

The mission of the Polk State College Lakeland Gateway to College High School, is to provide an academic charter alternative for students who have at least 10 high school credits, are not older than 21, and want to graduate from high school and transition to college.

PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

The Polk State Lakeland Gateway to College Collegiate High School exists for the purpose of educating students in a nurturing and caring environment. We are pleased that you have made this academic choice and encourage your participation to the fullest in this educational experience. *Students and Parents/Guardians must abide by the following expectations in order to remain an active participant at Lakeland GtC.*

1. I understand that as a student in the Polk State College Lakeland Gateway High School program. I will be enrolled for some classes in college- credit courses and that the depth, breadth, rigor and pace of these courses will be at the college level.
2. I understand that Lakeland Gateway High School students in college level courses are subject to the same standards, policies, and responsibilities as other college students unless otherwise restricted by federal, state, or local requirements.
3. I understand that curriculum content, evaluation, and selection of appropriate instructional materials is the prerogative of the college and/or high school instructor and may differ from that presented for traditional high school students.
4. I understand that Polk State College is an open campus and that I will be attending classes with non-high school aged students and that I may encounter students of a variety of ages and backgrounds while on the Polk State College campus.
5. I understand that the appropriate Lakeland Gateway High School Director, Assistant Director or Guidance Counselor is the first point of contact for parents who wish to discuss academic progress in a course, schedule a conference, or request information about school or classroom activities.
6. I understand that attendance at orientation and student college success plan review meetings is required for all students, and a supporting parent(s)/guardian.
7. I agree to treat fellow students, faculty, and staff with respect.
8. I understand that, if selected for admission to Lakeland Gateway Charter High School, I must agree to abide by all POLK STATE COLLEGE policies and procedures, including but not limited to the PCSB Student Progression Plan, the Polk State College Handbook and the Lakeland Gateway High School Manual. These documents detail the responsibilities students and parents are expected to fulfill. If parents and students do not meet these obligations it will be recommended that the student attend another school.
9. I understand that I will be expected to sign and abide by an agreement outlining my responsibility for all instructional materials, textbooks, and equipment issued to me.
10. I agree to attend school regularly and understand that I must be present for all scheduled classes. (Also, parent agrees that his/her child will attend regularly.)