



Graduation Requirement Updates

2026-2027 School Year





Purpose



Update the School District U-46 graduation requirements to align with the Illinois School Code graduation requirements (105 ILCS 5).

Board Policy 6:300 Graduation Requirements

Mathematics



Current Language

3 years: Students must complete Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2.

Illinois Language

3 years: Algebra I or integrated equivalent (1 year); course including Geometry content (1 year).

Updated Language

3 years of mathematics in grades 9-12, including completion of Algebra 1 and Geometry, or integrated equivalents for the Class of 2030.

Updates to Mathematics



Algebra 1

All students enroll in Algebra 1 by Grade 9

Add Honors Algebra as a course option

Twilight Geometry Bridge at the end of 2026-2027 school year



Geometry

Continue offering Geometry after Algebra 1

Honors and Regular sections available



3rd Year Math

Continue offering Algebra 2 (Honors and Regular)

Add a new course option: Intermediate Algebra

Aligned to priority ACT/SAT content



4th Year Math Electives

Twilight two courses at the end of the 2026-2027 school year to streamline offerings: Honors Precalculus Transition to Tech Math

Continue offering courses in alignment with postsecondary credit

Mathematics Course Offerings

Algebra 1

Geometry

Algebra 2

Intermediate
Algebra

DC CA/Trig/Stats

DC General Math *

AP Precalculus

Precalculus

AP Statistics

AP Computer Sci *

DC Calc 1/2

DC Calc 2/3

AP Calculus AB

AP Calculus BC

* course options after
Intermediate Algebra

+ Grade 12 only

Intermediate Algebra is an option, pending curriculum proposals and approval in 2026-2027 school year.

Trans to CA **

Trans to QL **

Science



Current Language

Biology and one year of
Physical Science



Updated Language

2 years of laboratory science:
No content specified for the
Class of 2030.

U-46 will continue to recommend:

Grade 9: Biology

Grade 10: Chemistry or Physical Science



Physical Education



Current Language

7 semesters of physical education for graduation



Updated Language

Drivers' education will be updated to become a credit bearing course and count as one semester of physical education beginning in the 2026-2027 school year.

