

6095R - Curriculum (K-12)

State Requirements

~~Students Graduating Before 2010~~ 1. Successfully pass the Basic Skills Tests in Reading and Math. Currently to pass these tests a student must receive a score of 600 on the Reading test and a score of 600 on the Math test. 2. Successfully pass the Basic Skills Tests in Written Composition. Currently to pass this test a student must earn a score of 3. ~~Students Graduating 2010 and Beyond~~ 1. Successfully pass the MCA II/GRAD Tests In Reading and Math. 2. Successfully pass the Basic Skills Tests in Written Composition. Local Requirements

Routes to Meeting State Graduation Assessment Requirements

The graduation testing requirements for Minnesota students changed as a result of recent legislation. This table outlines the different routes for meeting graduation assessment requirements that are dependent on when students first enrolled in grade 8.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Student first enrolled in</u> <u>Grade 8 in 2011-12</u> <u>Grade 11 Student in 2014-2015</u></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Student first enrolled in</u> <u>Grade 8 in 2012-13 and later</u> <u>Grade 10 Student and Younger in School Year 2014-2015</u></p>
<p><u>These students will take the grade 11 ACT plus Writing (college entrance exam) during the statewide administration in 2014-2015 in writing, reading, and mathematics to meet graduation assessment requirements.</u></p> <p><u>However, if a student is unable to participate in the grade 11 ACT plus Writing in 2014-2015, students can meet the graduation assessment requirements in reading, mathematics, and writing through any combination of the three options outlined below:</u></p> <p><u>Meet or have met GRAD testing requirements in writing, reading, and mathematics by: Achieving proficiency on high school Title I assessments administered in the spring (MCA or MTAS); pass GRAD retests; and/or meet GRAD alternate routes^{1,2}</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OR</u></p> <p><u>Take or have taken ACT/ WorkKeys/Compass/ ASVAB to meet requirements in writing, reading, and/or mathematics</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>OR</u></p> <p><u>Receive a score on equivalent assessment (district determined) to meet requirements in writing, reading, and/or mathematics</u></p>	<p><u>These students will meet graduation assessment requirements through participating in the series of career and college assessments, which will first be administered in school year 2014-2015:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• Take Grade 8 ACT Explore career and college assessment</u> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AND</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• Take Grade 10 ACT Plan career and college assessment³</u> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AND</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>• Take Grade 11 ACT plus Writing statewide administration (college entrance exam)</u> <p><u>Note: Additional information about the participation of students with an Individualized Education Program (IEP), as well as students in special circumstances (for example, students who move in after the administration of a career and college assessment) will be provided on the MDE website once they are available.</u></p>

1 GRAD alternate routes refer to individual passing score, ELL exemption, and pass other state (reciprocity).

2 Alternate assessment options are available for a select group of students who receive special education services, and are based on specific eligibility criteria.

3 Students not yet academically ready for a career or college based on their growth in academic achievement between grades 8 and 10 (as determined by performance on the grade 8 and 10 assessments) must take the COMPASS, a college placement diagnostic exam, before taking the college entrance exam in the spring of their 11th grade year.

1) CREDITS

In order to graduate from a Duluth public high school a student must earn the following credit totals:

Required Credits by Graduating Year

Graduating Year	Total Credits	Required Credits	Elective Credits
			9-8.5
			8-7.5
2006	20.5	12.5-14.5	8-6
2007	20.5	12.0	8.5
2008 and Beyond	21.5	15.5	6

<u>Graduating Year</u>	<u>Total Credits</u>	<u>Required Credits</u>	<u>Elective Credits</u>
<u>2015-2016</u>	<u>21.75</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>6.25</u>
<u>2016-2017</u>	<u>22.0</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>6.5</u>
<u>2017-2018</u>	<u>22.25</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>6.75</u>
<u>2019 and Beyond</u>	<u>22.5</u>	<u>15.5</u>	<u>7.0</u>

