



Miami Lakes Educational Center and Technical College

**Senior Parent Night
October 13, 2016**

Graduation Requirements

(Students who entered 9th grade in 2013-14)

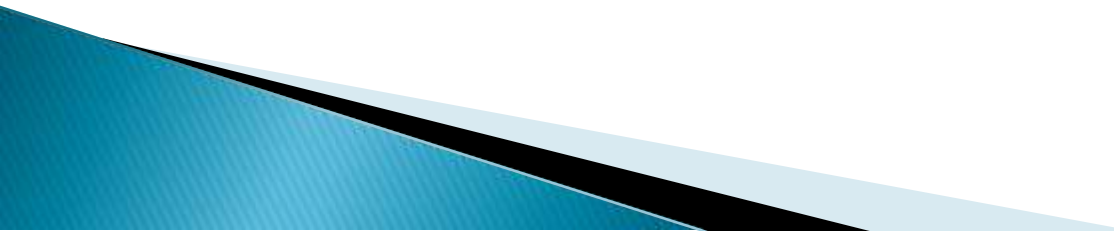
- **4 Credits English Language Arts**
- **4 Credits Mathematics**
 - One of which must be Algebra I and one of which must be Geometry
- **3 Credits Science**
 - One of which must be Biology 1 and two of which must have a lab component
- **3 Credits Social Studies**
 - 1 credit in World History; 1 credit in U.S. History; 0.5 credit in U.S. Government; 0.5 credit in Economics
- **1 Credit Fine/Performing/Practical Arts**
- **1 Credit Physical Education**
 - 0.5 Personal Fitness
 - 0.5 Second PE
- **8 Elective Credits**

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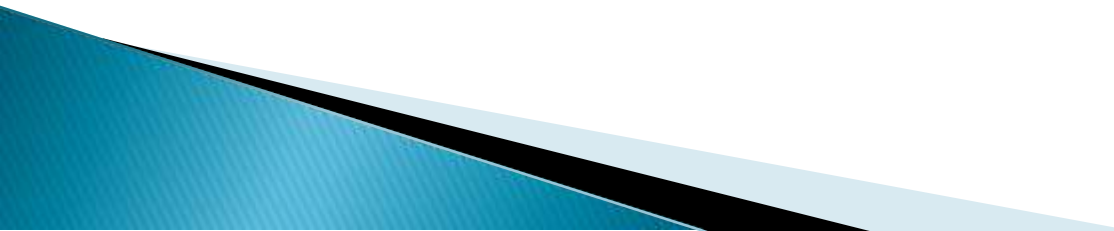
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- **Students must earn a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale**
- **Pass the FSA/ELA Grade 10 Reading and Algebra I EOC**
 - Reading Concordant Scores may be obtained through ACT (19) or SAT (430 Verbal or 24 Reading Subscore).
 - Algebra 1 EOC Concordant Scores may be obtained through PERT (97).
- **5 Community Service Hours Minimum**
- **Online Course Requirement**
 - Segments 1 & 2 for a full credit course
 - Segment 1 for a half credit course
- **Florida Dept. of Education**
 - www.fldoe.org

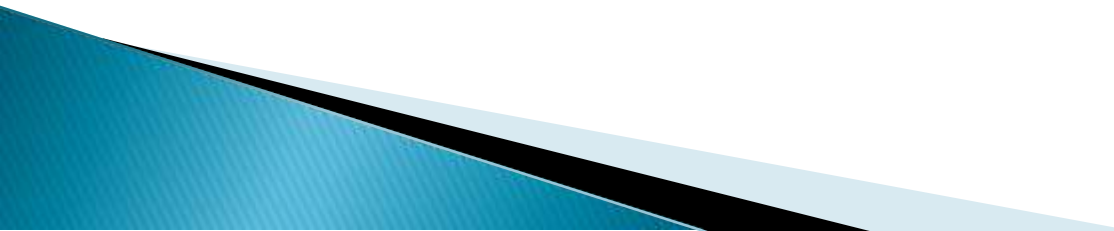
Credit Recovery through Adult Education

- Authorized courses will be used to recover credit for courses where the student received a grade of F
 - Retaking of any course to improve GPA is not permitted
 - A maximum of two courses per school year, including Summer, may be taken in Adult Education
 - Credit will be granted upon successful completion of these courses
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Credit Recovery through Florida Virtual School (FLVS)

