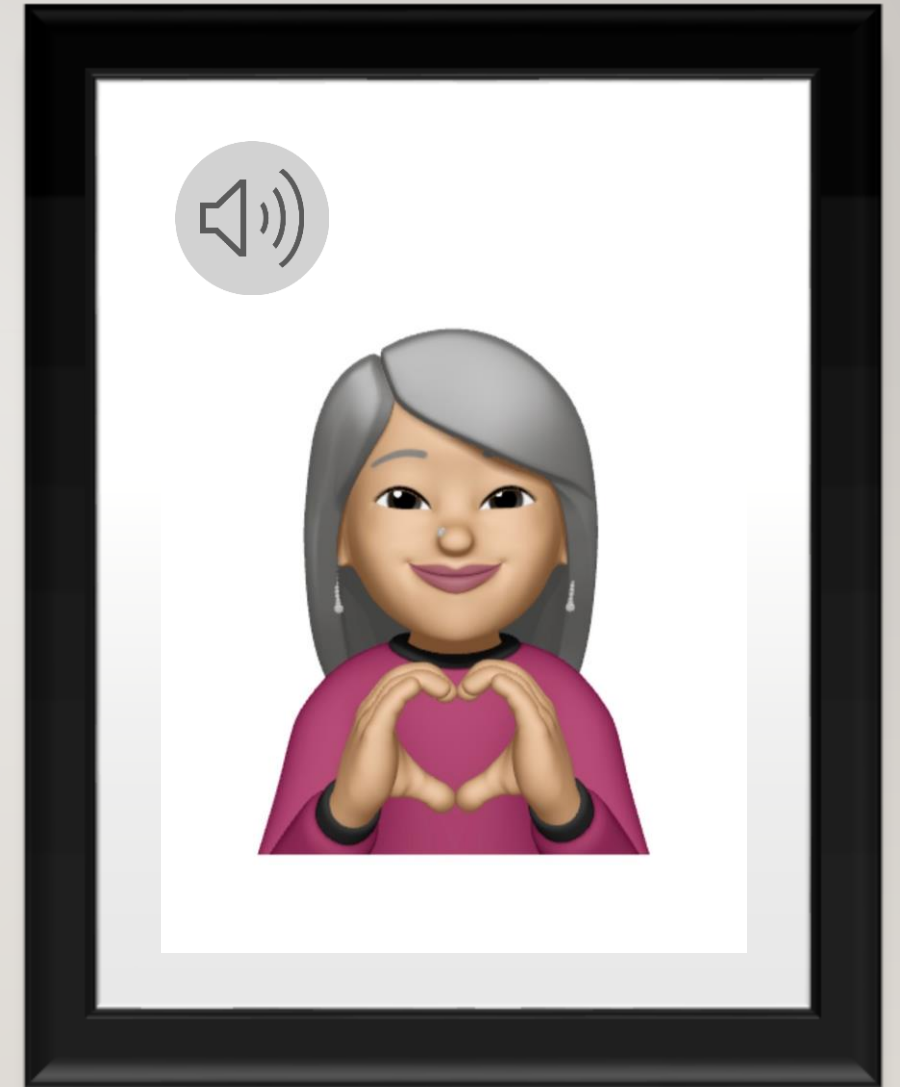


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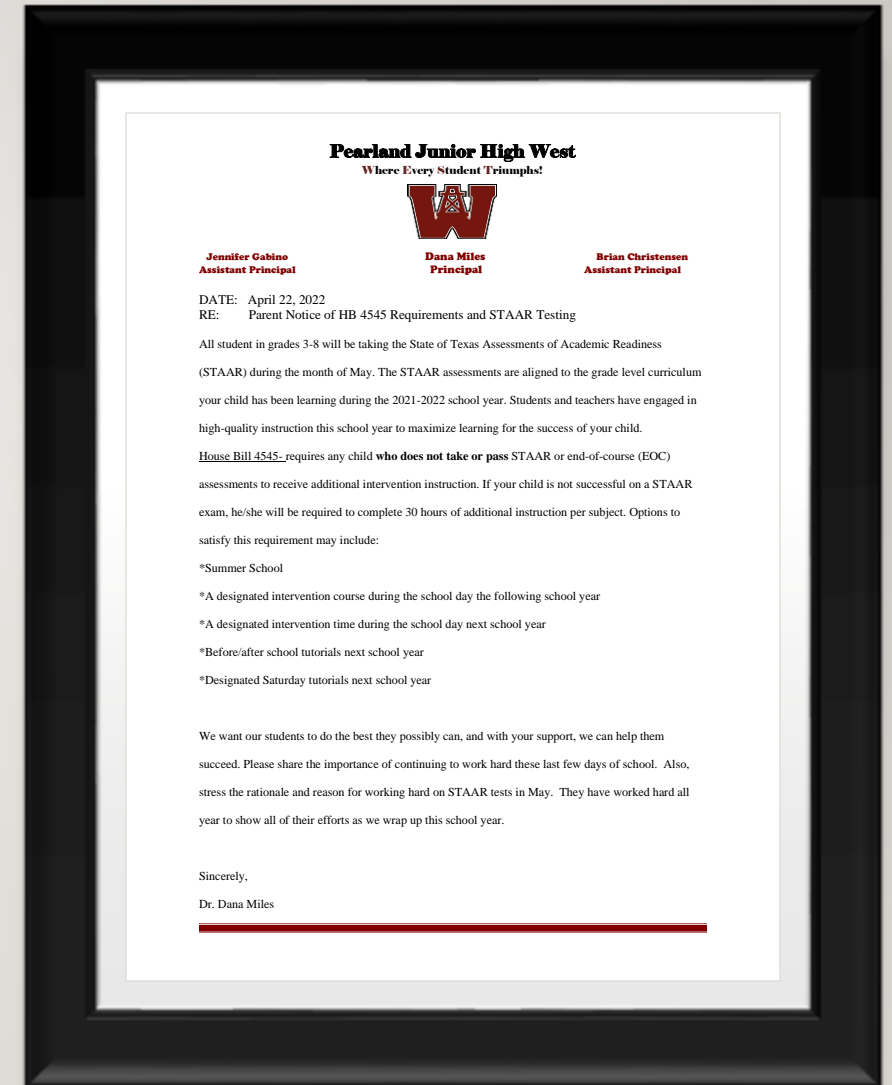
