



# High school Grade Level Meeting

# Grade Level Meeting Agenda



Introductions



Graduation requirements



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Postsecondary Planning

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► For Class of 2027 (9th grade):  
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► For Class of 2026 (10th grade):  
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# Upcoming Events

- ▶ PERT Sign-Up Opens (Aug. 18- Aug. 24)
- ▶ PERT Testing Window (Sept. 1, Sept. 5-8)
- ▶ Progress Monitoring (August-September)
- ▶ College Week (Sept. 25-29)
- ▶ Club Fair (September 28)
- ▶ College Fair (September 28)
- ▶ School-wide PSAT (October 18,23\*)
- ▶ High School Parent Night (November 28)



# Graduation Requirements

SUBJECT AREA

GPA

DIPLOMA DESIGNATIONS

# Subject Area Requirements

- ▶ English- 4 credits
- ▶ Math- 4 credits
  - ▶ Algebra 1
  - ▶ Geometry
  - ▶ 2 equally rigorous math
- ▶ Science- 3 credits
  - ▶ Biology
  - ▶ 2 equally rigorous science
- ▶ Social Studies- 3 credits
  - ▶ World History
  - ▶ US History
  - ▶ Government (0.5)
  - ▶ Economics (0.5)



SUBJECT AREA  
REQUIREMENTS  
CONTINUED

- ▶ PHYSICAL EDUCATION – 1 Credit
- ▶ PRACTICAL/ PERFORMING ARTS – 1 Credit
- ▶ Electives - 8
- ▶ Pass 10th grade FAST ELA PM3
- ▶ Pass Algebra I End of Course Exam
  
- ▶ \*2 credits of the same world language

# Scholar Designation for Diploma

- ▶ Pass Algebra 2
- ▶ 1 credit of math equally rigorous to statistics
- ▶ Pass Biology EOC
- ▶ Pass Chemistry or Physics
- ▶ Pass Geometry EOC
- ▶ One more science class equally rigorous to Chemistry
- ▶ Pass U.S. History EOC
- ▶ 2 world lang. Classes in the same lang.
- ▶ Earn 1 credit in AP or DE class



# Grade Point Average

## Unweighted GPA Points

A=4.0 points  
B= 3.0 points  
C=2.0 points  
D=1.0 points  
F=0 points

## Weighted GPA

Honors is .5 point weight

A=4.5 points  
B= 3.5 points  
C=2.5 points  
D=1.5 points  
F=0 points

## Weighted GPA

AP/IB/DE is 1 point  
weight

A=5 points  
B= 4 points  
C=3 points  
D=2 points  
F=0 points

**If you made all C's in every class you took this would give you a 2.0 Unweighted GPA which is what is required for graduation.**



# Assessments

PSAT

# PSAT/NMSQT

- ▶ A program cosponsored by the College Board and National Merit Scholarship Corporation.
- ▶ The first official step on the road to college.
- ▶ Assesses the skills developed through years of study in a wide range of courses.
- ▶ Predicts SAT outcome.
- ▶ Provides insight into student career interests.
- ▶ Junior scores are used to qualify students as National Merit Scholarship finalists.

# PSAT DATES & FEES

## 2023 Test Dates:

PSAT for grade 9: Monday, October 23

PSAT for grade 10: Wednesday, October  
18th

If this is your first time taking the PSAT,  
prepare like you would for the FAST/EOC

- ▶ Get a good night's sleep, eat breakfast etc.
- ▶ The PSAT will help you prepare for the SAT you will take your junior/ senior year.

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# Dual Enrollment

# What is Dual Enrollment?

- ▶ Dual Enrollment is an opportunity for high school students to enroll in a college (Valencia College) to earn both high school and college credits.
- ▶ A great option for students who are ready to take college level courses that OCSA does not offer with their AP courses.
- ▶ Dual Enrollment students are treated like college students, and will have responsibilities of a college student such as registering for their own courses, and traveling between OCSA and Valencia College.
- ▶ DE students are still required to take their two art area classes at OCSA.

# Dual Enrollment Requirements

- ▶ Unweighted GPA of 3.0 at the time of application
- ▶ Passing PERT scores
  - ▶ Reading: 106
  - ▶ Writing: 103
  - ▶ Math: 114 (for Intermediate Algebra) 123 (for College Algebra)
- ▶ Spring 2024 application will open September 11 and will be open for a month.
- ▶ If you are looking to start dual enrollment in Fall of 2024, please sign up for the PERT during the spring semester.




