

Fall Guidance Meeting

SOPHOMORES

class of 2026

WEST ORANGE WARRIORS



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SAFE Coordinator

Amy Armas
Social Worker

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STUDENT SERVICES

- Located in 800 building
- School Counselor Offices
- College + Career Center
- School Website ([click for link](#))
- Students are encouraged to email their counselor with any questions
- Appointments can be made during the school day - During your 5th period A or B lunchtime, no appointment is necessary
- Email and appointment links can be found on school website > Student Services tab > Guidance Counselors Or on Canvas > Student Body - West Orange HS



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GUIDANCE COUNSELORS

West Orange High School > Student Services > Guidance Counselors

Subscribe to the Student Services Newsletter

NEW FOR 2023 - 24
STUDENT SERVICES WILL LAUNCH A NEWSLETTER FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS. SIGN UP NOW TO STAY IN THE LOOP!

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Email Address *

First Name

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Contact Information
Student Services, 800 Building
Hours: 6:30am - 3pm
Ms. Elizabeth Spence, Guidance Counselor
(407) 905-2403

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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

SUBJECT AREA CREDITS

English	4
Math <i>Algebra 1 + Geometry Required</i>	4
Science <i>Biology Required</i>	3
World History <i>10th grade</i>	1
US History <i>11th grade</i>	1
US Gov't/Economics <i>12th grade</i>	0.5/0.5
Fine Arts	1
HOPE	1
Electives	8

TOTAL CREDITS **24**



- 2.0 unweighted GPA
- 2 years of ROTC can satisfy the HOPE and Fine Arts requirements for graduation.
- 2 years of the same Foreign Language is NOT required to graduate, but is required for the Bright Futures scholarship and acceptance to a public Florida state university system school.
- Pass FAST ELA - as a 10th grader
- Pass Algebra 1 B.E.S.T. - counts as 30% of final grade
- Take Geometry B.E.S.T. - counts as 30% of final grade
- Take Biology EOC - counts as 30% of final grade
- Take US History EOC - counts as 30% of final grade



BEST PRACTICES FOR SUCCESS

- **Time management, TIME MANAGEMENT...TIME MANAGEMENT!**
 - The center of skills and routines for organizing time is a tool to support time management.
 - Use of Google calendar, or other web based calendar, as part of a robust organizational system is critical to balancing activities, projects and study time.
 - If students struggle with a digital platform, the old fashioned planner is the best route to go!
 - Don't underestimate this critical tool.
- **ORGANIZATION**
 - Developing effective self-management practices is a lifelong endeavor integral to success not just in high school but in life.
 - Learning to use effective organizational routines to support academic success and college and career readiness is essential in development of a successful student.
 - Students have access to E-binders through Google Drive or CANVAS.



BEST PRACTICES FOR SUCCESS

- **STUDYING SKILLS**

- Embrace as a lifelong approach to learning that will continue to develop.
- Consistently evaluate study habits to determine if they are sufficiently appropriate for each class.
- Discuss best studying habits with their teachers and how to effectively utilize their resources.
 - Approaches like flash cards and repetition still work!
 - Many students are losing the understanding of the importance of memorization and practice in favor of instant answers from Google and internet searches.

- **CHECK CANVAS AND STUDENT EMAIL (OCPS & DE) DAILY**

- **CHECK SKYWARD WEEKLY**

- **USE AVAILABLE RESOURCES : ASK FOR HELP!**

- **SELF ADVOCATE**

- **COMMUNICATE**

- **TAKE INITIATIVE**



BEST PRACTICES FOR SUCCESS

What do I do when I am struggling in a class?

- **First, check Skyward and Canvas to see if you can identify the cause or concern.**
 - What do test grades look like?
 - Are there missing assignments?
- **Second, speak directly with your teacher.**
 - In the middle of class would probably not be the best time. Ask them to stay after the dismissal bell or get to class early before the late bell to speak with their teacher.
- **Third, attend a tutoring session in that subject area if possible.**
 - WOHS offers tutoring after school every Tuesday and Thursday in the Media Center for all subjects and many teachers will provide their own tutoring if asked.
- **Lastly, contact teacher directly to discuss improvement strategies.**
 - Teachers' email addresses can be found in Skyward and on school website.



THE 3 S's FOR STUDENT SUCCESS

- **STAY** Involved!
- Check **SKYWARD** often!
- **START** with the end (post secondary plans) in mind!