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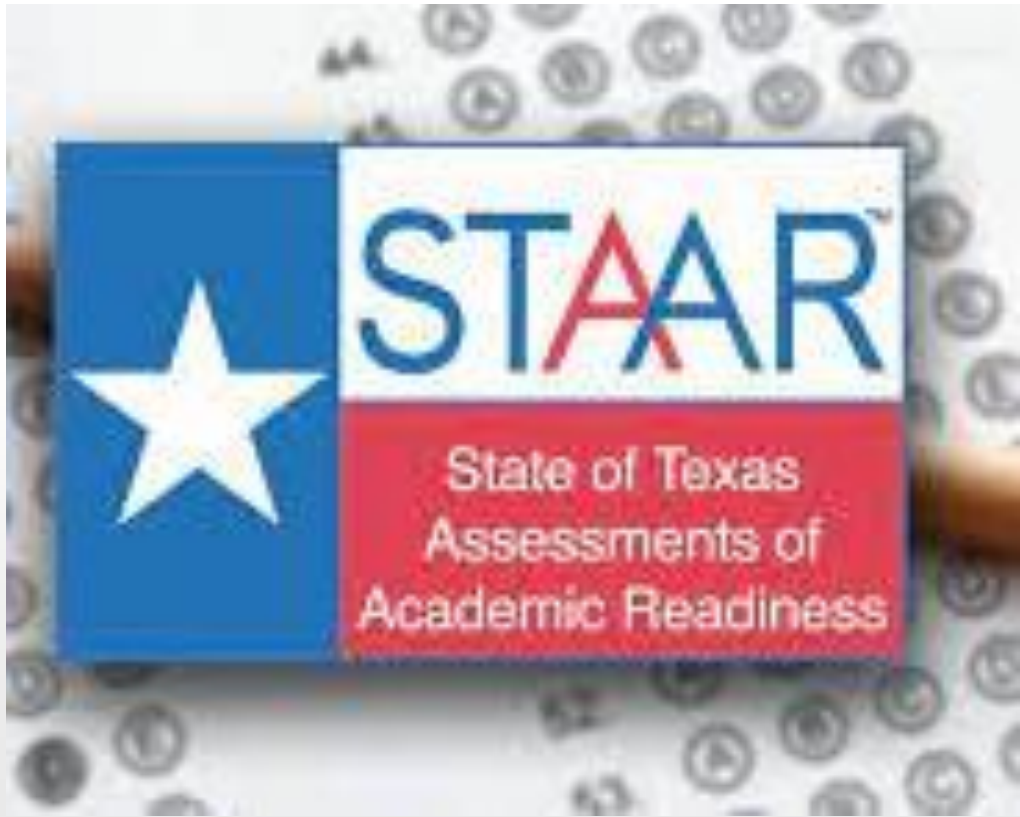
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2022-2023

