

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



The minimum number of credits required for graduation is 24. Students are strongly encouraged to work closely with their guidance counselors to ensure that their choices are in line with their educational objectives and graduation requirements.

### **All students are required to successfully complete the following courses:**

- a. Four credits in English
- a. Three credits of Social Studies, including U.S. History II
- b. Three credits of Mathematics
- c. Three credits of Science

**For information on Massachusetts State University System and UMASS Minimum Admissions Requirements, please visit the following site:**

<http://www.mass.edu/shared/documents/admissions/admissionsstandards.pdf>

**For information on NCAA College Bound Student Athletes, please visit the following site:**

[http://web1.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA\\_EMS/NCAA.jsp](http://web1.ncaa.org/ECWR2/NCAA_EMS/NCAA.jsp)

### **SCHEDULING INFORMATION**

1. Each year every student is required to take a minimum six subjects per semester. Of these six required subjects a minimum of three must be academic courses. An academic course is defined as any subject taken in the following departments: ENGLISH, MATHEMATICS, SCIENCE, SOCIAL STUDIES, and WORLD LANGUAGES
2. Fees may be charged for courses in the fine arts. Fees will depend upon the projects chosen. Fees will not be refundable if the course is not completed.

3. Students are required to take English, mathematics, and physical education all four years. Students may not take two required English courses in one year. Exceptions may be granted for extenuating circumstances, and require prior administrative approval. In order for a student to be promoted to the next grade, they must successfully complete the appropriate level English class.

It is highly recommended that students who are planning to attend a four-year college, take the following number of high school courses in each subject at the academic, honors and/or AP levels:

- 4 Credits of English
- 4 Credits of Math
- 4 Credits of Social Studies
- 4 Credits of World Language

Students are encouraged to work with their guidance counselors to select the most appropriate and challenging academic level suited for them.