

LOUISIANA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

For students who are completing the Louisiana high school curriculum, the minimum course requirements for graduation shall be the following:

GRADUATING CLASS OF 2018 & BEYOND

TOPS UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM	JUMP START TOPS TECH (CAREER DIPLOMA) CURRICULUM
<p>English (4 units): English I, II, III, IV</p> <p>Math (4 units): Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and the remaining units shall come from the following: Advanced Math-Pre-calculus, Calculus, & Advanced Math-Functions & Statistics.</p> <p>Science (4 units): Biology, Chemistry, and 2 units from the following: Physical Science, Physics I, Biology II or AP Biology II or Anatomy, Chemistry II, Environmental Science or AP Environmental Science, or Agriscience II.</p> <p>Social Studies (4 units): 1 unit of Civics or AP American Government, US History or AP US History, and 2 units from the following: World History or AP World History, World Geography or AP Human Geography, AP Psychology, or AP Macroeconomics.</p> <p>Health (1/2 unit)</p> <p>Physical Education or ROTC: (1 ½ units minimum)</p> <p>Foreign Language (2 units): 2 units in the same foreign language</p> <p>Arts (1 unit): Fine Arts Survey, Art, Choir, Band, Theatre, Theatre Design & Technology, AP Music Theory or Basic Drafting.</p> <p>Electives (3 units)</p> <p>Total: 24 units</p> <p>Note: AP Physics cannot be used as a science requirement for TOPS.</p>	<p>English (4 units): English I, II, III, English IV or Business English</p> <p>Math (4units): Algebra I or Algebra I Part I and Algebra I Part II, and 3 units from the following: Geometry, Math Essentials, Financial Math, Algebra II, Advanced Math Functions and Statistics, Advanced Math Precalculus.</p> <p>Science (2 units): 1 unit of Biology I and one unit from the following: Chemistry I, Environmental Science, Physical Science, Agriscience I and II.</p> <p>Social Studies (2 units): 1 unit of US History and 1 unit of Civics.</p> <p>Health: ½ unit</p> <p>PE or ROTC: (1 ½ units minimum)</p> <p>Jump Start: 9 units of courses in the student's selected career pathway.</p> <p>Total: 23 units</p> <p>Credentials in the Jump Start Pathway are also required to graduate under the Jump Start Diploma. These are listed in each pathway. Refer to pages 4-6 for pathway options.</p> <p>NOTE: Students who follow this diploma path will not be admitted directly after high school into 4-year universities in Louisiana.</p>

To receive the TOPS Scholarship, you must follow the TOPS University curriculum listed above AND meet the following requirements:

OPPORTUNITY AWARD	PERFORMANCE AWARD	HONORS AWARD
2.50 GPA ACT = 20+ Pays: Tuition (subject to changes by the LA legislature)	3.00 GPA 3.25 GPA – Graduates of 2021 and after ACT = 23+ Pays: Tuition + \$400/year (subject to changes by the LA legislature)	3.00 GPA 3.25 GPA – Graduates of 2021 and after ACT = 27+ Pays: Tuition + \$800/year (subject to changes by the LA legislature)

Current sophomore students who are considering changing from the TOPS University Diploma to the Jump Start TOPS Tech (Career Diploma) should fill out the information the last page of this packet and turn it in to their English teacher or the guidance office by March 29 in lieu of scheduling online.