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PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM (PCS TIP)

**PARENT MEETING
DECEMBER 1, 2018
PRESENTED BY _____**

WHY TIP & WHY SAT?

- TIP SAT – BY INVITATION
- PSAT 8/9 - ALL 8TH GRADERS (OCTOBER)
- PSAT/NMSQT - ALL 9TH & 10TH GRADERS (OCTOBER)
 - 11TH GRADERS OPT-IN (OCTOBER)
 - NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFYING TEST
 - MILLION\$ IN \$CHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES BEYOND NAT'L MERIT
 - (FOR MORE INFO GO TO [PSAT.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS](https://psat.org/scholarships))
- SAT - ALL 11TH GRADERS (MARCH)
 - 12TH GRADERS OPT-IN FOR COLLEGE ADMISSIONS OPPORTUNITIES (OCTOBER)

FORMAT OF THE SAT

- THREE AREAS TESTED FOCUS ON SKILLS THAT MATTER MOST FOR COLLEGE READINESS AND SUCCESS BASED ON CURRENT RESEARCH
 - TOTAL LENGTH – 3 HOURS (PLUS 50 MINUTES FOR ESSAY)
 - READING – 65 MINUTES, 52 QUESTIONS
 - WRITING AND LANGUAGE – 35 MINUTES, 44 QUESTIONS
 - MATHEMATICS – 80 MINUTES (55 W/ CALCULATOR, 25 W/O), 58 QUESTIONS
 - *OPTIONAL ESSAY*

PLANNING FOR COLLEGE STARTS NOW 😊

- KEY POINTS FOR 8TH GRADE
 - COURSES TAKEN IN 8TH GRADE CAN DETERMINE WHAT PROGRAMS STUDENTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR IN THE 9TH GRADE
 - STUDENTS WHO WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN HONORS AND AP COURSE OPPORTUNITIES IN THE 9TH GRADE SHOULD ENSURE THEY HAVE ADVANCED CORE ACADEMIC COURSES AND/OR HIGH SCHOOL COURSES IN 8TH GRADE
 - HIGH SCHOOL COURSES TAKEN IN 8TH GRADE DO COUNT IN STUDENTS' HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGES (GPAS) AND IN THEIR CLASS RANKINGS



DISTRICT RESOURCES AVAILABLE

- HOW CAN PARENTS AND STUDENTS LEARN ABOUT PROGRAMS AVAILABLE IN HIGH SCHOOL?
 - PINELLAS PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION
 - CTE MATRIX (CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAM)
 - DISTRICT APPLICATION PROGRAMS

ACCESS THESE RESOURCES AT:

WWW.PCSB.ORG

- DEPARTMENTS TAB
- TEACHING AND LEARNING (IN DEPARTMENTS)
- MIDDLE SCHOOL (LEFT NAVIGATION BAR)



PINELLAS PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

- USE THE FLYER TO HELP YOU THINK ABOUT HIGH SCHOOL PLANNING



PINELLAS PATHWAYS TO GRADUATION

WHY?

- HELPS PREPARE STUDENTS TO EARN FLORIDA'S STANDARD HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA
- ALLOWS STUDENTS TO CHOOSE A COURSE OF STUDY THAT BEST FITS THEIR COLLEGE AND/OR CAREER PLANS
- RECOMMENDS A PATHWAY OF COURSES TO TAKE BUT STUDENTS ARE NOT LOCKED IN
 - CAN MAKE CHANGES/UPDATES TO CUSTOMIZE TO YOUR NEEDS



INFORMATION ABOUT PATHWAYS

ADVANCED SCHOLAR PATHWAY

- INCLUDES A RIGOROUS LEVEL OF REQUIRED AND ELECTIVE COURSES THAT BEST PREPARE STUDENTS SEEKING ADMITTANCE TO COMPETITIVE FOUR-YEAR UNIVERSITIES

COLLEGE PATHWAY

- INCLUDES A RIGOROUS LEVEL OF REQUIRED AND ELECTIVE COURSES THAT BEST PREPARE STUDENTS FOR ENTRY INTO A COLLEGE OR FOUR YEAR UNIVERSITY

TECHNICAL/COLLEGE PATHWAY

- OFFERS THE OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO CHALLENGE THEMSELVES IN SPECIFIC ACADEMIC AND ELECTIVE AREAS OF INTEREST, EARN NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS, AND PURSUE ENTRY INTO A POST-SECONDARY TECHNICAL SCHOOL OR STATE COLLEGE

