

5.4.a. High School Programming (Grades 9-12) for the Class of 2020 and beyond

Chart IV: Foundations for High-Quality High School Programming (Grades 9-12) 24 credit required: 18 prescribed and 6 personalized	
Chart IV High School Programming (9-10, 11-12) Graduation Requirements Graduation requirements are effective for all students enrolled in the 2016-2017 school year, and thereafter or as otherwise specified. Courses needed for graduation require mastery of approved content standards. Students should consult with their chosen postsecondary educational/training program when choosing optional upper-level courses. Students who do not demonstrate mastery of the approved content standards shall be provided extra assistance and time through personalized learning and support.	
Graduation Requirements (18 prescribed)	
English Language Arts*	4 credits English 9 English 10 English 11 English 12 or English 12 CR or Transition English Language Arts for Seniors* An AP® English course may be substituted for any of the above courses.
Mathematics*	4 credits Math I or Algebra I Math II or Geometry Math III STEM, or Math III LA or Math III TR or Algebra II Math IV – Trigonometry/Pre-calculus or Math IV TR or Transition Mathematics for Seniors* or any other fourth course option (see Chart V) An AP® Mathematics course may be substituted for an equivalent course or any fourth course option.
Science*	3 credits Earth and Space Science (Grade 9) Biology or AP® Biology (Grade 10) One additional science course or AP® science course (see Chart V)
Social Studies*	4 credits 1 credit from World Studies or an AP® Social Studies course (see Chart V) 1 credit from United States Studies ¹ or United State Studies-Comprehensive or AP® U.S. History 1 credit from an additional Social Studies course or an AP® Social Studies course (see Chart V) 1 credit from Civics for the Next Generation or AP® United States Government and Politics.

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Physical Education*	1 credit Physical Education 9-12 (WV Education Information System [hereinafter WVEIS] course 6609). At least 50 percent of class time for physical education should be spent in moderate- to vigorous-intensity physical activity.
Health*	1 credit Health 9-12 (WVEIS course 6909)
The Arts*	1 credit

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Some counties require additional graduation requirements. Please check with your school Counselor or Advisor to determine local requirements.

PLEASE NOTE: It is important to check with your postsecondary institutions to determine what additional requirements they have for admissions into various programs. Additionally many scholarship programs and the NCAA may require specific courses not required by WV.

NCAA eligibility requirements

http://fs.ncaa.org/Docs/eligibility_center/Quick_Reference_Sheet.pdf