

Comparison of Current and HB5 Graduation Plans

| Discipline | Minimum | Recommended | Distinguished | Foundation (HB 5) | Foundation Plus Endorsement | NEW Distinguished |
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| English Language Arts | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • English IV or approved alternate course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • English IV | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • English IV | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • One credit in any authorized advanced English course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • One credit in any authorized advanced English course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • One credit in any authorized advanced English course |
| Mathematics | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Geometry • SBOE approved math course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Algebra II • Geometry • An additional math credit | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Algebra II • Geometry • An additional math credit | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Geometry • One credit in any authorized advanced math course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Geometry • Two additional credits in any authorized advanced math course (Algebra II required for STEM Endorsement) | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I • Algebra II • Geometry • One credit in any authorized advanced math course |
| Science | Two credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • IPC or Chemistry and Physics (one of the two serves as an academic elective) <p style="color: red; margin-top: 5px;">DISD: one additional elective in science</p> | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Physics • An additional science credit | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • Chemistry • Physics • An additional science credit | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • IPC or Chemistry or Physics • One credit in any authorized advanced science course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • IPC or Chemistry or Physics • Two credits in any authorized advanced science course | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biology • IPC or Chemistry or Physics • Two credits in any authorized advanced science course |
| Social Studies | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World History Studies (one credit) or World Geography Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World History Studies (one credit) • World Geography Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one- | Four credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World History Studies (one credit) • World Geography Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. History • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit) • World History or World Geography or combined W. History/W. Geography | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. History • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit) • World History or World Geography or combined W. History/W. Geography | Three credits: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. History • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit) • World History or World Geography or combined W. History/W. Geography |

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| | (one-half credit) | half credit) | (one-half credit) | or combined W. History/W. Geography | | |
| Physical Education and Health | PE: 1 credit + .5 credit (Local) = 1.5 credits total + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) | PE: 1 credit + .5 credit (Local) = 1.5 credits total + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) | PE: 1 credit + .5 credit (Local) = 1.5 credits total + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) | PE: 1 credit + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) | PE: 1 credit + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) | PE: 1 credit + Health: .5 credit (Dallas ISD Local) |
| Languages Other Than English | None | Two credits in the same language | Three credits in the same language | Two credits in the same language Computer programming languages (other exceptions) | Two credits in the same language Computer programming languages (other exceptions) | Two credits in the same language Computer programming languages (other exceptions) |
| Fine Arts | One credit | One credit | One credit | One credit | One credit | One credit |
| Speech | One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE) | One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE) | One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE) | | | |
| Electives | DISD: 6.5 credits (one science, see above) | DISD: 4.5 credits | DISD: 3.5 credits with "4 advanced measures" | DISD: 4.5 credits | Five Credits | Five Credits |
| *Endorsement | | | | Not required | *See below | *See below |
| TOTAL CREDITS | 22 | 26 | 26 | 22 | 26 | 26 |
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***Endorsements:**

STEM – 4 CTE, or 4 Math (including Alg. II), or 4 Science, or 4 computer programming

Business and Industry – 4 CTE, or 4 ELA (journalism/public speaking)

Public Services – 4 CTE, or 4 JROTC

Arts and Humanities – 4 Social Studies, or 4 levels same language or 2 different languages, or 4 Fine arts

Multidisciplinary Studies – 4 Advanced/workforce-ready courses, or 4 Foundation (English, math, science, social studies), or 4 AP/IB/Dual Credit

