



Choosing the Right Standard Diploma Option

Students must have a full schedule of classes each semester.

Students should choose their options carefully.

Once the option is chosen, the student is committed for the entire school year (2 semesters).

An option can only be changed during spring registration for the following year.

Consider carefully the following questions in determining which diploma option is right for you.

What would be the impact on my college and career plans?

How would this impact my chances to get scholarships?

What would be the impact on my participation in athletics or in extracurricular activities?

Would this affect my ability to earn the Gold Seal Scholarship?

How would this affect my ability to take free college courses through advanced placement or dual enrollment, or to complete free vocation/technical training while in high school?

What would be the impact on my ability to participate in areas of interest such as drama, band, orchestra, the arts, student council and senior activities?

Consider these Questions as you Pursue your High School Education

- **What are your academic strengths and weaknesses?**
- **What careers are related to your interests and abilities?**
- **What things do you value most: family, money, recognition, and career satisfaction?**
- **What kind of lifestyle do you want to have?**
- **How do you plan to support yourself after high school?**
- **What are your job or career goals?**

Restrictions for College Preparatory Diploma or Career Preparatory Diploma

To enter a 3-year option:

1. A student shall have a signed parental consent.
2. Selection must be made prior to the end of grade 9.
3. Transfer students from out-of-state or private schools entering after grade 9 have until the end of the first semester in grade 10 to make their selections.

Automatic Change of Program:

A student who selects one of the 3-year programs shall automatically move to the 4-year program under the following conditions:

1. Exercises his or her right to change during spring registration
2. Fails to earn 5 credits by the end of grade 9 or fails to earn 11 credits by the end of grade 10.
3. Does not achieve a score of 3 or higher on the grade 10 FCAT Writing assessments.
4. At the end of grade 11, does not meet the State Assessment, graduation requirements and the grade point average requirements.