



## East Lake Engineering Commitment



Welcome to East Lake High School's Engineering magnet program. Our magnet is designed to elevate the high school experience and offer the supports students need to achieve excellence in their educational endeavors. Our goal is for students to explore, learn, grow, and thrive through the program.

To help students reach their highest potential in Engineering, students are held accountable in maintaining specific academic, attendance, and behavioral requirements:

- **Academics:** Students must maintain a specified ***unweighted* GPA** according to their year to remain in Engineering:  

<b>Freshmen: 2.0</b>	<b>Sophomores: 2.3</b>	<b>Juniors and Seniors: 2.5</b>
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  - A student whose cumulative, unweighted GPA goes below this level at the end of the semester will be on academic probation the following semester.
  - A student that receives a D or F on the Quarter 1 or Quarter 3 reporting period, will be placed on academic probation for the duration of the semester.
  - **Academic Probation** is considered a means of intervention and support to help students improve their academic standing. As part of Academic Probation,
    - students must schedule and attend a minimum of 1 tutoring session per week, with specific teachers and/or afternoon sessions in our after-school tutoring program. Sessions are a minimum of 30 minutes.
    - complete a student tracker at the end of each week to monitor academic progress (signed by all teachers and parents, returned to the Engineering office each Monday).
  - *If students do not comply with the probation requirements and/or do not raise their GPA by the end of the semester, students may be dismissed from the Engineering magnet.*
  - **Minimum Coursework:**
    - 9<sup>th</sup> – Applied Engineering Technology 1
    - 10<sup>th</sup> – Applied Engineering Technology 2
    - 11<sup>th</sup> – Applied Engineering Technology 3
    - 12<sup>th</sup> – Applied Engineering Technology 4
    - Choose one pathway and earn certification (e.g. Game & Simulation, AI)
    - **All engineering students are required to complete the engineering capstone and earn an industry certification:**
- **Attendance:** students should have **no more than 5 unexcused absences** per semester (aligned with Exam Exemption policy).
  - Notify the Engineering office about all absences and provide the necessary documentation.
  - **Attendance Probation** will be issued on a case-by-case basis; we will collaborate with students and families to support consistent school attendance.
    - *If students' attendance issues persist, they may be dismissed from the Engineering magnet.*
- **Behavior:** The Engineering magnet focuses on college, career, and leadership components. Student behaviors are to reflect those environments, always exhibiting professionalism and integrity on campus.
  - **One SESIR (School Environment Safety Issue Reporting) incident will result in immediate probation.** SESIR incidents include bullying, alcohol or drug use, tobacco/vaping, fighting, and battery (complete list at <https://www.fldoe.org/safe-schools/sesir-discipline-data/>).
  - **Academic Honesty incidents (cheating, plagiarism, improper use of ai):** after the first incident, students will be required to complete an academic honesty course. Additional infractions will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

- **For lower-level behavior issues, three incidents will result in probation.** These incidents can include skipping class, excessive tardies, disrespectful or disruptive classroom behavior, dress code violations, or other activities which compromise the learning or safety of other students.
  - **Behavioral Probation** is considered an intervention and will be addressed on case-by-case basis; a plan will be put in place to track student behavior and assist the student in recognizing and avoiding problem behaviors.
    - *If students' behavior issues persist, they may be dismissed from the Engineering magnet.*