



# FGCU Collegiate Academy Informational Night



# INTRODUCTIONS

## Bonita Springs High School Staff

- Jeff Estes, Principal
- Matthew Bredenkamp, Assistant Principal for Curriculum
- Christie Howard, Advanced Programs Coordinator
- Kristin Brito, College and Career Specialist
- School Counselors

## FGCU Staff

- Rebecca Jones, Director of Early College Programs
- Amber Richards, Coordinator



# PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

- **Entering JUNIOR YEAR**
  - 3.7 Weighted GPA, 3.0 Unweighted GPA
  - ACT Score of 22 or higher AND ALL Subscores of 19+  
or
  - SAT Score of 1100 or higher AND Subscores of 500+

# FGCU Collegiate Academy + AICE Diploma

- Collegiate Academy participants are eligible to pursue the Cambridge AICE Diploma.
- AICE Diploma is SUPPLEMENTAL to the FGCU Collegiate Academy
- AICE Diploma requires passing 7 exams from 4 different groups.
- There are 3 Progressions to follow.
  - 60 FGCU Hours+ AICE Diploma
  - 48 FGCU Hours + AICE Diploma
  - FGCU Hours Only
- All progressions will offer Pre-AICE courses and 3 AICE courses as prerequisites
- [bnh.leeschools.net](http://bnh.leeschools.net)

# AICE Program

- AICE - Advanced International Certificate of Education
- Benefits of AICE
  - Earning college credits for free in high school
  - Prepares you for college courses
  - Teaches time management and study skills
  - A student earning the AICE diploma, that completes 100 hours of community/work service, is **guaranteed** the top Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.

# AICE Diploma

- Diploma Requirements

- Passing 7 AICE exams in specified groups below
- One exam must be the Global Perspectives Course
- The other six exams come from one of the following groups:
  - Group 1: Mathematics and Science (G1)
  - Group 2: Languages (G2)
  - Group 3: Arts and Humanities (G3)
  - Group 4: Interdisciplinary and Skills-Based Subjects - Max of 2 (G4)
- AICE Diploma Planning Guide - [bnh.leeschools.net](http://bnh.leeschools.net)

# COHORT GOALS

- CLASS OF 2027
  - Maintain the required GPA (3.7 weighted, 3.0 unweighted)
  - Take the ACT or SAT at least once (we recommend both)
- CLASS OF 2026
  - Obtain required GPA (3.7 weighted, 3.0 unweighted)
  - Obtain required ACT or SAT score
  - Apply for Dual Enrollment
  - Register for Dual Enrollment Courses

# Remaining National SAT Dates for Sophomores

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
December 2, 2023	November 2, 2023	November 21, 2023
<b>March 9, 2024*</b>	<b>February 23, 2024</b>	<b>February 27, 2024</b>

**\*LAST SAT TEST DATES FOR SOPHOMORES**



# Remaining National ACT Dates for Sophomores

Test Date	Regular Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
December 9, 2023	November 3, 2023	November 17, 2023
February 10, 2024	January 5, 2024	January 19, 2024
<b>April 13, 2024*</b>	<b>March 8, 2023</b>	<b>March 22, 2023</b>

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# Things to Know About College...

- Courses run by semester
  - 16 weeks long
    - Fall: August - December
    - Spring: January – April/May
  - Courses move faster and content is more in-depth
- The student is responsible for their own success!
- Grades are part of your permanent college transcript
  - Grades are also part of your high school transcript
- Professors control the curriculum and set class expectations

# Good Collegiate Academy Candidates Are...


- Mature
- Responsible
- Ready for full time, college-level coursework & responsibilities
- Self-advocates
- Ready to engage at FGCU
  - Library
  - Tutoring & Writing Center
  - Seminar Course
  - Campus Events

# Notes for Parents

- Student is earning the degree – they need to be ready to manage their own responsibilities
- Expectations & course content are not adjusted
- Students need to be able to get to and from the FGCU campus
- Parental involvement is minimal
  - Student grade information is protected
  - No interim reports, parent nights, etc.

# Collegiate Academy Benefits

- Earn college credit at the University level
- Access to campus resources – build your portfolio
- Guaranteed admission to FGCU following high school graduation
- Scholarship opportunities:
  - \$3,000 per year, renewable for 3 years
    - 24 earned FGCU credits, 3.0 FGCU GPA
  - \$5,000 per year, renewable for 3 years
    - Completion of Early College Honors Program and 3.0 FGCU GPA or
    - 28 ACT or 1320 SAT, 24 earned credits, and 3.0 FGCU GPA
  - Bright Futures is in addition to these



**WHAT QUESTIONS DO YOU HAVE  
ABOUT THE FGCU COLLEGIATE  
ACADEMY?**

