

## Graduation Requirements: Classes of 2011-2014

### District Graduation Credit Requirements

#### Credit Requirements at a Glance

	2011-2012	2013-2014
Subject	Credits	Credits
Language Arts	4.0	4.0
Science	2.0	2.0
Mathematics	2.0	3.0
Math/Science	1.0	—
Social Studies	3.0	3.0
Fine Arts	1.0	1.0
P.E.	1.5	1.5
Health	0.5	0.5
Occupational	1.0	1.0
Electives	6.0	6.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>22.0</b>	<b>22.0</b>

#### Other Credit Requirement Information

Students must pass all required and elective courses. If you are thinking about taking a class for credit in a non-district school and applying that credit for graduation, check with your school. *Your school must approve the course prior to your enrollment to allow you to apply it toward graduation.*

#### Changes to Credit Requirements for Classes of 2013-2014

*Students in the classes of 2013 and beyond must meet all of the same requirements as those for the class of 2012 with these changes:*

- **The math credits requirement increases to 3.0 credits in the progressive sequence of Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II.**

A student may elect to pursue a third credit in mathematics other than Algebra II if the choice is based on a career-oriented course of study identified in the student's High School and Beyond Plan. The student's parent/guardian (or designee) must agree that the third credit of mathematics is a more appropriate course than Algebra II because it better serves the student's career goals. A meeting is then held with the student, the parent/guardian (or designee), and a high school representative to discuss the course. At the meeting, the parent/guardian (or designee) must sign a form acknowledging they understand the mathematics requirement for credit-bearing two- and four-year college-level math courses and believe the third credit of mathematics elected is a more appropriate course selection given the student's education and career goals.

### District Performance Graduation Requirements

#### Literacy and Language Standards

Students will complete three (3) writing assignments that meet the standards, including a literary analysis essay, a persuasive essay, and a cause-effect or compare-contrast essay.

#### Mathematical and Scientific Reasoning Standard

Students are required to demonstrate proficiency on one formal lab report in a science class and a problem solving and reasoning report in a math class.

### State Performance Graduation Requirements

- **Classes of 2011-2012** must meet state learning standard expectations in reading, writing, and mathematics through exams and/or other methods approved by the state. **Classes of 2013-14** must also meet state learning expectations in science through exams and/or other methods approved by the state.
- Culminating Project requirements
- High School and Beyond Plan