

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS 2003-2004 Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors

CURRICULUM SUBJECT AREAS OR EQUIVALENT PROFICIENCY	DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM (DAP) +4 Advanced Measures (see page 4)	RECOMMENDED HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM
English/Language Arts ^A	4 credits	4 credits
Mathematics ^B	3 credits	3 credits
Science ^C	3 credits	3 credits
Social Studies ^D	4 credits	4 credits
Physical Education ^E	1½ credits	1½ credits
Health ^F	½ credit	½ credit
Technology Applications ^G	1 credit	1 credit
Languages Other than English ^H	3 credits	2 credits
Fine Arts ^I	1 credit	1 credit
Speech ^J	½ credit	½ credit
Electives ^K	4 ½ credits	5 ½ credits
 Total Credits	 26 credits	 26 credits

A. English/Language Arts: English I, II, III & IV except as noted below:

All Plans-English I & II for Speakers of Other languages may be substituted for English I & II only for immigrant students with limited English proficiency (LEP). Recommended and distinguished programs English I, II, III, and IV required (except for the options for LEP immigrant students).

B. Mathematics: High School Program - Algebra I, Geometry and a third math course required. Recommended and Distinguished Programs Algebra I & II and Geometry required. A student who successfully completes Algebra I and/or Geometry in middle school receives high school credit for each course and is encouraged to take three additional years of mathematics. Seniors who have not passed the Mathematics Section of TAAS should enroll in a math class.

C. Science:

High School Program - 3 Credits	Recommended and Distinguished Programs - 3 Credits
1 credit in Biology	1 credit from the following area: Biology, Advanced Placement (AP) Biology, or International Baccalaureate (IB) Biology
2 credits from Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) One other state-approved Science Course OR	2 credits from the following areas (not more than one credit may be chosen from each of the areas to satisfy this requirement): A. Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) B. Chemistry, AP Chemistry, or IB Chemistry C. Physics, Principles of Technology I, AP Physics, or IB Physics
2 credits from Chemistry Physics or Principles of Technology I	

D. Social Studies: All students are required to complete World Geography, World History, United States History, United States Government, and Economics.

E. Physical Education: Students may earn no more than two credits in Physical Education toward state graduation requirements; RRISD students may choose additional PE credits for local elective credit.

F. Health: Satisfied by either Health Education or Health Science Technology I.

G. Technology Applications: Technology Application TEKS courses (Computer Science I/II, Desktop Publishing, Independent Study in Technology Application).

Business Education TEKS courses (Business Computer Information Systems I/II, Internet Communications and Web Design, Business Image Management/Multimedia).

Technology Education/Industrial Technology Education TEKS courses. (Computer Animation Design).

H. Languages Other than English: The credits must be in the same language.

I. Fine Arts: Any course listed in the Fine Arts Section of this catalog can be used.

J. Speech: Communication Applications required.

K. Electives: All state-approved graduation-credit courses.