

MISD Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2018 and beyond.

Future You is MISD's response to HB 5 which impacts the graduation requirements for students entering high school in the 2014-2015 school year and thereafter allowing student's greater opportunities to individualize their educational plan.

# Foundation with Endorsement (26 Credits)

# **English (4 Credits)**

English I, II, III, and IV or an advanced English class.

# Math (4 Credits)

Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II<sup>#</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup> Math (for which Algebra II is a prerequisite)\*

## Science (4 Credits)

Biology, Chemistry, Physics and an additional science

## Social Studies (3 Credits)

^World Geography, World History, US History, US Government/Economics

Languages other than English (2 Credits of the same language)

Physical Ed. (1 Credit)

Fine Arts (1 Credit)

Health & Professional Communications (1/2 credit each)

Electives/Endorsement Courses (6 credits)

## Foundation Plan (26)

The core of this plan differs from the DLA by requiring 3 credits of math and 3 credits of science. Instead of an endorsement, students focus on electives of their choice.

# District Preferred Plan

# Distinguished Level of Achievement (DLA) 26 Credits

## **English (4 Credits)**

English I, English II, III and IV or an advanced English class.

# Math (4 Credits)

Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II<sup>#</sup> and an advanced math\*

# Science (4 Credits)

Biology, IPC or Chemistry, Physics and an additional science.

# Social Studies (3 Credits)

^World Geography or World History, US History, US Government & Economics

# Languages Other Than English (2 Credits of the same language)

Physical Ed. (1 Credit)

Fine Arts (1 Credit)

Health/Professional Communications (1/2 credit each)

## **Electives/Endorsement Courses (6 Credits)**

To be eligible for top 10% automatic admission students must be on the DLA.

# What is an endorsement?

An endorsement is a coherent sequence of four or more credits including at least one advanced course in a designated endorsement area.

Performance Acknowledgement (as of 14-15 school year) A student may earn a performance acknowledgement on their diploma and transcript for outstanding performance on any of the following:

- Completing at least 12 hours of dual credit
- AP College Board Exams
- On the PSAT, SAT of ACT
- For earning a nationally or internationally recognized industry certification
- In bilingualism and biliteracy

Specific requirements related to performance acknowledgements are forthcoming.

Students may review and change graduation plans with their counselor and parent after their sophomore year. All graduation plans in MISD require 26 credits.

## Parture You Endorsement Argers

# STEM: (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)

- Science
- Technology
- Engineering
  - Mathematics

## **BUSINESS & INDUSTRY**

- Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources
- Architecture & Construction
- Arts, A/V Technology & Communications
- Business, Mgmt., & Admin.
- Finance
- Hospitality & Tourism
- Information Technology
- Manufacturing
- Marketing, Sales and Service
- Transportation & Logistics
- Journalism

#### PUBLIC SERVICES

- Health Science
- Education and Training
- Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security
- JROTC

#### **ARTS & HUMANITIES**

- Art
- Dance
- Music
- Theatre
- Social Studies
- LOTE

# MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES:

A student can earn a multidisciplinary studies endorsement by completing foundation and general endorsement requirements and four advanced courses that prepare a student to enter their post-secondary endeavors successfully.

<sup>\*</sup>Math Models may be selected as a 3<sup>rd</sup> math if taken prior to Algebra II.

<sup>^</sup>Students are encouraged to take both World Geography and World History. However, either course will satisfy the graduation requirements.

<sup>#</sup> Students planning to enter a college or university immediately after high school should still take Algebra II as it is a college admission requirement.

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