

BREVARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

To be awarded a regular high school diploma, a student must:

1. Complete all high school credit requirements,
2. Meet the district attendance requirements,
3. Pass the required state assessments, if applicable, in order to qualify for a regular diploma (Ex: statewide, standardized Reading assessment and Algebra 1 EOC).
4. Have a minimum cumulative district unweighted grade point average of at least 2.0 based on a 4.0 scale for all graduation options,

The Four Year 26-Credit Graduation Option Specific Course and Credit Requirements

<u>Subject Area</u>	<u>Credits</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Language Arts (English)	4.0	The four credits in language arts may be chosen from the following: English 1, English 2, English 3, English 4, AP Language, AP Literature, AICE English courses, IB English courses, Dual Enrollment English courses.
Mathematics	4.0	Mathematics must be taken during the ninth and tenth grade years. Three of the credits must be earned in grades 9-12. Two of the four credits in mathematics must include Algebra I, geometry, or a higher level mathematics course.
Science	4.0*	Three of the four credits in science must include either one credit each in biology, chemistry, and physics, or the three-credit sequence of Integrated Science I, II, and III.
Social Studies	4.0*	Three of the four social studies credits must include one credit each in United States History and World History and one-half credit each in United States Government and Economics with Financial Literacy.
Performing or Fine Arts	1.0	One credit is required in Performing or Fine Arts, which may include speech and debate or a practical arts course that incorporates artistic content and techniques of creativity, interpretations, and imagination.
Physical Education (HOPE)	1.0	One credit in the state required physical education class (HOPE) is required. Waivers are available for ROTC and interscholastic sports. See your School Counselor for more details.
Career Research and Decision Making	0.5	This one-half credit course is required of all 9 th grade students.
Electives	7.5	Electives
Total Credits	26	Any student who completes a 4-year program in a block schedule school must complete 30 credits

**Beginning with the class of 2013, students must complete 4 Science credits OR 4 Social Studies credits to fulfill Brevard Public Schools graduation requirements.*

Each student is required to complete a program of study which includes:

A minimum of three (3) credits in any combination from any of the following areas prior to graduation: Approved Dual Enrollment (DE), Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE), approved Honors courses.

OR

Three (3) or more credits to complete a sequential Career and Technical Education Program of Study resulting in a credential endorsed by a national, state or local industry). Successful completion of a minimum of three (3) sequential credits in JROTC Programs meets the Career & Technical Education Program of Study requirement.

NOTES:

- Beginning with students entering Grade 9 in the 2011-2012 school year, at least one course within the 26 credits required for graduation must be completed through *online learning*. A high school online course taken during grades 6 through 8 fulfills this requirement. This requirement shall be met through an online course offered by the Florida Virtual School, an online course offered by the high school, or an online dual enrollment course offered pursuant to a district interinstitutional articulation agreement pursuant to s.1007.235, F.S. A student who is enrolled in a full-time or part-time virtual instruction program under s.1002.45 meets this requirement.
- Any student in Grades 9-12 who scored Level 1, Level 2 or failed the statewide, standardized Reading assessment the previous year must take Intensive Reading which will be recorded as an elective.