PARENT/STUDENT ORIENTATION 2025-2026

WHO WE ARE

At South Dade Academy, we support our students on their academic journey, ensuring they receive a well-rounded high school education and discover a variety of career paths. By fostering understanding and fairness, we empower students to reach their full potential and confidently pursue their aspirations.

En South Dade Academy, apoyamos a nuestros estudiantes en su viaje académico, asegurándonos de que reciban una educación secundaria completa y descubran una variedad de caminos profesionales. Al fomentar la comprensión y la equidad, capacitamos a los estudiantes para que alcancen su máximo potencial y persigan sus aspiraciones con confianza.

BOARD MEMBERS

Andy Prieto
and
Dr. Lisandra Prieto-Gonzalez

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

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CRIME PREVENTION SPECIALIST

USA HIGH SECURITY

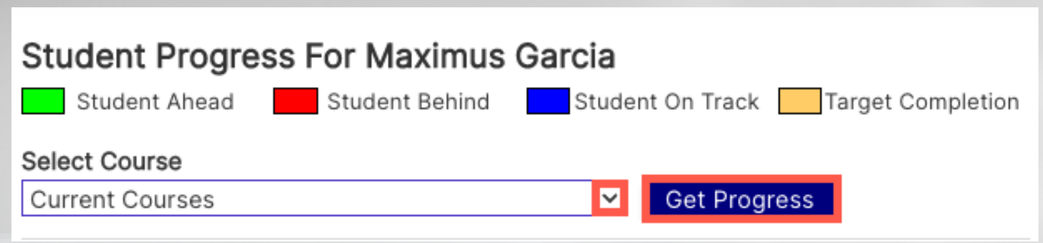
Please be informed, we have a security guard working at South Dade Academy at all times during school hours. We ensure the safety of our students, staff, and visitors. They are highly trained and experienced.

Tenga en cuenta que un guardia de seguridad siempre está trabajando en South Dade Academy durante el horario escolar. Están altamente capacitados y experimentados y garantizan la seguridad de nuestros estudiantes, personal y visitantes.

Edgenuity

EDGENUITY LEARNING PLATFORM

Edgenuity provides personalized learning experiences, allowing students to learn at their own pace and access resources tailored to their individual needs. Students receive instruction in modules from on-screen teachers with multimedia tools that present real-world applications to build content knowledge and essential skills.



Parents will receive weekly updates regarding a student's progress in a course via email. Edgenuity sends progress report emails to parents or guardians from noreply@communications.imaginelearning.com. Parents will also have access to a portal to login and check student progress.

Please check your spam mail and search in your inbox for these updates.

