High School Endorsements & 4 Year Plans

Parent Chat



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Objective:

- ★ VVe will explore how to prepare for the high school classes your child will need to take.
- ★ We will explore the 5 possible endorsements to choose from in high school.

Planning your future - What are your options?



High School Foundation (basic 22 classes everyone needs)

"The Plain Cupcake"

English - 4 credits/classes

•English I, II, III, and English IV*

Math - 3 credits/classes

·Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II*

Science - 3 credits/classes

·Biology, Integrated Physics and Chemistry (IPC), or Chemistry, or Physics, and one additional science

Social Studies - 3 credits/classes

•US History, government (.5 credit), economics (.5 credit), and *either* World History *or* World Geography

Language Other than English (LOTE) - 2 credits/classes

·Credits must be in the same language

Fine Arts - 1 credit/class

Physical Education - 1 credit/class

Health - .5 credit (one semester)

Communication Skills - .5 credit (one semester)

Electives - 4 credits

FOUNDATION HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM (FHSP) The 22-Credit Foundation Is Required for All Endorsements Must consist of English I, II, III (ESOL I may be substituted for English I for students with limited English proficiency), and an additional English course MATHEMATICS 3 Must include Algebra I, Geometry, and an additional Must include one Biology credit, one credit selected from IPC, or Chemistry, or Physics; and an additional, lab-based science course Must include U.S. History, one-half credit Government, one-half credit Economics, and either World History or World Geography Must consist of 2 levels in the same language; designated Computer Science courses may substitute Choir, Band, Orchestra, Dance, Art, Theatre Arts, Art History, or Music Theory I and II: Floral Design or Digital Art & Animation may substitute May include Athletics or PE (up to 4 credits), Foundations of Personal Fitness (.5 credit): Dance, Dance Team I, fall semesters of Marching Band or the first year of Cheerleading may substitute. Katy ISD Board-adopted requirement Must include a communication skills component, earned through Professional Communications, Debate, Oral Interpretation, AP Seminar, Professional Standards in Agribusiness, LeadWorthy, Theatre, Theatre Production or Dual Credit Speech. TOTAL FHSP CREDITS 22 ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ENDORSEMENT SCIENCE.....1 Electives must be chosen from the five endorsement categories of STEM, Business & Industry, Arts & Humanities, Public Services, and/or Multidisciplinary Studies TOTAL CREDITS: FHSP + ENDORSEMENT 26 College Board Advanced Placement and Dual Credit courses may be substituted in appropriate areas for both Foundation and Endorsement credits.

STATE ASSESSMENT PERFORMANCE

In addition to the credit requirements as listed above, students must meet passing standards on the following End-of-Course Exams:

- English I
- English II
- Algebra I
- Biology
- United States History

ENDORSEMENTS

All students are required to declare an endorsement in writing. Students will be permitted to change their endorsement with written notification.

There are five endorsement options, which allow students flexibility based on individual interests and career goals. Each endorsement category is designed to prepare students to successfully enter postsecondary deducation or the workforce upon graduation from high school.

The endorsement and the career areas to which they correspond are as listed below:

- STEM Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (Algebra II, Chemistry, and Physics are required for the STEM endorsement):
- PUBLIC SERVICES Education and Training; JROTC; Health Science; Human Services; and Law and Public Service;
- BUSINESS & INDUSTRY Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources; Architecture and Construction; Arts, AV Technology and Communications; Business, Marketing and Finance; Hospitality and Tourism; Information Technology; Manufacturing; Transportation; and Journalism, and Public
- ARTS & HUMANITIES –Social Studies; Languages other than English; Fine Arts; and English Language Arts;
- MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES Allows students to take courses in several endorsement areas as listed above.

Specific requirements for each endorsement were adopted by the State Board of Education on January 31, 2014.

RECOGNITIONS

Students have the opportunity to earn additional recognitions in the following areas.

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

A student may earn a distinguished level of achievement by successfully completing all curriculum requirements for the Foundation High School Program, plus each of the following:

- A fourth credit in mathematics, which must include Algebra II;
- A fourth credit in science;
- The requirements of at least one endorsement

A student must graduate with a Distinguished Level of Achievement to be considered for the Top 10% and eligible for automatic admission to a Texas public college or university.

PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

A student may earn a performance acknowledgement in one or more of the following categories:

- AP test score of 3 or above;
- IB test score of 4 or above (applies to transfer students only as the International Baccalaureate program is not offered in Katy ISD)
- Outstanding performance on the PSAT, the SAT or the ACT;
- Completion of at least 12 hours college coursework with final grades of A or B (3.0 GPA or above);
- Bilingualism and biliteracy; and
- Earning a state, nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license

The Endorsement / 4X4

The Icing on top of the Cupcake

In addition to those required for the 22-credit Foundation High School Program:

- The Endorsement—4 Credits
 - o 1 additional math credit
 - o 1 additional science credit
 - 2 additional elective credits
- The 4X4—Colleges prefer
 - 4 years of Math, English, Science, and Social Studies



The Endorsement

The Icing on top of the Cupcake
The endorsement is a course study related to your individual interests and goals. There are 5 endorsement pathways:

- STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math)
- Business and Industry
- Public Service
- Arts and Humanities
- Multidisciplinary Studies

Whichever endorsement you select dictates which courses you will take in addition to your foundation courses. Each endorsement requires 4 additional courses, so you will graduate with 26 credits.

