

## 2015-2016 REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Credit is granted for each semester of successfully completed course work. A diploma will not be issued to a student who has not been in attendance at Grand Haven High School for at least one semester of their senior year or earned less than two credits, including one credit of math. The high school, working closely with each student and his/her parent or guardian, will plan a program appropriate to the student's educational needs and interests. Students who have completed all requirements for graduation from Grand Haven Area Public Schools may be issued a diploma. Students shall have been in attendance in grades 9-12 for eight (8) semesters, or the equivalent, by the time of graduation. During each of the eight (8) semesters, students will be enrolled in a minimum of six (6) classes. Those students wishing to graduate early must have approval from the principal. Students interested in this option need to see their counselor.

Foreign Exchange students will be issued a diploma upon completion of the same basic requirements expected of other regularly enrolled Grand Haven High School students (Policy #5118.1). In order to qualify for a Grand Haven High School diploma, an exchange student must attend at least one school year and be in their senior year of high school.

### Graduation Requirements

**Requirements** **Sequence of Course** **Credit**

#### B English/Language Arts – 4 credits required

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	English 9 (BE1)	1 Credit
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	English 10 (BAL)	1 Credit
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	English 11 (B11)	1 Credit
12 <sup>th</sup> Grade	AP Literature	
	OR	
	Elective	1 Credit

#### C Social Studies – 3 credits required

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	World History with Geography (CH0)	1 Credit
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	US History with Geography	1 Credit
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Civics/US Government (CH3)	½ Credit
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Economics	½ Credit

#### D Science – 3 credits required

9 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Earth Science or Honors Earth Science	1 Credit
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Biology or Honors Biology (DSB)	1 Credit
11 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Chemistry or Honors Chemistry or Physics or Honors Physics (DSC)	1 Credit

#### E Mathematics – 4 credits required

	Algebra 1 (EM1)	1 Credit
	Geometry (EM2)	1 Credit
	Algebra II (EM3)	1 Credit
	Additional Math credit (EME) (1 credit must be in senior year)	1 Credit

#### \*F World Language (for class of 2016 & Beyond)

		2 Credits
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#### M. Physical Ed/Health – 1 credit required

Class of 2015-2016-2017	Course must include content on both Health and Phys. Ed. This requirement may be replaced by an additional English/Lang. Arts, World Lang., Math or Science course.	1 Credit
Class of 2017 & Beyond		.5 PE Credit/.5 Health Credit

#### Visual/Performing or Applied Art – 1 credit required

	Credit may be earned in any one category of arts. This requirement may be replaced by an additional English/Lang. Arts, World Lang., Math, or Science course. (VPA)	1 Credit
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#### On-Line Learning Experience

Credit may be an on-line course, on-line learning experience or integrated on-line learning. This requirement may be replaced by an additional English/Lang. Arts, World Lang., Math, or Science course
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**X Electives – 11.5 credits required**

<b>Class of 2016</b>	(XEL)	Total XEL 6.5 Credits
<b>Class of 2017</b>	(XEL)	Total XEL 5.0 Credits
<b>Class of 2018</b>	(XEL)	Total XEL 4.0 Credits
<b>Class of 2019</b>	(XEL)	Total XEL 4.0 Credits

Total Credits Required to Graduate:

Class of 2016 = 24.5 Credits

Class of 2017 = 23.0 Credits

Class of 2018 = 22.0 Credits

Class of 2019 = 22.0 Credits