

# HS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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The Warwick School District requires a minimum of 22.0 credits for graduation. The 22.0 credits to be earned must include the following:

|                          |              |  |
|--------------------------|--------------|--|
| Liberal Arts/Humanities* | 2.0 credits  | NOTE: Successful completion of a Graduation Project is a requirement for Graduation. |
| English                  | 4.0 credits  |  |
| Mathematics              | 3.0 credits  |  |
| Social Studies           | 3.0 credits  |  |
| Science                  | 3.0 credits  |  |
| Physical Education       | 1.75 credits |  |
| Health                   | .5 credits   |  |
| Driver Education         | .25 credits  |  |
| Electives                | 4.5 credits  |  |
| TOTAL                    | 22.0 credits |  |

\* May be elected from any department

### **The following courses are required for graduation for all students:**

| <b>9th Grade</b> | <b>10th Grade</b>      | <b>11th Grade</b>                            | <b>12th Grade</b>                            |
|------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| English 9        | English 10             | English 11/or English for College and Career | English 12/or English for College and Career |
| US History II    | US History III (.5)    | Phys. Ed. (.5)                               | American Government (.5)                     |
| Earth Science    | Biology                | World History                                | Phys. Ed. (.5)                               |
| Math             | *Science/Math          | *Science/Math                                | * Science/Math                               |
| Phys Ed (.5)     | Driver Education (.25) |  |  |
|                  | Phys Ed (.25)          |  |  |
|                  | Health (.5)            |  |  |

\*The third math and science may be selected in any grade.

**With the approval of the proposed Chapter 4 Academic Standards and Assessment regulations by the Pennsylvania Legislature, graduation requirements for students attending Warwick High School will include:**

- 1. Complete the prescribed course/credit requirements as set forth above.**
- 2. Successfully complete a culminating project (Graduation Project), which demonstrates the student's ability to apply, analyze, synthesize, and evaluate information and communicate significant knowledge and understanding.**
- 3. Demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, and mathematics on either the State assessments administered in grade 11 or 12 or local assessment aligned with academic standards and State assessments at the proficient level or better. Successful completion of a remedial class or program is another way to meet this requirement.**

### **Graduation Information**

The high school principal will determine a student's eligibility for a diploma from Warwick High School and certify that the student has met all requirements. Only students who have met all of the graduation requirements as per Board Policy 5190 will be eligible to participate in the commencement ceremony.

## **Early Graduation**

Plans for early graduation must be considered at course selection time. Students must apply for early graduation through their counselor. Before early graduation is granted, the student must secure the approval of his/her parents, guidance counselor and high school principal. Detailed information pertaining to early graduation is available from the guidance counselors.

## **Class Rank**

Class rank is computed on the basis of grades earned in all subjects taken in grades 9 through 12 for which credit is granted. For Grade Point Average calculations, the following courses are weighted:

|  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| Honors English 11, 12                    | Advanced Algebra 2                    |
| Advanced Composition (Sem)               | Advanced Plane Geometry               |
| French IV, V                             | AP Biology                            |
| German IV, V                             | Chemistry II (Sem)                    |
| Spanish IV, V                            | Honors Chemistry                      |
| AP American History                      | Organic Chemistry (Sem)               |
| AP World History                         | Introduction to Genetics (Sem)        |
| AP American Government                   | Physics                               |
| Pre-Calculus                             | Honor Physics                         |
| Calculus, Calculus AB, Calculus BC (Sem) | Advanced Seminar                      |
| Data Structures I, II (Sem)              | Advanced Accounting                   |
| Probability and Statistics (Sem)         | AP Studio/Portfolio                   |
| AP Probability and Statistics            | Art History Prehistoric – Post Modern |
| Trigonometry (Sem)                       |                                       |

*The weighted value for a 1-credit course is 1.2 quality points and the weighted value for a .5 credit course is .6 quality points.*

## **Promotion Standards**

In order for students to be “promoted” to the next grade level homeroom and to be members of a specific class (Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors), they must have earned a minimum number of credits. These minimum credit standards are:

- 4.5 credits (minimum) to move from 9<sup>th</sup> grade to 10<sup>th</sup> grade
- 10.0 credits (minimum) to move from 10<sup>th</sup> grade to 11<sup>th</sup> grade
- 15.0 credits (minimum) to move from 11<sup>th</sup> grade to 12<sup>th</sup> grade
- 22.0 credits (minimum, including required credits) to qualify for graduation

Students who do not meet these minimum requirements will not be assigned to the next grade level homeroom.

## **Repeating Courses and taking courses for enrichment**

Any failed required subject may be remediated in a variety of ways: attending summer school, repeating the course at Warwick High School, or completing a Warwick approved correspondence or online course. Another option includes finishing 30 hours of one-to-one tutoring for a one (1) credit course, 15 hours of one-on-one tutoring for a .50 credit course and passing the course’s final exam.

All make-up course work requires the advance approval of the student’s school counselor and the high school principal. All make-up course work, grades and transcripts must be received by August 15 in order to be officially recognized for the up-coming school year.

Grades received in approved remediated and enrichment courses will be listed on the student’s transcript as pass/fail.