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Class of 2022 Graduation Requirements

Core Requirements	Elective Requirements
4 English (English 1 & 2)	1 Technology
4 Math (Algebra 1)	1 Fine Arts
3 Science (Biology 1)	1 Health/PE
3.5 Social Studies (MS Studies, World History, US History, Government/Econ)	5.5 Electives
	College and Career Readiness (WBL/JROTC4)

Career and Technical Endorsement

<u>Requirements</u>	
Traditional Diploma Requirements	One of the following:
4 CTE Electives	One academic or CTE Dual Credit course
2 additional electives	WBL Experience
Silver Level ACT Workkeys	SBE approved national credential

Academic Endorsement

Requirements Aligns with the required IHL CPC and HELP Grant curriculum requirements		
Traditional Diploma Requirements	2.5 GPA	
Math (2 above Algebra 1)	ACT: English = 17; Math = 19	
Science (2 above Biology 1)	One academic DC course with "C" or higher	
2 IHL Advanced Electives		
2 additional electives		

Distinguished Academic Endorsement

Requirements Aligns with recommended IHL CPC		
Traditional Diploma Requirements	3.0 GPA	
Math (2 above Algebra 1)	ACT: English = 18; Math = 22	
Science (2 above Biology 1 + 1 additional)	One academic DC course with "B" or higher	
2 IHL Advanced Electives		
4 additional electives		

MS 4 Year University Advanced Electives

Advanced Electives: 2 Carnegie units

- Option 1: Foreign Language I and Foreign Language II
- Option 2: Foreign Language I and one unit from Option 3
- Option 3: (1) Any combination of an advanced level course above the required Carnegie units as noted in the Mississippi Department of Education Secondary Course Manual and/or) any (b) Advanced Placement (AP), Academic or Career and Technical Dual Credit (DC), International Baccalaureate (IB) or Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) course. (2) Completion of any two-year Career and Technical course may count as one unit. Example: completion of both Health Sciences I & II will count as an advanced elective.

Early Dismissal/Late Entry

For early release, students must have met College or Career Readiness Benchmarks:

- ACT subscores: 17 English and 19 Math.
- or earned a Silver level on ACT WorkKeys

Alternately, a student must meet **ALL** of the following:

- Have a 2.5 GPA
- Passed or met all MAAP assessments requirements for graduation
- On track to meet diploma requirements
- Concurrently enrolled in Essentials for College Math or Essentials for College Literacy

State Testing

- All seniors either passed state assessments or were given a Covid-19 waiver.
- Early graduates have to take and pass US History.



English Language Arts

- 4 credits must consist of:
- English I (1)
- English II (1)
- Two additional English credits above English II and approved for admission to IHL

Mathematics

4 credits must consist of:

- Algebra I (1)
- Algebra II (1)
- Geometry (1)
- And 1 Carnegie Unit of comparable rigor and content may come from mathematics courses approved for Mississippi Scholars Credit (mississippischolars.ms)

Science

4 credits must consist of:

- Biology I (1)
- Chemistry (1)
- Any 2 Carnegie Units of comparable rigor and content above Biology I and Chemistry (Physics [1] preferred). Additionally, 1 Carnegie Unit may come from a Career Technical Education course.

Social Studies

4 credits must consist of:

- World Geography (½)
- Mississippi Studies (½)
- World History Studies (1)
- U.S. History (1)
- U.S. Government (½)
- Economics (½)

Arts

1 credit of:

- One Carnegie Unit of visual and performing arts meeting the requirements for high school graduation or
- Two units for completion of the 2 course sequence Computer Graphics Technology I & II

Advanced Electives

2 credits must consist of:

- Two foreign languages or a 5th math or 5th science of higher rigor or
- Any 2 dual credit courses

Additional Requirements

 40 hours of community or volunteer service during high school for seniors graduating 2018-2021 (80 hours for seniors graduating 2022 and later)

- Minimum of 18 ACT Composite Score (Overall Score) for senior graduating 2018-2021 (19 for seniors graduating 2022 and later)
- 2.5 cumulative high school GPA on a 4.0 scale
- Three letters of recommendation (one from each of the following — principal, guidance counselor and business/ community leader for students with more than 4 in-school suspensions)
- 95% school attendance during 4 years of high school
- No out-of-school suspension



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Mississippi Scholars must also complete any remaining state-mandated high school graduation requirements.

