

High School Graduation Requirements

Required and Elective Credits:

Required class credits----165

Elective credits-----95

Total----- 260

ENGLISH: 40 credits/8 semesters.

This requirement may be met by taking a combination of the following:

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| English 9 | English 12/ Senior |
| **English 9X/GATE | Project |
| English 10 | English 12/Senior |
| **English 10X/GATE | Project, LTI |
| English 10, LTI | English 12/Senior |
| English 11 | Project, (H)/AP |
| English 11, LTI | *Speech (semester) |
| English 11, (H)/AP | *Journalism |

*These courses may be taken for English credit during the senior year for students needing to make up English credit. These courses may not be taken in lieu of English 12/SP.

**Student must meet requirements

MATHEMATICS: 30 credits/6 semesters.

This requirement may be met by taking a combination of the following:

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| Algebra 1A | Algebra II |
| Algebra 1B | Pre-Calculus |
| Algebra I | Calculus (H)/AP |
| Algebra I, LTI | Business Math |
| Geometry | Accounting |
| Geometry, LTI | |

SCIENCES: 20 credits/4 semesters.

Students **must** take two, year-long science courses - one from the life science category and one from the physical science category following.

NO ONE CATEGORY WILL SATISFY BOTH SCIENCE REQUIREMENTS.

LIFE SCIENCE: The following courses meet the graduation requirements for life science:

Life Science
Biology
Biology (H)/AP
Physiology/Anatomy
Sports Science
Ag Science I (*5 life science credits only*)
*Ag Science II
Integrated Animal Science
Ag Small Animal Care and Management
*Greenhouse Management and Landscaping (ROP)

*These courses satisfy either the physical science or life science requirement.

PHYSICAL SCIENCE: The following courses meet the requirement for physical science:

Earth Science
Earth Science, Y
Chemistry
Chemistry (H)/AP
Physics
*Ag Science II
*Greenhouse Management and Landscaping (ROP)
**Advanced Auto Tech

*These courses satisfy either the physical science or life science requirement.

**Two years of this course will satisfy the physical science requirement for graduation.

SOCIAL SCIENCE: 30 credits/6 semesters.

This requirement will be met by the following courses taken in the sequence as listed:

| <u>Course</u> | <u>Year Taken</u> |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| World History | Sophomore |
| OR | |
| World History, LTI | Sophomore |
| U.S. History | Junior |
| OR | |
| U.S. History, LTI | Junior |
| OR | |
| U.S. History, (H) | Junior |
| Civics | Senior/one semester |
| AND | |
| Economics | Senior/one semester |

FOREIGN LANGUAGE OR FINE ARTS:

10 credits/2 semesters.

ONE of the following one-year courses may meet this requirement:

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|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Spanish 1-3 | *Theater Stage |
| Spanish 4 Honors | Craft and Production |
| French 2-3 | Acoustic Guitar |
| French 4 Honors | *Semester Acoustic |
| Art 1-4 | Guitar |
| *Two-Dimensional | Symphonic Band |
| Color and Design | Jazz Band |
| *Three Dimensional | Concert Choir |
| Color and Design | LEAPP |
| Ceramics | Ag Art Welding, ROP |
| Drama 1 | The Art and History |
| Adv. Drama | of Floral Design, ROP |

***These are semester courses and only earn 5 elective credits.**

PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

20 credits/4 semesters.

The physical education requirement is generally met during the freshman and sophomore years unless medically excused or delayed after administrative review.

HEALTH/FAMILY LIFE/:

5 credits/1 semester.

Students may be excused from Family Life Education by parental request.

COMPUTER OPERATIONS:

10 credits/2 semesters.

This course is required to be taken in the freshman or sophomore year; or pass the challenge exam.

California High School Exit Exam

(CAHSEE):

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction, Jack O'Connell, and the State Board of Education have determined that students **MUST** pass **both** the Language and Mathematics portion of the CAHSEE prior to graduation.

Note: CASHEE Math and CAHSEE English will be offered at Diamond Mountain Charter High School as an Independent Study course.

(Refer to pages 18 and 36 for a description of these courses.)