

Class Of 2012

Students in the Classes of 2012 must complete 21 course credits. Of the 21 course credits required, 13.5 are specified by Mercer Island High School, the Mercer Island School District, and Washington State as follows:

Content	Credits
English	3.0
Social Studies	2.5
• Washington State History*	0.5
• American Studies-US History	1.0
• International Studies (Contemporary Issues)	1.0
Mathematics	2.0
Laboratory Sciences	2.0
Physical Education	1.5
Health Education	0.5
Career and Technical Education	1.0
Fine Arts	1.0

The remaining 7.5 credits typically are taken as additional academic courses or electives.

* The Washington State History requirement may be fulfilled through course work completed in middle school.

Meeting Performance Standards:

Students must meet HSPE (formerly WASL) requirements, complete a "High School and Beyond Plan," and meet or exceed Standard on the Culminating Project.

1. HSPE (High School Proficiency Examinations)

(For up-to-date information on HSPE requirements, please refer to:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/GraduationRequirements/Requirement-CAA-CIA.aspx>)

• Reading and Writing

- ♦ Pass reading and writing HSPE or assessment for students in Special Education

OR

- ♦ Pass Certificate of Academic Achievement Option (state-approved alternative)

• Mathematics

- ♦ Pass **one** End-of-Course (EOC) examination in mathematics in Spring 2011, or pass assessment for students in Special Education

OR

- ♦ Pass Certificate of Academic Achievement Option (state-approved alternative)

OR

- ♦ Earn 2.0 math credits after 10th grade

2. Culminating Project

In the senior year, students must complete a Culminating Project that includes an in-depth study of a topic of interest and creation of a product or providing of a service in connection with the topic studied. Documentation of new learning and a formal presentation are requirements of the Culminating Project.

3. High School and Beyond Plan

Students will design and document their post-high school plan through Naviance.

Classes Of 2013 and Beyond

Students in the Classes of 2013 and later must complete 21 course credits. Of the 21 course credits required, 14.5 are specified by Mercer Island High School, the Mercer Island School District, and Washington State as follows:

Content	Credits
English	3.0
Social Studies	2.5
• Washington State History*	NC
• World History (2 nd Semester)	0.5
• American Studies-US History	1.0
• International Studies (Contemporary Issues)	0.5
• World History or International Studies	0.5
Mathematics**	3.0
Laboratory Sciences	2.0
Physical Education	1.5
Health Education	0.5
Career and Technical Education	1.0
Fine Arts	1.0

The remaining 6.5 credits typically are taken as additional academic courses or electives.

* For most students, the State of Washington requirement for Washington State History will be fulfilled through course work completed in middle school. For students who have not had Washington State History in the middle school, course options will be available at the high school.

** Students must complete the basic high school mathematics sequence of Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2.

Meeting Performance Standards:

Students must meet HSPE requirements, complete a “High School and Beyond Plan,” and meet or exceed Standard on the Culminating Project.

1. HSPE (High School Proficiency Examinations)

(For up-to-date information on HSPE requirements, please refer to:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/GraduationRequirements/Requirement-CAA-CIA.aspx>)

• Reading and Writing

- ♦ Pass reading and writing HSPE or assessment for students in Special Education

OR

- ♦ Pass Certificate of Academic Achievement Option (state-approved alternative)

• Mathematics

- ♦ Pass End-of-Course (EOC) examination in mathematics: Algebra or Geometry, or pass assessment for students in Special Education

OR

- ♦ Pass Certificate of Academic Achievement Option (state-approved alternative)

2. Culminating Project

In the senior year, students must complete a Culminating Project that includes an in-depth study of a topic of interest and creation of a product or providing of a service in connection with the topic studied.

Documentation of new learning and a formal presentation are requirements of the Culminating Project.

3. High School and Beyond Plan

Students will design and document their post-high school plan through Naviance.