Advanced placement courses may be substituted in Mississippi Scholars subject areas.

Dual credit and online courses are acceptable.

English (4 credits) Mathematics (3 credits)

- Algebra I
- Math above Algebra I (Course has to be related to program of study)

Geometry (mandatory)

Science (3 credits)

- · Biology I
- Two courses above Biology I

Social Studies (3 credits)

- American History
- Government
- Mississippi Studies

Computer (1 credit)

Health or PE (½ credit)

Electives (2½ credits)

- Must take 4 CTE credits in the same area of your program of study.
- Must have 21 minimum credits students can go the 21 or 24 credit route allowing time for internship.
- · Non-negotiable

Additional Requirements

- 40 hours of community or volunteer service during high school for seniors graduating 2018-2021 (80 hours for seniors graduating 2022 and later)
- Minimum of 18 ACT Composite Score (Overall Score) for senior graduating 2018-2021 (19 for seniors graduating 2022 and later) or minimum 36 ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery Test) or Silver Level WorkKeys.
- 2.5 high school GPA on a 4.0 scale
- 95% school attendance during high school years

- No out-of-school suspension
- Must attain a passing score, as established by the Mississippi Department of Education (MDE), on the Mississippi Career Planning and Assessment System (CPAS2) or a passing score on an MDE-approved industry certification assessment.



Mississippi Scholars Tech Master must also complete any remaining statemandated high school graduation requirements.

Dual credit courses are acceptable.

★ Flexibility to tailor courses to area of interest.

Transcripts

- During senior year, request for free using Major Clarity.
- After graduation, request through Parchment. Cost is \$3.75.

Dual Credit Transcripts

 Must request through Hinds CC. Universities do not accept DC courses from the high school transcript.

ACT

- Accepted at most universities through December test.
- Registration for October test is open until Oct. 1st.
- Free/Reduced lunch qualify for fee waiver. See school counselor.
- If a student qualifies for an ACT waiver, they will qualify for college app fee waiver.

PARENT RESOURCES

- Parent Portal Letters
- Canvas: Counseling and classes
- Swiftk12
- Social Media

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Counseling Canvas Account
- RCSD Website

- Get2College Website
- Major Clarity

College Countdown MS

Sept. 9th / 10th





Oct. 27th



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College and Career Search

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Major, Clarity

College Visits

 Two excused absences with proof of attendance

IMPORTANT SENIOR DATES

- September 14th Senior Portraits Sitting fee due
- September 27th Graduate Services presenting packages
- October 8th Graduate Services orders & deposits due
- October 27th FAFSA DAY
- March 15th Graduate Services payment deadline

SENIOR CALENDAR

- Access on Counseling webpage
- Includes all dates for senior events and college/military recruiters

Total Senior Fees

- \$35 Bruckner's Sitting Fee
 - Check or cash to Bruckner's
 - Due September 14th
- \$82- Graduate Services
 - Pay online or check to Graduate Services
 - Deposit of \$80 due with order on Oct. 8th
 - Includes: Cap, Gown, Tassel, Stole,
 Diploma & Diploma Cover
- \$20 Graduation Fee
 - Covers cost of venue and decorations
 - Check or cash to Pisgah High School
 - Due November 19th
- Total = \$147



Graduate Services Info

- If you are purchasing extras -
 - A deposit of \$80 will be needed 10/8
 - Includes required \$82 (cap, gown, tassle, stole, diploma, & cover)
 - Pay the difference on the items ordered
- If you are not purchasing extras-
 - Only \$82 is required



Senior Email

- Seniors will lose RCSD email/Google Drive when they graduate
- Need to be creating a personal email now (this was done in CCR)
- Need to use this email when communicating with colleges
- Colleges will send stuff over the summer
- Needs to be professional
 - o Ex. johnsmith@gmail.com
 - NOT <u>bigsmitty@gmail.com</u>