

Coursework Requirements

Cohort 2025-26, graduating class of 2029 and beyond. 24 total units required as outlined below:

Content Area	Coursework Requirements	Coursework Options (Course Codes)
English	4 credits of English (must include a 3-unit sequence)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ELA 1 (1001)/ELA-ELD I (1064)** • ELA 2 (1002)/ELA-ELD II (1065)** • ELA 3 (1003)/ELA-ELD III (1066)** • Additional options vary by school <p>> Department-approved WBL Course > Department-approved CTE Course</p> <p>**English development courses that meet ELA development academic content and performance standards. ELD courses are intended for English learners whose proficiency level is nearing proficiency, as measured by the PED-approved English language proficiency assessment.</p>
Mathematics	4 credits of math (2 units shall include a sequence of Algebra I and Geometry or equivalent Integrated Pathway)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra I (2031) or Integrated Pathway: Math I (2080) • Geometry (2034) or Integrated Pathway: Math II (2081) • Additional options vary by school. <p>> Department-approved WBL Course > Department-approved CTE Course</p> <p>Algebra 2 and Financial Literacy shall be offered as math courses. Units earned in Algebra 1 and Geometry prior to high school shall satisfy.</p>
Science	3 credits of science (must include 2 units of a laboratory component)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 laboratory sciences • Additional options vary by school. <p>> Department-approved WBL Course > Department-approved CTE Course</p>

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Social Studies	4 credits of social studies (Government/Economics and Personal Financial Literacy course content shall contain civics)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • U.S. History and Geography (2729)* • U.S. Government (2730)^ • Economics (2741)^ • World History and Geography (2706) • Additional options vary by school <p>*Course content shall contain NM history. Note: NM History can also be offered as a stand-alone course.</p> <p>^Can be offered as 0.5 credit.</p>
Physical Education	1 unit in physical education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical Education (2305) • Marching band • JROTC • Interscholastic sports sanctioned by the NMAA or other co-curricular physical activity • Additional options vary by school
Health	1 course (0.5 credit) in health	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health (1401) as an elective unit above (E) or as completed in middle school (MS)
Electives	5.5 elective units that meet department content and performance standards and provide a two-unit pathway concentration of the student's choice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Language other than English (including American Sign Language) • Fine arts • Health • Military career preparation • Student service learning • Career technical education (CTE) • Community or service learning • Capstone course • Work-based learning (WBL) <p>Computer Science and Financial Literacy shall be offered as electives.</p>
Local Requirement	2 units set by each local school board or governing body that meet department academic content and performance standards	If a high school student who has taken one or both units moves from one district/charter to another, the receiving district/charter shall accept those earned units toward the student's graduation.