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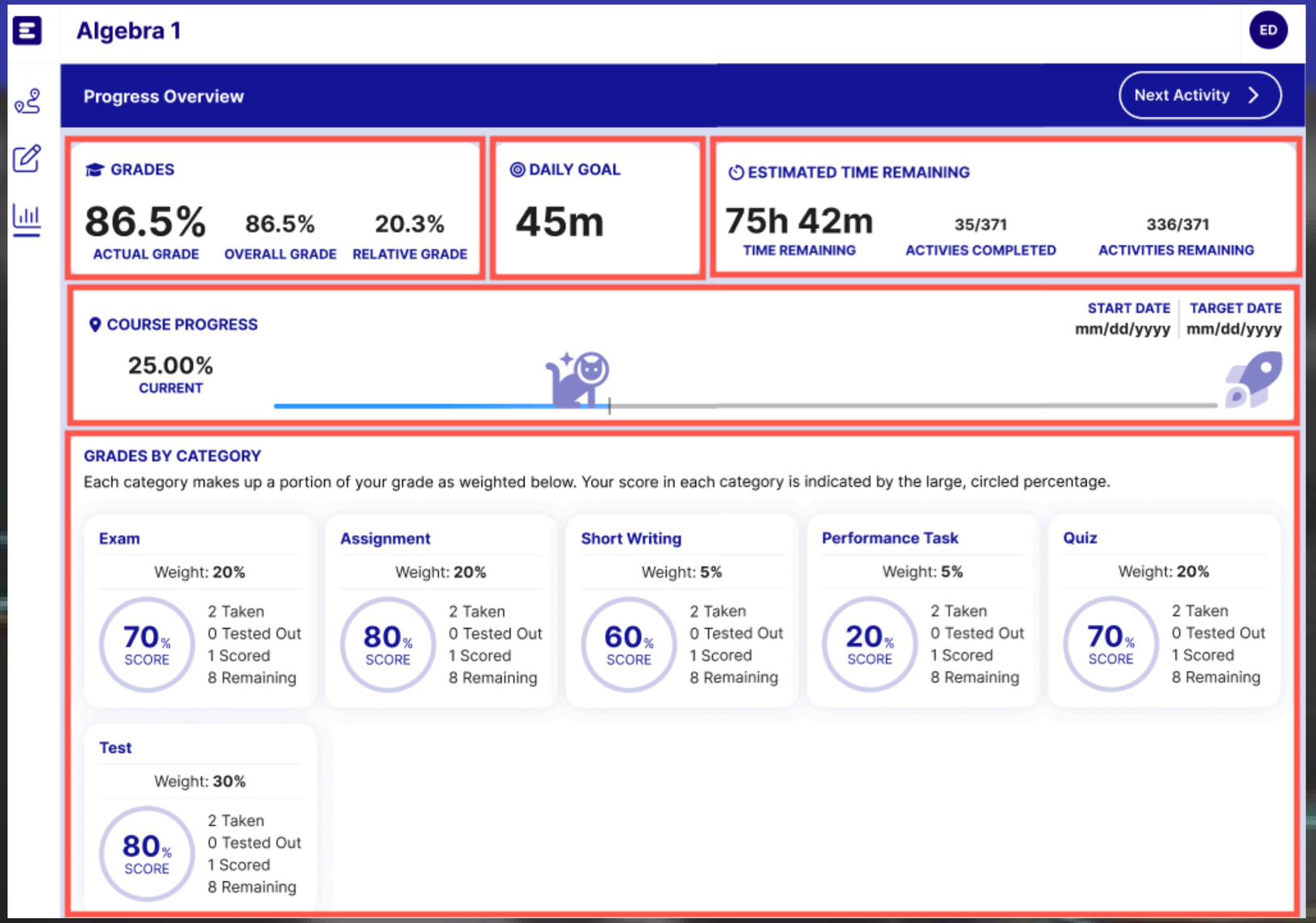


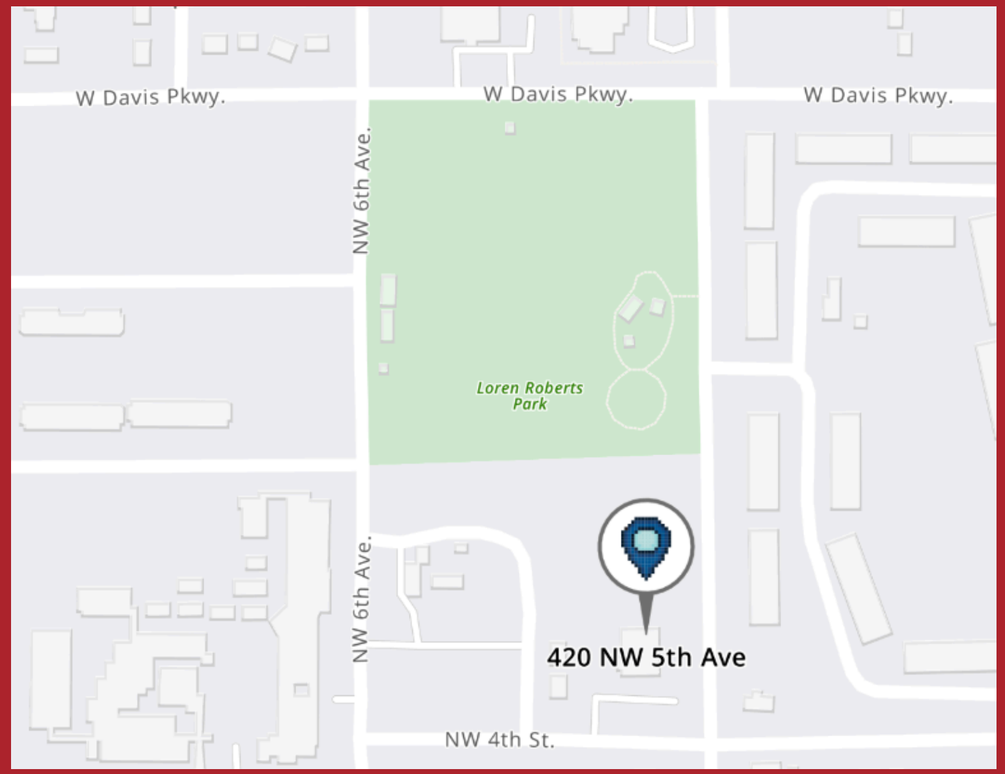
SCHOOL HOURS/DROP OFF & PICK UP

Front desk: 7:30a - 3:30p / School Hours: 9:00a - 12:00p
There will be no lunch provided. Students may bring their snacks to eat, but they are not allowed to order food or have food dropped off.

