

Credit Requirements for Graduation

Track I College Preparatory Diploma Track For Students Graduating by 2010	# Cr	Track I College Preparatory Diploma Track For Students Graduating in 2011 and After	# Cr
English (I, II, III, IV) Each year of English must be college preparatory level and include <i>Composition, Grammar, Vocabulary, Spelling, and Literature</i> . (One year each of General, World, American, and British Literature are required.)	4	English (I, II, III, IV) Each year of English must be college preparatory level and include <i>Composition, Grammar, Vocabulary, Spelling, and Literature</i> . (One year each of General, World, American, and British Literature are required.)	4
Mathematics Required: <i>Algebra I, Algebra II, & Geometry</i> Also recommended: a 4th math course such as <i>Advanced Math, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Trigonometry, Probability and Statistics, or Computer Science</i> (which includes some computer programming).	3	Mathematics Required: <i>Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry & a 4th math course such as Advanced Math, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Trigonometry, Probability and Statistics, or Discrete Math</i>	4
Science Required: <i>2 lab sciences</i> (Please note that colleges do <i>not</i> recognize <i>Physical Science</i> as a lab science.) A <i>3rd lab science</i> is strongly recommended as it is an admission requirement for many SC colleges.	3	Science Required: <i>2 lab sciences</i> (Please note that colleges do <i>not</i> recognize <i>Physical Science</i> as a lab science.) A <i>3rd lab science</i> is strongly recommended as it is an admission requirement for many SC colleges.	3
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Electives $\frac{1}{2}$ credit of <i>Computer Applications</i> and $\frac{1}{2}$ credit of <i>Keyboarding</i> are strongly recommended. Of the 8 electives, 4 academic core courses chosen from the areas of <i>English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, or Foreign Language</i> are strongly recommended. Electives in these areas would be in addition to the course requirements outlined above.	8	Fine Arts Electives $\frac{1}{2}$ credit of <i>Computer Applications</i> and $\frac{1}{2}$ credit of <i>Keyboarding</i> are strongly recommended. Of the 6 electives, 4 academic core courses chosen from the areas of <i>English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, or Foreign Language</i> are strongly recommended. Electives in these areas would be in addition to the course requirements outlined above.	1 6
Minimum Total Early in the high school years, students should contact the admissions offices of colleges and universities in which they are interested to ask about specific entrance requirements. Please note that admissions personnel of competitive institutions take into account the rigor of students' courses of study when making decisions regarding admission <i>and</i> eligibility for merit-based scholarships. Many colleges and universities state that their <i>published</i> curricular admissions standards constitute <i>minimal</i> preparation and may not be enough for students to be competitive.	24	Minimum Total Early in the high school years, students should contact the admissions offices of colleges and universities in which they are interested to ask about specific entrance requirements. Please note that admissions personnel of competitive institutions take into account the rigor of students' courses of study when making decisions regarding admission <i>and</i> eligibility for merit-based scholarships. Many colleges and universities state that their <i>published</i> curricular admissions standards constitute <i>minimal</i> preparation and may not be enough for students to be competitive.	24

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English (I, II, III, IV)	4	<p>No diplomas are issued to Track III students.</p> <p>SCAIHS recommends that Track III students seek to meet at least the minimum requirements for a Track II Diploma.</p>	English (I, II, III, IV)	4																																													
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