



High School Graduation Requirements

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Junior and Senior Parent Power Hour

Tonight's Graduation POWER HOUR Information

- ▶ State of Florida Graduation Requirements
 - Number of Credits Required under 2 options
 - Specific Courses Required under both options
 - GPA required under both options
- ▶ State Assessments required for Graduation
- ▶ Explore PCS' Personalized Learning Platform
 - Find information specific to your student
- ▶ Support for your junior/senior student who has not yet met state assessment requirements!

Number of Credits Required for Graduation

- ▶ Two Options are available:
 - Standard Time 24 credits
 - Accelerated 18 credits
 - BOTH options are also available for Exceptional Students on Access Points
- ▶ Both options can be finished in 4 years or earlier (usually 3 years for early graduation)

Grade Point Average Required for Graduation

- ▶ Students must maintain a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 overall
 - This is equivalent to a C grade when ALL grades are average together each year
- ▶ Credit Recovery and Grade Forgiveness is available in ALL schools
 - System is called APEX
 - Available: During the day AND after school in Extended Learning Programs (ELP)

Specific Courses within 24 credit option (core academics)

- ▶ 4 Credits in English Language Arts
 - English 1, 2, 3, and 4 which can include Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, AICE*, or Dual Enrollment (SPC) English classes
- ▶ 4 Credits in Mathematics
 - Which must include Algebra 1 and Geometry

*AICE= Advanced International Certificate of Education

Specific Courses within 24 credit option (core academics)

- ▶ 3 Credits in Science
 - Which must include Biology and 2 other “equally rigorous” science courses
- ▶ 3 Credits in Social Studies
 - Which must include World History, US History, Economics, and Government

Specific Courses within 24 credit option (other areas)

- ▶ 1 Credit in Health Options Physical Education
- ▶ 1 Credit in fine arts OR performing arts OR practical arts courses
- ▶ 8 Elective Credits
 - the State University System admissions process does require 2 of these electives to be 2 years in a World Language
- ▶ And ONE course within the 24 credits in the last 2 slides must have been an asynchronous ONLINE course

Online Course Explained...

- ▶ The online course requirement may be met with a course worth a FULL CREDIT or a course worth a HALF CREDIT
- ▶ It just must be a complete course
- ▶ And it must be **ASYNCHRONOUS**
 - Which is why all the MY PCS ONLINE classes we ran last year due to COVID do not count as per the State to meet this requirement

Specific Courses within 18 credit option (Accelerated)


- ▶ ALL the CORE classes are required exactly the same as the 24 credit option
- ▶ The difference is:
 - 5 Elective Credits required
 - No PE required (so no HOPE class)
 - And No ONLINE Course required

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18 Credit Accelerated Option

- ▶ May be completed in 2 years, 3 years, or the full 4 years!!!
- ▶ Students wishing to finish early need to ...
 - Start high school ENGLISH and MATH classes while in middle school, OR
 - Double up on ENGLISH and MATH classes in high school during their 9th and 10th grade years

Finally, State Assessments Requiring a Passing Score for Graduation

- ▶ 10th grade Florida Standards Assessment (FSA) in English Language Arts and Reading
 - ▶ Algebra 1 End-of-Course (EOC) Assessment (usually given in the 9th or 10th grade)
 - ▶ Students who do not pass either of these tests the first time they take them become Re-Takers
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“Graduation Checks” for your juniors/seniors


- ▶ Where can parents get information specific to your student?
 - ▶ Your student’s school counselor will send home a graduation check first semester each year for your student
 - ▶ You can use PARENT PORTAL in FOCUS and review your student’s course history and test history to determine credits earned, GPA and state tests passed...
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WELCOME DR. KOLOSEY!!!

Personalized Learning Platform (PLP: <https://www.pcsb.org/plp>)

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the Pinellas County Schools website. It includes a dropdown menu for "OUR SCHOOLS...", a "TRANSLATE" button with a speech bubble icon, a "LOGIN" button, and a "SEARCH..." input field with a magnifying glass icon. Below the navigation bar is the PCS logo (Pinellas County Schools) and three utility icons: Newsroom (flame), Calendar (calendar), and Contact Us (speech bubble). A secondary navigation bar contains buttons for Home, Families, Students, Staff, Community, and School Board. A third navigation bar lists various departments: About Us, Calendar, Departments & Divisions (highlighted in green), Employment, Leadership, Registration, and Schools. Below this is a breadcrumb trail: Home > Departments & Divisions > Digital Learning. The main content area features a "Digital Learning" sidebar with links to "Digital Learning" and "Student Password Tips". The main section is titled "Personalized Learning Pathway" and includes a circular icon with the text "Personalized Learning Pathway" and a paragraph: "The Personalized Learning Pathway is a new online platform that helps students navigate their path to academic and career success."

