

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS BEGINNING WITH STUDENTS ENTERING IN FALL 2022

(College Preparatory Curriculum)

SUBJECT	CARNEGIE UNITS	CONTENTS & REMARKS
English	4	Units must require substantial communications skills (i.e. reading, writing, listening, and speaking). Compensatory Reading and compensatory writing may not be included.
Mathematics	4	Algebra I or its equivalent Math higher than Algebra 1 (2 units)
Science	3	Biology I or its equivalent Science higher than Biology 1 (2 units)
Social Studies	3	Units must include integrated courses of social sciences and humanities promoting civic competence
Arts	1	Includes anyone Carnegie unit (or two 1/2 units) of visual and performing arts course(s) meeting the requirements for high school graduation.
Advanced Electives	2	Option 1: Foreign Language I and Foreign Language II Option 2: Foreign Language I and one unit from Option 3 Option 3: (1) Any combination of advanced electives above the required Carnegie units in: (a) as noted in the Mississippi Department of Education Secondary Course Manual and/or (b) any Advanced Placement (AP), Academic or Career and Technical Dual Credit (DC), International Baccalaureate (IB) or Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) course. (2) Completion of any two-year Career and Technical course may count as one unit. Example: completion of both Health Sciences I & II will count as an advanced elective.
Technology or Computer Science	1	A technology course emphasizes the use of technology as a productivity tool. Instruction should include utilizing various forms of technology to create, collaborate, organize, and publish information. The application of technology as a productivity tool, rather than specific hardware and/or software packages should be the focus of the course. A computer science course emphasizes computational thinking to solve problems. Courses will involve the study of computers and algorithmic processes, including their principles, their hardware and software designs, their applications, and their impact on society and should include focus on one or more of the following core concepts: computing systems, networks and the internet, data and analysis, algorithms and programming, and impacts of computing. Course equivalent or additional advanced elective may be acceptable for non-Mississippi residents
Pre-High School Units		Courses taken prior to high school will be accepted for admission provided the course earns Carnegie credit and the content is the same as the high school course.
Substitutions		Advanced Placement (AP) and International Baccalaureate (IB) courses can be substituted for each requirement in the College Preparatory Curriculum.
Course Acceptance		A course may not be used to satisfy more than one requirement.
TOTAL	18	

FRESHMAN ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Regular admission will be granted to the following:

- 1 All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with a minimum of a 3.20 high school GPA on the CPC.
- 2 All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) a minimum of a 2.50 high school GPA on the CPC or a class rank in the top 50%, and (b) a score of 16 or higher on the ACT (or the SAT equivalent).

- 3 All students completing the College Preparatory Curriculum (CPC) with (a) a minimum of a 2.00 high school GPA on the CPC, and (b) a score of 18 or higher on the ACT (or SAT equivalent).
- 4 All students satisfying the NCAA Division I standards for student-athletes who are “full-qualifiers or “academic redshirts”

In lieu of ACT scores, students may submit equivalent SAT scores. Students scoring below 16 on the ACT (Composite) or the equivalent SAT are encouraged to participate in the Year-Long Academic Support Program during their freshman year.

ACT/SAT scores are currently waived due to COVID-19.