

MARINE OCEANOGRAPHIC ACADEMY (M.O.A.)

St. Lucie Public Schools - Fort Pierce Westwood High School

M.O.A. Program Partnership with Florida Atlantic University at Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute

Commitment Statements

Important! Complete ALL required information below.

Student Last Name: _____ First _____ Middle _____

Student ID # _____ Student Cell: _____ Student Email: _____

Please CHECK ALL that apply - Are you interested in:

_____ AP Courses, College Board

_____ Dual Enrollment, IRSC

_____ AICE Courses

_____ Industry Certification Courses (CTE)

_____ Online Courses, *Mosaic*

_____ Abbreviated

_____ Athletics and Extracurricular Clubs

_____ Band/ Chorus/Clubs

_____ Schedule (Seniors)

Student Commitment Statement

I understand that the MOA program is unique in its opportunity to study alongside world renowned scientists from the HBOI-FAU education program on a beautiful satellite campus. Students are selected for a magnet school program with a small learning community focus, limiting the size of each grade level, and allowing for maximum learner growth and camaraderie.

An acceptance into the MOA program requires meeting certain program requirements to remain eligible. This entails participation in HBOI labs and scientific lecture series embedded through various required science courses offered exclusively at the MOA campus. These courses are sequenced through each grade level of the four-year curriculum of the HBOI-FAU program.

I also understand that all courses are taught at the Honors level or AP level of rigor. Dual Enrollment options may be introduced after successful mastery of Honors and/or AP courses, by showing a cumulative GPA above a 3.0 and meeting other requirements.

I understand that the full four-year program requires meeting the FDOE Graduation Requirements based on my 9th grade entry cohort year in addition to meeting the FPWHS school-wide goal 'College and Career Ready by Graduation'.

To maintain eligibility to be an active student at MOA, I agree to the following:

1. Maintain a GPA above 2.5 per term.
2. Abide by the SLPS' Code of Conduct.
3. Abide by FPWHS' Attendance policy. Any student who has accumulated excessive absences, whether excused or unexcused, within a semester will be subject to removal. *Serious illness or other circumstances may be considered on an individual basis.*

A student may be placed on Academic Probation for up to two terms to allow them to bring up their grades and/or show improvement in the above areas. However, failure to do so may result in student being reassigned to their home school. Parents will be notified accordingly.

By signing below, I understand the above conditions and request to be considered for the MOA Program.

Signature of Student: _____

Date: _____

Parent Commitment Statement

I understand that meeting the minimum eligibility requirements for acceptance into the MOA program does not guarantee admission. Furthermore, the final decision rests with the selection committee and/or the Administration of Fort Pierce Westwood High School.

I am aware of the Marine Oceanographic Academy (MOA) Program requirements and commit my full support to my child's participation.

If my child is accepted into the program, I agree to the following:

1. Monitor my child's daily participation and progress in Skyward so that my student may remain in good standing.
2. Ensure that my child has protected study time, *daily*.
3. Commit to supporting my child's teachers in working with them to establish partnerships for my child's success.

Upon acceptance to program, there will be a mandatory open house where the student and family will need to attend to receive more pertinent information as well as sign required forms for the program, to include HBOI-FAU Lab consents, Field Trip Permissions, as well as Academic, Conduct, and Attendance Contracts that contain much more detailed information.

I understand the requirements to remain eligible for this magnet program outlined on the Student Commitment and failure to meet them may result in my child being placed on academic probation, which may lead to being reassigned to their home zone school.

Signature of Parent(s) / Guardian(s):

Date: _____