CORRECTION TO FLYER:

OUR NEW GUIDANCE SERVICES SPECIALIST IS JONATHAN BLAIR (BLAIRJO@PCSB.ORG)

CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS

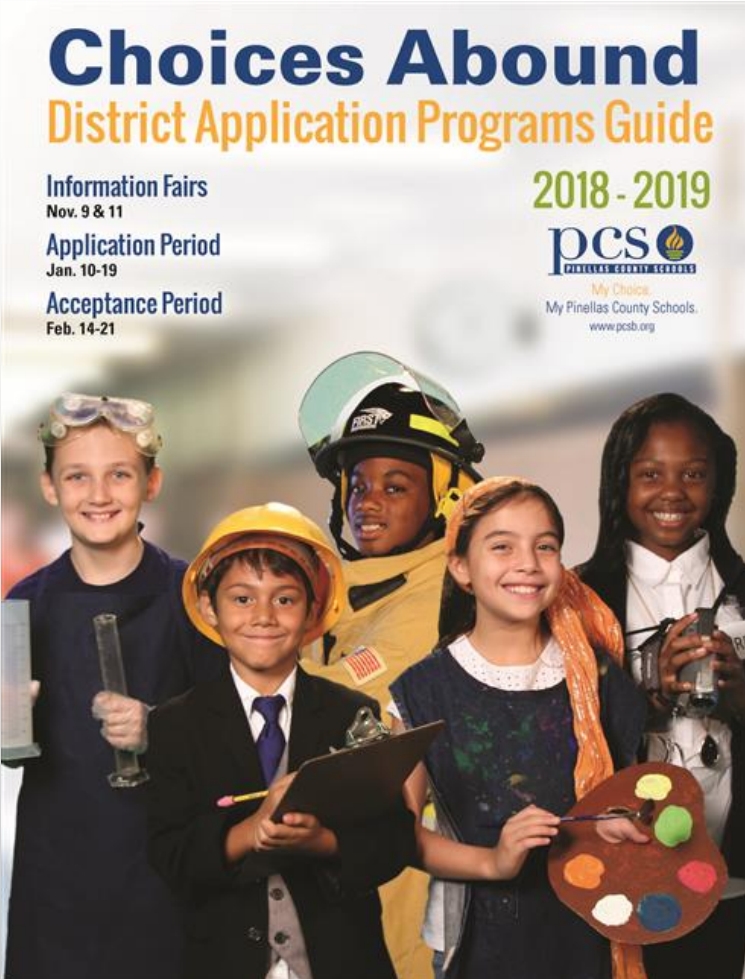
PNELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS CAREER TECHNICAL EDUCATION HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAMS 2014 - 2015

Program	Agribusiness	Business	Construction	Health	Manufacturing	Information Technology	Public Safety	Transportation	Other
Agribusiness Education									
Agriculture									
Agricultural Mechanics									
Agricultural Science and Business									
Agricultural Technology									
Business Education									
Business Administration									
Business Law									
Business Management									
Business Marketing									
Business Technology									
Computer Systems & Information Technology									
Digital Media Technology									
Digital Video Production									
Graphic Design									
International Business									
Legal Administrative Specialist									
Legal Administrative Specialist									
Network Systems Administration									
Network Systems Administration									
Web Development									
Health Science Education									
Allied Health Assistant									
Medical Business (MBA)									
Medical Assistant									
Nursing Assistant									
Family & Consumer Sciences									
Culinary Arts									
Early Childhood Education									
Fashion Design									
Interior Design									
Teacher Education									
Industrial Education									
Automotive Collision Repair & Refinishing									
Automotive Maintenance & Light Repair									
Building Construction Technology									
Building Trades & Construction Design Technology									
Carpentry									
Construction Art Technology									
Digital Graphics									
Digital Video Production									
Drafting									

