

# Foundation + Endorsement Graduation Plans Fact Sheet

## What is the Foundation High School Plan?

As per House Bill 5, the San Elizario Foundation High School Program provides the minimum number of courses needed to graduate from San Elizario High School. The plan consists of the 19 core and required courses plus 3 electives for a total of 22 required credits.

## What is an Endorsement?

Incoming ninth grade students for the 2014-2015 school year, and every year after, will select an endorsement plan to complete while in high school. Depending on the endorsement area, students will take a minimum of 26-29 credits.



Arts & Humanities



Business & Industry



Multidisciplinary Studies



Public Services



STEM

Science, Technology,  
Engineering and Math

<p>This path includes courses directly related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-English Literature</li> <li>-Fine Arts and Journalism</li> <li>-History</li> <li>-Political Science</li> <li>-World Languages</li> </ul>	<p>This path includes courses directly related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Architecture &amp; Construction</li> <li>-Arts, A/V Tech &amp; Comm</li> <li>-Business Mgmt &amp; Admin</li> <li>-Finance</li> <li>-Information Technology</li> <li>-Hospitality &amp; Tourism</li> <li>-Transportation &amp; Logistics</li> </ul>	<p>This path includes courses from the curriculum of each Endorsement area and credits in a variety of advanced courses from multiple content area sufficient to complete the Distinguished Level of Achievement under the Foundation High School Program</p>	<p>This path includes courses directly related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Human Services</li> <li>-Law Enforcement</li> <li>-NJROTC</li> </ul>	<p>This path includes courses directly related to science including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Environmental Science</li> <li>-Engineering</li> <li>-Advanced Mathematics</li> </ul> <p>or a coherent sequence of Career and Technical Education Courses</p>
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## What is the Distinguished Level of Achievement?

All students enrolled in San Elizario High School will qualify for the Distinguished Achievement Program by completing the prescribed sequences of courses in one of the many programs offered by San Elizario ISD. By completing the four Math, English, Science and Social Studies to include Algebra II, completing the Endorsement electives and the remaining required courses, students will receive a Distinguished Level of Achievement label on their transcript.

## What are Performance Acknowledgements?

Students have the option of earning a Performance Acknowledgment, which will be noted on the official high school transcript. This is not a graduation requirement, but allows students to obtain an acknowledgment for outstanding performance in various areas to include:

- ACT, SAT and PSAT scores
- AP exam scores
- Articulated courses
- Associate Degree earned as HS Student
- Dual Credit
- Earning a state or nationally recognized certificate or license
- International Baccalaureate (IB) exam scores
- Language acquisition

## What State Assessments are Required For Graduation?

English I

English II

Algebra I

U.S. History

Biology



## Arts & Humanities

- 5 Social Studies Courses, or
- 4 levels of the same Language other than English (LOTE), or
- 4 levels of Fine Arts from one or two fine arts disciplines, or
- 4 English elective courses from an approved list of Arts & Humanities English courses



## Business & Industry

- Accounting
- Animation
- Audio Video Production
- Automotive Technology
- Business Management & Administration
- Construction Technology
- Culinary Arts
- Graphic Design & Illustration
- Information Technology – Cisco Academy, or
- 4 English elective courses from an approved list of Business & Industry English courses



## Multidisciplinary Studies

- 4 credits in each of the four foundation core subject areas to include English IV, Chemistry and/or Physics, or
- 4 credits in Advanced Placement (AP), or Dual Credit (DC) selected from English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Economics, Languages other than English (LOTE), or Fine Arts



## Public Service

- Child Guidance
- Cosmetology
- Law Enforcement
- NJROTC



## STEM (Science Technology Engineering Math)

- Automotive Technology – Engineering Math emphasis
- Construction Technology – Engineering Math emphasis
- Information Technology – Cisco Academy with Engineering Math emphasis
- 5 Mathematics elective courses by successfully completing Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II and two additional courses for which Algebra II is a prerequisite, or
- 5 Science elective courses by successfully completing Biology, Chemistry, Physics and two additional Science courses