

**An Overview of The Bridge General High School Graduation Requirements,
General College Prep Recommendations, NCAA Division I and II Sports Requirements**

Subjects	Possible Coursework	General High School Diploma* <i>(Required for Bridge Graduation)</i>	General College Prep <i>(Suggested Coursework)</i>	NCAA Division I or Division II <i>(Required Coursework)</i>
Math <i>Algebra 1 and Geometry required for high school, Algebra 2 for many colleges</i>	<i>General Math, Consumer Math, Business Math, Accounting, Algebra 1 & 2, Geometry, Trig, Pre-Calculus, Calculus, Statistics</i>	4 Credits	4 or more Credits	4 credits
Language Arts	<i>Composition, American Lit, British Lit, World Lit, Rhetoric, Creative Writing, Speech Communications, Journalism, College Prep could include AP. (Courses should stress grammar, vocabulary and analyzing literature.)</i>	4 Credits	4 Credits	4 or more credits
History/Social Science <i>Required: 1 credit of US History, 1 credit of World History, 1/2 credit of American Government, and 1/2 credit of Economics</i>	<i>US History, World History, World Geography, American Government, Economics, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Constitutional Law</i>	3-4 Credits	3-4 Credits	2 or more credits
Science <i>2 Sciences with lab required plus 1 additional science course</i>	<i>General Science, Physical Science, Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Anatomy, Marine Biology</i>	3-4 Credits	3-4 Credits	2 or more credits, 1 must have a lab
Foreign Language <i>Minimum of two consecutive years same language preferred for college</i>	<i>Spanish, French, German, Latin, Japanese, Russian, Mandarin, Sign Language</i>	0-4 Credits	2-4 Credits	Optional
P.E./Health <i>1 credit of H.O.P.E. required (can be composed of 1/2 credit of Health and 1/2 credit P.E.)</i>	<i>Various possibilities</i>	1 Credit	1 Credit	N/A
Fine Arts	<i>Art, Art History, Music, Band, Dance, Drama, Photography, Architecture, Debate, Practical Arts</i>	1 Credit	1 Credit	N/A
Electives	<i>Life Skills, Home Economics, Office Skills, Career Development, Driver's Ed., and additional courses in any of the above subjects</i>	4-8 Credits	8 Credits	N/A
Total Credits Required		24 Credits*	25 or more Credits	16 credits (10 before 12th grade)

*According to the Florida Department of Education, these are minimum requirements. There is nothing wrong with having 26 or more credits on your student's transcript.

Suggestion to parents of college bound students: choose 2-3 colleges and contact them regarding admission requirements and plan accordingly. For sports, the NCAA requires only 16 core course credits, but the state of Florida requires a minimum 24 total credits.