STEM-Science • Technology • Engineering • Math

The following job clusters fall under the STEM endorsement pathways:

- Mathematics
- Science
- Computer Science
- Career and Technical Education (CTE) related courses Engineering

*(Algebra II, Chemistry and Physics are required for the STEM endorsement)





Business & Industry

The following job clusters fall under the Business & Industry endorsement pathways:

- Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Arts, A/V Technology & Communications Business Management & Administration
- Finance
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Marketing
- Transportation, Distribution & Logistics



Public Service

The following job clusters fall under the Public Service endorsement pathways:

- Health Science: EMT, Pharmacy Tech, Nurse, Pharmacist, Doctor
- Education & Training
- Government & Public Administration
- Human Services: Cosmetology
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security
- NJROTC (National Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps)



Arts and Humanities

The following job clusters fall under the Arts and Humanities endorsement pathways:

- Social Studies
- Languages Other Than English
- Fine Arts
- English Language Arts









Multidisciplinary Studies

This endorsement allows students to take a course of study selected from several endorsement areas as listed below:

- 4 Advanced courses from other endorsement areas
- 4 credits in each core subject area including English IV and Chemistry and/or Physics
- 4 credits in Advanced Placement or dual credit selected from English, Math,
 Science, Social Studies, other language (LOTE), or fine arts



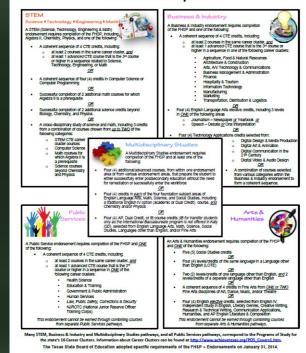
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Endorsement Options



Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA)=Sprinkles

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT (DLA)



The 22-credit Foundation



4th Math-must include Algebra II and 4th Science



One Endorsement 4 Math Credits and 4 Science credits are required for all endorsements.

Algebra II is required for the DLA

The 4X4—Colleges prefer 4 years of Math, English, Science, and Social Studies

The DLA is required for eligibility to be in the 10% and for automatic admissions to a Texas university.

INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS TAKING



thigh school credit courses





Requirements to qualify for automatic admission consideration:

- Complete the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement,
- Earn a satisfactory ACT or SAT score,
- Submit the application before the college or university's deadline, and
- Provide a final high school transcript verifying completion of the FHSP + Endorsement, including the Distinguished Level of Achievement.

All semester grades and grade points earned in high school credit courses become a permanent part of the student's high school transcript and are factored into the student's grade point average and class rank.

The 4 Year Plan

The 4 Year Plan is a personal graduation plan that is just that it's personalized!

- What are your interests?
- What are your goals?

The Foundation Plan allows flexibility and choices, so you are able to choose the course of study that best fits YOU!

We will develop this plan this year in SchooLinks. It is a fluid document. It can, and most likely, will change throughout high school.

<u>Jordan High School</u>



Four Year Pla

Student Name:

GRADUATION YEAR: ENDORSEMENT:

9 th Grade					
9 Grade	10 th Grade	11 th Grade	12th Grade		
English	English	English	English		
Math	Math	Math	Math		
Science	Science	Science	Science		
Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies		
	Elective	Elective	Elective		
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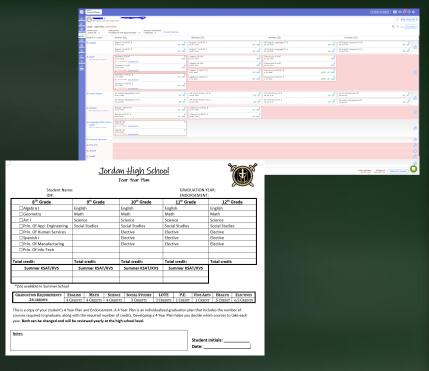
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	Student initials:
	Date:

Tools for Planning





AJH Counseling Website under the Course

Selection Tab

Jordan High School Four Year Plan



Student Name: ID#:

