A. **English (4 years required)** Four years of college-preparatory English that includes frequent writing, from brainstorming to final paper, as well as reading of classic and modern literature. No more than one year of ESL-type courses can be used to meet this requirement.

B. **History/Social Science (2 years required)**
Two years of history/social science, including one year of world history, cultures, and geography (may be a single year-long course or two one-semester courses), and one year of U.S. history or one-half year of U.S. history and one-half year of civics or American government.

C. **Mathematics (3 years required, 4 recommended)**
Three years of college-preparatory mathematics that include the topics covered in elementary and advanced algebra and two- and three-dimensional geometry. Approved integrated math courses may be used to fulfill part or all of this requirement, including math courses taken in the seventh and eighth grades if the high school accepts them as equivalent to its own courses.

D. **Laboratory Science (2 years required, 3 recommended)**
Two years of laboratory science providing fundamental knowledge in two of these three foundational subjects: biology, chemistry, and physics. The final two years of an approved three-year integrated science program that provides rigorous coverage of at least two of the three foundational subjects may be used to fulfill this requirement.

E. **Language Other Than English (2 years required, 3 recommended)**
Two years of the same language other than English. Courses should emphasize speaking and understanding, and include instruction in grammar, vocabulary, reading, composition, and culture. American Sign Language and classical languages, such as Latin and Greek, are acceptable.

F. **Visual And Performing Arts (1 year required)**
One year-long course of visual and performing arts chosen from the following: dance, drama/theatre, music, or visual art.

G. **College-Preparatory Elective (1 year required)**
One year (two semesters), in addition to those required in "a–f" above, chosen from the following areas: visual arts (non-introductory-level courses), performing arts (non-introductory-level courses), history, social science, English, advanced mathematics, laboratory science, and language other than English (a third year in the language used for the “e” requirement or two years of another language).