

Richmond County Graduation Requirements



According to the Georgia Department of Education, students must have a **minimum of 23 credits** in order to graduate. Of those 23 credits, students in Richmond County must meet the following requirements. See *Notes on next page for additional information:



4 Credits of ELA*

Student must take and pass the following:

- 9th Literature A* & B*
- 10th Literature A* & B*
- American Literature A* & B*
- British Literature A & B or ELA 4th Option

*Students must take these courses to meet graduation requirements



4 Credits of Math*

Student must take and pass the following

- Algebra Concepts & Connections A* & B*
- Geometry Concepts & Connections A* & B*
- Adv Algebra Concepts & Connections A* & B*
- 4th Math Options A* & B* (see below)



4 Credits of Science*

Student must take and pass the following:

- Biology A* & B*
- Physical Science A* & B* **OR** Physics A* & B*
- Chemistry, Environmental Science, or Earth Systems (just A & B from this group)
- 4th Science Options A & B



4 Credits of Social Studies:

Student must take and pass the following:

- American Government*
- World History A* & B*
- U.S. History A* & B*
- Personal Finance & Economics*

*AP equivalents may substitute



Student must also take and pass the following:

- 0.5 credit of Health and 0.5 credit of Personal Fitness (3 credits of JROTC will satisfy this requirement)
- 3 credits of electives from **CTAE, Fine Arts, Advanced Academics** or **Foreign Language** courses
- 3 credits of additional courses (**may be core or non-core electives**)

Promotion Rule: In order for students to be promoted to the next grade, the following minimum number of credits must be earned:

From 9th to 10th grade = **5 credits**; From 10th to 11th = **11 credits**; From 11th to 12th grade = **18 credits**.

***Notes:**

ELA: Richmond County students must have 1 credit of **9th Lit** and 1 credit of **American Lit**. The other 2 credits can come from the following:

- 10th Lit
 - AP Language/American Lit (*can replace the American Lit requirement*)
 - AP Language
 - AP Literature
 - IB English 1 & 2
 - Dramatic Writing (paired with Advanced Composition)
 - Advanced Composition
 - Dual Enrollment ELA courses: see School Counselor
 - Other GADOE ELA courses
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MATH: Richmond County Students must have 1 credit each of **Algebra C & C, Geometry C & C, Adv. Algebra C & C**(or equivalents), plus a **4th Math option**, including:

- Advanced Mathematical Decision Making A & B
 - AP Pre-Calculus A & B
 - AP Statistics A & B
 - AP Calculus A & B
 - IB Math 1 & 2 A & B
 - Dual Enrollment Math courses: see School Counselor
 - Other GADOE Math courses
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SCIENCE: Richmond County Students must have 1 credit of **Biology** and 1 credit of **Physical Science OR Physics**. The other 2 credits can come from the following:

- Chemistry, Earth Systems, Environmental Science, AP Science
- Additional Science including GADOE 4th Science Options (1 credit).
- Any AP/IB Science course can be substituted for the appropriate courses listed above.