

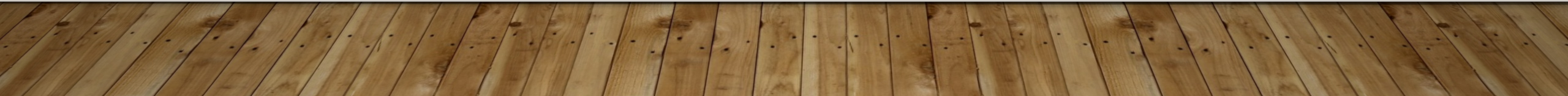


11TH GRADE SEMINAR MY ROADMAP TO COLLEGE

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TONIGHT WE WILL COVER:

- Timeline for remainder of Junior year: Spring and Summer/Fall
- College Entrance Exams: SAT and ACT
- Post-Secondary College Options: University, Community/State College
- Application and admissions process for each
- Financial Aid and Scholarships
- Q & A

Expectation

vs.

Reality





High School

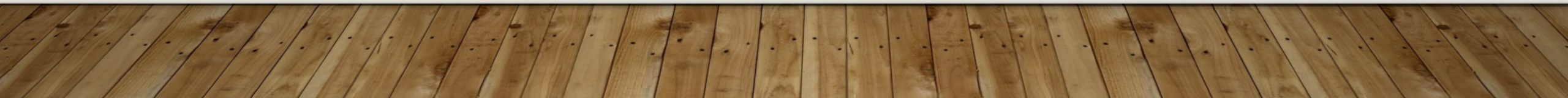
MY ROADMAP TO COLLEGE

College

SECOND SEMESTER

- Keep your grades up!
- Research colleges and academic programs
- Campus tours (official and unofficial)
- ACT and/or SAT before end of year
- Consider grade replacement, if needed

SUMMER/EARLY FALL

- Continue community service and other non-classroom activities
 - Narrow down your college/university selections to 4-6 minimum
 - Retake ACT or SAT (your better test)
 - Begin applying to college! (as early as July!)
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OVERVIEW: HOW TO APPLY

4 ITEMS OF A COMPLETED APPLICATION

- Online application submitted
- Application fee
- Official test scores (SAT and/or ACT)
- High School Transcript sent directly from LOLHS

HOWEVER, SOMETIMES:

- Application fee may be waived, if eligible
- Community colleges don't *require* SAT/ACT scores for admission
- Some universities only need self-reported test scores or are test-optional
- Some colleges want a linked student self-reported academic record (SSAR) in lieu of an official transcript

SAT AND ACT

- BOTH accepted by all universities and colleges around the nation and there is no preference
- Essay/Writing sections are *optional*; Check with your intended college to determine if they require it
- Registration deadlines are about a month before the exam; Plan ahead!
- Registration is done on your own and on their websites:
 - SAT: www.collegeboard.org
 - ACT: www.act.org

SAT

Colleges use SAT scores for admissions and merit-based scholarships

Reading (65 min)
Writing & Language (35 min)
Math (25 min. w/o calculator; 55 min. w/ calculator)
Essay (Optional) (50 min)

3 hours w/o essay
3 hours, 50 minutes w/ essay

5 reading passages

None

Arithmetic
Algebra I and II
Geometry, Trigonometry, and Data Analysis

Some math questions DO NOT allow you to use a calculator

Optional. The essay will test your comprehension of a source text.

Scale of 400 – 1600
(200-800 per area)

Why take the test?

Test Structure

Length

Reading

Science

Math

Calculator?

Essays

How it's Scored

ACT

Colleges use ACT scores for admissions and merit-based scholarships

English (45 min)
Math (60 min)
Reading (35 min)
Science Reasoning (35 min)
Essay (optional) (40 min)

2 hours, 55 minutes w/o essay
3 hours, 40 minutes w/ essay

4 reading passages

1 science section testing your critical thinking skills, NOT your specific science knowledge

Arithmetic
Algebra I and II
Geometry, Trigonometry

You CAN use a calculator on all math questions

Optional. The essay will test how well you evaluate and analyze complex issues.

