



**Explore The Possibilities** 

### Graduation Requirements

Science

4 credits required





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- > 4 Science credits required for any endorsement
- > 9<sup>th</sup> Biology (On-level, K, or H)
- > 10<sup>th</sup> IPC, Chemistry, or Physics (or AP Physics I if Algebra II completed in 9<sup>th</sup> grade)
- > An additional science course (see page 4)
- >+1 additional advanced science course
  - All <u>STEM</u> endorsements must take Biology, Chemistry, & Physics (or AP Physics I)
  - Multidisciplinary Studies Option 1 4 x 4 must have Biology + Chemistry and/or Physics (or AP Physics I)



# 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

### All students must take Biology

Choose level: o On-level o K o H



## 10th Grade

Choose from the following:

- IPC (On-level)
- Chemistry (On-level, K, or H)
- Physics (On-level, K, or H)

Or AP Physics I (must have completed Algebra II in 9th grade)

<u>Note</u>: Students who do not take Chemistry may meet the high school graduation requirements but this does <u>not</u> position them for career and college readiness.

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Course Name	Prerequisites	Information	
IPC (Integrated Physics & Chemistry) (On-level)		Introduces basic concepts of Chemistry & Physics	
Chemistry (On-level, K, or H)	Biology and Algebra I	Characteristics of matter; use of Periodic Table	
Physics (On-level, K, or H)	Biology & completion or concurrent with Algebra I	Laws of motion & forces, energy, waves, & electricity	
Aquatic Science (On-level)	Biology	Fresh water & marine aquatic systems	
Astronomy (On-level)	Biology	Moon, stars, planets, space exploration	
Earth and Space (On-level, K, or H)	Biology, Chemistry & completion or concurrent with 3 <sup>rd</sup> science & 3 <sup>rd</sup> math	Earth's systems and space	
Environmental Systems (On-level)	Biology and IPC or Chemistry	Native plants & animals, endangered species, disasters & events that affect the environment	
AP Biology	Biology and Chemistry	Molecular biology, cellular processes, human genetics, plants & animals; college prep course	
AP Chemistry	Chemistry and Algebra II	In-depth study of chemistry; comparable to a first year college course	
AP Physics I	Biology and Algebra II	May substitute for Physics Medical focus; the equivalent of a first semester algebra- based college course but taught over a full year	
AP Physics II	AP Physics I <u>and</u> completion or concurrent with Precalculus	Medical focus; comparable to a second semester algebra- based college course but taught over a full year	
AP Physics C	Physics or AP Physics I and completion	Engineering focus; principles of mechanics, electricity, &	
(2 period block)	or concurrent enrollment in Calculus	magnetism; the equivalent of calculus-based college physics for engineers & science majors	
AP Environmental Science	Biology and Chemistry	Identify & analyze natural and human-made environmental problems	
Anatomy & Physiology (On-level, K)	Biology and Chemistry	Organ systems & physiology; dissection techniques; cause & effect of disease	
Forensic Science (On-level, K)	Biology and Chemistry; Grades 11-12	Terminology and investigative procedures related to crime scene investigation – fingerprint analysis, ballistics, and blood spatter analysis	
Engineering Design & Problem Solving K	Algebra II + Biology, Chemistry & Physics (or concurrent) & Engineering Design & Presentation I Grades 11-12	Use the engineering design process cycle to investigate, design, plan, create, and evaluate solutions	
Advanced Animal Science K	Biology, Chemistry, and Vet Med or at least one credit from the following: Small Animal, Equine Science, or Livestock Production; Grades 11-12	For students seeking career in animal science	
Advanced Plant and Soil Science K	Biology, Chemistry, and Horticultural Science; Grades 11-12	Provides a way of learning about the natural world; basis for many other fields of science	
Pathophysiology K	Biology and Chemistry; Grades 11-12	Study of the disease process and how humans are affected	



### Example 1 – STEM, Option 2 – Engineering

Period s	High School Credits Earned in Middle School	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
1		English I K	English II K	English III AP	English IV AP
2	Algebra I	Math: Geometry K	Math: Algebra II K	Math: Precalculus K	Math: Calculus AB AP
3		Biology K	Science: Chemistry K	Science: AP Physics I	Science: Eng. Design & Problem Solving K

#### Example 2 – Business & Industry, Option 1: Ag, Food, & Natural Resources

Period s	High School Credits Earned in Middle School	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
1		English I	English II	English III	English IV
2		Math: Algebra I	Math:	Math: Algebra II	Math: Adv. Algebra
			Geometry		
3		Biology	Science:	Science: Aquatic	Science: Adv. Animal
			Chemistry	Science	Science K

#### Example 3 – Multidisciplinary Studies, Option 1 – Four by Four (4 X 4)

Period s	High School Credits Earned in Middle School	9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	12 <sup>th</sup> Grade
1		English I K	English II K	English III K	English IV K
2		Math: Algebra I	Math:	Math: Algebraic	Math: Algebra II
			Geometry	Reasoning	
3		Biology	Science:	Science: Aquatic	Science: Astronomy
			Chemistry	Science	