# PERT (not required)

- ▶ A placement test for community colleges
- ▶ Students can take the PERT to be eligible for Dual Enrollment with Valencia College
- ▶ The test takes approximately 2 hours to complete
- ▶ Three subject areas: reading, writing, math
- ▶ You must pass all three subject areas to be eligible for Dual Enrollment
- ▶ This test is given at OCSA once every semester.

# DO I QUALIFY TO TAKE THE PERT FOR DUAL ENROLLMENT?

- ▶ In order to test at OCSA...
  1. Have completed Algebra 1 graduation requirement **AND**
  2. Most recent FSA/FAST ELA score must be LEVEL 3 or above (no Intensive Reading class)
  3. GPA 3.0 UNWEIGHTED
  4. DO NOT SIGN UP FOR PERT IF YOU DO NOT MEET THESE REQUIREMENTS!



# Bright Futures Scholarship Requirements

# What is the Bright Futures Scholarship?

- ▶ Scholarship awarded to students who will attend a Florida public college or university and have met the following requirements:
  - ▶ Credits
  - ▶ GPA
  - ▶ Test Scores
  - ▶ Community Service/ Work Hours
- ▶ Students can either earn the Florida Academic Scholarship (100%) or Florida Medallion Scholarship (75%)

# Bright Futures Scholarship

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

<sup>1</sup>The required coursework aligns with the State University System's degree requirements found in Florida Board of Governors' Regulation 6.003.

# Community Service Guidelines

- ▶ **Step 1:** Contact the organization or agency you would like to volunteer for.
- ▶ **Step 2:** Complete page 2 of the community service packet. Answer all questions and check one social issue your community service will address.
- ▶ **Step 3:** Have your school counselor sign and approve your community service plan prior to starting your hours.
- ▶ **Step 4:** Volunteer and log your hours on page 3 of the community service packet.
- ▶ **Step 5:** Once you complete your community service, obtain signatures on page 3, and write your reflection on page 4.
- ▶ **Step 6:** Submit your completed community service packet to your school counselors.



# College and Career Planning

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# Get Organized



- ▶ Keep a portfolio to build resume
- ▶ Work on extracurricular activities and community service hours.
- ▶ Follow your instructor's rule for better organization in your classes.
- ▶ Check your online grade frequently.
- ▶ Practice for PSAT on Khanacademy.org
- ▶ READ: REMIND texts, emails, TEAMS.
- ▶ Check our OCSA website for information
- ▶ Use Xello, our college and career platform.


# Why Go to College?

- ▶ Every bit of education you get after high school increases the chances you'll earn good pay.
- ▶ The more education you get the more likely it is you will always have a job.
- ▶ Continuing education after high school is much more important for your generation than it was for your parents' generation.
- ▶ Education beyond high school gives you a lot of other benefits

