

Current Senior Class and Older

Garland ISD Students Entering 9th Grade prior to the 2007-2008 School Year – High School Course Guide (updated 1/29/2010)

Required Courses	Minimum Program	Recommended Program	Distinguished Achievement Program
English Language Arts	4 Credits (English I, English II, English III, and English IV) ¹	4 Credits (English I, English II, English III, and English IV) ¹	4 Credits (English I, English II, English III, and English IV) ¹
Mathematics	3 Credits (Algebra 1, Geometry, and one additional credit) ²	3 Credits (Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2) ²	3 Credits (Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2) ²
Science	3 Credits (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) ³	3 Credits (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) ³	3 Credits (Biology, Chemistry, and Physics) ³
Social Studies	4 Credits (World Geography, World History, U S History, Government ½ , Economics ½)	4 Credits (World Geography, World History, U S History, Government ½ , Economics ½)	4 Credits (World Geography, World History, U S History, Government ½ , Economics ½)
Languages Other Than English	2 Credits (in the same language)	2 Credits (in the same language)	3 Credits (in the same language)
Fine Arts	½ Credit	1 Credit	1 Credit
Speech	½ Credit	½ Credit	½ Credit
Health	½ Credit	½ Credit	½ Credit
Physical Education	1 ½ Credits	1 ½ Credits	1 ½ Credits
Technology Applications	1 Credit	1 Credit	1 Credit
Electives	4 Credits	3 ½ Credits	2 ½ Credits
TOTAL	24 Credits	24 Credits	24 Credits
Advanced Measures	-----	-----	Any combination of 4 advanced measures
Assessment Mastery	Exit-Level TAKS (ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies)	Exit-Level TAKS (ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies)	Exit-Level TAKS (ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies)

¹ Students receiving credit for English I in Grade 8 must earn an additional 5th credit in English.

² Students receiving credit for Algebra I in Grade 7 or 8 must complete a total of 4 credits in mathematics.

³ Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) may be used as a science credit if taken prior to the 2005-2006 school year or if both Chemistry and Physics have been taken but one of them was not passed. Students receiving credit for Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC) in eighth grade must complete a total of 4 credits.