



Sweetwater Union High School District
HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
 Effective with the Class of
2007 and beyond

CURRICULAR AREA/ SEMESTER UNITS REQUIRED	COURSE TITLE OR REQUIREMENT	SEMESTER CREDIT(S)
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ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS

8 Semester Units Required

English 9/ELD	2
English 10/ELD	2
English 11/ELD	2
English 12/ELD	2

**Ninth and tenth graders who have been identified as intensive learners must be scheduled in a two-class period intensive reading intervention program (Read 180/REACH). This class will fulfill the student's language arts requirement.*

HISTORY/SOCIAL SCIENCE

9 Semester Units Required

World Geography 9*	2
World History and Cultures 10	2
Comprehensive Health 10	1
U.S. History 11	2
U.S. Government 12	1
Economics 12	1

**Principal may waive one or two semesters of World Geography 9 for students who need to take remedial reading, AVID, other support courses.*

MATHEMATICS

6 Semester Units Required

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The mathematics requirement in grades 9-12 is three years, including a passing grade in Algebra, through Extended Algebra 2-B, or by completing one of the special education algebra course sequences. All students who have not passed the math portion of the CAHSEE by the end of grade 11 must take CAHSEE Math 12 in their senior year. (Algebra or Geometry taken in middle school may not count toward the high school unit requirement.)

SCIENCE

4 Semester Units Required

Physical Science	2
Biological Science	2

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

4 Semester Units Required

Physical Education 9-12	4
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All 9th grade students must pass the fitness test. Any student who does not meet the requirement must take additional physical education classes during their 11th and 12th grades.

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VISUAL/PERFORMING ARTS/ WORLD LANGUAGES 2 Semester Units Required	Any Visual/Performing Arts or World Languages course	2
<u>ADDITIONAL REQUIRED ELECTIVE UNITS</u>	Any subject or content area in grades 9-12 beyond courses listed above.	11*
TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION		44

*If student is exempt from world geography, 13 elective credits are required.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS: NO SEMESTER CREDITS GIVEN

**COMMUNITY SERVICE OR
A SERVICE PROJECT OF
30 HOURS OR MORE** Approved by social science teachers
for non-paid, non-graded service.

**PASS THE CALIFORNIA HIGH
SCHOOL EXIT EXAM (CAHSEE)**

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**ALL 9TH GRADE STUDENTS MUST PASS THE FITNESS TEST.
ANY STUDENT WHO DOES NOT MEET THE REQUIREMENT
MUST TAKE ADDITIONAL PHYSICAL EDUCATION CLASSES
DURING THEIR 11TH AND 12TH GRADES.**

DIPLOMAS OF DISTINCTION

An **Honors Diploma** may be earned for students who take 17 semester units of Advanced Placement, Honors, International Baccalaureate or Accelerated courses with a 3.0 GPA.

A **Biliteracy Diploma** may be earned for students who meet specific requirements in academic biliteracy proficiency. See counselor for specific requirements.