- Florida Virtual School (FLVS) provides online opportunities for students who wish to earn missing graduation academic credits through online classes
 - Students who may have failed previous classes in the past will have the opportunity to make up those credits through FLVS
 - Students need to see their counselor for additional details and instructions
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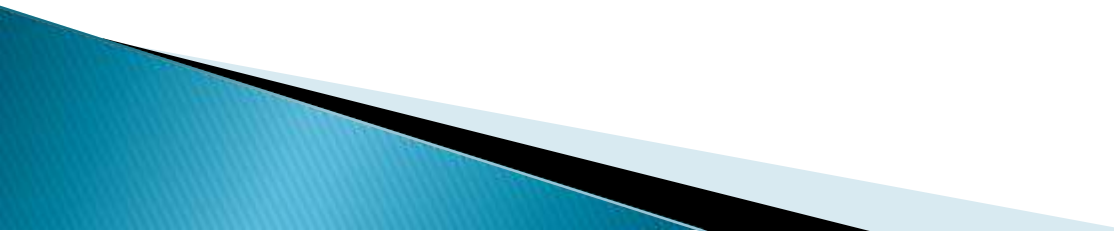
Dual Enrollment

- Allows eligible high school students to simultaneously enroll in a college course
 - Dual Enrollment Credits must be used to earn a high school diploma and may be accepted towards a college degree.
 - Students must have a minimum 3.0 high school unweighted grade point average in order to be eligible
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Community Service

- A community service project of a minimum of **5 hours** is required for graduation
 - May be done through a service club or through individual effort
 - Upon completion of the project, paperwork may be downloaded from www.mlecshs.com and turned in to your counselor.
 - All community service hours are due on December 16, 2016.
 - Students who earn 250 community service hours will receive a community service cord to wear at graduation.
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Request to See Counselor

- ▶ Go to the Miami Lakes Educational Center's website listed below:
<http://www.mlecshs.com/services/student-services/>
 - ▶ Scroll down to find the student's counselor's name.
 - ▶ Click "**Contact Online**" beneath the counselor's name.
 - ▶ Fill-out all fields on the MLEC Online Counselor Request.
 - ▶ Click Submit.
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Counselor Information

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G-O Javier Lasaga

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P-Z Dr. Joy Davis

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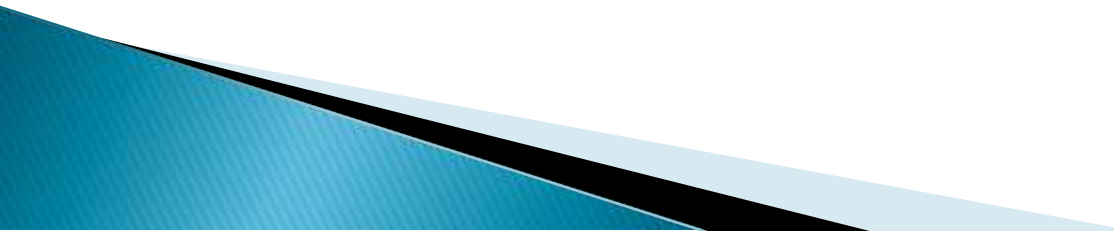
COLLEGE GUIDE




Find the Right Fit

- Academic Reputation (quality education)
- Availability of scholarship and financial aid
- College Size
- Location
- Majors
- Faculty to Student ratio
- Job Placement success

Application Process Components

- Complete Application (paper or online)
 - Transcripts
 - SAT/ACT
 - Counselor Form, Secondary School Reports, Essay, Letter of Recommendation, and/or Resume
 - Payment - Application Fee
 - Financial Aid
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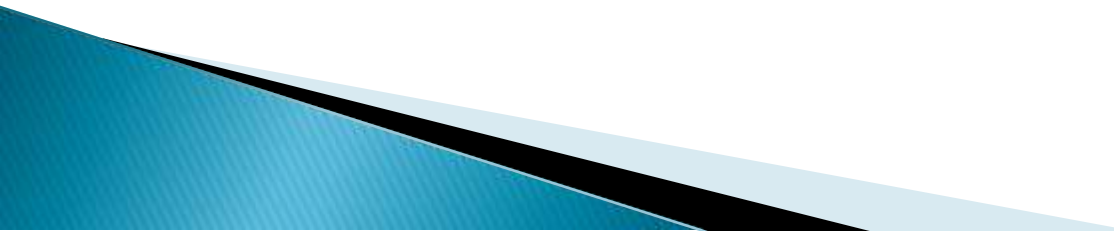
The Application Process

