

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 23½ acceptable units in high school coursework will be required for graduation. Students must also pass all required Nevada proficiency tests. Students completing these requirements are eligible for a Regular Diploma. Students completing all required coursework and who do not pass all of the Nevada Proficiency Tests will be awarded a Certificate of Attendance instead of a regular high school diploma. Students who are under the provisions of an Individualized Educational Plan may graduate with an Adjusted Diploma as long as they complete their specific course of studies. Students may earn an Advanced Diploma or Honors Diploma by completing the Advanced Diploma or Honors Diploma requirements. Only students earning one of the above diplomas or Certificate of Attendance may participate in graduation ceremonies.

Required Courses	Regular	Regular	Advanced****	Honors	Adult
		3.25 GPA Millennium Eligible	3.25 GPA Millennium Eligible	3.25 w/ 3honors or 3.5 w/ no honors Millennium Eligible	
English	4	4	4	4	4
Health Education	½	½	½	½	½
Mathematics	4**(3)	4 including Alg. II	4 including Alg. II	4 including Alg. II	3
*Physical Education	2	2	2	2	0
Science	3**(2)	3	3	4	2
U.S History	1	1	1	1	1
American Government	1	1	1	1	1
Arts/Humanities/Occupational Ed.	1	1	1	1	1
Computers	½	½	½	½	½
Economics/Social Studies	1**(0)	1	1	1	0
Foreign Language	0	0	0	2***	0
Elective Credits	Varies	5 ½	6	4	7 1/2
Total Credits	23 1/2	23 ½	24	25	20 1/2

\*\* Per NRS 389.018 students must enroll in a minimum of 4 units of math to include Alg. I and geometry, or an equivalent course that integrates Alg. I and Geometry. Students must also enroll in 3 science classes, including 2 courses with labs and 3 units of social studies to include American government, American history and World history or geography. A pupil may not be required to enroll in these courses with approval of parent, administrator or counselor and the creation of a modified course of study that satisfies the requirements of a regular diploma. **The must enroll requirement applies to pupils who were enrolled in grade 9 for the 2007-2008 school year and for each school year thereafter, which excludes the graduating classes of 2009 and 2010. (Bolded language to sunset after the 2009-2010 year)**

“Must enroll” for HCSD requires a student be in the class for an entire semester for ½ credit for enrollment and an entire year for 1 credit for enrollment.

\*\*\* 2 years of the same language

\*\*\*\* NAC 389.663 stipulates requirements for Advanced Diploma.

1. \*Exemptions from this P.E. credit requirement are statutory exemptions (the following must be granted by the school district after satisfactory application):
  - (a) Students presenting physician's statement.
  - (b) Students presenting statement of religious reasons.
  - (c) Students earning an Adult Diploma.

Units in physical education are figured on the same hour basis as other areas of study.

2. NRS 389.020 and NRS 389.030 specify requirements regarding the type of instruction for American Government and American History which must be met by those courses.
3. English Language Arts shall include instruction in English I and English II. ESL language arts instruction may substitute for the English I requirement.
4. Algebra I and computer classes taken and passed in junior high for high school credit may be counted toward the above requirements. If a pupil demonstrates competency in the use of computers, the pupil is not required to take the course of study in the use of computers.

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### **HONOR ROLL**

Any school may compile an honor roll list made up of students meeting grade point averages as computed by the rules and regulations of the school. An honorable mention list may also be compiled.

### **MINIMUM SENIOR SCHEDULE**

Senior students *will be required* to enroll in a minimum of 2½ credits (5 classes) per semester.

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