCA & limited fees for parents
- Save hundreds of dollars in education expenses
- Register for up to 2 courses per term at EFSC
- Earn high school & college-level credit at the same time
- Attend daytime and/or evening classes at EFSC
- Experience college early

Dual Enrollment Placement Criteria

- PCCA requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.25
- This includes ALL high school credit earning classes, including those taken in Middle School

Financial Aid

- ❑ FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- ❑ Grants
- ❑ Loans
- ❑ Scholarships (Bright Futures)



Obtaining excellent scholarships begin with: **PSAT/SAT**

❑ **PSAT/NMSQT**

- Given to all Florida sophomores at no cost in October of each school year
- 9th and 11th graders may take PSAT for a fee paid by parent/guardian (fee waivers available)

❑ **SAT**

- Given to all Florida juniors at no cost in March of each school year
- Continued testing opportunities available for a fee paid by parents/guardians (fee waivers available)

Bright Futures Scholarship Program

- Florida Academic Scholar Award (FAS)
- Florida Medallion Scholar Award (FMS)



Bright Futures

Award Name	16 High School Course Credits <i>(Required coursework aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Regulation 6.002)</i>	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams <i>(Tests must be completed by June 30 of graduation year)</i> (ACT/SAT)	Volunteer Service Work Required
FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLARS AWARD (FAS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 4 English (3 with substantial writing) ▪ 4 Mathematics (Algebra 1 level and above, SEE NOTE 1 BELOW) ▪ 3 Natural Sciences (2 must have substantial laboratory) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3.5 weighted GPA - calculated using only the 16 credits listed. ▪ May include 2 additional academic units to raise GPA (including AP, AICE and IB Fine Arts) 	2019-20-Graduates: 29 / 1290 2020-21 Graduates: 29 / 1330	100 hours
FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLARS AWARD (FMS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 Social Studies (World History, US History, US Government, Economics) ▪ 2 World Languages (sequential, same language) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3.0 weighted GPA – calculated using only the 16 credits listed. ▪ May include 2 additional academic units to raise GPA (including AP, AICE and IB Fine Arts) 	2019-20 Graduates: 26 / 1170 2020-21 Graduates: 25 / 1210	75 hours



Questions

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