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Spring Branch

Independent School District

HB 5 Foundation with Endorsements Graduation Plan





"The focus of HB 5 is to make sure every student graduates prepared for college and a career by creating flexibility for students to pursue their passion."

Lieutenant Governor Dan Patrick



Endorsements

Arts and Humanities

- ★ Business and Industry
- Public Service
- ★ STEM
- ★ Multidisciplinary





- Pathways are specialized courses that help a student discover their interests.
- Pathways help a student design a course of study that will prepare the student for future study at a university, community college, or certification program.





 At SHS with the help of the Guthrie Center, we can offer 70 Pathways for a student to pursue.

 Each pathway has required courses as well as advanced course needed to complete the specifications.



Foundation Plan with Endorsements Requirements

If we are to meet the college entry requirements, a student must have:

★ ELA – 4 credits

★ Math – 4 credits

Algebra II must be taken

★ Social Studies – 4 credits

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Foundation Plan with Endorsements Requirements (cont.)

Foreign Language – 2 credits

Fine Art – 1 credit

- Physical Education 1 credit
- ★ 6 other credits (CTE, LOTE, Core, etc.)

★ Total – 26 Credits



Requirements

- Every student must declare an endorsement before entering the 9th grade and can change it no later than the beginning of the 11th grade.
- Every students must declare a pathway to specialize their elective choices.



Pathways

If a student changes their pathway, counselors will work with the student on an option that generally will lead them to a combination option (multidisciplinary) within their chosen endorsement so we can graduate a student on time.



Multidisciplinary Endorsement

 Allows students to earn credits in a variety of advanced courses from multiple content area

Sufficient to complete
Distinguished Level under the
Foundation High School Plan



Multidisciplinary Endorsement

Option A: Advanced Courses	Option B: 4 by 4	Option C: AP, IB, or Dual Credit
4 Advanced Courses that prepare a student to enter the workforce successfully or postsecondary education without remediation from within one endorsement area.	4 Credits in the 4 Core Areas English, Math, Science, and Social Studies	4 Credits in Advanced Placement, or Dual Credit selected from English, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Economics, Languages Other Than English, or Fine Arts



Possible AP Courses at SHS

English III AP	English IV AP	AP Art 2-D Design
AP Art 3-D Design	AP Art IV	AP Spanish IV Language and Culture
AP Spanish V Literature	AP French IV Language and Culture	AP French V Literature
AP German IV Language and Culture	AP Calculus AB	AP Calculus BC
AP Statistics	AP Music Theory	AP Biology II
AP Chemistry II	AP Physics I	AP Physics II
AP Physics C	AP Environmental Science	AP US History
AP World History	AP Psychology	AP US Government
AP Economics		