

## EAST LANSING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 22 credits, as distributed below, is required for graduation.

<b>Mathematics</b>		<b>4 Credits</b>
Algebra I Algebra II	Geometry At least one math course must be taken during the student's senior year. *	
<b>English Language Arts</b>		<b>4 Credits</b>
English I English II	English III 4th credit in English	
<b>Science</b>		<b>3 Credits</b>
Biology Chemistry OR Physics	Additional 1 credit of science **	
<b>Social Studies</b>		<b>3 Credits</b>
World Civilizations (includes Geography) US History (includes Geography)	Economics (0.5 credit) Civics (0.5 credit)	
<b>Physical Education &amp; Health</b>		<b>1 Credit</b>
Intro. to Physical Education (0.5 credit)	Health (0.5 credit)	
<b>Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts</b>		<b>1 Credit</b>
One credit hour must be taken in Visual, Performing and/or Applied Arts. ***		
<b>Additional Electives</b>		<b>6 Credits</b>
Options to satisfy this requirement are listed in the Course Description Book. Students should refer to their Educational Development Plan (EDP) in completing the balance of their requirements.		
<b>Additional Requirements</b>		
Online learning requirement (20 hours) as required by the Michigan Department of Education. This may be satisfied through grades 6-12 course content.		
Participation in the Michigan Merit Exam (MME) during the student's junior year is required for graduation.		
A cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 1.8 is required for graduation.		
<b>World Language (Class of 2016 and thereafter)</b>		
All students are required to complete 2 years of world language prior to graduation.		

## **Additional Information Regarding ELHS High School Graduation Requirements**

### **\*Additional Math Information:**

- 1) Probability and Statistics – Probability and Statistics is a significant component of the Michigan Merit Exam (which is taken in March of the junior year). It is highly recommended that students include the Probability and Statistics content prior to that time by taking either:
  - Advanced Geometry (1.0 credit) and Advanced Algebra II (1.0 credit) or
  - AP Statistics (1.0 credit) or
  - Probability and Statistics (0.5 credit)
- 2) Algebra II – this requirement can be satisfied by taking either:
  - 1 year of Algebra II (1.0 credit)
  - 1 year of Advanced Algebra II (1.0 credit)
  - Algebra II spread over 2 years (2.0 credits)
  - Algebra II spread over 1.5 years (1.5 credits) or
  - A department approved formal career and technical education program or curriculum that has appropriate embedded mathematics content.
  - For additional ways to meet the Algebra II requirement, please contact your ELHS counselor.
- 3) One full year (1.0 credit) of mathematics must be completed in senior year.
- 4) Completion of math requirements may result in more than four earned math credits.

### **\*\*Additional Science Information:**

The Michigan Merit Exam (MME), taken in 11<sup>th</sup> grade, includes content in Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. The Science Department strongly recommends the additional science credit include courses that incorporate the content expectations that are assessed from each of the four disciplines listed above.

### **\*\*\*Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts:**

0.5 credits in each of two different areas is acceptable.

### **Credit earned at the Middle School:**

Students will receive high school credit toward graduation for successful completion of Algebra I, French I & II, Spanish I & II, and up to one earned science elective credit. Middle school student grades will not be calculated into high school GPA, but transcripts will reflect successful completion of the course.

### **Additional Credit Options:**

Students may obtain credit through additional learning options such as ISHALL, CHAMP, and online learning opportunities. Please see counselors for details about all credit options.

### **Personal Curriculum Modifications:**

State of Michigan law allows students and parents/legal guardians to request a personal curriculum modification that allows students to modify ELHS required curriculum for very specific reasons.

### **Special Education:**

All students receiving special education services in Michigan must have an Individualized Education Program (IEP) that details the appropriate education plan outlining modifications, accommodations, and support for student success.

**Please see an ELHS counselor if you have questions about any requirement.**