



WHITE OAK INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

HB 5 GRADUATION PLAN

During the 83rd Texas Legislature, House Bill 5 was signed into law and changed high school graduation requirements for the students who will be freshmen during the 2014-2015 school year. The bill provides more flexibility for high school students to pursue higher education or a career pathway. It established one graduation plan – Foundation High School Program (FHSP)-with an opportunity to earn at least one of five endorsements, and Performance Acknowledgements along with graduation as a Distinguished student.

Below is a snap shot of the new graduation requirements. The Foundation is 22 Credits, plus an endorsement is 4 credits for a total of 26 credits. White Oak ISD will require students to graduate with 28 credits. *Please note:* This is a working document and changes could be forthcoming. WOISD will provide a detailed high school course description guide that outlines these requirements to students who will be freshmen during the 2014-2015 school year.

FOUNDATION PLAN

22 CREDITS

4 Credits	3 Credits	3 Credits	3 Credits	2 Credits	1 Credit	1 Credit	1 Credit	4 Credits
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS	MATH	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	FOREIGN LANGUAGE	PE	FINE ARTS	REQUIRED ELECTIVES*	ELECTIVE CREDITS
★ELA I ★ELAI ★ELA III ★ADVANCED ELA	★ALGEBRA I ★GEOMETRY ★ADVANCED MATH	★IPC ★BIOLOGY ★ADVANCED SCIENCE	★US HISTORY ★WORLD GEOG/ <i>OR</i> WORLD HISTORY ★GOVT/ ECON	★SPANISH I ★SPANISH II	★PE ★ATHLETICS <i>PE Substitution</i> ★MARCHING BAND ★CHEERLEADING	★ART ★BAND ★CHOIR ★THEATER	★PROFESSIONAL COMMUNICATIONS ★HEALTH (1/2 Credit each) *Local Requirement	★STUDENT'S CHOICE

FOUNDATION + ENDORSEMENTS

(One Advanced Math & One Advanced Science required *PLUS* Curriculum requirements in Selected Endorsements.

DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY	★Agriculture, Food & Natural Resources	★Information Technology ★Arts & Audio Visual, Technology/ Communication	★Business Management & Administration ★Finance	★Manufacturing	★Advanced Journalism - Yearbook ★Advanced Journalism - Newspaper ★Debate
ARTS & HUMANITIES	★Social Studies	★Fine Arts: Music, Art, Theater	★Languages Other Than English (LOTE)	★American Sign Language	★English
STEM	★Five (5) Courses for STEM Math Requirement	★Five (5) Courses for STEM Science Requirement			
MULTI-DISCIPLINARY	★Four (4) Advanced Classes	★Four (4) Credits each of the four core areas	★Four (4) Dual Credit/AP Courses		

★Complete the **FOUNDATION PLAN:** Four (4) credits in Math which includes Algebra II and Four (4) credits in Science.
Plus,
★Complete curriculum requirements for at least one endorsement

★A student must earn a **DISTINGUISHED LEVEL OF ACHIEVEMENT** to be eligible for top 10% for automatic admission to a Texas Public College or University

PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE IN:

- ★DUAL CREDIT COURSE
- ★ BILINGUALISM & BILITERACY
- ★ COLLEGE BOARD AP EXAM
- ★PSAT, ACT-PLAN, OR ACT
- ★EARN A NATIONALLY OR INTERNATIONALLY RECOGNIZED BUSINESS/INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION/ LICENSED BY ACHIEVEMENT ON AN EXAM

STATE END OF COURSE ASSESSMENT REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION:

ENGLISH I,II
ALGEBRA I
US HISTORY
BIOLOGY