

**Creative Arts Secondary School  
Graduation Credits for College and Career Readiness  
For the Classes of 2022 and Beyond**

**7 Period Day Schedule**

**Total Required Graduation Credits: 94 Credits**

| <b>Graduation Credits Required by Minnesota Department of Education and Saint Paul Public Schools</b> |           |   |
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| <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 or 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, Medical or Technology</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Electives</b>  | 28        | <b>28 credits over four years (7 Period Day Schedule)</b>   |
| <b>Total Required Graduation Credits</b>  | <b>94</b> | <b>7 Period Day Schedule</b>  |



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| <b>Recommended Elective Credits for College and Career Readiness</b>   |   |   |
| <b>Math</b>  | 4 | <b>4 credits x 1 year</b><br>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><br>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><br>or:<br><b>Achievement of the World Language Proficiency Certificate or the Seal of Biliteracy (Gold or Platinum)</b><br>There is no MDE requirement for indigenous or world language, however, many colleges require at least two years of an indigenous or world language. |
| <b>Assessment</b>  |   |   |
| <p>According to the Minnesota Department of Education (March 27, 2020), "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.</p> |   |   |

