

Texas Foundation High School Program

The Texas Legislature has changed high school graduation requirements for students who entered high school 2014-15 school year and freshman classes after. In addition to the Foundation program, students have the opportunity to earn endorsements and performance acknowledgements.

Foundation High School Program (22 credits)	Foundation w/Endorsement (26 credits)	Foundation w/Endorsement & Distinguished Level of Achievement (26 credits)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English - English I, II, III, IV • 3 credits Math - Alg I, Geometry, and 1 additional credit • 3 credits Science - Biology and 2 additional credits • 3 credits Social Studies - US Hist, World Geography or World History, and Government/Eco • 2 credits Spanish • 1 credit Fine Arts • 1 credit Physical Education • 5 elective credits 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English - English I, II, III, IV • 4 credits Math - Alg I, Geometry, and 2 additional credit • 4 credits Science - Biology and 3 additional credits • 3 credits Social Studies - US Hist, World Geography or World History, and Government/Eco • 2 credits Spanish • 1 credit Fine Arts • 1 credit Physical Education • 7 elective credits <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English - English I, II, III, IV • 4 credits Math - Alg I, Geometry, Algebra II, and 1 additional credit • 4 credits Science - Biology and 3 additional credits • 3 credits Social Studies - US Hist, World Geography or World History, and Government/Eco • 2 credits Spanish • 1 credit Fine Arts • 1 credit Physical Education • 7 elective credits <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement</i></p>

Performance Acknowledgements can be earned in:

- 1) **Dual Credit**
 - a. by completing 12 dual credit hours and maintaining a 3.0 or better GPA

- 2) **Bilingualism and biliteracy**
 - a. by completing 3 credits of Spanish (must have an 80 or better average for all 3 credits) AND an 80 or better average in English credits

- 3) **PSAT, SAT, ACT-PLAN, ACT**
 - a. PSAT – commended scholar or higher
 - b. ACT-PLAN – college readiness in two of four subject areas
 - c. SAT – combined reading and math score of 1250+
 - d. ACT – composite score of 28 (excluding writing)