

**Saint Paul Public Schools**  
**Graduation Credits for College and Career Readiness**

**8/2 Schedule**  
**Total Required Graduation Credits: 110 Credits**

<b>Graduation Credits Required by Minnesota Department of Education and Saint Paul Public Schools</b>		
<b>English Language Arts</b>	16	<b>4 credits per year x 4 years</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Year of English 9</li> <li>● 1 Year of English 10</li> <li>● 1 Years of English 11</li> <li>● 1 Year of English 12</li> </ul>
<b>Social Studies</b>	16	<b>4 credits per year x 4 years</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Year of World History</li> <li>● 1 Year of Human Geography</li> <li>● 1 Year of US History</li> <li>● 1 Semester of Economics</li> <li>● 1 Semester of Government</li> </ul>
<b>Math</b>	12	<b>4 credits per year x 3 years</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Year of Algebra 1               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1 Year of Math beyond Algebra 2 may be substituted for Algebra 1 requirements if Intermediate Algebra was taken in middle school.</li> </ul> </li> <li>● 1 Year of Geometry</li> <li>● 1 Year of Algebra 2</li> </ul>
<b>Science</b>	12	<b>4 credits per year x 3 years</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Year of Science</li> <li>● 1 Year of Biology</li> <li>● 1 Year of Chemistry <b>or</b> Physics</li> </ul>
<b>Arts</b>	4	<b>4 credits total</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2 Semesters of Performing or Visual Arts</li> </ul>
<b>Physical Education</b>	2	<b>2 credits total</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Semester of Physical Education 9 or 10</li> </ul>
<b>Health</b>	2	<b>2 credits total</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Semester of Health, Ind &amp; Community</li> </ul>
<b>Career &amp; Technical Education</b>	2	<b>2 credits total</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 1 Semester of Agriculture, Business, Family Consumer Science or Technology</li> </ul>
<b>Electives</b>	44	<b>44 credits over four years (8/2 Schedule)</b>
<b>Total Required Graduation Credits</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>8/2 Schedule</b>



## Recommended Elective Credits for College and Career Readiness

<b>Math</b>	4	<b>4 credits x 1 year</b> Additional coursework in math is encouraged and required for many colleges and career training programs.
<b>Science</b>	4	<b>4 credits x 1 year</b> Additional coursework in science is encouraged and required for many colleges and career training programs.
<b>Indigenous or World Language</b>	8	<b>4 credits x 2 years</b> or: <b>Achievement of the World Language Proficiency Certificate or the Seal of Biliteracy (Gold or Platinum)</b> There is no MDE requirement for indigenous or world language, however, many colleges require at least two years of an indigenous or world language.

### Assessment

According to the Minnesota Department of Education (January 18, 2018), "Districts have a number of requirements to fulfill for students' career and college planning for students first enrolled in grade eight in 2012–13 and later. This includes offering students in grades 11 and 12 an opportunity to participate in a nationally recognized college entrance exam (ACT or SAT) on a school day." SPPS currently offers a school day ACT in the spring of each school year.

