

# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The Georgia Board of Education establishes graduation requirements for all students in public schools. The Fulton County School System bases its requirements on the state requirements. Local school systems must meet all state requirements; however, they may go beyond those requirements.

## Credit for High School Courses Taken in Middle School

Students who take high school math courses and/or two years of the same world language in middle school may receive unit credit toward their high school requirements. It takes two years of the same world language in middle school to equate to one unit of high school world language.

## Eligibility for Graduation

A student shall become eligible for graduation upon meeting the following criteria:

- ✓ 23 units of appropriate credit have been completed
- ✓ State assessment requirements have been met
- ✓ Attendance requirements have been met

### Course Requirement Chart

*The following units are required under the new graduation rule for Class of 2012 and beyond:*

AREAS OF STUDY	Semester 1	Semester 2	Units Required
<b>LANGUAGE ARTS</b> <i>(Required Courses and/or Core Courses)</i>			
9 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition (1.0)			4
10 <sup>th</sup> Grade Literature/Composition (1.0)			
American Literature/Composition (1.0)			
World Literature /Composition (.5)			
British Literature/Composition (.5)			
Multicultural Literature (.5)			
AP Literature/Composition (1.0)			
College English (1.0)			
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>			
GPS Algebra (1.0) OR GPS Accelerated Algebra Honors (1.0)			4
GPS Geometry (1.0) OR GPS Accelerated Geometry Honors (1.0)			
GPS Advanced Algebra (1.0) OR GPS Accelerated Pre-Calculus Honors (1.0)			
GPS Pre Calculus (1.0)			
Mathematics of Finance (1.0)			
Advanced Mathematical Decision Making (1.0)			
AP Calculus AB/BC (1.0)			
AP Statistics (1.0)			
College Calculus II and III (via GA Tech)			
<b>SCIENCE</b> <i>(The 4<sup>th</sup> science unit may be used to meet both the science and elective requirement.)</i>			
Biology (1.0)			4
Physical Science (1.0)			
Chemistry (1.0)			
Physics (1.0)			
Earth Science (1.0)			
Environmental Science (1.0)			
Human Anatomy and Physiology (1.0)			
AP Science Courses – Selective – (1.0)			
Identified CTE Science Courses – Selective – (1.0)			
<b>SOCIAL STUDIES</b>			
World History (1.0)			3
American History (1.0)			
Economics (.5)			
American Government (.5)			
<b>HEALTH &amp; PHYSICAL EDUCATION</b>			
Health (.5)			1
Personal Fitness (.5)			
JROTC (3 units to meet the Personal Fitness requirement)			
<b>Career Technology Agricultural Education</b>			
World Language			3
Fine Arts			
<b>ELECTIVE UNITS</b>			
			4
<b>TOTAL UNITS REQUIRED (MINIMUM) TO MEET GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS</b>			<b>23</b>