

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS, RELATED POLICIES & PROCEDURES

High school graduation represents a certain amount of growth in academic, social, physical and occupational skills generally thought to be useful in adult life. Since each student enters the high school experience with a unique set of needs and abilities, it can be expected that the experience provided and the amount of growth observed will vary widely among students. Although there are many differences among students, and graduation from high school will not represent exactly the same thing for every student, the Kelso School District does possess the responsibility to assure some degree of consistency among its secondary schools with respect to the education represented by a high school diploma. This responsibility leads the Board of Education to hereby establish requirements for high school graduation. These requirements shall be consistent with the provisions in Chapter 180-51 WAC.

REQUIRED COURSE OUTLINE:

Language Arts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Language Arts 9, Language Arts 10, Language Arts 11 Senior Language Arts Electives 	4.0
Math <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I (or math above Algebra II) Geometry Algebra II (or equivalent) 	3.0
Science – Two labs required <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrated Science - Earth/Space & Physics (grade 9) or equivalent Biology: Ecology and Biology: Genetics Integrated Chemistry Science Elective 	3.0
Social Studies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World History & Geography (grade 10) US History (grade 11) American Government (grade 12) 1 Social Studies Elective Washington State History (non-credit requirement usually taken in grade 7) 	3.0
Career and Technical Education (CTE) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agriculture and Natural Resources, Automotive, Business, Marketing, Info Tech, and Finance, Engineering Design and Fabrication, Human Services, Hospitality, & Education, STEM, Health Science, Public Safety, Government/Law (Fire Science First Responder, Health Science Careers, Police Science) 	1.0
Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9th Grade 	0.5
Physical Education <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9th Grade PE 3 PE Electives 	2.0
Arts* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Music, Art, Theatre, some CTE Courses 	2.0
World Language* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Japanese, French, Spanish, American Sign Language 	2.0
Pathway Electives	5.5
*Personal Pathway Choice	Total Credits
	26.0

NON-CREDIT REQUIREMENTS
Pass Washington State History High School and Beyond Plan Graduation Pathway

***Personal Pathway:** (must be approved by parent/guardian and counselor) students may take alternate coursework as defined by their High School and Beyond Plan in place of required 2 credits of World Languages and 1.0 of Arts.