Scored on a scale of 1-36
(each section averaged for an overall composite)

UNIVERSITY

- 12 public universities within the State University System
- Bachelor's degree, approximately 120 credits
- Competitive application process
- Priority deadlines; varied notification plan
- Review SUS Matrix handout

4 STATE UNIVERSITIES AT A GLANCE

University	UF	FGCU	USF	UCF
Location	Gainesville	Fort Myers	Tampa	Orlando
Total Enrollment	52,559	14,916	43,542	66,180
% Accepted Fall	38%	62%	44%	43%
Mid-Range GPA	4.2 – 4.6	3.46 – 4.25	3.94 – 4.44	3.79 – 4.34
Mid-Range SAT	1300 - 1450	RW: 550 – 620 M: 530 – 600	1240 - 1365	RW: 620 – 690 M: 620 – 690
Mid-Range ACT	29 – 33	24.5	24 - 29	26 – 30

4 STATE UNIVERSITIES AT A GLANCE

(CONTINUED)

University	UF	FGCU	USF	UCF
Superscore SAT or ACT?	SAT only	Both	Both	SAT Only
When to Apply	By Nov. 1	Nov. 15 for \$\$ Feb. 15 th priority	By Jan. 1	Fall of Senior Year
Notification Plan	Feb. 9 th	Rolling	Rolling	Rolling
Letters of Recommendation?	NO	NO	NO	NO

COLLEGE APPS ARE EASY



**YOU CAN TOTALLY WAIT TILL THE
LAST MINUTE!**

MemeCenter.com

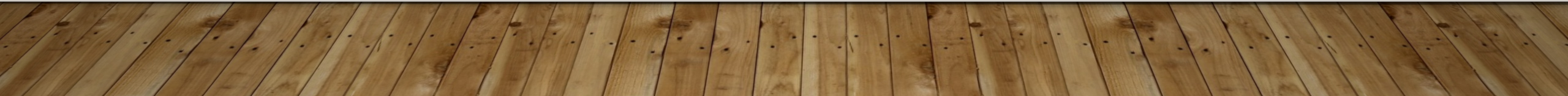
STEPS TO APPLY: UNIVERSITY

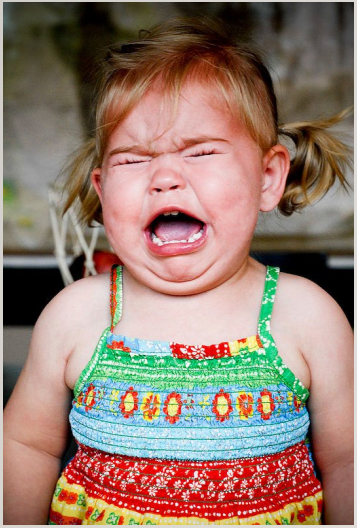
Competitive admission! Apply Early!

1. Submit an application online and pay the application fee (or use a fee waiver if eligible)
2. Send your official test scores directly from ACT or SAT/CollegeBoard
3. Request that LOLHS send your official transcript to the university (or submit the SSAR, if required). Transcript request can be found on the LOLHS website banner.

All must be received to the college **BEFORE** their deadline date in order for your application to be considered.

Fall 2020 applications will open July/August 2019!





PANIC



2+2 COMMUNITY/STATE COLLEGE ARTICULATION

Pasco Hernando State College

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University of South Florida

Santa Fe State College

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University of Florida

Tallahassee Community College

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Florida State University

Florida Southwest State College

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Florida Gulf Coast University

Valencia Community College

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University of Central Florida

www.floridacollegesystem.com/

COMMUNITY/STATE COLLEGE ASSOCIATE OF ARTS (A.A.)