OUR SCHOOLS... ▼ TRANSLATE LOGIN SEARCH... 🔍

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PINELLAS COUNTY SCHOOLS

🏠 FAMILIES STUDENTS STAFF COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD


ABOUT US CALENDAR DEPARTMENTS & DIVISIONS EMPLOYMENT LEADERSHIP REGISTRATION SCHOOLS

Home > Departments & Divisions > Digital Learning

Digital Learning

- Digital Learning
- Student Password Tips

Personalized Learning Pathway

 The Personalized Learning Pathway is a new online platform that helps students navigate their path to academic and career success.

Learn more about PLP

Scroll down to this video and view!

The screenshot shows a software interface with a table of clubs. A modal window is open, displaying details for a club named 'JRCFC'. The table below the modal shows the following data:

Club/Sport	Home/Position	Date
JRCFC	Marlham	8/18
Club	Home/Position	Date

General Information	Members (k)	Club Level	Active in All Areas	Is Training	Is the Club?
	3.4545	22	✓	✓	✓

Support for Passing State Graduation Assessments

- ▶ What are the options available to students who do not pass the state tests the first time?
 - RETAKE each test they need several times during their junior and senior years
- ▶ AND/OR... take another test (called a concordant test) that the state accepts specific qualifying scores for:
 - PSAT, SAT and ACT

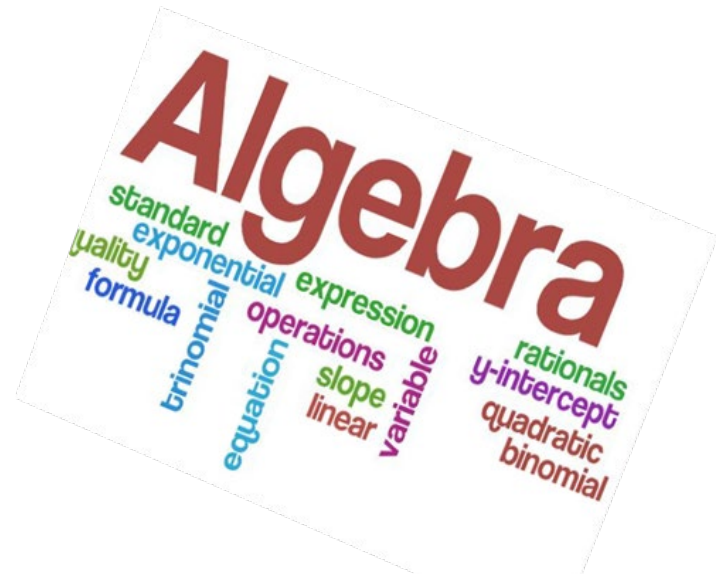
Concordant Tests and Scores for FSA ELA/READING Test

- ▶ ACT: Score a combined score of 18 on the English and Reading Sections on the ACT (17.5 rounds up to 18)
- ▶ SAT EBRW: Score a 480 or higher



Concordant Tests and Scores for Algebra 1 EOC

- ACT Math 16
- PSAT/NMSQT Math 430
- SAT Math 420
- Geometry EOC Scale Score 499



Student Support for Passing Graduation Tests

▶ WELCOME BRITT MOSELEY & TARA FOWLER!!!



ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY for
English, Reading, and Math Scholars

[Link to Canvas: tinyurl.com/ACTLevelUp2021](https://tinyurl.com/ACTLevelUp2021)

English/Reading Support



- ▶ **English/Reading**: Monday through Thursday, plus Saturday morning, on [Teams](#) through Canvas.
- ▶ **Monday/Tuesday Lesson** (repeated five times)
- ▶ You pick one. Monday: classes at 2, 3, or 4; Tuesday: classes at 3 or 4. Please login at the beginning of the hour.
- ▶ **Wednesday/Thursday Lesson** (repeated six times)
- ▶ You pick one. Wednesday and Thursday: classes at 2, 3, or 4. Please login at the beginning of the hour.
- ▶ **Saturday Review Lesson**: 10-11 am
- ▶ Join online at school or home, and even gain access to additional tools for independent practice.

Algebra 1 Support



- ▶ **Math**
- ▶ **Weekly sessions**
- ▶ **Mondays and Wednesdays 3-5 pm, and**
- ▶ **Saturday Review Lesson: 10 -11 am**
- ▶ Join online at school or home, and even gain access to additional tools for independent practice.
- ▶ Link to Canvas [Click here to join meeing](#)

- ▶ If you need help enrolling in the course, contact Ms. Wolford, wolfordn@pcsb.org
- ▶ Or Ms. Fowler, fowlert@pcsb.org
- ▶ If you have questions about the course content, contact Ms. Alexander, alexanderra@pcsb.org
- ▶ Or Ms. Fowler, fowlert@pcsb.org

STUDENTS CAN USE THE QR CODE BELOW TO ENROLL IN THE COURSE