2006

Course/Total Credits	Grade Nine	Grade Ten	Grades Eleven and Twelve
English—4.0	English 9 1.0 Additional English Credit Grades 9-12	English 10 - 1.0 Additional English Credit Grades 9-12	English 11 (Includes at least one semester of American Literature) English) 1.0 Additional English Credit Grades 9-12
Social Studies—3.5	American History Nine—.5	American History Ten	World History American Government—.5 Economics—.5
Science—3.0	Physical Science or Laboratory Science	Biology	1.0 Additional Science Credit Grades 11-12
Math—3.0	One of the following: Algebra IA, Algebra 1B or Algebra 1, Geometry, Integrated Math I, Math Concepts	One of the following: Algebra 1B, Algebra 2, Informal Algebra, Geometry, Integrated Math II	One of the following: Geometry, Algebra 2, Pre-Calculus, Integrated Math III, Informal Geometry
Phy Ed—.5		.5 Phy. Ed. Credit 9-12	

Health—.5		.5 Health (9-12)	
Arts—.5		—1.0 Additional English Credit Grades 9-12	
Electives	Electives	Electives	Electives

2007

Course/Total Credits	Grade Nine	Grade Ten	Grades Eleven and Twelve
English—3.5	English 9	English 10	A minimum of 1.5 credits
Social Studies—3.0		American History—1	International Studies (or Cultural Perspective—.5 with an additional semester Social Studies course), American Government—.5 Economics—.5
Science—2.0	Science 9 or Honors Biology—1	One additional Science credit 10-12	
Math—2.0	One of the following: Algebra I or IB, Geometry, Integrated Math I, Technical Math I	One of the following: Geometry, Integrated Math II, Technical Math II	
Phy Ed—.5	Phy Ed—.5 (or tenth grade)		
Health—.5		Health—.5 (or ninth grade)	
Arts—.5 1.0	Visual Arts, Media Arts, or Music		
Electives	Electives	Electives	Electives

2008

Course/Total Credits	Grade Nine	Grade Ten	Grades Eleven and Twelve
English—3.5	English 9	English 10	English 11 (Includes at least one semester of American Literature) English 12—.5
Social Studies—3.0		American History	American Government—.5 Economics—.5 One additional Social Studies Credit Grades 9-12
Science—2.0	Science 9 or Honors Biology	One additional Science credit 10-12	—One additional Science credit 10-12
Math—2.0	One of the following: Algebra IA, Algebra 1B or	One of the following: Algebra 1B, Algebra 2,	

	Algebra 1, Geometry, Integrated Math I, Math Concepts	Informal Algebra, Geometry, Integrated Math II	
Phy Ed—.5		.5 Phy. Ed. Credit 9-12	
Health—.5		.5 Health (9-12)	
Arts—.5		.5 Arts Credit Grades 9-12	
Electives	Electives	Electives	Electives

Subject	Credits	Grade Nine	Grade Ten	Grade Eleven	Grade Twelve
English	4.0	English 9	English 10 or Honors English	English 11 or Honors English or AP Language and Composition	English Elective(s)
Mathematics	3.0	Intermediate Algebra, Geometry, Algebra 2 or Algebra Concepts			
Physical Education	.5	Physical Education credit can be taken at any time during the four year graduation plan.			
Health	.5	Health credit can be taken at any time during the four year graduation plan.			
Science	3.0	Physical Science/ Earth Science 9 Integrated	Biology or Honors Biology	Chemistry or Physics	
Social Studies	3.5	Civics and Geography 9	American History 10 or AP United States History	World History and International History	Economics And Government
Visual, Media, Arts or Music	1.0	Arts can be taken any time during the four year graduation plan. Can be fulfilled with the following courses: Art, Music, Computer Graphics, Advanced Computer Graphics, and Graphic Arts/Digital Design.			
Electives and Total Credits to Graduate					
Year	2016-2017	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019 and Beyond	
Required Electives	6.25	6.5	6.75	7.0	
Total Credits Required:	21.75	22.0	22.25	22.5	

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