Industry Certification = College Tuition Savings

Industry Certification	College Credit Value (C)	College Tuition Saved	Associate in Science Degree Program	Career Pathway	Median Wage (M)
Adobe Certified Associate (ACA) Web Communication using Adobe Dreamweaver	3	\$312	Internet Services Technology	Web Administrator	\$82,340
Agriculture Technician Certification	2	\$208	Agriculture Production Technology	Farmers, Ranchers, Agricultural Managers	\$70,110
ASE Automobile/Light Truck Technician: Brakes (A5)	3	\$312	Automotive Service Management Technology	Automotive Service Technicians	\$36,710
Autodesk Certified User - AutoCAD	3	\$312	Drafting and Design Technology	Architectural and Civil Drafters	\$48,800
Autodesk Certified User - Autodesk Inventor	3	\$312	Engineering Technology	Mechanical Engineering Technician	\$52,390
Biotechnician Assistant	3	\$312	Biotechnology/Biotechnology Laboratory Technology	Biological Technicians	\$40,710

HS DISTRICT APPLICATION PROGRAMS



Choices Abound
District Application Programs Guide

Information Fairs
Nov. 9 & 11

Application Period
Jan. 10-19

Acceptance Period
Feb. 14-21

2018 - 2019

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My Pinellas County Schools.
www.pcsb.org

The cover features five diverse children: a boy in a lab coat with goggles, a boy in a suit and yellow hard hat, a girl in a firefighter's uniform, a girl in a dark dress with a paint palette, and a girl in a white lab coat. They are all smiling and holding various items related to their professions or interests.

SIMPLIFY THE COLLEGE PLANNING PROCESS

1. UNDERSTAND THE ADMISSIONS FACTORS
2. LEARN ABOUT THE SAT® AND SAT SUBJECT TESTS™
3. EXPLORE COLLEGE OPTIONS
4. DEVELOP A FINANCIAL PLAN

UNDERSTAND ADMISSIONS FACTORS

- PRIMARY FACTORS
 - QUALITY/RIGOR OF ACADEMIC COURSES
 - ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE
 - TEST SCORES (SAT, ACT, AP, AICE, IB, ETC.)
- ADDITIONAL FACTORS
 - EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
 - ESSAY(S)
 - LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION
 - DEMONSTRATED INTEREST
 - GEOGRAPHY



Understand
Admission
Factors

GRADES & COURSEWORK MATTER

THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTORS FOR ADMISSION TO COLLEGE!

- COLLEGES WILL CONSIDER
 - COURSE SELECTION – RIGOROUS
 - GRADES – BALANCE VOLUME OF RIGOR FOR SUCCESS
 - GPA TRENDS

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS...

- POSITIVE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM EDUCATORS/MENTORS
- PERSONAL STATEMENT/ESSAY THAT DEMONSTRATES WRITING ABILITY AND SELF EXPRESSION
- DEMONSTRATED INTEREST IN THE COLLEGE
- EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES – COMMITMENT TO A SPORT, PERFORMING/VISUAL ART, CLUB, VOLUNTEERING, ETC.
- COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT, PART-TIME WORK, INTERNSHIP
- INTERVIEW (IF APPLICABLE)



EXPLORE COLLEGE OPTIONS

- WHAT COLLEGES ARE RIGHT FOR YOUR CHILD? CONSIDER
 - SIZE OF SCHOOL
 - DIVERSITY OF STUDENT BODY
 - LOCATION
 - ACADEMIC PROGRAMS
 - CAMPUS LIFE – ATHLETICS, ACTIVITIES, HOUSING
 - GRADUATION AND RETENTION RATES
 - FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
 - WHERE WILL YOUR CHILD BE MOST HAPPY AND SUCCESSFUL IN HIS/HER COLLEGE LIFE?
 - VISIT [HTTP://BEYONDEDUCATION.ORG/](http://beyondeducation.org/) TO EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

DEVELOP A FINANCIAL PLAN

- COLLEGE COSTS
 - TUITION AND FEES
 - ROOM AND BOARD
 - BOOKS AND SUPPLIES
 - PERSONAL EXPENSES (LAUNDRY, TELEPHONE, ETC.)
 - TRAVEL (COMMUTING OR VISITING HOME)
- CALCULATE YOUR SAVINGS TO SEE IF YOU ARE ON TRACK (FLORIDA PRE-PAID OR OTHER SAVINGS)
- SEARCH FOR SCHOLARSHIPS!!!
- VISIT [RAISE.ME.ORG](https://www.raise.me.org)

FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES PROGRAM

- AWARDED TO EVERY STUDENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA WHO MEETS THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS
- REQUIREMENTS INCLUDE GRADE POINT AVERAGE, COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS, AND TEST SCORES ON THE ACT OR SAT
- THREE LEVELS OF AWARDS
 - ACADEMIC,
 - MEDALLION
 - GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL
- REVIEW BRIGHT FUTURES ELIGIBILITY AT THE FLORIDA SHINES WEBSITE:
[HTTPS://WWW.FLORIDASHINES.ORG/GO-TO-COLLEGE/PAY-FOR-COLLEGE#](https://www.floridashines.org/go-to-college/pay-for-college#)



SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

- EVERY FAMILY SHOULD COMPLETE A FAFSA IN OCTOBER OF THE CHILD'S GRADUATION YEAR IN ORDER TO MAXIMIZE FINANCIAL AID
- SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON THE PCSB WEBSITE (WWW.PCSB.ORG/FINANCIALAID)
- ON THE FINANCIAL AID PAGE, YOU WILL FIND LINKS TO
 - SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
 - FINANCIAL AID SEMINARS
 - BRIGHT FUTURES
 - PINELLAS EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS
 - SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH ENGINES, SUCH AS FASTWEB

CAREER CRUISING

- BUILDS A BRIDGE BETWEEN ADMINISTRATORS/COUNSELORS, STUDENTS & PARENTS
- STUDENTS CAN CREATE AND UPDATE HIGH SCHOOL ACADEMIC PLANS TO MEET THEIR CAREER GOALS
- STUDENTS & PARENTS CAN TRACK THEIR PROGRESS TOWARD GRADUATION
- LINKS TO INFORMATION ON FINDING THE RIGHT COLLEGE/MAJOR FOR YOUR STUDENT, CAREER EXPLORATION, SCHOLARSHIPS AND MUCH MORE!