HIGH SCHOOL ADVENTURES





STAAR EXAMS THAT MUST BE PASSED (EOC)

- Algebra I
- English I (reading & writing)
- Biology
- English II (reading & writing)
- U.S. History



NEW VOCABULARY

- **GPA/ Grade Point Average-** Points are assigned to semester grades based on difficulty (regular-4, AP-6, & Dual Credit-5).
- **Class Rank-** After all grades are calculated for all students, rank is assigned based on GPA, highest to lowest
- **Credit-** You earn $\frac{1}{2}$ of a credit per class, per semester for all classes
- **Dual Credit-** Course that count towards high school and college
- **Endorsement-** A targeted area of study that interests you



PEARLAND ISD GRADUATION PLAN

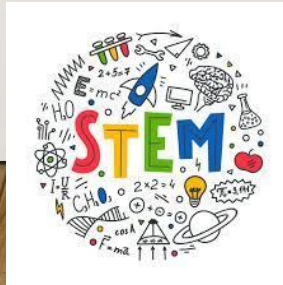
STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 9 IN THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR AND BEYOND

| Foundation Only 22 Credits* | Foundation + Endorsement 26 Credits | Distinguished Level of Achievement |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English – English I, II, III, IV or one credit in an advanced English course • 3 credits Mathematics – Algebra I, Geometry, one credit in an advanced math course • 3 credits Science – Biology, IPC or an advanced science course, an additional advanced science course • 3 credits Social Studies –US History, Government, Economics, World Geography or World History • 2 credits Language Other than English or Computer Science/Programming • 1 credit Physical Education • 1 credit Fine Arts • 5 credits in Electives (may include CTE or certification courses) <p><i>* Students may opt to Foundation-only after completing sophomore year.</i></p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English – English I, II, III, IV or one credit in an advanced English course • 4 credits Mathematics – Algebra I, Geometry, two credits in an advanced math course • 4 credits Science – Biology, one credit in IPC or in any additional authorized advanced science course, two credits in any advanced science course • 3 credits Social Studies –US History, Government, Economics, World Geography or World History • 2 credits Language Other than English or Computer Science/Programming • 1 credit Physical Education • 1 credit Fine Arts • 7 credits in Electives (may include CTE or certification courses) • Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 credits English – English I, II, III, IV or one credit in an advanced English course • 4 credits Mathematics – Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, one credit in an advanced math course • 4 credits Science – Biology, one credit in IPC or in any additional authorized advanced science course, two credits in any advanced science course • 3 credits Social Studies –US History, Government, Economics, World Geography or World History • 2 credits Language Other than English or Computer Science/Programming • 1 credit Physical Education • 1 credit Fine Arts • 7 credits in Electives (may include CTE or certification courses) • Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement |

HOW MANY ENDORSEMENT CHOICES DO WE HAVE? 5

- PUBLIC SERVICE (LAW ENFORCEMENT, MEDICINE, ROTC, HUMAN SERVICES)
- STEM (ENGINEERING, CYBERSECURITY, COMPUTER SCIENCE)
- Business & Industry (agriculture, hospitality, journalism, culinary)
- Multidisciplinary 4x4 (dual language)
- Arts & Humanities (band, theater, dance, psychology, political science)

* Numerous options, but **make sure to choose an option!**



CHOOSE YOUR PLAN...

