

HB 447

2007

1 A bill to be entitled

2 An act relating to required information for 9th grade
3 students; creating s. 1003.425, F.S.; requiring that 9th
4 grade students receive certain instruction relating to the
5 value of a high school education and the available
6 postsecondary options; providing an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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10 Section 1. Section 1003.425, Florida Statutes, is created
11 to read:

12 1003.425 Required information for 9th grade
13 students.--Beginning in the 2007-2008 school year, each student
14 who is in the second semester of the 9th grade in a public
15 school must have been given instruction in:

16 (1) The value of a high school education, both financial
17 and cultural;

18 (2) The alternative assessments, such as the SAT and the
19 ACT, the scores of which could help the student obtain a high
20 school diploma; and

21 (3) The postsecondary options that are available,
22 including workforce training and enrolling in a community
23 college or a university, and the prerequisites to each, with or
24 without a diploma. The instruction must include a detailed
25 discussion of the relative advantages and disadvantages of each
26 alternative.

27 Section 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law.