

A photograph of a wooden boardwalk winding through a dense forest of lush green ferns. The path is made of light-colored wooden planks and curves through the thick vegetation. The ferns are various shades of green, some appearing vibrant and others in shadow. The overall atmosphere is serene and natural.

Bridging Middle to High School

DISTRICT VISION

All our students
achieve success...
in college...
career... and life





SSMS MISSION

Seven Springs Middle School provides rigorous, relevant learning while fostering respectful relationships.



Learning Goal:
**What is the path to college
and career readiness?**



**State Website:
Track your child's college
readiness starting in 9th
grade**

Florida Shines

- <https://www.floridashines.org>
- Click on “Go to College” > click “Get Ready for College”

The screenshot shows the Florida Shines website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Florida Shines logo on the left and three main menu items: "Go to College" (with a graduation cap icon), "Succeed in College" (with a graduation cap icon), and "Find a Career" (with a briefcase icon). Below the navigation bar, the "GO TO COLLEGE" section is highlighted. It features a large circular image of a young man and a paragraph of introductory text. To the right of the introductory text is a grid of six teal-colored boxes, each with a circular icon on the left and a right-pointing arrow at the bottom. The boxes are: "Make a Plan to Shine in College" (with a globe icon), "Explore Institutions" (with a graduation cap icon), "Discover Programs" (with a graduation cap icon), "Get Ready for College" (with a graduation cap icon), "Go Back to College" (with a graduation cap icon), and "Pay for College" (with a graduation cap icon).

FloridaShines Go to College Succeed in College Find a Career

GO TO COLLEGE


You've got real potential for one stellar future. It starts here, at Florida's online hub for how-to-go-to-college resources. Scholarships. College, university, technical college, and career center info. Even online degree programs. Get the info you need to get the life you're dreaming of.

- Make a Plan to Shine in College**
Everything under the sun to help you go to college and succeed in school.
- Explore Institutions**
The tools you need to discover the right school for you – your perfect place in the sun.
- Discover Programs**
The State of Florida has more than 250 different programs. We're here to help you make sense of them all.
- Get Ready for College**
When it's time for the next step in your education, you can never be too prepared.
- Go Back to College**
It's never too late to finish what you've started. Learn about your options for returning to college to complete your degree.
- Pay for College**
College doesn't have to be an enormous expense. Check out Florida's scholarship and financial aid opportunities.

Florida Shines

- <https://www.floridashines.org>

- Under “Track Your Progress”, click “Check Now”.

 **Go to College**

MAKE A PLAN TO SHINE IN COLLEGE

EXPLORE INSTITUTIONS

DISCOVER PROGRAMS

» **GET READY FOR COLLEGE**

- Standard High School Diploma
- College Prep Courses
- Dual Enrollment

GO BACK TO COLLEGE

PAY FOR COLLEGE

AFFORDABLE EDUCATION OPTIONS



GET READY FOR COLLEGE

Prepare to shine. Learn everything you need to know to get ready for college.

Get on Track for College

Take rigorous college prep courses. Start college in high school with dual enrollment. Know what you need to get into the college of your choice. All of these things will help you prepare for success in school and life beyond graduation.

Then, Track Your Progress

The High School Academic Progress Evaluation can help students measure their progress toward obtaining credits and achievements for a high school diploma. After you log on to the High School Academic Progress Evaluation, select a path to check your readiness:

- Standard: Credits and achievements for your path toward a standard diploma.
- Career: Credits and achievements for your path toward a standard diploma and to prepare for a career or an industry-based certification examination.
- College: Credits and achievements for your path toward a standard diploma and to meet the requirements for admission to a state university.
- College and Career: Credits and achievements for your path toward a standard diploma, to meet the requirements for admission to a state university and to prepare for a career or an industry-based certification examination.


Evaluations are based on information received from your school district and the Florida Department of Education. You should verify this information with your school counselor.

[Check Now](#)

Helpful Tools for Success

- [2017-2018 College & Career Planner \(PDF\)](#) »

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**Bright Futures
Scholarships**
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college of
your dreams. 

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HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS 

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our newsletter**
TIPS, TOOLS & RESOURCES TO
HELP YOUR STUDENTS SUCCEED. 