Block Schedule
Monday/Tuesday: 12th grade
Wednesdays: Online
Thursday/Friday: 6th-11th grade

Drop off/pick up: Please come in through the parking lot and have students enter through the side gate entrance (Near the pool) for ALL Pick-Ups and Drop-Offs. This is the designated area for students to enter directly into the classroom.

Drop off from 8:45 AM to 9:00 AM
Pick up from: 12:00 PM- 12:15 PM



UNIFORM POLICY

All students must wear the following uniform to adhere to our guidelines:

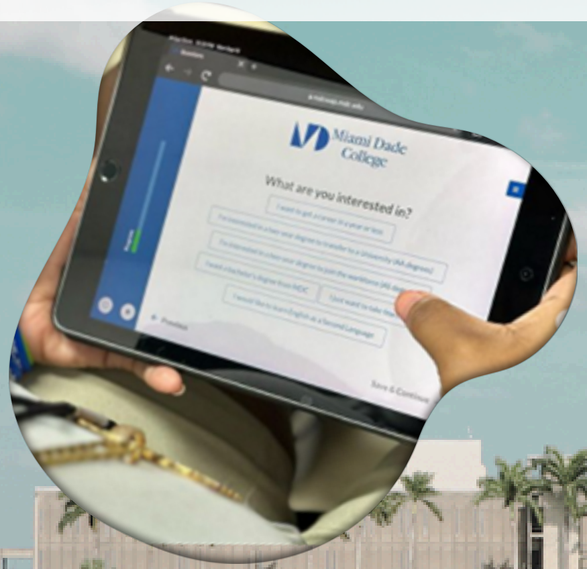
Top: Royal blue, red, black, white, gray polo.

Bottoms: Pants, no ripped jeans or chains, etc.

Shoes: Closed-toe shoes; no crocs, slides, or sandals

MILITARY PARTNERSHIPS

MIAMI DADE COLLEGE



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COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

ONE VOICE COMMUNITY COALITION SOUTH DADE

Be Strong INTERNATIONAL

Healthy Relationships. Thriving Families. Stronger Communities.

BUILDING CHARACTER THAT LASTS

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EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS

ONE VOICE COMMUNITY COALITION SOUTH DADE

INFO@OVCCSD.ORG

SOCIAL MEDIA PROJECT

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Teacher Hours

Teachers are available from 8-3pm Monday-Friday
Teachers take lunch from 12:15-1:00pm and are unavailable to support during this time
School work that requires unlocking can only be supported during teacher work hours

Credit Progress

Students are enrolled in one class at a time and complete 1 credit each month (or 2 half credits)

Student and Parent Emails

Students must provide a personal email (that they have access to) in order to utilize the learning platform. Parent emails must also be provided to receive the weekly progress reports from Edgenuity. If you need to update your personal emails, please call the school to provide it.

IMPORTANT ACADEMIC DATES

Assessments

October 20th - 24th 2025 *and* April 20th - 24th 2026
Students in grades 6-10 only.
It is a scholarship requirement under the Florida Board of Education.

Grad Bash

When: Thurs. April 30th, 2026
Senior event for graduation eligible students.
The Grad Bash payment opens December 1, 2025, and is due by March 13, 2026.
Price: TBD

Diploma Pick Up

When: Mon. December 15th, 2025 (December Graduate)
Thurs. June 18th, 2026
Seniors who do not finish credits by May 1st and/or don't participate in the graduation ceremony

IMPORTANT ACADEMIC DATES

GRADUATION ELIGIBILITY & TIMELINE GUIDE

Know the Requirements & Stay on Track

Checkpoint Dates & Qualifications

DEC. GRADS

- ✓ 2 CREDITS OR LESS BY 09/19/25
- ✓ 1 CREDIT OR LESS BY 10/20/25

FINAL CREDIT COMPLETED BY 11/21/25

JUNE GRADS

- ✓ 4 CREDITS OR LESS BY 01/20/26
- ✓ 3 CREDITS OR LESS BY 02/20/26
- ✓ 2 CREDITS OR LESS BY 03/20/26

FINAL CREDIT COMPLETED BY 04/17/26

Follow the check point deadlines to ensure every senior is eligible to graduate on time.

