

PBHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



4 English 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th

4 Math Algebra I and Geometry required

3 Science Physical Science and Biology required

3 Social Studies ½ Civics, ½ Economics, World History, U.S. History

1/2 Personal Communication

1/2 Physical Education no more than one total P.E. credit allowed

½ Health
½ Fine Arts

6 Electives

22 TOTAL FOR GRADUATION

Students must have 5.5 credits in order to be classified as a sophomore (English 9 and Algebra I credits are MANDATORY), 11 credits to be classified as a junior, and 16.5 credits to be classified as a senior.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Students must complete a digital course for credit Students must earn a credit in a course that includes personal finance Students must pass the Arkansas Civics' Exam Students must complete hands-on CPR training

SMART CORE CURRICULUM

(Graduation Class of 2021 and after)

English - 4 units

• English 9th grade • English 10th grade • English 11th grade • English 12th grade

Mathematics - 4 units; One unit must be taken at 11th or 12th grade

- Algebra I or First Part and Second Part Algebra I (Grades 7-8 or 8-9)
- Geometry or First Part and Second Part Geometry (Grades 8-9 or 9-10)
- Algebra II
- Fourth Math--Choice of: Advanced Topics and Modeling in Mathematics, Algebra III, Calculus, Computer Science and Mathematics, Linear Systems and Statistics, Traditional Math Ready, Mathematical Applications and Algorithms, Pre-Calculus, or an Advanced Placement mathematics Comparable concurrent credit college courses may be substituted where applicable.

Natural Science: three (3) units:

DESE approved biology- 1 credit

DESE approved physical science- 1 credit; and

A third unit that is either;

- An additional science credit approved by DESE; or
- A computer science flex credit may be taken in place of a third science credit.

Social Studies - 3 units (see note beside economics)

• Civics – ½ unit • World History – 1 unit • U.S. History – 1 unit other social studies – ½ unit

Personal Communication - 1/2 unit

Physical Education – ½ unit Note: While one-half (1/2) unit is required for graduation, no more than one (1) unit may be applied toward fulfilling the necessary units to graduate.

Health and Safety - 1/2 unit

JROTC Health - 1/2 unit JROTC P.E. - 1/2 unit

Economics – 1/2 unit (may be counted toward Social Studies or Career Focus)

Fine Arts - 1/2 unit

Career Focus – 6 units All career focus unit requirements shall be established through guidance and counseling based on the student's contemplated work aspirations.