

# Requirements for Graduation

IDEA Course	IDEA Graduation Requirements, Number of Carnegie Units
English	4.0
Foreign Language	2.0
Mathematics	4.0
Science	4.0
Health and Physical Education	1.5
History/Social Studies	4.0
Art	0.5
Music	0.5
Electives (JROTC, CTE, etc)	3.5
Total	24.0

## Promotion and Retention Policies

IDEA believes that students' school performance is a significant measure of what they've learned. For a student to succeed at increasing higher levels of school, he or she needs to have a sufficient foundation at his or her present level. IDEA believes it is in a student's interest to build a substantial academic foundation before advancing to higher academic levels.

	English Credits	Other Credits	Community Service Hours	Credits for Year	Required Credits + Recommended Community Service Hours
Grade 9 to 10	English 1	Algebra 1 AND World History 1 OR Science	25	5	5 +25 hours
Grade 10 to 11	English 2	Geometry AND World History 2 OR Biology	25	4	9 +50 hours

Grade 11 to 12	English 3	Algebra 2, Spanish 1, US History OR Science	25	7	16 +75 hours
Grade 12 to graduate	English 4	All	25 (100 total)	8	24 +100 hours

Accordingly, students must meet applicable academic, community service, and discipline standards in order to be promoted to the next grade level. All students meeting these benchmarks are automatically candidates for promotion. Students who do not meet these criteria may become candidates for retention.

### **Retention**

If a student fails two or more core classes, s/he will be retained at the present grade level. Core classes include English, mathematics, social studies, science, and Spanish.

To receive a diploma, seniors must meet all graduation requirements.