**Graduation Plan Decision Making Chart**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ID \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

TAKS Tests:  ELA  Mathematics  Science  Social Studies

* Algebra II (must be one of the student’s math credits)

Distinguished – Eligible for top 10% Automatic Admission

English Language Arts – 4 Credits

* English I
* English II
* English III
* English IV

Mathematics – 3 Credits

* Algebra I
* Geometry
* 3rd Math Credit

Social Studies – 3 Credits

* World Geography **or** World History
* US History
* Government
* Economics

Science – 2 Credits

* Biology
* IPC

Academic Elective

* World History, World Geography, or 3rd Science

Physical Education

* Physical Education

Speech

* ½ Credit

Fine Arts – 1 Credit

* Fine Art

Electives – 7 ½ Credits

* Elective 1 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 2 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 4 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 5 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 6 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 7 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 7½ \_\_\_\_\_

Minimum Plan – 22 Credits

English Language Arts – 4 Credits

* English I
* English II
* English III
* Advanced English

Mathematics – 3 Credits

* Algebra I
* Geometry
* Advanced Math

Social Studies – 3 Credits

* World Geography, World History **or**

Combined Course

* US History
* Government
* Economics

Science – 3 Credits

* Biology
* IPC **or**

Advanced Science

* Additional Advanced Science

Foreign Language or Substitute

* Year 1
* Year 2

Fine Arts – 1 Credit

* Fine Art

Physical Education

* Physical Education

Electives – 5

* Elective 1 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 2 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 4 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 5 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Foundation Plan – 22 Credits

English Language Arts – 4 Credits

* English I
* English II
* English III
* English IV

Mathematics – 4 Credits

* Algebra I
* Geometry
* Algebra II
* 4th Math Credit

Social Studies – 4 Credits

* World Geography
* World History
* US History
* Government
* Economics

Science – 4 Credits

* Biology
* IPC or Chemistry
* Chemistry or Physics
* Physics or 4th Science Credit

Foreign Language

* Year 1
* Year 2

Physical Education

* Physical Education

Speech

* ½ Credit

Fine Arts – 1 Credit

* Fine Art

Electives – 5 ½ Credits

* Elective 1 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 2 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 4 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 5 \_\_\_\_\_\_
* Elective 5½ \_\_\_\_\_\_

Recommended Plan – 26 Credits

* STEM
* Business and Industry
* Arts and Humanities
* Public Services
* Multidisciplinary Studies
* Math **or** 1 CTE Math
* 1 Science **or** 1 CTE Science
* Elective 1
* Elective 2

Endorsements – 26 Credits

* Algebra II (must be included)

Distinguished – Eligible for top 10% Automatic Admission

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* English I
* English II
* Algebra I
* US History
* Biology

Foundation Plan – 22 Credits

Students who graduate on the Foundation or Recommended Plans are eligible for admission to a 4-year institution of higher education upon high school graduation.

**Scenarios to Inform Decision Making**

**English Language Arts**

* English Language Arts requirements for the Minimum and Foundation Plans are the same

**Mathematics**

* Mathematics requirements for the Minimum and Foundation Plans are the same. For the Foundation Plan, the student’s third Math course may be a CTE, MMA , or Algebra II. Algebra II is required for a student to be eligible for ranking in the top 10% of their class.

**Social Studies**

* Social Studies requirements for the Minimum and Foundation Plans are the same. It is unlikely that SBISD will offer the combined World History/World Geography course during the 2013-14 school year.
* A student on the minimum plan may use either World History or World Geography for their academic elective.

**Science**

* Under the Foundation Plan, a student’s third science class may be a course other than Chemistry or Physics such as Environmental or Aquatic Science.
* A student on the minimum plan may use Physics or Chemistry as their academic elective.

**Foreign Language**

* Student has gained one credit in a foreign language:
	+ Take the remaining credit as a Senior in 2013-14
	+ Take Credit by Exam and make a grade of
		- 80 or higher for original credit
		- 75 or higher for retake credit