



Graduation Requirements

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The following are the minimum required credits for graduation for the class of 2013 and beyond. These requirements are outlined in [Board Policy #2640](#).

Course Requirements - 48 credits total

English - 8 credits

Speech - 1 credit

- Successful completion of one semester of Debate also fulfills this requirement.

Mathematics - 6 credits

2 Algebra Credits

- Successful completion of Algebra (Integrated I - Algebra, Integrated III - Algebra 2, Essentials 2 for Algebra, or Intensified Integrated I) is required.

2 Geometry Credits

- Successful completion of Geometry (Essentials 3 for Geometry, Integrated II - Geometry) are required.

2 Math Credits

- 2 additional math credits of your choice

Science - 6 credits

- Successful completion of 2 credits of Physical Science (or 2 credits of high school level Physics or Chemistry), Biology (Acc. Biology or AP Biology), and 2 additional science credits are required.
- If the computer science teacher is certified in science, then AP Computer Science A and AP Computer Science Principles can be counted as science credits instead of math credits if requested by the student.

Health - 1 credit

- Health taken in 8th grade does not fulfill this requirement.
- Two credits of BSD Fundamentals of Health Professions fulfills this requirement.

US History 9 (to 1900) - 2 credits

US History 11 (after 1900) - 2 credits

Economics - 1 credit

- Includes the State Financial Literacy requirement.
- Successful completion of 4 credits of Marketing I, Marketing II, Marketing III, and Marketing IV fulfills this requirement.
- Successful completion of 4 credits of Personal Business Finance, Business Law/Ethics AND Business Ownership/Entrepreneurship OR AP Business with Personal Finance fulfills this requirement.

American Government - 2 credits

Digital Literacy - 1 required elective credit (Class of 2028 and beyond.)

- Waived for Class of 2028
- Successful completion of Engineering Technology 9 A & B during 9th grade or later fulfills this requirement.
- Successful completion of Exploring Computer Science A & B during 9th grade or later fulfills this requirement.
- Effective 2026-2027, successful completion of Media Tech Fundamentals I & II during 9th grade or later fulfills this requirement.
- Effective 2026-2027, successful completion of AP Computer Science Principles completes this requirement.

Physical Education - 2 credits

- Successful completion of Physical Education A & B is required for graduation and fulfills 2 elective credits.
- Completion of one season of an approved sport and earning a passing grade on the PE exam fulfills one required PE credit.

Electives - 16 credits

- World language courses taken prior to 9th grade qualify for graduation credit if a grade of C or higher is earned and fulfill elective credits.
- Only one athletic fitness credit can be taken per semester.
- Only four service credits can be earned in grades 9 through 12. Service credits include classroom aides, library aides, and office aides. No more than two such credits may be taken in a given year.

Additional Graduation Requirements

1. College Entrance Exam

- a. Participation only.
- b. Special Education students are required to participate unless otherwise stated in IEP.
- c. Students enrolled in an LEP program for less than three academic years can request an exemption.
- d. Students transferring from out of state during 12th grade can request an exemption.
- e. School District can request an exemption for a student in extenuating circumstances.

2. Senior Project (Class of 2026 & 2027)

- a. Must include elements of research, development of thesis, and presentation.
- b. Completion of a postsecondary certificate or degree or an approved internship/apprenticeship program may also meet this requirement.

3. Future Readiness Project (Class of 2028 and beyond)

4. Civics Exam

- a. A passing grade of 60% is required.
- b. Special Education students are required to pass the exam unless otherwise stated in IEP.
- c. Any student who does not pass will be reassessed.
- d. Any student transferring from out of state and enrolls after spring break of their senior year will be waived from taking the civics exam.