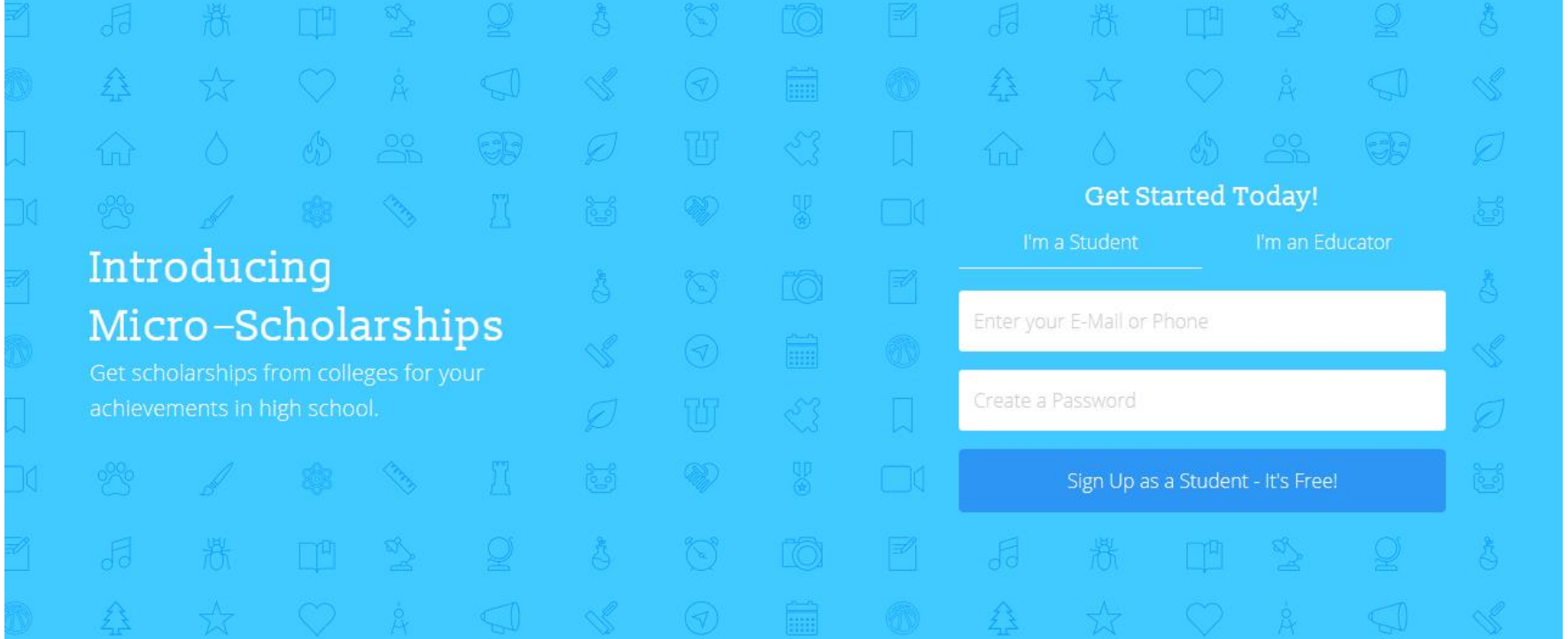
## Expected lifetime earnings

Professional degree	\$4.4 million
Doctoral degree	\$3.4 million
Master's degree	\$2.5 million
Bachelor's degree	\$2.1 million
Associate's degree	\$1.6 million
Some college	\$1.5 million
High school graduate	\$1.2 million
Non-high school graduate	\$1 million

Source: U.S. Census Bureau



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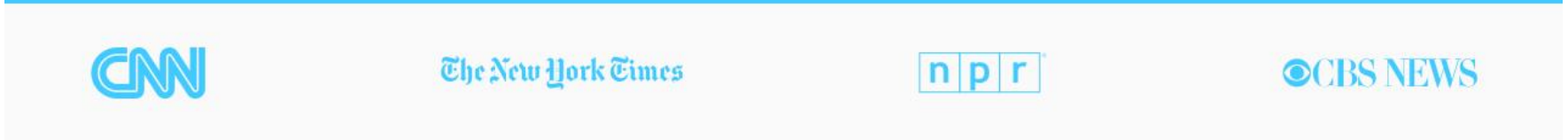
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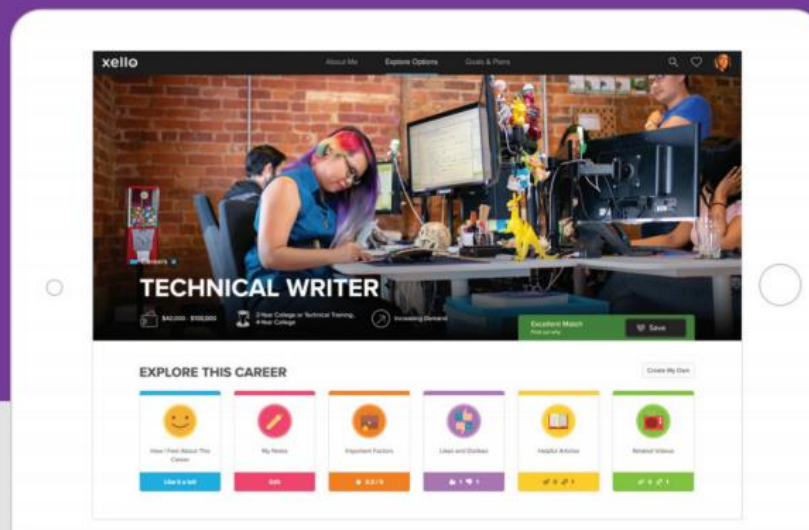


