



TOPS Core Curriculum

For the Opportunity, Performance, and Honors Awards
For High School graduates of 2014 and thereafter

Units	Courses ¹
ENGLISH = 4 Units	
4 units	English I, II, III, & IV
MATH = 4 Units	
1 unit	Algebra I, or Integrated Mathematics I, or Applied Algebra I or Algebra I - Parts 1 & 2 (two units) or Applied Mathematics I & II (two units) or Applied Algebra 1A and 1B (two units)
1 unit	Algebra II or Integrated Mathematics II
2 units	Geometry, Applied Geometry, Pre-Calculus, Advanced Math-Pre-Calculus, Calculus, AP Calculus AB, Advanced Math-Functions and Statistics, Probability and Statistics, Discrete Mathematics, Applied Mathematics III, Integrated Mathematics III, or Algebra III
SCIENCE = 4 Units	
1 unit	Biology I or II
1 unit	Chemistry I or II, or Chemistry Com
2 units	Earth Science, Physical Science, Environmental Science, Integrated Science, Biology II, Chemistry II, Physics, Physics II, Physics for Technology I or II, AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism, AP Physics C: Mechanics, or Anatomy and Physiology or both Agriscience I & II (both for 1 unit)
SOCIAL STUDIES = 4 Units	
1 unit	American History
1 unit	Civics and Free Enterprise (1 unit combined), Civics (1 year), or AP Government and Politics: United States
2 units	World History, Western Civilization, World Geography, European History or History of Religion
FOREIGN LANGUAGE = 2 Units	
2 units	Foreign Language (2 units in the same language)
FINE ARTS = 1 Unit	
1 unit	Fine Arts Survey or 1 unit of a performance course in music, or dance, or theater or 1 unit of studio art or 1 unit of visual art or both Speech III & IV (both for 1 unit)
TOTAL = 19 Units	

¹ Advanced Placement (AP) courses with the same name as a course listed in the TOPS Core Curriculum may be substituted.



This core curriculum is accurate as of the date of publication and includes courses listed in TOPS statute and those determined to be equivalent by the La. Board of Regents and BESE.

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