House Bill 5 and High School Graduation Requirements
Work to transition and implement the requirements of House Bill 5 is under way.

The bill gives the SBOE decision-making authority on a number of issues and the SBOE has not yet had the opportunity to receive a briefing and begin planning next steps.

There will be opportunities for districts to provide input and feedback once the SBOE begins the rulemaking process.

The Commissioner must adopt a transition plan to implement the bill and replace the MHSP, RHSP, and DAP with the foundation program beginning with the 2014-2015 school year.
# HB 5 - Foundation High School Program

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<th>Subject</th>
<th>Credits</th>
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| **English Language Arts** | Four credits | • English I  
                          • English II  
                          • English III  
                          • Advanced English Course *(TBD by SBOE)* |
| **Mathematics**       | Three credits | • Algebra I  
                          • Geometry  
                          • Advanced Mathematics Course *(TBD by SBOE)* |
| **Science**           | Three credits | • Biology  
                          • IPC or Advanced Science Course *(TBD by SBOE)*  
                          • Advanced Science Course *(TBD by SBOE)* |
| **Social Studies**    | Three credits | • U.S. History  
                          • U.S. Government (one-half credit)  
                          • Economics (one-half credit)  
                          • World Geography or World History or  
                            Combined World History/World Geography |
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<td>Computer programming language (other exceptions)</td>
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<td>Electives</td>
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A student may earn an endorsement by successfully completing:

- curriculum requirements for the endorsement *(TBD by SBOE)*
- four credits in mathematics
- four credits in science
- two additional elective credits
# HB 5 - Endorsements

## STEM
Includes courses directly related to:
- science, including environmental science
- technology, including computer science
- engineering
- advanced math

## Business and Industry
Includes courses directly related to:
- database management
- information technology
- communications
- accounting
- finance
- marketing
- graphic design
- architecture
- construction
- welding
- logistics
- automotive technology
- agricultural science
- HVAC
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| **Multidisciplinary Studies** | Allows a student to select courses from the curriculum of each endorsement area and earn credits in a variety of advanced courses from multiple content areas sufficient to complete the distinguished level of achievement |

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This table provides an overview of the different endorsement areas under HB 5, detailing the courses and fields of study associated with each.
Each school district must make available to high school students courses that allow a student to complete the curriculum requirements for at least one endorsement.

A school district that offers only one endorsement curriculum must offer the multidisciplinary studies endorsement curriculum.
A student may earn a distinguished level of achievement by successfully completing:

- four credits in mathematics, which must include Algebra II
- four credits in science
- the remaining curriculum requirements
- the curriculum requirements for at least one endorsement
A student may earn a performance acknowledgment (requirements TBD by SBOE):

- for outstanding performance
  - in a dual credit course
  - in bilingualism and biliteracy
  - on an AP test or IB exam
  - on the PSAT, the ACT-Plan, the SAT, or the ACT

- for earning a nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license