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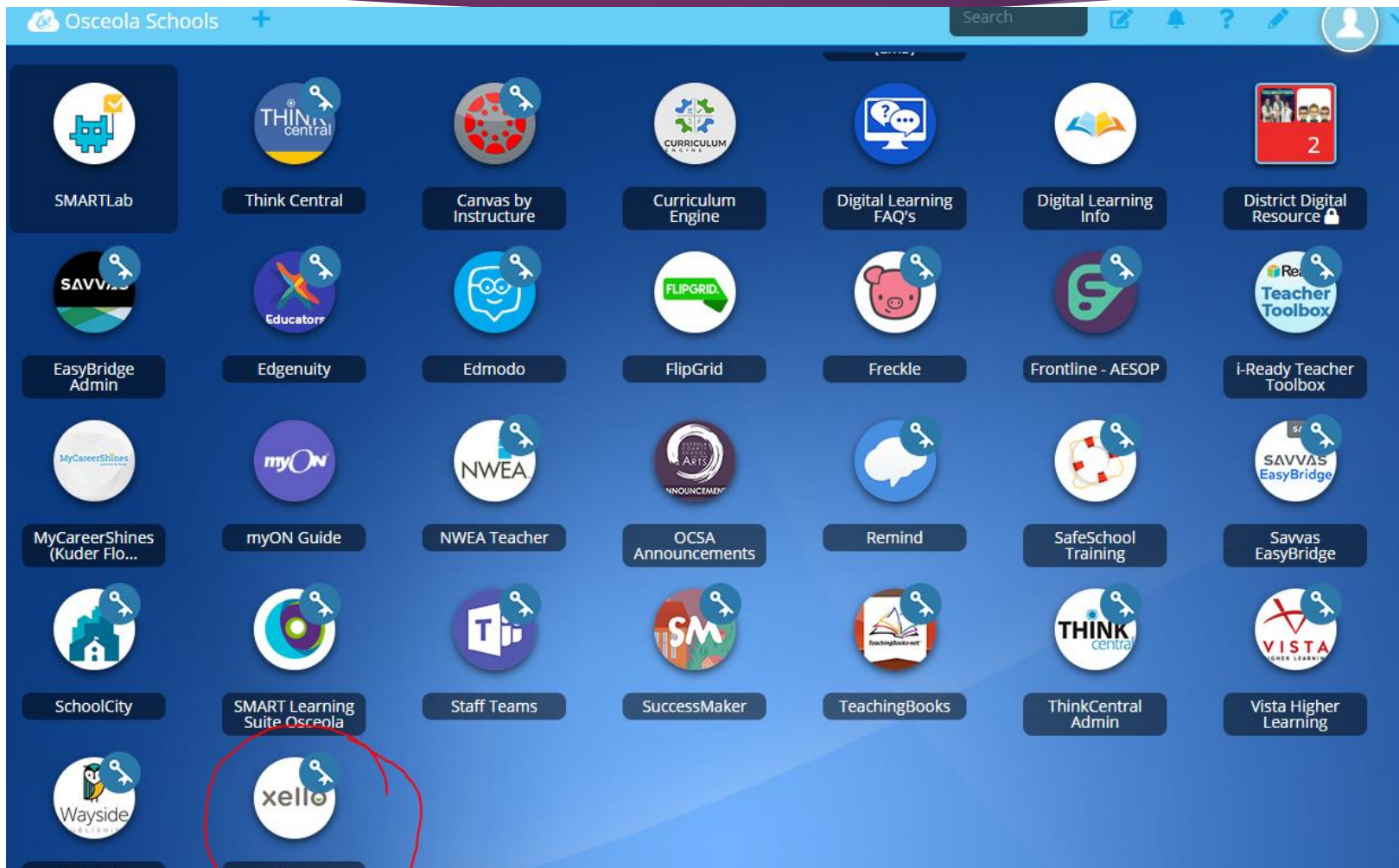


# Say Hello to Xello!

Xello is an online program that helps you create your very own, unique roadmap for college, career, and future success. Interactive assessments highlight career pathways aligned with your skills, interests, and unique personality. Sign in today and get started!



# XELLO



# Xello Reminder

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Use Xello on a regular basis for lesson completion

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You can go into Xello through your Classlink

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Please also check for assignments from Mrs. Gill

# Hey Karen!

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Core lessons ▾

Grade 10



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# Hey Karen!

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Grade 9

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Assignments

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# Question & Answer

Use your 9th and 10th grade years to build good study habits, organizational and time management skills to be prepared for your 11th and 12th grade year. Consider challenging yourself academically and socially by trying something new, like joining student organizations or taking an advanced class. Don't be afraid to ask for help. Have a great school year!