

Graduation Plans Class of 2018 and Beyond

Irving students will pursue the Foundation High School Plan with an Endorsement or the Distinguished Level of Achievement upon entering 9th grade. Endorsement requirements are identified on the next page.



Foundation HS Program		Foundation with Endorsement(s)		Distinguished Achievement+	
Subject Areas	Credits	Subject Areas	Credits	Subject Areas	Credits
English English I, II, III and an advanced English course	4	English same	4	English same	4
Comm. App./Prof. Comm.(Speech)	½	Same	½	Same	½
Mathematics (including Algebra I, Geometry, and an advanced math course)	3	Mathematics (including Algebra 1, Geometry, and two advanced math courses)	4	Mathematics (Algebra 1, Geom and two adv maths which include Alg.2)	4
Science (Biology, IPC and one advanced course OR Biology and two advanced courses)	3	Science (Biology, IPC and two advanced courses OR Bio and three advanced courses)	4	Science Same as Foundation with Endorsement	4
Social Studies (World Geography, World History, US History, Government and Economics)	4	Social Studies same	4	Social Studies same	4
Physical Education **	1	Physical Education**	1	Physical Education**	1
Health	½	Health	½	Health	½
Languages Other Than English	2	Languages Other Than English	2	Languages Other Than English	2
Fine Arts	1	Fine Arts	1	Fine Arts	1
		Requirements of an Endorsement	See Next Page	Requirements of an Endorsement	See Next Page
Electives	3	Electives (including endorsement courses)	5	Electives (including endorsement courses)	5
Total Credits Required	22		26		26

+ A student must earn the Distinguished Level of Achievement to be eligible for top 10% automatic admission

**Credit for PE courses may be earned through participation in athletics or JROTC or appropriate private or commercially-sponsored physical activity programs for a maximum of four credits, or through participation in marching band, cheerleading or drill team.

A student may graduate under the foundation high school program without an endorsement if, after the student's sophomore year, a committee including the student, the students' parent, and the counselor determine that it is in the best interest of the student to bypass the benefits of graduating with an endorsement. A student served by an A.R.D. committee may also graduate without an endorsement.