

## Welcome to the PRHS Guidance Department

### New College Requirements

In April of 2010, the Louisiana Board of Regents approved these freshmen **minimum** admission standards for regular admission to a Louisiana, public four-year university – flagship, statewide, or regional. These standards are effective Fall 2012, except where noted. **Students should check with the specific institution for additional information, as some have adopted or may choose to adopt additional requirements for admission.**

### Louisiana Board of Regents Minimum Admission Standards -

[http://regents.louisiana.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2013/03/MinimumAdmissionStandards-Approved\\_2011\\_1027.pdf](http://regents.louisiana.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2013/03/MinimumAdmissionStandards-Approved_2011_1027.pdf)

Minimum Admission Standards for all four-year public universities: Completion of Regents' High School Core Curriculum

What is the Regents' Core?

Units	Course
1	English I
1	English II
1	English III
1	English IV
1	Algebra I
1	Algebra II
1	Geometry
1	Probability & Statistics, Functions & Statistics, Pre-Calculus, or Calculus
1	Biology
1	Chemistry
2	Environmental Science, Physical Science, Biology II AP, Chemistry II AP, Anatomy & Physiology, or Physics
1	World History or World Geography
1	Civics
1	American History
1	Sociology, Psychology, Law Study, AP European History, World History, or World Geography
1	Fine Arts Survey (or substitute one unit of performance courses in music, dance and/or theater; or one unit of visual art; or one unit of studio art)
2	Foreign Language (two units in the same language)
19	Total Core Curriculum Units

For more information contact your high school counselor or college admissions office.

Please see the Course Description Guide for other important information.

[http://pearlriverhigh.stpsb.org/docs/course\\_description.pdf](http://pearlriverhigh.stpsb.org/docs/course_description.pdf)

Graduation Requirements are on pages 6 and 7 of the Course Description Guide. TOPS Requirements are on page 8 of the Course Description guide.

## **School to Work**

The School-to-Work Opportunities Act of 1994 is an exciting initiative for educators and students. As part of this program, partnerships will flourish among secondary and post secondary education. Employers, community groups, parents, teachers, and students will work together to better prepare students for their future careers.

The Career Options Law (Act 1124) mandates that beginning with the 1999-2000 freshman class, students will be required to complete a five year plan of their course of study. This includes four years of high school and one year of post secondary work. In order to facilitate this law, many changes are taking place at the high school level to help students better prepare for their future.

Students will choose a career path from one of the following areas:

Engineering and Technology

Health and Human Services

Arts and Humanities

Business and Marketing

Under each broad career path there are many pathways to choose from. With the help of the homeroom teacher (Teacher as Educational Advisor and Mentor), each student will be able to choose a pathway and complete those requirements prior to graduation.

Mandeville High School is excited to be part of this new initiative. Our goal is to provide a relevant and rigorous curriculum that allows choices and options for our students.

**STPSB College Counseling Center** - <http://college.stpsb.org/>

## **Testing Information**

### **ACT TESTING INFO**

ACT Dates are available at [www.actstudent.org/regist/dates.html](http://www.actstudent.org/regist/dates.html).

MHS high school code is 191-660.

Register online at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org).

### **SAT TESTING INFO**

SAT Dates are found online at <http://sat.collegeboard.org/register/sat-us-dates>.

SAT School Code: 191-660

MHS does NOT administer the SAT.

Find test locations and register online at [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org).

### **PSAT/NMSQT TESTING INFO**

Mandeville High School will offer the PSAT/NMSQT (Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test) annually in October. Information on testing date and location is advertised after Labor Day every year. Juniors who wish to participate in the National Merit Scholarship competition should take the test. This is the only testing opportunity to be eligible for participation in the National Merit Scholarship program. It is also effective as a practice SAT for interested Juniors and/or Sophomores as well as a practice NMSQT for sophomores.

To register contact the Guidance Department in September.

Information about the PSAT and free helpful preparation, material may be found at [www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html](http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/psat/about.html).

## **Guidance Counselors**

Each counselor has been assigned his or her own grade level.

Freshmen: Mrs. Shay

Sophomores: Mrs. Ennis

Juniors: Mrs. Shay

Seniors: Mrs. Ennis

Feel free to call the guidance office at: (985) 863-2591 for additional information.