



Graduation Requirements Comparison Chart for Belton ISD

Pre-HB5 Graduation Requirements for Belton ISD	HB5 Graduation Requirements for Belton ISD	HB5 Endorsement Areas of Study
English (4 credits) <i>English I, II, III, & IV (or English I, II for Speakers of Other Languages)</i>	English (4 credits)	<p>STEM: (Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics)</p> <p>Science Technology Engineering Mathematics</p> <p>BUSINESS & INDUSTRY:</p> <p>Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources Architecture and Construction Arts, A/V Technology and Communications Business, Management and Administration Finance Hospitality and Tourism (Culinary Arts) Information Technology Manufacturing Marketing, Sales and Service Transportation and Logistics (Auto Technology) Advanced Broadcast Journalism, Newspaper or Public Speaking</p> <p>PUBLIC SERVICES:</p> <p>Education and Training Health Science Law, Public Safety, Corrections and Security Human Services JROTC</p> <p>ARTS & HUMANITIES:</p> <p>Art Dance Music</p>
Math (4 credits) <i>Algebra I, II, Geometry and a 4th math (for which Algebra II is a prerequisite)</i>	<i>English I, II, and III, plus an advanced English course</i>	
Science (4 credits) <i>Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and an additional lab-based science course</i>	Math (3 credits)	
Social Studies (4 credits) <i>World Geography, World History, US History, US Government/ Economics</i>	<i>Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II (recommended) or Advanced Math</i>	
Languages Other than English (2 -3 credits)	Science (3 credits)	
Physical Ed. (1 credit)	<i>Biology, IPC or Chemistry, and an additional Advanced Science course</i>	
Electives (4 credits)	Social Studies (3 credits)	
Fine Arts (1 credit)	<i>World Geography or World History, US History, and US Gov't/Economics</i>	
Professional Communications (Speech) (1/2 credit)	Languages Other than English (2 credits)	
Electives (4.5-5.5 credits)	Physical Ed. (1 credit)	
	Electives or Endorsement Requirements (9 credits)	
Distinguished Achievement Program (26 credits) <i>Students must complete all course requirements for the Recommended Graduation Plan, take 3 years of the same language other than English, and complete a combination of 4 advanced measures.</i>	Fine Arts (1 credit)	
	Endorsements (26 credits)	
	<i>To earn an endorsement a student must successfully complete:</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1 additional credit in math 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •1 additional credit in science 	
Minimum Graduation Requirements <i>The BISSD Board of Trustees allows dismissal from the Recommended Plan due to ARD committee decision or lack of academic success. 2 local credits will count toward graduation. BISSD requires 22 credits.</i>		
	Distinguished Level of Achievement (26 credits)	
	<i>To earn a distinguished level of achievement a student must successfully complete the curriculum requirements for at least one endorsement, including 4 credits in science and 4 credits in mathematics to include Algebra II.</i>	
	Performance Acknowledgement	
	<i>A student may earn a performance acknowledgement on their diploma and transcript for outstanding performance on any of the following:</i>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completing at least 12 hours of college academic courses including those taken for dual credit and advanced technical credit. 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In bilingualism and biliteracy 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On a college AP or IB exam 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On the PSAT, ACT-PLAN, SAT or ACT 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For earning a nationally or internationally recognized industry certification 	