

## TUSD HIGH SCHOOL FOUR-YEAR EDUCATIONAL PLAN

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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\* Classes may be taken at a later date.

**High School Graduation Requirements**

- 4 Years English
- 4 Years Mathematics
- 3 Years Lab Science
- 1 Year World History
- 1 Year American History
- .50 American Government
- .50 Economics
- 1 Year of Fine Arts OR Career & Technical Ed.
- .50 Health
- 1 Year of Physical Education
- 6.5 Additional Credits**
- 23 Credits**

**Requirements for Admission to Arizona State Universities**

*(16 Units Minimum Required)*

- 4 Years English
- 4 Years Mathematics
- 3 Years Lab Science
- 2 Years Social Science
- 1 Year Fine Arts OR CTE
- 2 Years Foreign Language

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## Class Standing

A student's class standing is determined by the total number of credits earned by the beginning of the school year, as listed below:

<b>Freshman</b>	0 – 5.00 credits
<b>Sophomore</b>	5.25 – 10.00 credits
<b>Junior</b>	10 – 16.00 credits
<b>Senior</b>	16.00 – 23.00 credits

Credits are earned for successful completion of courses taken. The amount of credit earned is determined as follows:

- 1.0** Credit for a full year course
- 0.50** Credit for a one semester course

**Note:** A credit is equal to a Carnegie Unit. A Carnegie Unit is defined by the student's actual time of instruction in the classroom; therefore, at the discretion of the teacher, a student may not earn credit if he/she has 10-14 excused and/or unexcused absences.

## Grade Point Average and Rank-In-Class

A student's grade point average (GPA) and rank-in-class are based on all classes that the student carries for high school credit. If a student fails a course and subsequently completes the course satisfactorily, the passing grade is used to compute the GPA; the failing grade is not. High school credit earned in Algebra and Spanish in the eighth grade will be used toward graduation. Grades earned in these classes will be used in computing the cumulative GPA. Cumulative GPA is computed by giving equal value to grades earned in all full credit courses. A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0. Advanced Placement grades of A, B, C, and D are weighted one additional grade point. Transcripts are updated each semester, and copies of the official transcript will be sent to colleges and employers upon student request. The final transcript becomes part of the student's permanent record and is the official certification of graduation.

## PLANNING FOR COLLEGE ADMISSION

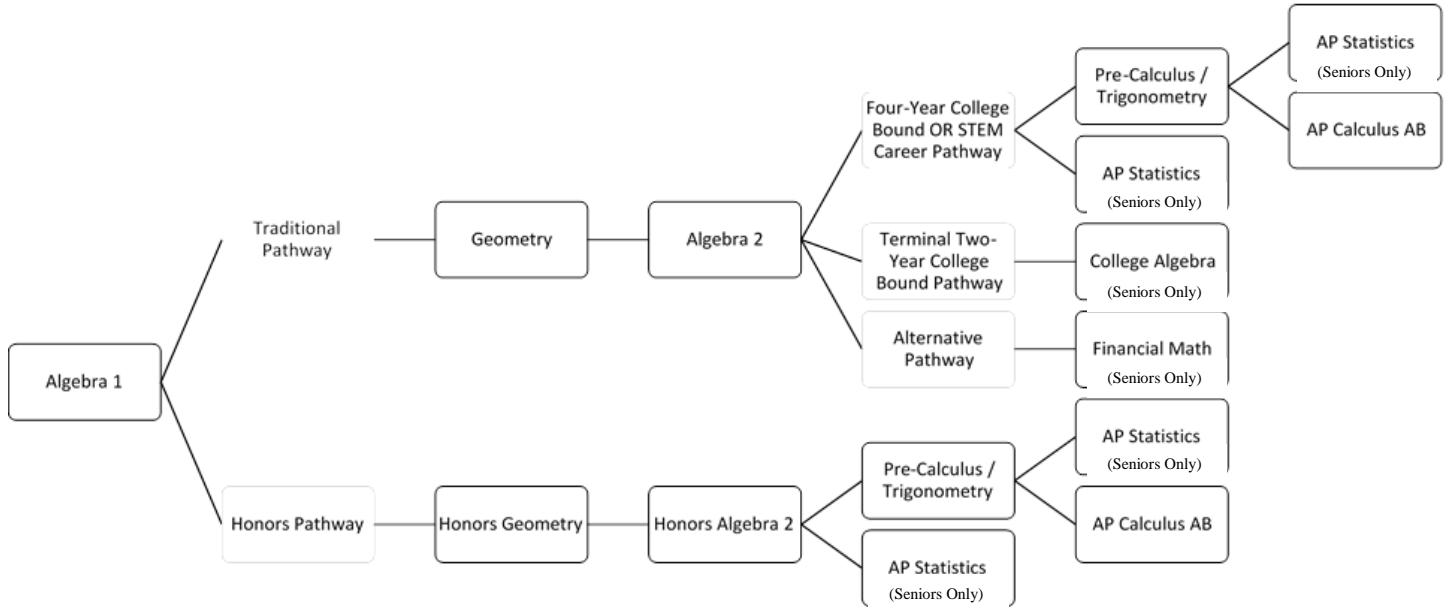
CURRICULUM SUBJECT AREAS GRADUATION	TUSD HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR UNIVERSITIES IN ARIZONA
English	4	4 Credits
Mathematics	4	4 Credits
Science	3 Biology by 10 <sup>th</sup> Gr	3 Credits
Social Studies	3	2 Credits
Physical Education	1	
Health	.5	
Fine Arts / Career & Technical Ed.	1	1 Credit Fine Arts
World Languages	-	2 Credits
Electives	6.5	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>16 Core Courses</b>

Elective classes are classes that are not specifically required for graduation. For example, if you take four years of science, one year is an elective since only three years of science are required for graduation. In addition, all foreign language classes are electives.

Students are required to take six classes each year. Middle school credits from Algebra I and World Languages will count towards high school graduation requirements.

Selections of a graduation plan and the monitoring of course choices are the responsibility of the student and parent. The more selective universities usually require additional high school course work beyond requirements of the state universities' requirements. Colleges consider many criteria when determining who is admitted or awarded scholarships. In general, they are more concerned with the rigor of the curriculum and the standardized test scores than they are with the total number of units or the GPA. Students who take Honors and AP classes are usually given extra consideration in the selection process. Even though the total number of classes is not as important as the classes taken, we encourage students to take as many classes as they can in high school to become better prepared for their future.

**Students entering high school will need 4 years of mathematics to graduate from high school:**



Additionally, Financial Math and AP Statistics may be taken for elective credit. While Financial Math counts towards an Arizona High School diploma, Financial Math is NOT accepted as a high school math credit towards college enrollment NOR does the NCAA accept it as a “core course” for initial eligibility.