

PLANNING FOR CAREER & COLLEGE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A total of 220 units of credit must be earned. Normally five (5) units are granted for successfully (D or better) completing each semester of each course.

To obtain a diploma of graduation from high school, students attending the comprehensive high school shall complete at least the following courses in grades 9-12: (Education Code 51225.3)

Subject Area	Credits	Notes
English	40	<i>One year for each grade-level, 9th -12th grade</i>
Mathematics	20	<i>At least one mathematics course, or a combination of the two mathematics courses, shall meet or exceed state academic content standards for Algebra I or Mathematics I. Completion of such coursework prior to grade 9 shall satisfy the Algebra I or Mathematics I requirement, but shall not exempt a student from the requirement to complete two mathematics courses in grades 9-12. (Education Code 51224.5)</i>
Science	20	<i>Must include biological and physical sciences</i>
Social studies	35	<i>Must include United States history and geography; World history, culture and geography; a one-semester course in American government and civics; and a one-semester course in Economics</i>
Visual or performing arts, foreign language, including American Sign Language, or career technical education (CTE) (Education Code 51225.3)	10	<i>Visual and Performing Arts is also known as "VAPA"</i>
Physical Education	20	
Health	5	<i>Unless the Ed Code requirements are embedded in a different Board-approved course</i>
Computer Studies	10	
Electives	60	
Senior Project	Pass/Fail	<i>(optional by site with approval from Superintendent)</i>
Total	220	