

# Graduation Requirement Adjustments

Curriculum & Instruction  
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Santa Maria Joint Union  
HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

# Regulations

## ***SMJUHSD Board of Education Resolution Number 01-2020-21***

*Starting with the graduating Class of 2025, the district will ensure that all students are provided with equitable access to an Ethnic and Gender studies course prior to the completion of high school, making Ethnic and Gender Studies a required component of graduation.*

## ***California AB 101; Ed Code 51225.3***

*The new law requires that all public schools in the state offer at least one ethnic studies course starting in the 2025-26 school year and requires students, beginning with those graduating in the 2029-30 school year to have completed a one-semester course in the subject.*

***Health Education is not a state required course, although there are required Health components.***

*HIV/Comprehensive Sex Ed./CPR instruction will take place in 9th grade Physical Education classes. Additionally, Social emotional (SEL) instruction occurs throughout subject area courses and counselor classroom lessons.*



# SMJUHSD Graduation Requirements

<u>Current</u>		<u>Proposed</u>	
English	40 credits	English	40 credits
Math	20 credits	Math	20 credits
Science	20 credits	Science	20 credits
Social Studies	30 credits	Social Studies	30 credits
VPA, IL, CTE	10 credits	VPA, IL, CTE	10 credits
Physical Education	20 credits*	Physical Education	20 credits*
Health	5 credits	Ethnic & Gender Studies	5 credits**
Electives	75 credits	Electives	75 credits

*SMJUHSD diploma requirement: 220 credits*

\*Unless the student has been otherwise exempted pursuant to other sections of the Education Code 51225.3. Currently students may earn up to five PE credits outside of a PE class. Language in proposed BP states that athletes and marching band members may apply a maximum of 10 credits towards the 2nd year PE requirement.

\*\*Beginning with the graduating class of 2025. (SMJUHSD Resolution Number 01-2020-21; Education Code 51225.3; AB101)



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# Typical 9th Grade Schedule

<i>Current</i>	<i>Proposed</i>
English	English
Math	Math
Science	Science
Visual Performing Arts, International Language, or Career Technical Ed	Visual Performing Arts, International Language, or Career Technical Ed
Physical Education	Physical Education
<i>Health/AHC Prod 301</i>	<i>Ethnic &amp; Gender Studies/AHC Prod 301</i>



# Course Attributes

<b>Course Attributes</b>	<b><i>Ethnic &amp; Gender Studies</i></b>	<b><i>Health</i></b>	<b><i>AHC PROD 301</i></b> <i>(Intro to Life and Career Planning)</i>
<b>State Graduation Requirement</b>	Yes	No	No
<b>College Credit</b>	Pending	No	Yes
<b>A-G Approved</b>	Yes	No	Yes
<b>State Accountability Indicator</b>	No	No	Yes

