

PROGRAMMING PRESENTATION 2023

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Graduation Requirements

- 24 Total Credits
 - English – 4 credits
 - Math – 4 credits, including Algebra 1 and Geometry
 - Science – 3 credits, including Biology
 - Social Studies – 3 credits, including World History, US History, and Gov/Econ
 - Fine Art – 1 credit
 - HOPE – 1 credit
 - Two years of JROTC can substitute for HOPE and fine art
 - 8 Electives
- At least one complete course must be done online

Graduation Requirements

- Additional Requirements
 - Unweighted State GPA of at least 2.0
 - Passing score on the 10th grade FSA reading
 - Passing score on the Algebra 1 End of Course exam

GPA

- What is a GPA?
 - GPA (or grade point average) is the average of all of the points for all of the grades you earn throughout high school
 - Each letter is worth a certain number of points:
 - A = 4
 - B = 3
 - C = 2
 - D = 1
 - F = 0

GPA

- To calculate your GPA, add up the points for your grades in each class at the end of the semester, and then divide by the total number of grades you have

GPA

- For example, a student had the following grades at the end of the first semester:
 - 1) English – A = 4 points
 - 2) Math – B = 3 points
 - 3) Science – B = 3 points
 - 4) HOPE – C = 2 points
 - 5) Elective 1 – F = 0 points
 - 6) Elective 2 – D = 1 point
 - 7) Elective 3 – D = 1 point
 - 7 total classes attempted
- $4+3+3+2+0+1+1 = 14$, 14 points divided by 7 total classes = 2.0 GPA

GPA

- District GPA v State GPA
- If you take an honors, AP, or DE class, and get at least a C, you get extra points added to your GPA
 - Honors = +.04 points
 - AP & DE = +.08 points
- District (or weighted) GPA includes these extra points. State (or unweighted) GPA does not

GPA

- Your GPA is key to everything you do in high school
 - Remember, you need at least a 2.0 overall GPA to graduate at the end of senior year
 - You must have a 2.0 GPA to be eligible to play sports and do most other after school activities
 - The better your GPA is, the more options you'll have (classes, activities, etc.)
 - Your GPA is one of the most important factors that colleges will look at
 - Employers will also want to know how you did in your classes
 - Grades you earn in 9th grade will follow you through high school. Remember, all of your grades count

Virtual School

- You must complete one complete course online for graduation
- FLVS.net
- Create account and request your course
- Counselor will approve, you'll get assigned to a virtual teacher
- Contact the virtual teacher and then begin the course

Community Service

- Community service is not required for graduation, but it is required for many scholarships, including Bright Futures, and many colleges look for community service hours.
- Also, you are helping people in your community and that makes them happy and you happy!

Community Service

- Profferfish.com
 - view community service opportunities
 - get community service opportunities approved
 - have your hours signed off on
 - keep track of hours earned

Bright Futures Scholarships

- Bright Futures is a scholarship you can earn while in high school and use at any public or private college in Florida
- Three different awards:
 - Florida Academic Scholarship
 - Florida Medallion Scholarship
 - Florida Gold Seal Scholarship (& CAPE)

For each level of Bright Futures, work hours CAN BE substituted for community service hours. However, 100 work hours must be submitted, no matter the Bright Futures level. Also, you CANNOT combine work hours and community service hours to MEET the Bright Futures requirement.

***Work hours CANNOT be submitted on Profferfish. When you have accumulated 100 work hours, you MUST fill out the paper form (can be found in the Guidance module of your Bloomingdale high school Resources class on Canvas, or at bloomingdaleguidance.org, under the community service tab) and submit your form to Mrs. Fugate (Guidance secretary). Work hours will be entered and WILL show up on transcripts (but not on student summaries).

