

## Students Entering Grade Nine In 2012-13 School Year

Subject Area	Graduation Requirements	
	24-Credit Program	ACCEL Program/Diploma Designations
English/ Language Arts (ELA)	4 credits with major concentration in composition, reading for information, and literature (must pass the Grade 10 FCAT 2.0 Reading or earn a passing concordant score on the ACT or SAT)	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ACCEL Program (18 credits minimum)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical education is not required</li> <li>• 3 elective credits</li> <li>• Online course is not required</li> </ul>
Mathematics	4 credits, one of which must be Algebra 1 or its equivalent and one of which must be geometry or its equivalent (must pass Algebra 1 EOC to earn course credit; must take geometry EOC)	<p>All other graduation requirements for a standard diploma must be met (per s. 1003.4282(3)(a)-(e), F.S.).</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Scholar Designation</b></p>
Science	3 credits in science, two of which must have a laboratory component and one of which must be Biology 1 or an equivalent course or a series of courses (must take Biology 1 EOC)	<p>In addition to meeting the standard high school diploma requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pass the ELA Grade 11 Common Core assessment once implemented</li> <li>• 1 credit in Algebra 2</li> <li>• 1 credit in statistics or an equally rigorous mathematics course</li> <li>• Pass the Biology 1 EOC</li> <li>• 1 credit in chemistry or physics</li> <li>• 1 credit in a course equally rigorous to chemistry or physics</li> <li>• Pass the U.S. History EOC Assessment</li> <li>• 2 credits in the same world language</li> <li>• Earn at least one credit in AP, IB, AICE or a dual enrollment course.</li> </ul>
Social Studies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 credit in world history</li> <li>• 1 credit in U.S. history (U.S. history EOC results count 30 % of the final course grade)</li> <li>• .5 credit in U.S. government</li> <li>• .5 credit in economics (must include financial literacy)</li> </ul>	
World Languages	Not required for high school graduation, but required for admission into state universities	
Fine and Performing Arts, Speech and Debate, or Practical Arts	1 credit in fine or performing arts, speech and debate, or practical arts (eligible courses specified in the Florida Course Code Directory)	
Physical Education	1 credit in physical education to include the integration of health	
Industry Certification	Not required	<p>In addition to meeting the standard high school diploma requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Attain one or more industry certifications from the list established (per s. 1003.492, F.S.).</li> </ul>
Electives	8 credits	
Grade Point Average (GPA)	Cumulative GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale	
Online Course	1 course within the 24 credits	
<p><b>Special Notes:</b> EOC, End-of-Course Assessment; AP, advanced placement; AICE, Advanced International Certificate of Education; IB, International Baccalaureate.</p>		

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[Section 1003.428, Florida Statutes \(F.S.\)](#)