- Determine the number of schools to which you want to apply (3-5 Institutions).
 - Search individual university websites for admissions requirements and procedures.
 - Contact admissions officer at selected university for answers to specific questions.
 - Consider the Common Application if applicable to your selected university.
 - Be mindful of DEADLINES.
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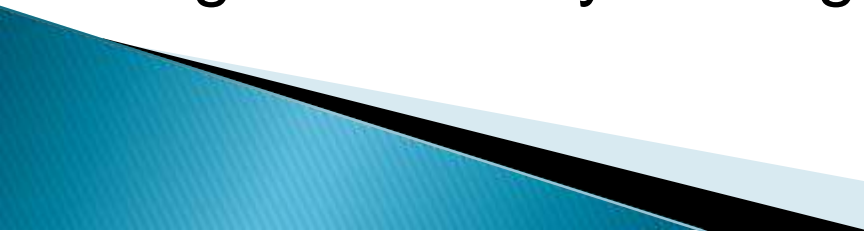
Application Strategies

- Apply early
- Continue improving your grades and continue testing
- Request and submit additional transcripts at the end of the first semester (end of January) and at the end of the school year.

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Transcripts

- Transcript Request Forms are located at the counter in Student Services. Requests require 3-5 business days to be processed.
 - Make sure the form is completely filled out and signed before handing it to staff at the Student Services counter.
 - First hard copy is FREE, subsequent copies are \$2.00 each. All electronic copies are FREE.
 - Counselors do not generate transcripts. They are generated by the registrar.
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SAT/ACT Fee Waivers

- If you are on free or reduced lunch you qualify for:
 - 2 ACT test fee waivers TOTAL
 - 2 SAT test fee waivers TOTAL
 - 4 College Board (SAT) College Application Fee Waivers-Requested by student through his/her College Board account.
 - 4 ACT College Application Fee Waivers-May/May not be accepted by individual University.
- Lost waivers WILL NOT be replaced.
- To receive a waiver, see your counselor in the Media Center on Fridays during both lunches or complete the Online Counselor Request form.

SAT/ACT TESTS

➤ Register online:

- SAT: <http://sat.collegeboard.org/>
- ACT: <http://www.actstudent.org/regist/>

➤ **Information on free and affordable SAT Practice:**

- <http://sat.collegeboard.org/practice/>
- <https://www.khanacademy.org/>

➤ **Information on free and affordable ACT Practice:**

<http://www.actstudent.org/testprep/>

➤ **Sunday test dates** are available for students who cannot test on Saturday because of religious convictions. For more information, please go to:

➤ **SAT Sunday Testing:** <http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/special-circumstances>

➤ **ACT Sunday Testing:** <http://www.actstudent.org/faq/nonsat.html>

Counselor Recommendation(s)

(Counselor Form, Secondary School Reports,
and/or Letter of Recommendation)

- A resume is required prior to a counselor writing a recommendation.
- The resume needs to be turned in at least 10 working days prior to any deadline!

Paying for College

- FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid
 - Florida Student Financial Aid
 - Bright Futures
 - Other Florida scholarships
 - Additional Scholarships
 - Colleges/Universities
 - Private Agencies
 - Grants
 - Work Study
 - Student Loans
 - Parent Loans
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Paying for College - FAFSA

- Free Application for Federal Student Aid
- Available after October 1 of senior year
- Family Income Tax information needed to complete form.
 - Use 2015 Income Tax information.
- Application available online at: www.fafsa.ed.gov

Paying for College – Florida Bright Futures

- The state evaluates your meeting of the criteria upon your date of graduation
 - **GPA** in required core courses (e.g. English, Math, Science, Social Studies, & Foreign Language)
 - **Community Service** (FL Academic - 100 hrs. or FL Medallion - 75 hrs.)
 - **ACT and/or SAT** scores (CPT can also be used on Gold Seal)
 - 2 consecutive years of the same **foreign language**
- Register Beginning **October 1** at <http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/>
- **The submission of a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) IS an annual requirement for Bright Futures eligibility.**

Paying for College

Other Forms of Financial Aid



- **ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS**
 - Academic
 - Athletic
 - Talent/Ability
 - Community Service
 - Private Colleges
 - Private Organizations/Corporations

- **GRANTS** – Based on financial need
 - Private - CAP Grant
 - Public - Federal Pell Grant
 - State - Florida Student Assistance Grant

- **WORK-STUDY** – Based on financial need - Employment on campus.

- **STUDENT LOANS** – Based on financial need

- **PARENT LOANS** – NOT based on financial need

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Financial Aid Websites

- **Florida Dept. of Education**

www.fldoe.org

- **FAFSA**

www.fafsa.ed.gov

- **Florida Bright Futures**

<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf/>

- **Financial Aid Toolkit**

<http://www.navigatingyourfinancialfuture.org/FinancialAidNightToolkit.aspx>

- **My Career Shines**

<http://www.mycareershines.org>

- **College Board**

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

- **Fastweb**

www.fastweb.com

Questions and Answers