

H.S. Graduation Requirements Task Force
March 6, 2007
Minutes

In attendance: Sherrie Brown, Steve Clarke, Bobbie Jaffe, Gigi Morganti, Michelle Ouilette, Jennie Styer, Zoe Kapan, Phyllis Textor, Alan Doud, Ralph Hayden, Maria Griggs, Lynn Torpey, Scott Smartt, Kathy Waldron, and Sonja Morrison

I. Math Discussion

After a lengthy discussion, the group tentatively agreed to the following sequences and requirements:

- All students must complete three (3) high school credits in math to graduate.
- Students will not receive high school credit for Algebra I-a.
- Students will receive high school credit for successful completion of Algebra I-b.

1. Students who meet or exceed the math standard as measured by the WASL are required to successfully complete Algebra II to graduate.

Possible math sequence:

Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II		

OR

Possible math sequence for students needing additional support:

Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Algebra I-a	Algebra I-b	Geometry	Algebra II (math credit) or	
			Algebra II Prep (math elective credit)	Algebra II (math credit)

2. Math sequence for students not meeting the math standard as measured by the WASL:
 - Students must successfully complete either Algebra II or math their senior year.

Junior Year:

Students not meeting standard in mathematics as measured by the WASL in 10th grade may take one of the following:

Course	Credit
Algebra II or	1.0 math credit (fulfills graduation requirement)
Algebra II Prep or	1.0 math credit (does not fulfill graduation requirement)
Math Support Class (Segmented Math)	1.0 math credit (does not fulfill graduation requirement)

Senior Year:

Students not meeting standard in mathematics as measured by the WASL in 11th grade must take a math class their senior year. Successful completion of any of the following courses will fulfill graduation requirements:

Course	Credit
Algebra II OR	1.0 math credit
Algebra II Prep OR	1.0 math credit
Math Support Class (Segmented Math)	1.0 math credit

II. World Language Discussion

- Kathy Waldron, head of the department at BHS, and Sonya Morrison, head of the department at Sehome, joined the committee in this discussion.
- Sherrie shared data about the number of graduates in 2004, 2005 and 2006 who took two years of World Language.
- After a lengthy discussion, it was agreed by a majority of the task force to continue their consideration of a two-year World Language graduation requirement. This discussion will continue at the next meeting.

III. Schedule

- Steve Clarke created a sample schedule that was shared with the group that showed theoretically what four years of high school might look like that included some of the tentative graduation recommendations. This discussion will continue at the next meeting.

IV. The next meeting is Tuesday, March 13 at 3:00 in Room 112 at Roeder.