

Deseret Academy

2012 - 2013

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SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Students enrolled in Deseret Academy reside mainly in Duval, Clay, Putnam, St. John's, Volusia, and Flagler counties. We do have students from out of state as well who communicate through the mail.

SCHOOL

Registered with the State of Florida Department of Education as a private school, the administration is located in South Putnam County, 15 miles south of Palatka. Deseret Academy is a school serving students in grades 1 - 12, specifically providing academic high school credits for students wishing to earn their high school diplomas outside of the traditional classroom environment.

RECENT GRADUATING CLASSES

2012 - 19 2011 - 29 2010 - 25
2009 - 35 2008 - 25 2007 - 18

ENROLLMENT 2012 - 2013

Seniors	10
Juniors	10
Sophomores	14
Freshmen	17
8 th grade	5
7 th grade	8
elementary (1 st - 6 th)	15

SCHEDULE

August through July
for grades 7 - 12
August through June
for elementary grades

We meet with students at public libraries in the following locations:

Crescent City
Jacksonville
Palatka

MARKING SYSTEM

A (Outstanding Progress)	90 - 100	4 pts
B (Above average)	80 - 90	3 pts
C (Average progress)	70 - 80	2 pts
D (Lowest acceptable)	60 - 70	1 pt
F (failure to demonstrate comprehension)	0 - 59	

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

All graduates must demonstrate “minimum competency” in mathematics and communications as measured by a High School Competency Test. Credits are required with an overall grade point average of 2.0 to include:

English	4
Math *	3
Social Studies **	3
Science (including 2 labs)	3
Electives	11

- * including at least Algebra I
* * incl. American History, World History, American Government, Economics

PROMOTION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be promoted to the next grade, a student must complete and pass with a C or better at least 9 months worth of work in each of the following subjects: English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Additionally, for students in grades 9 through 12:

grade level	credits required
to 10 th	6 (incl. 1 of each : Math, Eng., Soc. St. & Science)
to 11 th	12 (incl. 2 of each : Math, Eng., Soc. St. & Science)
to 12 th	18 (incl. 3 of each : Math, Eng., Soc. St. & Science)

ONLINE CLASSES

This is a work in progress. We hope to develop more in this area in the coming year. Please visit our website at:

www.desacad.net.

COLLEGE ATTENDANCE and DUAL-ENROLLMENT

One of the most frequently asked questions is whether or not Deseret Academy is accredited, and whether their graduates are able to attend college. We are very proud to say that although we are not allowed to be accredited because our students do not attend school in the traditional manner, about 50% of our graduates go on to attend college. In fact, seniors can be dual-enrolled at SJRCC or other local community colleges where they earn some of the credits they need for their college diploma as well as electives needed for high school graduation.

Requirements for dual-enrollment are:

- 75% score on the HSCT or FCAT
- 3.0 GPA
- be 16 years old
- 12 credits (11th grade)
- be emotionally mature
- willingness and ability to attend all assigned classes on college campus
- time for homework = 2 times the class load taken (e.g. 6 hrs = 12 hrs homework)
- ability to purchase needed textbooks

Graduates with the self-motivation to work at their own pace, who excel at their studies as demonstrated by the college board evaluations, and have self-discipline are not only “allowed” to attend college, but are welcomed and encouraged.

Please discuss your desire to dual-enroll with the Senior Advisor, Miss Cindi, and she will assist you with the necessary paperwork.

Students may apply for scholarships through the financial aid department of the college they wish to attend. Materials are distributed each January to Seniors during our monthly visits to assist in this process.

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