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Science	Science	Science
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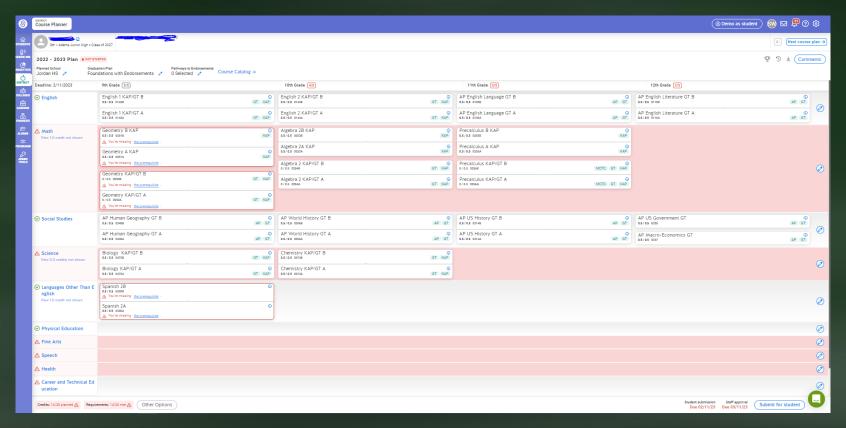
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GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	ENGLISH	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	LOTE	P.E.	FINE ARTS	HEALTH	ELECTIVES
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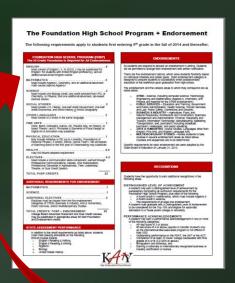


High School Credit Courses in JH

Some high school credit courses are available to junior high students. High school credit courses available to be taken in 8th grade include:

- *Algebra I
- *Art I for High School Credit (one year of junior high art required)
- *Spanish 1
- *Spanish for Spanish Speakers (by approval only)
- *Business Information Management (BIM)
- *Principles of Applied Engineering (recommended corequisite Algebra 1)
- *Principles of Information Technology
- *Principles of Arts, A/V, Technology, and Communications
- *Principles of Human Services
- *Career Launchpad

PLANNING YOUR FOUNDATION: ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS

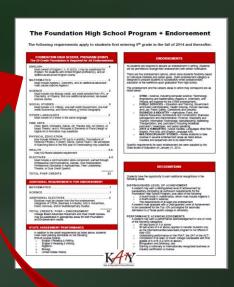


Four credits of English are required, including

- English I
- English II
- English III
- A fourth English credit

Courses that satisfy the additional English credit are listed at the top of the Personal Graduation Plan

PLANNING YOUR FOUNDATION: MATH

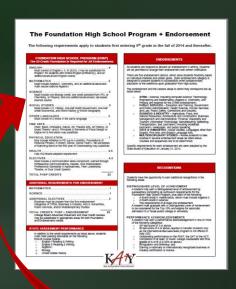


The Foundation requires three Math credits, and a fourth Math credit is required for the FHSP + Endorsement. The credits must include

- Algebra I
- Geometry
- A third Math credit
- A fourth Math credit

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PLANNING YOUR FOUNDATION: SCIENCE

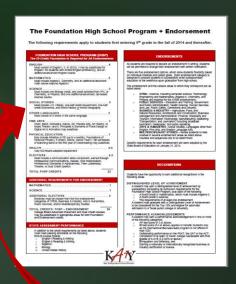


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- Biology
- IPC, or Chemistry, or Physics
- A third Science credit
- A fourth Science credit

Courses that satisfy the additional Science credits are listed at the top of the Personal Graduation Plan

PLANNING YOUR FOUNDATION: SOCIAL STUDIES



Three Social Studies credits are required, including

- World Geography or World History or AP
 Human Geography
- US History
- Government (.5 credit)
- Economics (5 credit)

Courses that satisfy the additional Social Studies credits are listed at the top of the Personal Graduation Plan

PLANNING YOUR FOUNDATION: LOTE · PHYSICAL EDUCATION · FINE ARTS



Additional required credits include

- •Two LOTE credits
 - o Must include Level 1 and Level 2 of the same Language Other Than English
- •One PE credit
- •One Fine Art credit

Courses that satisfy LOTE, PE and Fine Art credits are listed at the top of the Personal Graduation Plan

Example of Completed 4 Year Plan with the Foundational 22 Credits

	Junior High	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade	
	Fall Spring	Fall Spring	Fall Spring	Fall Spring	Fall Spring	
1		English 1	English 11	English III	English IV	
2		Algebra 1	Algebra 1 Geometry		Math	
3		Biology	Chemistry	Physics	Science	
4		World Geography	World History	u.s History	Government Economics	
5		LOTEI	LOTEII	Fine Art		
6		PE	Health Pro Comm			

Miller Career & Technology Center (MCTC)



What is Miller Career & Technology Center?

Miller Career & Technology Center serves as a central site for advanced Career & Technical Education (CTE) courses that are not offered at your home campus. Our innovative courses are available to juniors and seniors in Katy ISD and provides them the opportunity to explore and gain exposure to potential post-secondary options or career experiences. You will receive hands-on lab time using industry level equipment and software as part of the "real world experience."

MCTC Website

MCTC Course Information

Junior High Preview Night will be on January 24th at 6:00pm

MCTC Recruitment Video





- Start with your child's interests and aptitudes.
- Helps your child pick classes that are of interest.
- When building the 4 year plan, start with the Foundation (22 Credits)
- Then choose the other electives.
- Remember, this is a fluid document.



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AJH Counseling Website

Please visit our <u>counseling website</u> as it contains lots of great information for all things Adams Junior High!