WHAT IS FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES?

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program establishes Florida lottery-funded scholarships that reward Florida high school graduates for high academic achievement.



- **MERIT BASED SCHOLARSHIP**
 - FAS (Florida Academic Scholarship)
 - 100% of tuition and fees *only*
 - FMS (Florida Medallion Scholarship)
 - 75% of tuition and fees *only*
- Most FL private schools, as well as some out of state schools, accept Bright Futures but at a different per credit hour rate.
- **OUT OF STATE** : Award can be deferred to be used for one semester of graduate school in Florida.

**see the Bright Futures handbook for more details.*

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FAS + FMS ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT [®] /SAT [®])	Volunteer Service*	Paid Work Hours*
FAS	4 - English <i>(three must include substantial writing)</i> 4 - Mathematics <i>(at or above the Algebra I level)</i> 3 - Natural Science <i>(two must have substantial laboratory)</i>	3.50	2022-23 Graduates: 29/1330 2023-24 Graduates: 29/1340	100 hours	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - World Language <i>(sequential, in same language)</i>	3.00	2022-23 Graduates: 25/1210 2023-24 Graduates: 25/1210	75 hours	100 hours

The state legislature will determine the requirements for the Class of 2027 the year prior.



COMMUNITY SERVICE + PAID WORK HOURS

- Hours are NOT required to graduate, but are required for Bright Futures and some clubs/organizations
- Bright Futures Requirements
 - Community service and/or paid work
 - No “pre approval” required
 - Complete forms and submit to Guidance Counselor; Goal = every month.
- Hours should be turned into Guidance Counselor at the end of each school year.
- Guidelines and requirements are subject to change/update; students should monitor annually
- Forms:
 - Download + Print: [School website](#) → [Student Services](#) → [Community Service](#)
 - Paper copies are available in Student Service Lobby



RESOURCES : COLLEGE MATRIX

FLORIDA
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COUNSELOR GUIDE

MIDDLE 50% OF ADMITTED FTIC 2022
(S=SUMMER) (F=FALL)

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NAME OF INSTITUTION		GPA	SAT	ACT	NAME OF INSTITUTION		GPA	SAT	ACT
	FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY	S: 3.5 F: 3.7	S: 1020 F: 1110	S: 16 F: 18		NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA	F: 3.8-4.4	F: 1110-1320	F: 22-29
	FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	S: 3.22-3.80 F: 3.70-4.30	S: 1000-1120 F: 1090-1260	S: 20-23 F: 22-28		UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	S: 3.8-4.3 F: 3.9-4.4	S: 1150-1270 F: 1250-1370	S: 23-27 F: 26-30
	FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY	S: 3.56-4.33 F: 3.75-4.52	S: 1010-1170 F: 1090-1240	S: 19-24 F: 21-27		UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	S: 4.4-4.6 F: 4.4-4.6	S: 1240-1420 F: 1370-1500	S: 28-32 F: 31-34
	FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	S: 3.9-4.4 F: 4.2-4.7	S: 1070-1170 F: 1250-1380	S: 21-24 F: 26-30		UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA	S: 3.37-4.30 F: 3.60-4.39	S: 1110 F: 1135	S: 22 F: 24
	FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY	S: 3.8-4.5 F: 4.0-4.7	S: 1140-1250 F: 1290-1410	S: 22-27 F: 27-32		UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA	S: 3.62-4.12 F: 4.00-4.50	S: 1100-1190 F: 1240-1390	S: 22-25 F: 27-31
	FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY	S: 4.0-4.4 F: 4.3-4.6	S: 1180-1300 F: 1300-1430	S: 25-29 F: 29-32		UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA	S: 3.4-4.05 F: 3.5-4.18	S: 1050-1170 F: 1050-1220	S: 21-25 F: 21-27

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What should students be doing *in 10th grade* to prepare for college?

- Course Selection Alignment
- Time Management
- Attendance
- Focus on Grades (A + B's)
- Begin Community Service
- Get Involved → Try NEW things!





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GET CONNECTED



https://westorangehs.ocps.net/student_services



@wohs_ccc, @westorangehs, @westorange2026



Class of 2026 : Text @wohs26 to 81010



@westorange_ocps



West Orange High School PTSO



www.wohsptso.org



Thank You!

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO HELPING YOU HAVE A
SUCCESSFUL HIGH SCHOOL CAREER!**

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