Florida Shines



Bright Futures Scholarship Eligibility Evaluation

--- Select Your District ---

Enter Your Last Name:

Enter Your Florida Student Identification Number:

Your Florida student identification number is your Social Security Number with an X at the end or a ten digit number provided by your school.

Submit



**State University
Admission Profile: What
did they look for in 2018?**

2018 Florida SUS Report

| Universities | FAMU | FAU | FGCU | FIU | FLPOLY | FSU | NCF | UCF | UF | UNF | USF | UWF |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|---|------|-----------|-------------|-----------|---|-------------|------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------|
| Middle 50% Accepted GPA - Fall 2018 | 3.5-3.99 | 3.8 - 4.46 | 3.46 - 4.25 | 4.2 | 3.65-4.53 | 4.1 - 4.5 | 3.77-4.38 | 3.79-4.34 | 4.2 - 4.6 | 4.0-4.4* | 3.94-4.44 | 3.67 - 4.09 |
| Middle 50% rSAT Accepted - Fall 2018 | ERW: 550-590 Math: 550-590 | SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing: 560 - 640 SAT Math: 570-640 | EBRW: 550 - 620 Math: 530 - 600 | 1280 | 1230-1350 | 1290 - 1400 | 1210-1400 | 1280-1370 (EWR 620-690 and Math 620-690) | 1300 - 1450 | *EWR: 610-680 M:590-670 | 1240-1365 | Composite: 1130 - 1230 |
| Middle 50% ACT Accepted - Fall 2018 | 18-21 | ACT English 20-25 ACT Math 20-25 ACT Reading 21-26 ACT Science 23-27 | Reading: 23 - 30 English: 22 - 27 Math: 21 - 26 Composite 24.5 | 28 | 27-32 | 28 - 32 | 26-32 | 26-30 (Reading 28-33, English 25-31, Math 24-28, Science 24-30) | 29 - 33 | *Composite: 25-29 E/W 24-30/7-8 | 24-29 | Composite: 23 - 27 |
| Fall 2018 Acceptance Rate | 39% | 36% | 62% | 46% | N/A | 33% | 61% | 43% | 39% | 31% (by July 1, 2018) | | 53% |
| Superscore SAT Scores? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | YES |
| Superscore ACT Scores? | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes | No | No | Yes | Yes | YES |

What path should I take?

| Universities | FAMU | FAU | FGCU | FIU | FLPOLY | FSU | NCF | UCF | UF | UNF | USF | UWF |
|---|------|------|------|------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| AP | 1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 |
| Dual Enrollment | 1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 |
| Honors | 0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 | *0.5 |
| IB | 1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 |
| AICE | 1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 | *1 |
| NOTE: Asterisk indicates course(s) must have a grade of C or better to be weighted. | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Questions College Applications Ask

- Colleges want to know grades you earned in grades 9-12 in....
 - Core classes
 - Foreign language classes
 - AP
 - DE
 - Honors
- Extracurricular Activities (NHS, sports, etc.)
- Volunteer/Community Service hours
- Awards/Honors you received
- SAT/ACT scores
- Overall GPA
- Class rank (some colleges)

What does JW Mitchell High School Offer?



Honors

Who should consider Honors?

- academically strong students
 - **A/B grades in Advanced classes**
 - FSA Scores of 3, 4 or 5
 - ELA, Math, and/or Science teacher's recommendation(s)
 - **strong work ethic**
- **students with excellent attendance**

start
in 9th
grade



Why Take Honors?

- want college application to stand out
- earn 0.5 extra weighted high school GPA point (improves GPA)
- is more challenging course than basic class
- colleges recalculate the core classes
- colleges are looking for A/B grades

| Grade | Regular | Honors |
|-------|---------|--------|
| A | 4.00 | 4.50 |
| B | 3.00 | 3.50 |
| C | 2.00 | 2.50 |

Advanced Placement (AP)

Who should consider AP?

- academically strong students
 - **A/B grades in Advanced classes**
 - FSA Scores of 4 or 5
 - ELA and/or History teacher's recommendation(s)
 - **strong work ethic**
 - can complete summer assignments
- **students with excellent attendance**

start in
9th grade

Why Take AP?

