

Lower Merion School District

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PURPOSE

To encourage students to pursue a broad liberal arts program of studies that exceeds the minimum high school graduation requirements.

DEFINITIONS

"Scholar's Program of Studies" shall mean a prescribed program of studies which exceeds the minimum high school graduation requirements and includes the recognition of students who successfully complete such a program.

SCHOLAR’S PROGRAM OF STUDIES

High school students will complete the Scholar's Program of Studies if they exceed the minimum graduation requirements by earning at least 3 additional credits in conjunction with the credits required for graduation, including 14 credits in mathematics, science, social studies, and world language, distributed as 4 credits in 2 disciplines and 3 credits in the remaining 2 disciplines and 1 elective course.

Notes:

Three credits in mathematics, science and four credits in social studies are required for graduation. A world language is not required for graduation but is strongly recommended. Earning four credits in mathematics and science is strongly recommended.

DISTINGUISHED SCHOLARS

In addition to the required credits, students will be recognized for completing the Scholar's Program of Studies with distinction if they attain a grade point average of 4.0 with no failing grades. (In calculating a student's grade point average for possible recognition as a distinguished scholar, only those courses graded on the A to F scale will be used.)

Guidelines for the scholar’s program of studies are provided in Administrative Regulation No. 129, “Scholars Program of Studies”.

Cross Reference:

Policy No. 217 *High School Graduation Requirements*