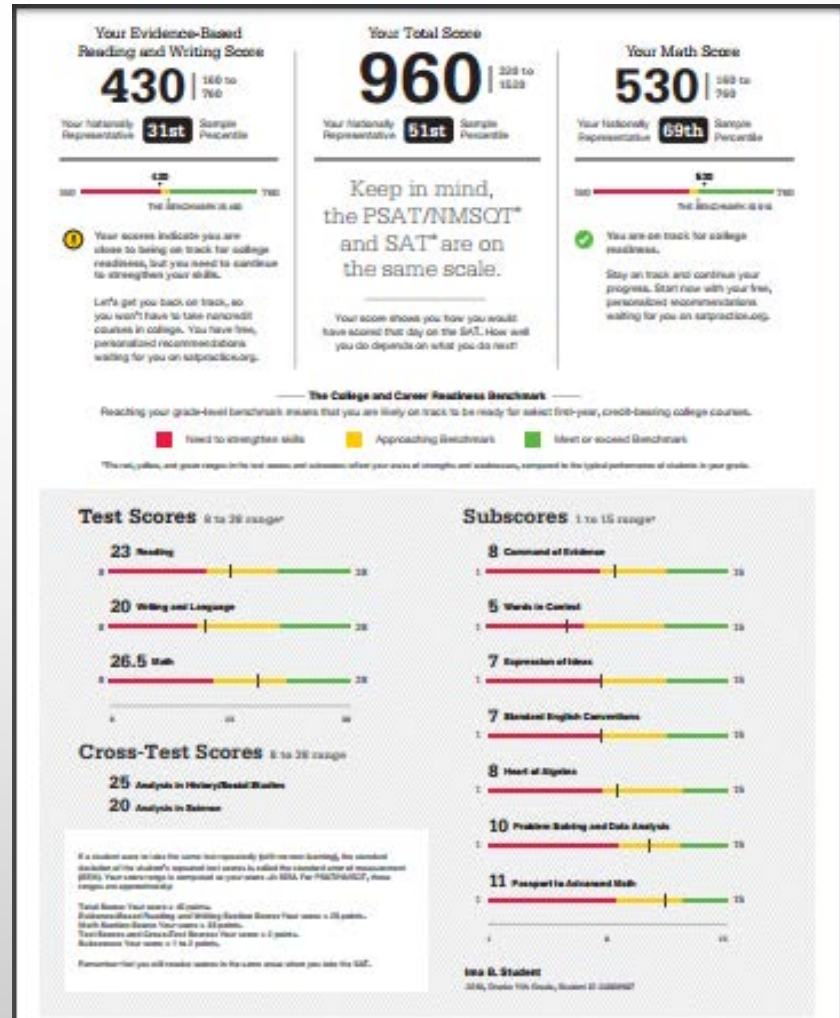
COLLEGE PLANNING RECAP

- REMEMBER COLLEGE OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR ALL!
 - SIMPLIFY THE PLANNING PROCESS
 - UNDERSTAND ADMISSIONS FACTORS
 - EXPLORE COLLEGE OPTIONS
 - DEVELOP A FINANCIAL PLAN
 - LEARN MORE ABOUT THE SAT AND SAT SUBJECT TESTS
 - STUDENTS WHO TAKE SAT WITH A FEE WAIVER RECEIVE FOUR COLLEGE APPLICATION FEE WAIVERS DIRECTLY FROM THE COLLEGE BOARD
 - STUDENTS WHO TAKE PSAT/NMSQT CAN OPT IN TO THE COLLEGE SEARCH WHICH SENDS STUDENT INFO TO COLLEGES SO THAT COLLEGES CAN REACH OUT TO THE STUDENT

REMIINDERS ABOUT TODAY'S SAT

Scores for the December 1, 2018 SAT will be available beginning on January 7, 2019.

See sample score report to the right.



TODAY'S SAT RESULTS

- THE COLLEGE BOARD WILL MAIL YOUR STUDENTS SCORES TO YOUR HOMES SOMETIME IN MID-TO-LATE JANUARY 2019.
- ONCE YOUR STUDENTS SCORES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED, WE WILL PROVIDE ANOTHER INFORMATION SESSION TO EXPLAIN THE SCORES, PROVIDE YOU WITH NEXT STEPS, AND EXPLAIN HOW TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ONLINE RESOURCES.
- **IMPORTANT** INFO NOTE ABOUT SAT SCORES FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS (FROM COLLEGE BOARD) ON NEXT 2 SLIDES!

IMPORTANT INFO FOR 7TH GRADE SAT SCORES

- THE SCORES YOUR STUDENT WILL BE RECEIVING WILL NOT BE PERMANENT UNLESS REQUESTED BY THE STUDENT IN WRITING!
- IF A STUDENT TESTS IN THE 8TH GRADE OR BELOW, THE **SCORES ARE PURGED** AT THE END OF THE TESTING YEAR. STUDENTS CAN ASK TO **PRESERVE THEIR SCORES** AS PART OF THEIR PERMANENT RECORD IF THEY CHOOSE. TO DO THIS, YOU MUST SUBMIT A REQUEST IN WRITING (SEE NEXT SLIDE)

HOW TO REQUEST IN WRITING TO KEEP SCORES FOR STUDENTS IN 8TH GRADE OR BELOW

- **BEFORE THE END OF JUNE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
IN WHICH THEY TESTED**
- **INCLUDING FULL NAME, REGISTRATION NUMBER,
AND TEST DATE**
- **ADDRESSED TO:**
THE COLLEGE BOARD SAT PROGRAM
ATTENTION: TALENT SEARCH SCORES
P.O. BOX 025505
MIAMI, FL 33102

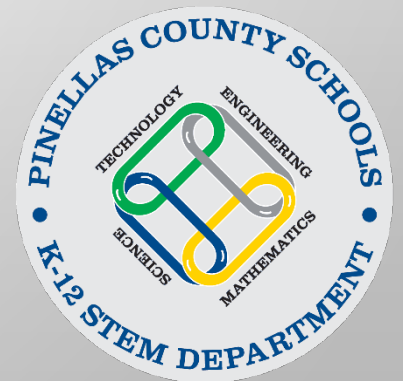
2019 PCS STEM HONORS SUMMER CAMP

WHEN: PLANNING FOR TWO WEEKS IN JUNE

WHERE: PRIOR YEAR CAMPS HAVE BEEN AT
LAKEWOOD HIGH OR EAST LAKE MIDDLE

WHAT: STUDENTS WILL ENGAGE IN SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY,
ENGINEERING AND MATHEMATIC ACTIVITIES SUCH AS
ROBOTICS, MULTI-MEDIA, COMPUTER PROGRAMMING AND
CAREER EXPLORATION.

APPLICATION FEE: INFORMATION WILL BE SHARED WHEN THE
SAT RESULTS RETURN (FOR YOUR BUDGET/PLANNING
PURPOSES THE FEE WAS \$90 LAST YEAR)





WHAT QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS DO YOU HAVE?

