

Graduation Plans and STAAR EOC Requirements

for Students entering 9th grade 2011-2012

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	✓	Minimum HS Plan	✓	Recommended HS Plan	✓	Distinguished HS Plan	
		4 credits		4 credits		4 credits	
ELA		English I	EOC	English I	EOC	English I	EOC
		English II	EOC	English II	EOC	English II	EOC
		English III	EOC w/CCR	English III	EOC w/CCR	English III	EOC w/CCR
		Other English class		English IV		English IV	
Mathematics		3 credits		4 credits		4 credits	
		Algebra I	EOC	Algebra I	EOC	Algebra I	EOC
		Geometry	EOC	Geometry	EOC	Geometry	EOC
		Other math class		Algebra II	EOC w/CCR	Algebra II	EOC w/CCR
			Other math class		Other math class		
Science		2 credits		4 credits		4 credits	
		Biology	EOC	Biology	EOC	Biology	EOC
		IPC		Chemistry	EOC	Chemistry	EOC
				Physics or Principles of Technology	EOC	Physics	EOC
			Other science class		Other science class		
Social Studies		2 ½ credits		3 ½ credits		3 ½ credits	
		US History	EOC	World Geography	EOC	World Geography	EOC
				World History	EOC	World History	EOC
		World History or World Geography	EOC	US History	EOC	US History	EOC
			US Government		US Government		
Economics		½ credit		½ credit		½ credit	
Academic Elective		1 credit <i>from one of the following:</i>		None		None	
		Chemistry or Physics	EOC				
		World History or World Geography	EOC				
LOTE		None		2 credits		3 credits	
P.E.		1 credit		1 credit		1 credit	
Health		None		None		None	
Speech		½ credit		½ credit		½ credit	
		Communication Applications or Professional Communication		Communication Applications or Professional Communication		Communication Applications or Professional Communication	
Tech Applications		None		None		None	
Fine Arts		0 (if entered 9 th before 2010-2011)		1 credit		1 credit	
		1 credit					
Electives		6½ credits		5 ½ credits		4 ½ credits	
Total Credits		22 credits		26 credits		26 credits	
Total EOC's		9-12		12		12	

Implications:

- Students who take IPC before Chemistry and Physics could be taking the Physics STAAR EOC in May of their senior year. There may be no opportunity to retake before graduation and therefore graduation implications.
- Students who take Math Models before Algebra II could be taking the Algebra II STAAR EOC in May of their senior year. This may have implications for graduation.
- It is feasible that a few students could pass all of their classes but not pass the STAAR EOC's and have all 12 to take during their senior year.
- Districts will need to establish policy that will determine if student can retest to increase grade, therefore increase rank.

Yet To Be Determined:

- How will tests for 8th graders taking Algebra I and/or Geometry in middle school be given?
- Will the above 8th graders take both the 8th grade STAAR and the EOC for the appropriate course?
- Currently districts award a one-half credit at semester for most courses. With the rule that the STAAR EOC score will be 15% of the grade for a class, will districts no longer be allowed to award these half credits or will the exam only count for 15% of the last semester. Will district have an option?