- 28 state colleges
- 60 general education credits in Communications, Math, Science, Humanities, Social/Behavioral Sciences
- *NOT* career specific, generals only
- Designed to transfer to a university

Benefits

- Lower tuition cost
- Smaller class sizes
- Open Admissions policy
- Credits will transfer to all state universities; Identified pathways
- Guaranteed admission to a university within the state of FL

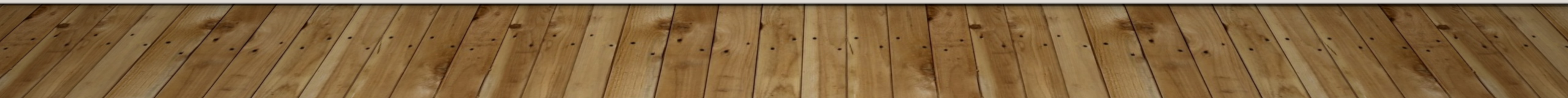
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APPLICATION PROCESS: COMMUNITY/STATE COLLEGE

Open admissions! Recommended to apply by March of Senior Year.

1. Submit an application online and pay the application fee (or use a fee waiver if eligible)
2. Send your official test scores directly from ACT or SAT/CollegeBoard OR take PERT at the college to determine appropriate course placement for English & Math (*NOT* used for admission consideration)
3. Request that LOLHS send your official transcript to the college

Fall 2020 applications will open around November 2019



\$\$ MONEY, MONEY, MONEY \$\$

FINANCIAL AID

“Financial Aid” is **ALL** funding to pay for college:

1. **Institutional Aid** – From the college
2. **Federal Aid** - FAFSA
3. **State Aid** – Office of Student Financial Assistance
4. **Private Scholarships** – Seek and find



INSTITUTIONAL AID

How do I get it?

1. Apply to the college early!
2. Have the best GPA and test scores as possible
3. Generally you're considered for merit-based scholarships at the time of application. No separate application required.

FEDERAL AID

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

- Opens October 1st for the 2020 school year
- Need-based grants, Student Loans, Work-Study program

www.fafsa.gov

STATE OF FLORIDA AID

Office of Student Financial Assistance – Florida Financial Aid Application

- Application Opens October 1st
- Many grants and scholarships **including** Bright Futures, FL Student Assistant Grant, FL Resident Assistant Grant, Jose Martí Scholarship
- Scholarship \$ can only be used at FL post-secondary institutions

www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org

FL BRIGHT FUTURES

FLORIDA ACADEMIC SCHOLAR (FAS)

100% of tuition and fees (public institution)
\$300/semester stipend for expenses

Requirements:

3.5 weighted* GPA (Core classes plus 2cr. WL)
29 ACT **or** 1290 SAT
100 hours of community service

FLORIDA MEDALLION SCHOLAR (FMS)

75% of tuition and fees (public institution)

Requirements:

3.0 weighted* GPA (Core classes plus 2cr. WL)
26 ACT **or** 1170 SAT
75 hours of community service

Eligibility must be met by graduation!



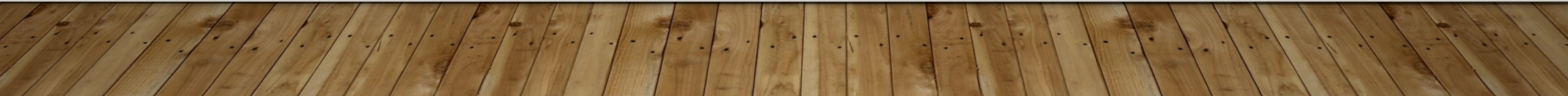
PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

- Private companies; Local, State, National scholarships available
- Search online to identify opportunities
- Check the CCRC blog for a monthly newsletter

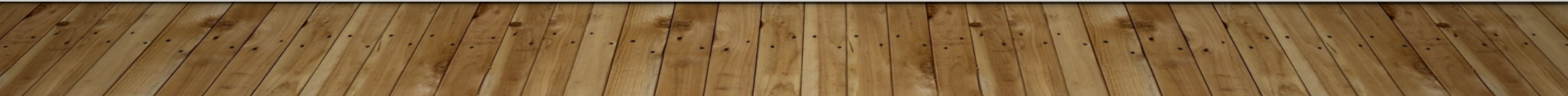
www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>



Questions?
Answers!



RESOURCES

Career Assessments: www.floridashines.org

Majors: <http://www.findmycollegemajor.org/>

SAT: www.collegeboard.org or www.sat.org

ACT: www.act.org

STAY CONNECTED!

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