

TBHS School Counselors (10-12)



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How do I know what's happening?

There are several ways to stay current on all SENIOR information:

- (1) Join the Senior Google Classroom: pwazuxj
 - Regular updates are posted daily from your administrators, your class sponsors, and your counselors!
- (2) Check the JBHS Website for Daily Beach Announcements
 - Jensen Beach High School | Home (martinschools.org)
- (3) Senior Appointments Start in September! These are brief appointments to make sure senior is on-track for graduation and to answer questions. Students are encouraged to jot down questions now to be prepared for their appointment. Counselors will review current grade point averages & rank, graduation requirement progress, post-secondary planning, college admissions process, how to access scholarship information, Bright Futures status, etc.

Graduation Requirements

Course Requirements:

- 4 credits in English/Language Arts
- 4 credits in Math (to include Algebra and Geometry)
- 3 credits in Science (to include Biology)
- 3 credits in Social Studies: World History, US History, Economics(.5)/Government(.5)
- ☐ 1 credit in a Practical, Performing, or Fine Art course
- □ 1 credit in HOPE (this requirement can be waived by completing 2 seasons of a high school sponsored jv or varsity sport, 2 years of JROTC, or participating in Band*. *Band requires .50 credit of personal fitness completed on FLVS.)

If claiming a waiver, a **signed waiver** must be submitted to your counselor for verification.

- ☐ Additional elective courses to equal = 24 credits
 - *NEW* as of this year the on-line course requirement is no longer required

Graduation Requirements

State Testing Requirements:

| English/Language Arts FAST (FSA) | Algebra I End of Course Exam (EOC) |
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| FSA/FAST ELA Reading - 350 SAT EBRW - 480 ACT English & Reading subtests (avg) - 18 CLT Verbal Reading & Grammar/Writing Section (sum) - 36 | BEST/FSA Algebra I EOC - 497 Geometry EOC - Level 3 or higher PSAT/NMSQT Math - 430 (9-11 grades only) SAT Math - 420 ACT Math - 16 CLT Quantitative Reasoning Section - 11 |

Grade Point Average Requirement: 2.0 and better

Student Community Service

Is community service required for graduation? NO

However, there are scholarships (outside of Bright Futures) that make award decisions based on service.

Is it required for the Bright Futures Scholarship*?

YES

Students must earn either the required volunteer service, paid work hours, or the combination of 100 total hours.

How do students log community service hours?FOCUS

How to submit your Community Service Hours

Scholarships

Martin County School District seniors are encouraged to apply for scholarships available through the **Going Merry site**, The Scholarship Bulletin, at the Community Foundation Martin St. Lucie, the Community Foundation of Palm Beach and Martin, and any additional available scholarships.

https://www.martinschools.org/page/scholarships-for-af

NEW: Students will apply for local scholarships ("local scholarship directory") through the GoingMerry site that will be going live in early October. Seniors will receive a district link for the site. Students will create a student profile on the site. GoingMerry will match the students with all scholarships they are eligible for applying based on the criteria on the student's profile. Students will choose which scholarships they are interested in applying for and complete all additional requirements, if applicable, by the **December 1st deadline**.

Bright Futures Scholarship

https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPBFMAIN/SAPBFMAIN

| FAS/FMS requirements | <u>GSV requirements</u> | Bright Futures Handbook |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Bright Futures application | opens October 1st. | |
| FAFSA is no longer required | d - but it is recommende | ed. |
| Deadline to apply is Augu | st 31st. | |
| **NEW** Testing Deadline is | s August 31st. | |
| Students must send their te | st scores to a university | so that Bright Futures can |
| access scores. | | |

- □ Bright Futures calculates student GPA for eligibility. It is based on the student's 16 high school courses. Two years of a foreign language is required.
- Community Service hours are required. They must be logged in FOCUS by student prior to graduation. Deadline to submit community service hours is May 20, 2024.

