Arkansas Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
Thirty-Eight Required High School Courses

**English Language Arts: 6 credits**
- English 9 (410000) 1 credit *
- English 10 (411000) 1 credit *
- English 11 (412000) 1 credit
- English 12 (413000) 1 credit
- English 11/12: Cross-Cultural Literature ½ credit
- English 11/12: Comparative Literature ½ credit
- English 11/12: US History Seminal Documents ½ credit
- English 11/12: Film as Literature ½ credit
- English 11/12: Public Relations, Sales, and Marketing ½ credit
- English 11/12: Business and Professional Communication ½ credit
- English 11/12: Mass Communications ½ credit
- English 11/12: Entrepreneurship and Innovation ½ credit
- English 11/12: Technical Reading and Writing for Trade & Industry ½ credit

**Oral Communication ½ credit from below:**
- Oral Com: Personal Communication (414200) ½ credit
- Oral Com: Professional Communication (414210) ½ credit

**ADE Approved ELA 1 ½ credits from below:**
- Critical Reading I (419110)
- Creative Writing (417010) ½ credit
- Debate I (414050)
- Dramatic Literature (416010)
- ELA Drama (416000) ½ credit
- Forensics I (414020)
- Journalism I (415000)
- Transitional literacy Ready (496030)
- Additional English 11/12 or Oral Com.
- Approved AP* and IB offerings

**Computer Science: 1 credit**
- Sequential combination of HS CS Level 1 and HS CS Level 2 courses

**Mathematics: 6 credits**
- Algebra I (430000) 1 credit *
- Geometry (431000) 1 credit *
- Algebra II (432000) 1 credit *
- Pre-Calculus (433000) 1 credit *
- ADE Approved Math 2 credits from below:
  - Adv. Topics and Modeling in Math (439050)
  - Algebra III (439070)
  - Calculus (434010)
  - Linear Systems & Statistics (439090)
  - Quantitative Literacy (439120)
  - Math Ready (439110)
  - Technical Math for College and Careers (439130)
  - Approved AP* and IB offerings

**Science: 5 credits**
- Physical Science Integrated (423000) 1 credit *
- Biology Integrated (420000) 1 credit *
- Chemistry Integrated (421000) 1 credit *
- ADE Approved Science 2 credits from below:
  - Astronomy (425050)
  - Chemistry II (421010)
  - Earth Science (425020)
  - Environmental Science (424020)
  - Anatomy/Physiology (424030)
  - Physics (422010)
  - Approved AP* and IB offerings

**Career Education: 9 credits**
Program(s) of study representing three (3) of the following occupational areas:
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- Family and Consumer Sciences
- Trade and Industry
- Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

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**Social Studies: 4 credits**
- US History Since 1890 (470000) 1 credit *
- World History Since 1450 (471000) 1 credit *
- Civics (472000) ½ credit *
- Economics and Personal Finance (474300) ½ credit *
- ADE Approved Social Studies 1 credit from below:
  - Arkansas History (473000) ½ credit
  - African American History (474700) ½ credit
  - Psychology (474400) ½ credit
  - Sociology (474500) ½ credit
  - United States Government (474100) ½ credit
  - World Geography (474600)
  - Approved AP* and IB offerings

**Fine Arts: 3½ credits**
- Visual Art (450) 1 credit
- Vocal Music (452) 1 credit
- Approved AP* and IB offerings

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- Visual Art I (450000)*
- Vocal Music I (452000)*

**Fine Arts: 3½ credits**
- Instrumental Music 1 credit
- Approved AP* and IB offerings

**Fine Arts: 3½ credits**
- Band I (451000)
- Jazz Band I (451200)
- Orchestra I (451100)

**Schools must offer:**
- 38 unique courses, even if a course falls into two categories
- Math and Literacy transitional courses
- AP courses in endorsed areas
- AR History required, if not taught in 7th or 8th grade
- Schools may submit a request for other courses to meet the 38 through the ADE Course Approval System (CAS)

*Specific Required Course

1 Credit = full year course  ½ credit = semester course  Revised 1-8-2020 (Updated 8-13-20)