- can start earning college credit in 9th grade *if* you pass the exam
- **have advantage with college admission & scholarships**
- earn 1 full extra weighted high school GPA point
- earn 1 full extra weighted GPA point in Florida colleges admissions
- can pursue your academic strength and course interest
- if you plan to attend out-of-state colleges
- colleges created AP Capstone to develop writing and research skills

AP Capstone Diploma
Program



APHUG
Human
Geography

college elective or
social science
(pending college)

AP[®]
CollegeBoard
Advanced Placement
Program

Dual Enrollment (DE)

Who should consider DE?

- academically strong students
 - A/B grades in Honors classes
 - FSA Scores of 4 or 5
 - strong work ethic
- met GPA and PERT score requirements
- students with excellent attendance
- can take 10th grade DE College Algebra

start
in 10th
grade

Why Take DE?

- **want to cut down on college expense**
- want the opportunity to earn college credit *if* you pass the class with a “C” or higher
- earn college credit while meeting high school graduation requirements
- earn 1 full extra weighted GPA point in high school
- earn 1 full extra weighted GPA point in Florida colleges admissions
- if you want to stay in-state due to transfer of credits
- have the opportunity to see if your career interest is right for you

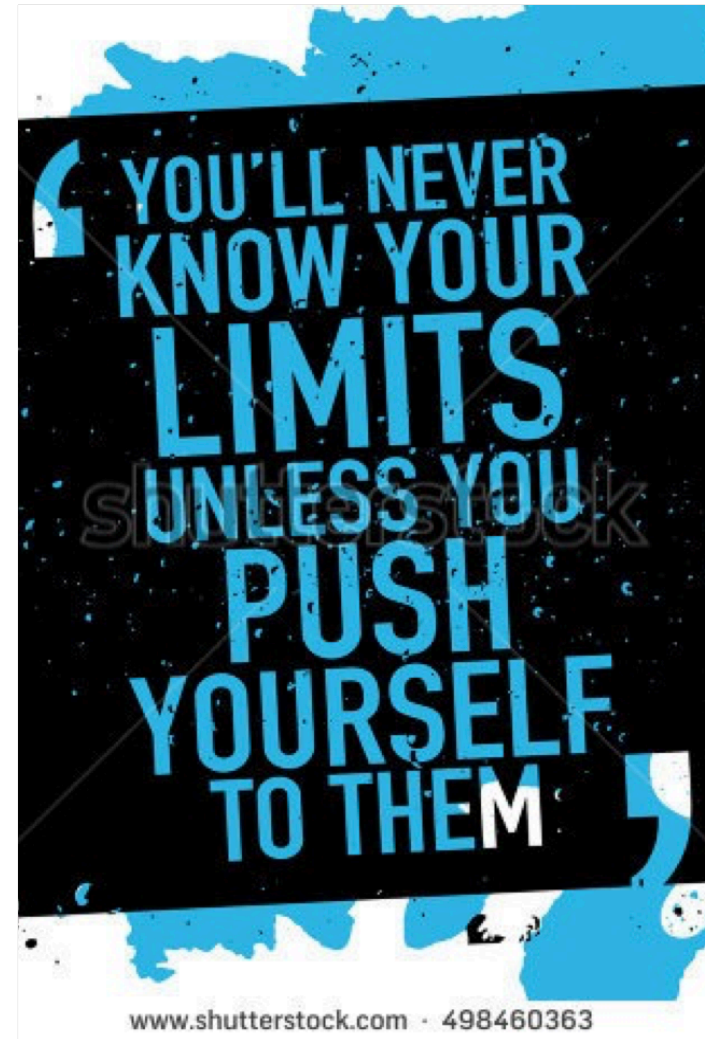
HIGH SCHOOL
STUDENTS TAKE
COLLEGE CLASSES

EARN CREDITS

ask JWMHS about
Collegiate High School

Summary: Level of Academics at JWMHS

- **Regular**
 - **FSA Scores 1, 2 or 3**
 - state mandated curriculum
 - **prepares students for workforce, technical school, military and possibly college**
- **Honors**
 - **FSA Scores of 3, 4, or 5**
 - A/B student
 - state mandated curriculum + more challenging
 - 30 mins. of studying requirement per night per class
 - **prepares students for college**
- **Advanced Placement (AP)**
 - **FSA Scores of 4 or 5**
 - A/B student
 - global mandated curriculum + much more challenging + pass AP exam
 - 45-60 mins. of studying requirement per night per class
 - **prepares students extremely well for college**
 - competitive edge for college & scholarships
 - earn college credit = obtain level 3 or higher on AP exam
- **Dual Enrollment (DE)**
 - **FSA Scores of 4 or 5**
 - A/B student
 - state mandated curriculum + much more challenging + college level tests
 - 45-60 mins. of studying requirements per night per class
 - credits are accepted in Florida colleges
 - competitive edge for college