Bright Futures Requirements

| High School Grad Year = 2024 | SAT | ACT composite | CLT (new) |
|---|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------|
| FAS (min volunteer = 100 hours*) 3.5 Bright Futures GPA (16 courses) | 1340 | 29 | 96 |
| FMS (min volunteer = 75 hours*) 3.0 Bright Futures GPA (16 courses) | 1210 | 25 | 84 |
| GSV (min volunteer = 30 hours*) 3 courses in 1 CTE 3.0 in non-elective courses; 3.5 in unweighted CTE Also use PERT R=106 W=103 Math=114 | Read 24 Write 25 Math 24 | Read 19 English 17 Math 19 | X |

^{*}must meet min volunteer hours OR 100 work hours OR 100 combo of vol/work

THE NEW Classical Learning Test (CLT)

The CLT® combined score is the sum of the best Verbal Reasoning, Grammar/Writing and Quantitative Reasoning from any test sitting of the CLT® for an Overall Score.

FAS = 96 FMS = 84

Classic Learning Test (CLT) Official Page | Pricing, Exam Dates, and Register (cltexam.com)

College Admissions Testing

| SAT | | ACT | |
|--|--|--|---|
| Test Date | Deadline to Reg | Test Date | Deadline to Reg |
| October 7 November 4 December 2 March 9 (digital) May 4 (digital) June 1 (digital) | September 7 October 5 November 2 February 23 April 19 May 16 | October 28 December 9 February 10 April 13 June 8 July 13 | September 22 November 3 January 5 March 8 May 3 June 7 |
| https://satsuite.collegeboard.org/ | | https://www.act.org/content/act/en/product s-and-services/the-act/registration.html | |

Info on taking College Admissions Tests

Important Information regarding registering and taking SAT/ACT

JBHS CEEB Code: 100846

When registering, students are able to select 4 colleges/universities to send scores free of charge.

Most schools will "superscore" - combining the highest English/Writing score & math score. Check admissions requirements.

Fee Waivers are available for eligible students (those who qualify for Free/Reduced Lunch). Students can be found eligible/ineligible only if parent/guardian completes the <u>Meal Application</u> found on the Nutrition Services Department website (MCSD website), as well as the Sharing Information Form to verify eligibility. The <u>Sharing Information Form</u> must be completed (parent signature) and submitted to Mrs. Jennings in the guidance office. If you need help with this process or have questions, please reach out to your counselor.

*****Registration for SAT/ACT/CLT testing & Bright Futures: Students will be evaluated based on official test scores from the FDOE repository. To ensure OSFA obtains official test scores:

- (1) Ensure demographics on your tests registrations, BF application, and high school transcript match; and
- (2) Request your official single sitting test scores be sent to one of Florida's public colleges or state universities when registering for the ACT®, CLT®, or SAT®.

College Applications

Students should note important dates and deadlines for college applications, financial aid applications, and scholarship deadlines. Don't wait to ask teachers for letters of recommendation. Ask now. Please complete college applications on SCOIR (via ClassLink) which is taking the place of CommonApp. Students are responsible for sending official score reports for SAT/ACT through the websites. There is a fee to send scores. Students are responsible for sending official AP Score reports through Collegeboard to colleges. Transcripts will be requested electronically this year by filling out a **TRANSCRIPT REQUEST** FORM that is found under the "registrar" link on JBHS website. Student's accounts will be charged \$2 for any transcript sent via mail, which is any out of state school, private school, or small college/university that we cannot send an electronic transcript. Some colleges/universities require SSAR (Student Self Reported Academic Record), which allows students to report their courses and grades to college admissions. Students have access to their unofficial transcripts on their FOCUS accounts.

College Applications (continued)

□ Parents are encouraged to complete the FAFSA **NEW**(which opens in December this year for the 2024-25 application).

<u>FAFSA</u> FAFSA is not required for Bright Futures Scholarship; however, if found eligible the FAFSA gives access to grants, loans, and work-study funds that the federal government has available.

