

**Class of 2023 and Beyond**  
**GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**  
Based on newly enacted legislation

**Humanities & the Arts (9 Credits Required)**

Credits Required for Humanities & the Arts:

1. English Language Arts - 4 credits
2. Social Studies - 3 credits, including one-half credit in Civics
3. Fine Art-.5 Music or Studio Art class
4. Additional 1.5 credit in Art, Music, English, Social Studies or 2nd World Language credit

Required courses:

- English, Grades 9 -12. AP/UCONN ECE Language and Composition and AP Literature and Composition fulfills the grade 11 or the grade 12 requirement;
- Social Studies/Civics, Grades 9-11. African American Latino Studies, AP/UCONN ECE Modern European History or AP Government and Politics fulfills the grade 11 requirement.

**World Language (1 credit Required)**

Credits Required for World Language:

1. Spanish or French - 1 credit

**Science, Technology, Engineering & Math: STEM (9 Credits Required)**

Credits Required for STEM:

1. Math - 4 credits
2. Science - 3 credits
3. Two additional STEM elective credits - Science, Math, Technology or Engineering\*

\*(Technology and advanced Agriscience courses can fulfill the STEM elective requirements. Please see the Career and Technical Education section below.)

Required courses:

- Math: Algebra I; Geometry; and, Intro Alg II or Algebra II
- Science: Physics 9, Chemistry, Biology (AP Biology fulfills the Biology requirement)

**Career and Technical Education/Agriscience Electives (Elective Credits)**

Career and Technical Education Electives:

- Business
  - Technology, Engineering, Exploring Computer Science\*
- \*(Technology-based courses can fulfill two STEM elective requirements.)

Agriscience:

- Agriscience Exploratory (First Year)
  - Agriscience Pathway Courses
  - Electives
- \*(Technology-based courses can fulfill two STEM elective requirements.)

### Senior Project (1 credit Required)

Credits/Courses Required:

1. Senior Project - 1 credit. For Agriscience students, Senior Project may be linked to the Supervised Agricultural Experience. The Senior Project course is a mastery-based course and it fulfills the Mastery-Based Diploma Assessment requirements for the Class of 2023 and beyond.

### Physical Education and Wellness/Health and Safety (2 credits Required)

Credits Required:

1. Physical Education - 1 credit (.5 in grade 9 and .5 in grade 10)
2. Health - 1 credit (.5 in grade 9 or 10 and .5 in grade 11 or 12)

Required courses (all .5 credit courses):

- Physical Education - Personal Fitness I and II *or* Team Sports I and II
- Health I & II
- Lifeguarding is an elective course and does not count toward a Physical Education or Health requirement

### Other Graduation Requirements

- 30 hours of Community Service
- Demonstrated Proficiency of the SVS Learner Outcomes(Done through classroom assessments)

### Summary

**Humanities** - 9 credits

**World Language** - 1 credit

**STEM** - 9 credits

**Senior Project** - 1 credit (for Ag students SAE is linked)

**PE/Health** - 2 credits

**Free Choice** - 3 credits

Total Required - 25 credits

**Please note:** Shepaug offers a seven-period schedule; this allows students to take seven courses per year - 28 courses during the high school experience. As a result, students who wish to take more electives may take 3 more courses beyond the 25 required credits.

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1. English Language Arts - 4 credits
2. Social Studies - 3 credits, including one half credit in Civics
3. Fine Arts - 1 credit
4. One additional Language Arts, Social Studies or World Language elective.

**Required courses:**

- English Grades 9 -12; AP Language and Composition fulfills the grade 11 or grade 12 requirement; AP/UCONN ECE Literature fulfills the grade 12 requirement.
- Social Studies/Civics Grades 9-11; AP/UCONN ECE Modern European fulfills the requirement for grade 11.

**Science, Technology, Engineering & Math: STEM (8 Credits Required)****Credits Required for STEM:**

1. Math - 4 credits
2. Science - 3 credits
3. One additional STEM elective credit - Science, Math, Technology, or Engineering.

**Required courses:**

- Math: Algebra I; Geometry; and, Intro Alg II or Algebra II
- Science: Biology and one physical science, either Earth and Energy, Physics 9, Physics, or Chemistry

**Career & Life Skills (2 credits Required)****Credits Required:**

1. Technology, Career and Technical Education - 1 credit
2. One additional Technology, Career and Technical Education, or Fine Arts elective

**Required courses:**

- Many courses offered at Shepaug can fulfill the requirements listed above. Counselors will inform students during the planning meetings.

**Senior Project (1 credit Required)****Credits Required:**

1. Senior Project - 1 credit

**Physical Education and Health (1.5 credits Required)****Credits Required:**

1. Physical Education - 1 credit
2. Health - 1 credit

**Required Courses:**

- Health & Safety I and Health & Safety II required

**Other Graduation Requirements**

- 30 hours of Community Service
- Demonstrated Proficiency of the SVS Learner Outcomes (Done through classroom assessments)

**Summary**

Humanities - 9 credits  
STEM - 9 credits  
Career/Life Skills - 2 credits  
Senior Project - 1 credit  
PE/Health - 2 credits  
Free Choice - 3.5 credits  
Total - 25 credits