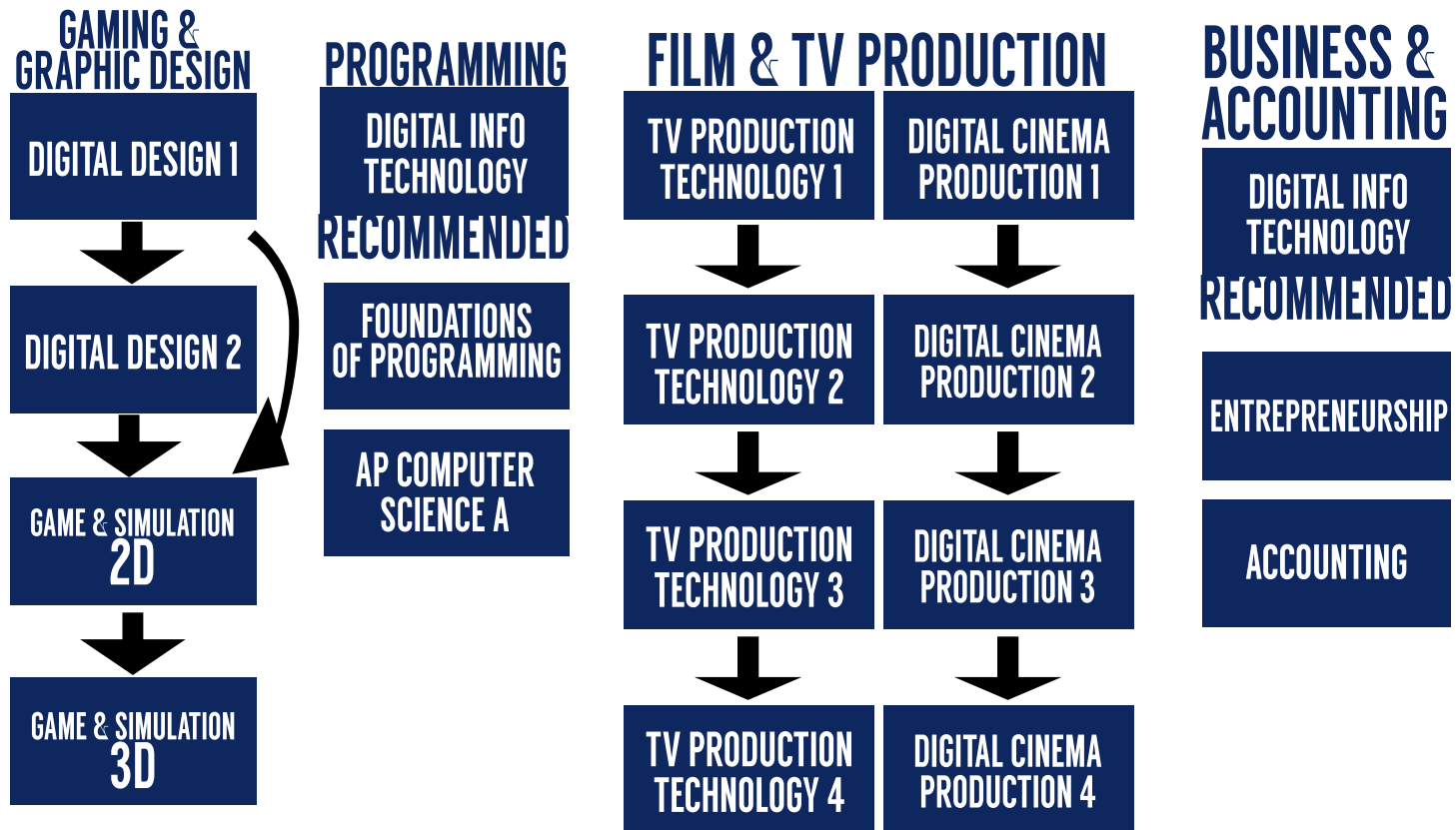




- **Academy for the Medical Arts** (AMA) 10th graders - prerequisite...Medical Skills - opportunity to earn certifications in Certified Medical Administrative Assistant... Emergency Medical Responder...Certified Nursing Assistant.
- **Business Technology Academy** (BTA) 9th graders - prepares students to earn certifications in Adobe Suite, Microsoft Office and Accounting Quickbooks, as well as entry level office positions in Digital/Graphic Design, Computer Programming, Microsoft Specialist, Business Entrepreneurship and Accounting.
- **Digital Media/Multimedia Foundations** 9th graders - prepares students to work as multimedia artists or graphic designers, and to work in video production or animations - opportunity to earn Expert Level Certifications in Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Dreamweaver, and Premiere



JWMHS BUSINESS & TECHNOLOGY COURSES



NJROTC *aka* Naval Science 1

Why consider ROTC?

- builds leadership skills, discipline, and self-confidence
- **peer tutoring**
- opportunity for Academic Scholarships
- **opportunity to earn 300+ hours of Community Service Hours**
- builds physical fitness
- **helps students navigate options for life after high school**
- 2 yrs of ROTC satisfies the HOPE & Fine Art requirements
- if you do 3 yrs ROTC and choose to enlist, you enter at a higher rank
- no military obligation



How do I plan?



| | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|-------|---------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| NAME: | | | | | | | |
| ENGLISH (4.0 cr.) | | | | MATH (4.0 cr) | | | |
| | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | | | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | EOC |
| | English 1 (Reg/Honors) | | | | Algebra 1 (must PASS EOC) | | |
