High School Planning Guide for 8th Graders

...create a plan now to attend Great Plains your junior and senior years!

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Plan Now

Your student will likely pre-enroll later this school year for their freshman year of high school. If you want to keep open an option for them to attend Great Plains their junior or senior years it’s important that you develop a good plan now. That’s why we’ve included a Sample Planning Schedule and Oklahoma’s High School Graduation Requirements. See the opposite page for this important information. Successful futures depend on early planning and the right information to make sound decisions. Great Plains wants to help ensure your student is both college ready and work ready!

Make Great Plains a Part of Your High School Years Now

• High school students can attend Great Plains either/both their junior or senior year, if they have an adequate number of elective credits available.
• High school students attend tuition-free.
• Students can earn up to three elective credits per school year.
• Credits are issued on the high school transcript.
• See your student’s counselor for additional information, or call 580.250.5535.
IMPORTANT–PLEASE READ

Oklahoma’s High School Graduation Requirements

College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum Standards

Students entering the 9th grade are required to enroll in the College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum. A student’s parent or legal guardian may complete an opt-out form provided by the school.

For a complete list of courses, contact your child’s counselor.

**UNITS**

**COURSE AREAS**

- **4** English
- **3** Mathematics
- **3** Laboratory Science
- **3** History and Citizenship Skills
- **2** Foreign or Non-English Language or Computer Technology*†
- **1** Additional Unit from Previous List*†
- **1** Fine Arts or Speech†
- **6** Electives

**23 Required Units**

The local school board’s graduation requirements may exceed the state graduation requirement of 23 units. Check with your child’s counselor.

**Testing Requirements**—Students shall demonstrate a mastery of the state academic content standards.

**Personal Financial Literacy Requirement†**—In order to graduate from a public high school, students must complete and demonstrate satisfactory knowledge in 14 areas of instruction related to financial literacy, including such topics as credit card debt, balancing a checkbook, understanding a loan, and earning an income.

*Some technology center courses can be approved for computer technology courses.

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**SAMPLE SCHEDULE**

**Grade Nine**

1. English
2. Math
3. History
4. Lab Science
5. Additional Requirement †
6. Additional Requirement †

**Grade Ten**

1. English II
2. Math II
3. History II
4. Lab Science
5. Additional Requirement †
6. Additional Requirement †

**Grade Eleven**

1. English III
2. Math III
3. History III
4. Great Plains Course (Elective)™
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6. Great Plains Course (Elective)™

**Grade Twelve**

1. English IV
2. Lab Science
3. Additional Requirement†
4. Great Plains Course (Elective)™
5. Great Plains Course (Elective)™
6. Great Plains Course (Elective)™

**Consider a Great Plains education. It can be excellent preparation for helping students reach career goals. Most Great Plains courses count as three electives.**
Great Plains’ High School Career Majors

Architecture & Construction
• Carpentry
• Electrical Wiring
• Air Conditioning

Arts, AV Technology & Communications
• Digital Graphic Designer
• Digital Photographer

Business, Management & Administration
• Executive Administrative Assistant
• Medical Office Assistant

Education Training
• Pre-Education

Health Science
• Nursing Assistant

Hospitality & Tourism
• Culinary Arts
• Hospitality Service Assistant (by special permission)

Information Technology
• 3D Animator
• Cyber Security Forensics Specialist
• Desktop Support Technician
• Multimedia Assistant
• Video Producer

Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security
• Criminal Justice Officer

Manufacturing
• Welding

STEM - Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics
• Biomedical Science & Medicine (Project Lead the Way)
• Pre-Engineering (Project Lead the Way)

Transportation, Distribution & Logistics
• Automotive Service Technician
• Combination Collision Repair Technician
• Diesel Truck Service & Light Repair Technician

For more information call one of our career counselors at 580.250.5535 or click www.greatplains.edu