

## Duval County Public Schools High School Graduation Requirements

<b>Courses</b>	<b>For students entering grade 9 prior to 2006-2007</b>	<b>For students entering grade 9 for the first time in 2006-2007</b>	<b>For students entering grade 9 for the first time in 2007-2008 and later</b>
English	4 credits (major concentration in composition and literature)	4 credits (major concentration in composition and lit)	4 credits ( include writing requirements appropriately rigorous – not just a lit course)
Mathematics	3 credits (one of which must be Algebra I, one of which must be geometry or their equivalent)	4 credits in grades 9-12 1 Algebra I - req 1 geometry- req 1 Algebra II - req 1 additional math	4 credits taken in grades 9-12 1 Algebra I – required 1 geometry - required 1 Algebra II - required 1 additional math
Science	3 credits 1 biology 2 physical sciences (chemistry, physics, E/S) [two must have a laboratory component]	4 credits 1 biology 2 physical sciences (chemistry, physics, E/S)[two must have lab component] 1 additional science	4 credits 1 biology 2 physical sciences (chemistry, physics, E/S) [ two must have lab component] 1 additional science
Add Math or Science	1 credit		
Social Studies	3 credits 1 world history 1 American history ½ American government ½ economics	3 credits 1 world history 1 American history ½ Am. Govt. ½ economics	3 credits 1 world history 1 American history ½ American government ½ economics
World Language*	Not required for high school graduation; 2 credits required for state university admission	2 credits (grades 9 – 12) which include consecutive courses in the same language	2 credits (grades 8 – 12) which include consecutive courses in the same language
Practical Career Education and/or Visual/Performing Fine Arts	1 credit practical arts career education or exploratory career education <u>or</u> 1 credit performing fine arts <u>or</u> ½ credit practical arts <u>and</u> ½ credit performing fine arts	1 credit practical arts career education or exploratory career education <u>or</u> 1 credit PFA <u>or</u> ½ credit practical arts <u>and</u> ½ credit PFA	1 credit performing fine arts
Keystone		½ credit	1 credit
Life Management Skills	½ credit	½ credit	
Physical Education	1 credit (including ½ credit of Personal Fitness and ½ credit PE elective)	1 credit (including ½ credit of PF and ½ credit PE elective)	1 credit H.O.P.E.
Personal, Social, Family Relationships	½ credit		
Majors and Electives***	5 credits	6 credits	6 credits including 4 credits in a major area of interest
<b>Total</b>	<b>24 credits</b>	<b>26 credits</b>	<b>26 credits</b>
State Assessment Requirements	earn passing scores on the FCAT (grade 10) <b>Reading/Math</b>	earn passing scores on the FCAT (grade 10) <b>Reading/Math</b>	earn passing scores on the FCAT (grade 10) <b>Reading/Math</b>
Grade Point Average Requirements (GPA)	earn a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale	earn a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale	earn a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale

\* American Sign Language (ASL) may be used to meet the foreign language requirement. Postsecondary institutions outside of Florida may not accept ASL as a foreign language credit.

\*\* Students who have taken an AP, AICE, IB or DE (Early College) course may opt out.

\*\*\* Students who scored a Level 1 or 2 on the FCAT Reading and/or Mathematics tests must be scheduled into an appropriate intensive reading/mathematics course or provided remediation as determined by diagnosis of needs.