| | English 2 (Reg/Honors) | | | | Geometry (must sit for EOC) | | |
| | English 3 (Reg/Hon/AP lang/DE) | | | | | | |
| | English 4 (Reg/Hon/AP Lit/DE) | | | | | | |
| SCIENCE (3.0 cr.) | | | | SOCIAL STUDIES (3.0 cr.) | | | |
| | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | EOC | | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | EOC |
| | Biology** (must sit for EOC) | | | | World History | | |
| | | | | | US History* (must sit for EOC) | | |
| | | | | | US Government (0.5 cr) | | |
| | | | | | Economics w/Fin Lit (0.5 cr) | | |
| *EOC counts as 30% of yearlong grade | | | | | *EOC counts as 30% of yearlong grade | | |
| FINE ARTS (1.0 cr.) | | | | PE (1.0 cr.) | | | |
| | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | | | HOPE | | |
| ELECTIVES (8.0 cr) | | | | ONLINE COURSE | | | |
| | Sem 1 | Sem 2 | | | | | |
| | | | | ^A full course is required for graduation | | | |
| | | | | TESTING Passed | | | |
| | | | | ELA FSA 10 | | | |
| | | | | Algebra 1 EOC | | | |
| ^ 2 years of Foreign Language is not required for standard diploma graduation, but required for SUS, Bright Futures and scholar designation | | | | Bright Futures Requirements (as of 18/19) | | | |
| #Credits | | | Needed | Test scores (FMS/FAS) | | yes | no |
| Grade 9 | | | 6 | ACT: 26/29 | | | |
| Grade 10 | | | 12 | SAT: 1170/1290 | | | |
| Grade 11 | | | 18 | Community Service | yes | no | |
| Grade 12 | | | 24 | FMS - 75 hours | | | |
| | | | | FAS - 100 hours | | | |
| | | | | GPA (*2.0 min for graduation) | yes | no | |
| | | | | FMS - 3.0 | | | |
| | | | | FAS - 3.5 | | | |

Important Dates

Jan. 24th – JWMHS Parent University Presentation
6-6:45 PM & Curriculum Fair 6-8:30 PM

Jan. 29th – JWMHS help session for course
registration in JWMHS Media 6-7:30 PM

Feb. 1st – Course cards are due (submit to your
science teachers)

Questions?

