

## Duval County Public Schools High School Graduation Requirements

Current 12<sup>th</sup>

Current 11<sup>th</sup>

Current 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

| Courses   | For students entering grade 9 prior to 2006-2007   | For students entering grade 9 for the first time in 2006-2007   | For students entering grade 9 for the first time in 2007-2008 and later  |
|---|--|---|--|
| 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<br>1 Algebra I - req<br>1 geometry- req<br>1 Algebra II - req<br>1 additional math   | 4 high school math credits taken in middle or high school in 2007-2008 or thereafter<br>1 Algebra I – required (MS/HS)<br>1 geometry – required (MS/HS)<br>1 Algebra II – required (HS only)<br>1 additional math (HS only)  |
| Science   | 3 credits<br>1 biology<br>2 physical sciences (chemistry, physics, E/S) [two must have a laboratory component]   | 4 credits<br>1 biology<br>2 physical sciences (chemistry, physics, E/S)[two must have lab component]<br>1 additional science  | 4 credits<br>1 biology<br>2 physical sciences (chemistry (HS), physics(HS), E/S (HS), E/S Hrs (MS/HS) [ two must have lab component]<br>1 additional science   |
| Add Math or Science   | 1 credit   |   |  |
| Social Studies  | 3 credits<br>1 world history<br>1 American history<br>½ American government<br>½ economics   | 3 credits<br>1 world history<br>1 American history<br>½ Am. Govt.<br>½ economics  | 3 credits<br>1 world history<br>1 American history<br>½ American government<br>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. Students who have been required to take 3 years of Intensive Reading in high school may be exempt from this requirement through a waiver process. | 2 high school credits (taken in middle or high school from 2007-2008 or thereafter) which include consecutive courses in the same language. Students who have been required to take 3 years of Intensive Reading in high school may be exempt from this graduation requirement through a waiver process. |
| Practical Career Education and/or Visual/Performing Fine Arts | 1 credit practical arts career education or exploratory career education <u>or</u><br>1 credit performing fine arts <u>or</u><br>½ credit practical arts <u>and</u><br>½ credit performing fine arts | 1 credit practical arts career education or exploratory career education <u>or</u><br>1 credit PFA <u>or</u><br>½ credit practical arts <u>and</u><br>½ credit PFA  | 1 credit performing fine arts <u>or</u> a state approved practical arts  |
| 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**  | 7 credits  | 4.5 credits   | 5 credits including 4 credits in a major area of interest  |
| <b>Total</b>  | 24 credits   | 24 credits  | 24 credits   |
| 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 world language requirement. Postsecondary institutions outside of

Florida may not accept ASL as a world language credit.

\*\* 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.