How do I request a transcript?

Transcript Request Form

Electronic Transcripts - free (most state/public colleges/universities)

Mailed Transcripts - \$2 charged to student account (private/small/out of state)

Unofficial Transcripts can be accessed in student's FOCUS account

United States Armed Forces

If you are considering joining the military:

- (1) Visit the <u>US Department of Defense</u> website to learn more about the different branches.
- (2) Take the <u>ASVAB</u> (the ASVAB is offered on the JBHS campus once a year).
- (3) Talk to a recruiter. Let your counselor know that you are interested she should have contacts for recruiters in each branch.

The ASVAB will be offered on January 25, 2024 at JBHS. There will be a sign up in the guidance office in December/January.

Helpful Documents/Websites

State University System Matrix 22-23

Private Colleges & Universities of Florida

Florida Colleges

Career Counseling
www.Mynextmove.org
www.Mentornet.org
www.MyMajors.org
www.Floridashines.org
www.FloridaNext.com

Planning for Collegiate Sports

Student-athletes planning to play college level athletics:

Please register on the NCAA Eligibility website: https://web3.ncaa.org/ecwr3/

NAIA Eligibility website: https://play.mynaia.org/

Send your official SAT/ACT scores through the websites to NCAA or NAIA.

Contact Mrs. Thiesen (guidance) to upload your transcripts.

Talk to your coach about being recruited by college coaches and what it entails.

Senior Supplies

Herff Jones will be on campus for cap/gown orders:

September 12th, 13th, & 30th (Saturday)

October 17th & 18th

November 7th & 8th

January 9th & 10th

February 6th & 7th

March 20th & 21st

Yearbook:

Yearbooks are \$90 until 9/30, after 10/1 they are \$120. Yearbookforever.com

Senior Year Timeline

September 2023

- Begin to research applications for colleges and adhere to their application deadlines for early decision (October) and regular decision.
- Prepare a resume to provide those teachers who you ask for a letter of recommendation. Give the person you are asking AT LEAST 2 weeks to prepare your letter. Be sure to thank the teachers in writing for the letter.
- If you are missing a credit or a required course make an appointment to see your counselor to get started on an FLVS course (i.e. HOPE) to make up the credit. If you've started FLVS courses they must be completed in a timely manner. The first segment of these courses should be completed by December 15 & the second segment should be completed by April 30.
- □ Speak to admissions representatives and recruiters at lunch time.
- □ Register for SAT/ACT if you still need a score. SEND SCORES TO COLLEGES!
- Meet with your guidance counselor. Prepare questions prior to the meeting.

Senior Year Timeline

October 2023

- Start looking for information on the GoingMerry district link to start the scholarship process. December 1st is the deadline!
- Apply for Bright Futures Scholarship (FFAA)
- Register for Dual Enrollment Courses: Registration starts October 16th
- Dual Enrollment: meet with your IRSC advisor if you are completing your AA. Let your JBHS school counselor that this is your plan.
- If you are an athlete, visit the NCAA Clearinghouse website.
- Watch for college application deadlines!

November-December 2023

- December 1st is the deadline for local scholarships
- Complete the FAFSA with parents/guardians (December)
- Continue working on college applications if not completed

Senior Year Timeline

February, March, April

- ☐ Make sure you are clearing all financial obligations with school. If you owe a fee, pay it. You cannot participate in graduation if you owe a fee.
- Make sure the college you will be attending has all of your documents/information. Reach out to them ... do not expect them to reach out to you. Make sure the financial aid office has received your FAFSA.
- Fill out a transcript requests (electronic on the JBHS registrar's website) if you still need to send transcripts.
- ☐ Complete all FLVS courses by April 30th in order for grades to be posted.
- If your counselor has not received your PE Waiver be sure to get the waiver signed and submit it.
- Order cap and gown.

May 20, 2024

■ Walk Across that STAGE!

