

**Students****Progress****Specific Graduation Requirements**

To graduate from Watertown High School, a student must enroll in, and successfully complete a minimum in the following courses:

1. **English** 4 credits including:
  - English 9 1 credit
  - English 10 1 credit
  - English 11 1 credit
  - English 12 1 credit
  
2. **Social Studies** 3 credits including:
  - American Government 1 credit
  - U.S. History 1 credit
  
3. **Mathematics** 3 credits
  
4. **Science** 3 credits including:
  - Biology 1 credit
  - One of the Physical Sciences 1 credit
  
5. **Humanities** 1/2 credit  
To be selected from art, music, or foreign language.
  
6. **Vocational Education** 1/2 credit
  
7. **Health** 1/2 credit
  
8. **Physical Education** 1-1/2 credits
  
9. **Financial Literacy** 1/2 credit  
(Note: beginning with the class of 2015)
  
10. **Electives** 6 1/2 credits  
8 1/2 credits (Beginning with the Class of 2021)  
(Elective courses must be completed and passed for graduation.)
  
11. **Post-Secondary Experience/Course\*** 1/2 credit (Beginning with the Class of 2019)  
(e.g. Dual Credit/Advanced Placement)

\*Post-Secondary Experience/Course can be applied to an elective or required class (ie. AP Biology would count for both Science and the Post-Secondary Credit requirement).

**Credit Evaluation**

1. The transcript of courses successfully completed by transfer students will be evaluated by the high school principal or Director of Curriculum and Instruction upon the student's acceptance into Watertown High School. The student and his/her parent will be informed of any remaining credits necessary to meet Watertown High School graduation requirements and the additional requirements for graduation as outlined in policy #5240.
2. Students enrolled at Watertown High school, who elect to take courses at other institutions (including correspondence courses) for the purpose of applying course credits toward graduation requirements, must have the prior approval of the principal. Further, the student must provide the principal with written documentation of successful completion of the course two weeks before the date of graduation.
3. A student with a disability may meet the requirements for a Watertown High School diploma identified in this policy by meeting the goals established through the Individual Education Plan (IEP).

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