IMPORTANT DATES

March 19 — Gradbash Payment Due

TBA — Graduation Payment Due

April 30 — GradBash

June 4 — Last Day of School

TBA — Graduation Ceremony

MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

	Course Requirements
Grade 6	Language Arts, Math, Science, United States History, Elective/Physical Education
Grade 7	Language Arts, Math, Science, Civics, Elective/Foreign Language
Grade 8	Language Arts, Math, Science, World History, Elective/Foreign Language

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

	Graduation Requirements
Grade 9	English 1, Algebra 1, Physical Science, World History, Elective/Foreign Language 1
Grade 10	English 2, Geometry, Biology, Elective/Foreign Language 2
Grade 11	English 3, Algebra 2, Chemistry, U.S. History, Fine Art
Grade 12	English 4, Math for College Algebra, Government/Economics, Elective

GRADING SCALE

A = 4	3.5 - 4.0
B = 3	2.50 - 3.49
C = 2	1.50 - 2.49
D = 1	1.00 - 1.49
F = 0	0 - 1.48
Z = N/G	N/G

REGISTRATION REMINDERS

The Step Up for Students Scholarships (SUFS)

- Applied for during Registration
- Parent / Guardians must remember their account/login information and keep checking their emails to keep track of every information that SUFS sends out
- Approve payment every quarter of the year for student tuition
- Required to attend school in-person 10 days each month

Scholarship Phone Number

- If the phone number changes, it must be updated for the scholarship
- Same consideration if the person who filed the scholarship needs to change

Scholarship Payment Approval

- If payment isn't approved by parent / guardian - student will be locked out of the learning platform until resolved.
- PLEASE log in to the portal if you are unsure of your status and accept payment within the first 5 days of school

Dual Enrollment

is available for eligible students!

Partnership with Miami Dade College can give students a head start on achieving life goals.

Connect with your Student Advisor for help!

Plan Your Future – Scan to Connect with Your Student Advisor!

Need help with:

- College Applications
- Scholarships (College Board & more)
- Resume Building
- Career Guidance

Scan this QR code to schedule an appointment with me!

I'm here to help you take the next step.

TECHNOLOGY

Laptop & Accessories Condition

Students are responsible for their laptop at all times. Students are responsible for any damage that occurs when using assigned laptop in school.

Laptops are provided to support student academic achievement. Students will use the laptops responsibly, safely, and respectfully.

School Supplies

Students can use their personal laptop or tablet to complete academic learning in-person or at home. Headphones are required and the responsibility of the student to bring in-person.

PARENT HANDBOOK / SCHOOL CALENDAR

South Dade Academy
2025-2026 SCHOOL CALENDAR

JULY 2025				
M	T	W	T	F
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AUGUST 2025				
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SEPTEMBER 2025				
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OCTOBER 2025				
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NOVEMBER 2025				
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DECEMBER 2025				
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JANUARY 2026				
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FEBRUARY 2026				
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MARCH 2026				
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APRIL 2026				
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JUNE 2026				
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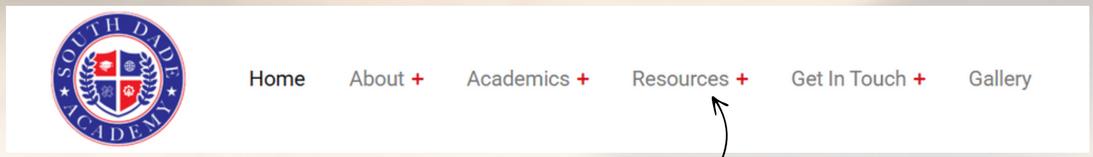
- First Day of School/Last Day of School
- Community Resource Day
- Teacher Planning Day- **NO SCHOOL**
- Legal Holiday-**NO SCHOOL**
- Recess DAY- **NO SCHOOL**
- Parent/Student Orientation
- Academic Assessments
- SDA Sessions
- Scholarship Verification Deadline



Please see southdadeacademy.com for a copy of our complete Parent/Student handbook.

First Day of School
August 18th, 2025

Last Day of School
June 4th 2026

June 4th is the final day for students to submit work on the learning platform for credit. South Dade Academy does not have summer school.

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