Let's Start with the basics...



Foundation
High School Program

| | |
|---------------|--------------------|
| 4 credits | ELA |
| 3 credits | Mathematics |
| 3 credits | Science |
| 3 credits | Social Studies |
| 2 credits | LOTE |
| 1 credit | Fine Arts |
| 1 credit | Physical Education |
| 5 credits | Electives |
| TOTAL: | 22 credits |

These are only the base credits needed for graduation.

Most students need 26 TOTAL CREDITS for graduation with an endorsement. The additional four credits added to the Foundation Plan are:

- *1 addt'l Math credit
- *1 addt'l Science credit
- *2 addt'l Elective credits



Now, the frosting...



Endorsements

- 1. STEM
- 2. Business and Industry
- 3. Arts and Humanities
- 4. Public Services
- 5. Multidisciplinary

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- 1 additional Mathematics credit
- 1 additional Science credit
- 2 additional Elective credits

TOTAL: 26 credits

Choose your endorsement based on what type of career you are interested in after high school or on an activity you enjoy now.

Your endorsement and program of studies selection will determine 4 of your 7 required electives in HS.

****That doesn't mean you can't take electives from other endorsements.**

For top 10% automatic college acceptance, you must graduate with an endorsement and Algebra 2.

****The endorsement you earn DOES NOT MATTER for admissions, just that you have one!**

ENDORSEMENT

Do you like Sprinkles?



A student may earn a **performance acknowledgement**:

- *Dual credit courses
- *Bilingualism/biliteracy
- *AP tests
- *PSAT, ACT, or SAT
- *Earning a nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license

Don't stress about this part!

These are acknowledgements that will happen naturally based on your academic interests and successes!

EXTRAS...

THE FINAL TOUCH...

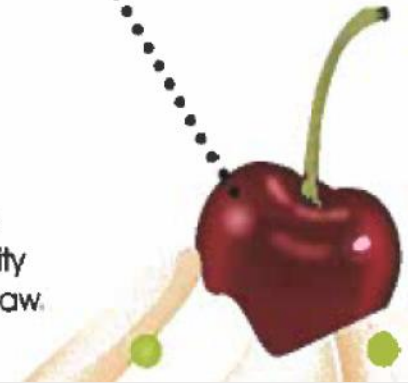
Then the Cherry on top...

Distinguished Level of Achievement

A student may earn a distinguished level of achievement by completing the following:

- Foundation Program requirements
- 4 credits in math, including Algebra II
- 4 credits in science
- at least 1 endorsement

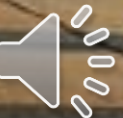
The Distinguished Level of Achievement must be earned to be admitted to a Texas public university under the top 10 percent automatic admission law.



ENJOY YOUR HIGH SCHOOL YEARS!!!

TIPS-

- Don't be afraid to get to know a diverse selection of new people
- Be resourceful (Google is your bestie)
- Use a planner or digital calendar to keep track of assignments
- Plan studying time into your weekly schedule now (3-4 hour minimum)
- Get involved in some kind of extracurricular activity
- Communicate with your instructors regularly (email makes this easy)



RESOURCES YOU CAN USE...



READING RESOURCES

- [Brazoria County Library](#)
- [SORA](#)
- [JLG Digital](#)



TESTING RESOURCES

- [LEARNING EXPRESS](#)
- [Texas Assessment](#)





REMINDERS

TESTING DATES

ABSENCE REPORTING

ONE MORE THING

Survey



Reminder!