

# **COURSE SELECTION RESOURCES**

2026-2027  
Parent & Student Guide



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# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

## Graduation Plans

Foundations + Endorsements

Distinguished

### Lake Travis High School Graduation Requirements

**Distinguished Level of Achievement** indicates a higher level of academic achievement earned by going beyond the Foundation High School Program with Endorsement. A student must earn this designation to be eligible for the "Top 10% Rule" automatic admission to a Texas public university.

Foundation + Endorsements 26 Credits	Distinguished Level of Achievement 26 Credits
<b>English</b> ..... 4 Credits English I, English II, English III and one credit in any authorized English course.**	<b>English</b> ..... 4 Credits English I, English II, English III and one credit in any authorized English course.**
<b>Math</b> ..... 4 Credits Algebra I, Geometry, & two credits in any authorized Math courses.**	<b>Math</b> ..... 4 Credits Algebra I, Geometry, <b>Algebra II</b> & one additional Math course.**
<b>Science</b> ..... 4 Credits Biology, **Chemistry & two lab-based sciences	<b>Science</b> ..... 4 Credits Biology, **Chemistry & two lab-based sciences
<b>Social Studies</b> ..... 3 Credits World Geography or World History, US History, Government & Economics	<b>Social Studies</b> ..... 3 Credits World Geography or World History, US History, Government & Economics
<b>Languages Other Than English</b> ..... 2 Credits In the same language – Spanish, French, American Sign Language, Latin, German, Computer Science	<b>Languages Other Than English</b> ..... 2 Credits In the same language – Spanish, French, American Sign Language, Latin, German, Computer Science
<b>Physical Education</b> ..... 1 Credit Athletics, Cheerleading, Dance 1 (Dance Aerobics), Drill Team (First Semester), Marching Band (First Semester), PE-Foundations of Personal Fitness, PE-Individual Sports, PE-Team Sports, PE-Adventure/Outdoor Education, PE-Aerobic Activities, PE-Weight Training, PE Waiver	<b>Physical Education</b> ..... 1 Credit Athletics, Cheerleading, Dance 1 (Dance Aerobics), Drill Team (First Semester), Marching Band (First Semester), PE-Foundations of Personal Fitness, PE-Individual Sports, PE-Team Sports, PE-Adventure/Outdoor Education, PE-Aerobic Activities, PE-Weight Training, PE Waiver
<b>Fine Arts</b> ..... 1 Credit AP Art History, Art 1, Choir 1, Dance 2-4, Drill Team, Band, Dual Credit Fine Arts w/ ACC., Music 1-2 Applied, Music & Media, Music Theory AP, Orchestra, Tech Theatre 1, Theatre Arts, World Dance	<b>Fine Arts</b> ..... 1 Credit AP Art History, Art 1, Choir 1, Dance 2-4, Drill Team, Band, Dual Credit Fine Arts w/ ACC., Music 1-2 Applied, Music & Media, Music Theory AP, Orchestra, Tech Theatre 1, Theatre Arts, World Dance
<b>Electives</b> ..... 7 Credits	<b>Electives</b> ..... 7 Credits
<i>Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement.</i>	<i>Credit requirements specific to at least one endorsement.</i>

See counselor for specific graduation requirement options for English, Math, and Science.

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We are here to guide students and their families with their academic, college, and career questions.

**LAKE TRAVIS  
HIGH SCHOOL  
COURSE CATALOG**



**LET'S RIDE**

**2026-2027**

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# GPA CALCULATIONS

- 1st/2nd 9 Weeks = Semester 1
- 3rd/4th 9 Weeks = Semester 2

- Honors (including Pre-AP and Honors courses) are multiplied by 1.1 to calculate additional points.

Example: 89 in PAP or H course =  $89 \times 1.1 = 97.9$  calculated in GPA.

94 in a PAP class = 103.4 calculated in GPA

- Advanced (including AP, Advanced Honors and UT OnRamps) are multiplied 1.2 to calculate additional points.

Example: 89 in AP, Adv H, or OR course:  $89 \times 1.2 = 106.8$  calculated in GPA.

94 in an AP class = 112.8

# **CREDITS FOR ACCELERATION**

- ❖ **Options for online credits accepted by LTISD**
  - Correspondence Courses- online & self paced; only 3 credits allowed on a transcripts
  - Credit by Exam (CBE)- unlimited credits
  - Student responsible for fees
- ❖ **MUST RECEIVE APPROVAL BEFORE PURCHASING & STARTING COURSE**
  - Must complete both semesters (A & B) by August 1st
  - 8th graders cannot begin the course until the day after completing middle school
- ❖ **GRADE RECEIVED IS NOT FACTORED INTO THE GPA**

# **IMPORTANT DATES**

- Skyward closes for student course selection access on February 6th at 4 pm. Counselors will not be accepting emails for any course change requests.
- Between March 2nd - March 6th students and parents will need to verify their course selections through Skyward.
- If students wish to request a course change, counselors will be sending out a Google Form on March 2nd. All requests must be submitted by March 6th at 4pm.