



Minimum Courses Required for Graduation North County Trade Tech High School 2018-2019

NOTE: These are the minimum requirements for graduation. Students that are working towards an apprenticeship, certificate or college preparation will have additional requirements.

Students need a minimum of 220 total credit hours to graduate. Each “regular” year-long class earns 10 credits for grades of a D or higher. Courses failed earn NO credits and will need to be retaken before a student is eligible to graduate. Courses are graded on a semester basis with 5 credits earned each semester.

English 9	Biology
English 10	Plus a minimum of 10 more credits of science
English 11	
World History	Integrated Math 1 or Algebra 1
US History	Plus a minimum of 10 more credits of math
Civics*	Engineering for 10 credits minimum
Economics*	Personal Finance for 10 credits
PE for 20 credits (10 can be Personal PE – See office for info)	Construction for 10 credits minimum
Full participation in a sport at TT can earn 5 PE credits.	

These courses represent only 150 credits. The additional 70 credits will be met through a combination of additional core and elective courses.

If a student completes a 3 unit semester course at a California Community College, it transfers into Trade Tech as 10 high school credits. Unless specified in writing from TT prior to enrolling in the class, they will be elective credits. ie. In most cases, college English will not meet the course requirements for high school English.

** Students who wish to graduate early must meet with the principal before the beginning of 11th grade. If you notify the school of this intent after the end of the 1st semester of your junior year, Trade Tech will NOT be able to accommodate this request. See below for information about required senior classes.*

Civics and Economics are ONLY available to 12th graders at Trade Tech. If you wish to graduate early, you will need to take the equivalency of Civics and Economics at a community college, transfer credit from any secondary school prior to 12th grade must be evaluated on an individual basis. A course title does not mean it meets the California requirement for 12th grade Civics or Economics. You MUST have these preapproved in writing prior to taking the classes to ensure they will transfer to meet our requirements.

At Palomar Community College, the Civics requirement is currently met with POSC 101, Political Science – Introduction to Politics and American Political Institutions, and the Economics is currently met with Econ 101, Principles of Economics (Macro). Other colleges will use different course numbers. (Remember: Pre-Approval is required.)