



STUDENT SUCCESS

QUICK GUIDE 2021-2022

Grade Level / Class	Graduation Year	Units of Credit Required
Grade 9 / Freshman	2025	Promotion from 8th Grade
Grade 10 / Sophomore	2024	Students must have earned five (5) units of academic credit including at least one (1) unit of credit in English, and/or one (1) unit of social studies, and one (1) unit of credit in math or science
Grade 11 / Junior	2023	Students must have earned ten (10) units of academic credit including at least three (3) units of English and/or social studies, one (1) unit of math, one (1) unit of science, one (1) unit of L.O.T.E., and in addition, at least one half (.5) unit of physical education.
Grade 12 / Senior	2022	Students must have earned fifteen (15) units of academic credit including at least five (5) units of English and/or social studies, two (2) units of math, two (2) units of science, and in addition, at least one (1) unit of physical education and the student must be enrolled in courses that will meet all graduation requirements by June of their senior year.
Required Subjects	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
English	4 Units	4 Units
Social Studies	4 Units	4 Units
Mathematics	3 Units	3 Units
Science	3 Units	3 Units
Second Language	1 Unit	1-3 (units vary)
Health	1/2 Unit	1/2 Unit
The Arts	1 Unit	1 Unit

Physical Education	2 Units	2 Units
Sequences/Electives	3 1/2 Units	1 1/2 – 3 1/2 (units vary)
Total	22 Units	22 Units

REQUIRED TESTS	REGENTS	ADVANCED REGENTS
Comprehensive English	Required	Required
US History	Required	Required
Global History & Geography	Required	Required
Algebra I	Required	Required
Geometry		Required
Algebra II / Trigonometry		Required
Living Environment	Must pass ONE of these science exams	Required
Earth Science		Must pass a second physical science exam (in addition to Living Environment)
Chemistry		
Physics		

COURSE SELECTION PROCESS

STEP ONE: Planning for course selection is an ongoing process. Every ninth grader will create a tentative 4-year plan, which will be evaluated as needed with the school counselor.

STEP TWO: The program of studies will be provided for every student in grades 8-11 prior to course registration. Parents are asked to review the course description and policies with their child as they help them make appropriate selections.

STEP THREE: Each student in grades 8-11 will then meet with the counselor to make the final course selections in eSchool. A transcript check will be part of this meeting, which will confirm that the student is on track for meeting graduation requirements. The student will also be responsible for sharing with parents the course selections that were made in eSchool.

STEP FOUR: Parents are required to sign a parent approval form after reviewing the Course Selection Form. For any schedule change, a Drop/Add Course Request Sheet must be obtained.

COURSE LOAD REQUIREMENTS

Students in grades 9-11 must carry a minimum of 6 credits PLUS Physical Education each semester. Seniors must carry a minimum of 5 credits PLUS Physical Education each semester.

Grade Point Average Conversion Scale

<u>GPA</u>	<u>Numerical Equivalent</u>		<u>Letter Grade</u>	<u>Numerical Grade</u>	
<u>4.0</u>	<u>100-97</u>	<u>2.4</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>A+</u>	<u>100</u>
<u>3.9</u>	<u>96-95</u>	<u>2.3</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>A</u>	<u>96</u>
<u>3.8</u>	<u>94-93</u>	<u>2.2</u>	<u>77</u>	<u>A-</u>	<u>92</u>
<u>3.7</u>	<u>92</u>	<u>2.1</u>	<u>76</u>	<u>B+</u>	<u>89</u>
<u>3.6</u>	<u>91</u>	<u>2.0</u>	<u>75</u>	<u>B</u>	<u>86</u>
<u>3.5</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>1.9</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>B-</u>	<u>82</u>
<u>3.4</u>	<u>89</u>	<u>1.8</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>C+</u>	<u>79</u>
<u>3.3</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>1.7</u>	<u>72</u>	<u>C</u>	<u>76</u>
<u>3.2</u>	<u>87</u>	<u>1.6</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>C-</u>	<u>72</u>
<u>3.1</u>	<u>86</u>	<u>1.5</u>	<u>70</u>	<u>D+</u>	<u>69</u>
<u>3.0</u>	<u>85</u>	<u>1.4</u>	<u>69</u>	<u>D</u>	<u>67</u>
<u>2.9</u>	<u>84</u>	<u>1.3</u>	<u>68</u>	<u>D-</u>	<u>65</u>
<u>2.8</u>	<u>83</u>	<u>1.2</u>	<u>67</u>	<u>F</u>	<u>60</u>
<u>2.7</u>	<u>82</u>	<u>1.1</u>	<u>66</u>		
<u>2.6</u>	<u>81</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>65</u>		
<u>2.5</u>	<u>80</u>				

COLLEGE-LEVEL COURSEWORK

WAJ offers twenty-five courses for college credit that are taught at WAJ by our highly qualified teachers, who are also approved adjunct professors. Students interested in enrolling in any one of these college-level courses should consult with their teachers and school counselor.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT

Preparation for AP exams in English, US History, Statistics, Art, Calculus, Computer Principles, and World History are offered at this time. Students interested in enrolling in any one of these college-level courses should consult with their teachers and school counselor. Colleges may give credit and/or advanced course placement to those students who take the AP examination and demonstrate mastery of the material presented in the course. Not every AP course is offered every year, so students should plan accordingly.

ACCELERATION (SINGLE COURSE ADVANCEMENT IN GRADE 8)

Single-course acceleration is available to upcoming seventh graders in math and science only. If students are interested in taking a credit-bearing 8th grade course, they should complete a Request for Acceleration form. Teacher recommendation is also required for students to qualify for single-subject acceleration.