Bright Futures Scholarships

- Florida Academic Scholarship
 - 100% tuition paid (bachelor's degree)
 - GPA – 3.5 weighted academic GPA
 - 4 English, 4 math, 3 science, 3 social studies, 2 Foreign Language
 - 100 hours of community service or 100 work hours
 - 1330 SAT or 29 ACT composite

Bright Futures Scholarships

- Florida Medallion Scholarship
 - 75% tuition paid (bachelor's degree)
 - GPA – 3.0 weighted academic GPA
 - 4 English, 4 math, 3 science, 3 social studies, 2 Foreign Language
 - 75 hours of community service or 100 work hours
 - 1210 SAT or 25 ACT composite

Bright Futures Scholarships

- Gold Seal Scholarship
- Only applies to technical programs
 - Career Certificate - \$39 per credit hour
 - Applied Tech Diploma - \$39 per credit hour
 - Technical Degree - \$48 per credit hour
- 3.0 weighted GPA in academic classes
- 3 full credits in a career or tech program (auto tech, culinary, etc.)
- 3.5 weighted GPA in career classes (mostly A's, the rest B's)
- 30 hours of community service or 100 work hours
- ACT – 17 English, 19 Reading, 19 Math
- SAT – 440 Reading, 440 Math
- PERT – 106 Reading, 103 Writing, 114 Math

Bright Futures Scholarships

- Twice a year, juniors and seniors get an updated individual Bright Futures report (once in October, once in March)
- Look over this to see where you stand and what you need to do.
- Until then, you KNOW the requirements and what you have earned.
- Remember, the FLDOE meets every year to determine whether BF payouts/requirements stay the same or change (typically, if you've already graduated and earned it, you are grandfathered in, regardless of updates to requirements; typically, if payouts change, your payouts change as well)

Graduation May Seem Far Away, but it Comes Quicker than you Think!

The following slides show the Various College Admissions Decision Models...

- Regular Decision
 - Set application deadline in the Fall
 - Notified of decision by a specified date – usually in March or April
- Rolling Admission
 - No set deadline. Once the school receives all of your application material, they will notify you within a matter of days or weeks.

College Admissions Decision Models cont...

- Early Decision
 - Apply early (usually by October or November)
 - Receive admissions decision well in advance of the usual notification date
 - Early decision plans are “binding”, meaning if you apply early decision, you agree to attend the college if they accept you
 - You can only apply to one college early decision, but you may apply to other colleges regular decision
 - If you’re accepted under early decision, you must withdraw all other applications

College Admissions Decision Models cont...

- Should you apply Early Decision?
 - Yes, if:
 - You are very sure of the college you want to attend
 - Your stats (GPA, test scores, etc.) match or almost match those of the average accepted student
 - Financial aid is not a concern
 - No, if:
 - You plan to weigh financial aid offers from multiple schools
 - You're considering several colleges

College Admissions Decision Models cont...

- Early Action
 - Application is due early and you get an admission decision in the winter or early spring
 - Non-binding
 - You can apply early action to multiple schools, or apply to one school early action and other schools regular decision

Good Resources to Check Out!

- Collegeboard.org

(don't forget to be SURE your Kahn Academy and collegeboard accounts are linked. You probably did this in 8th grade but if you have not, you need to do that ASAP so you can get updated individualized practice every time you take the PSAT)

- Collegedata.com
- Myplan.com
- Mymajors.com
- Fastweb.com
- BSHS scholarship blog & matrix (on BSHS guidance page)

- ***Looking for a GREAT interest inventory to help you decide on a career? Sign up for the last ASVAB of this school year, happening on 4/6 (ASVAB sign up form can be found in the Guidance module of your Bloomingdale high school Resources class on Canvas, or at bloomingdaleguidance.org, under the community service tab)

- The ASVAB is not just for people looking to join the service. It is one of the best interest inventories....it matches your interests and abilities to help you find the best jobs for you. A rep will be out when results are in to help you interpret your scores and what they mean.

Questions?

- This power point can be found at bloomingdaleguidance.org, under the presentations tab, for your future reference. 😊
- Up Next is...
 - Raise.me (video & create account)
 - Profferfish quick tutorial
 - Bloomingdaleguidance.org quick overview
 - Myplan.com (create account & values assessment: free)
 - The Values Test can help you learn more about your underlying work needs and motivations, and can help you decide what is important to you in a job. The test does this by asking you to rank different aspects of work that represent six underlying work values. Knowing your work values can help you decide what kinds of jobs and careers you might want to explore.
 - When you complete the test, you will get scores for each of six work value clusters. These scores show how important each work value is to you. In addition to your cluster scores, you will be presented with a list of 739 occupations that are rank-ordered according to how well they match your personal work values. The more a job agrees with your work values, the more likely you are to be satisfied in that job.

RAISE ME

- Check this out!!!!
- Trust me...you are going to LOVE it!
- The younger you are when you find out about this, the better!!!
- <https://vimeo.com/188042522>