

Riverside High School Graduation Requirements

1. Riverside High School requires 130 credits for graduation.
2. Every student must take and demonstrate proficiencies in all the courses listed below and for the time indicated:
 - a. Four years of English
 - b. Three years of mathematics including Algebra I, geometry, and a third year that builds upon Algebra I and Geometry
 - c. Three years of science including 1 year of Environmental Science, and 1 year of Biology
 - d. Two years of US History
 - e. One year of World History
 - f. Four years of Health and Physical Education
 - g. One year of a Fine or Performing Art
 - h. One year of a Practical Art
 - i. One year of Personal Finance/Computer Literacy
 - j. Two years of a Foreign Language
3. Every student must pass all State mandated tests which have been determined by the NJ Department of Education to be graduation requirements. Students who do not meet the state standards are provided with remediation and given the chance to successfully pass these examinations before their graduation date.
4. All students are to carry a minimum of 35 credits at all times.
5. Homeroom placement is determined by credits earned. To be fully promoted and insure graduation on schedule, you must accumulate credits as follows: sophomore=30, junior=60, senior=90.
6. No student may select a course out of sequence, i.e., English III cannot be taken unless English II has been passed; or Algebra II cannot be taken unless Algebra I has been passed. Taking sequential courses concurrently must be approved by the Guidance Office.
7. A "C" or better is recommended in language I, etc. before pursuing the second year of that subject. Records indicate that students with a "D" in the first sequence may do poorly the second year.
8. A "C" or better is recommended in all math courses, starting with Algebra I, before pursuing the next level of that subject.
9. A foreign language should be pursued at least two years. Colleges do not accept fewer than two years of the same language for admission credit.
10. Courses with insufficient enrollment may not be offered.

11. A fifth year student must take Physical Education along with those subjects necessary to insure graduation. Also, state and local attendance laws must be met. The Board of Education attendance policy will be the guide.