

2022 MÂCHÉ Conference

The Nuts and Bolts of Homeschooling Through High School

Kris M. Cox Saturday, June 4, 2022, 1:00 p.m. Worship Center

Planning your student's high school years

YOU SET YOUR STUDENT'S GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS! These are suggestions...

MN Public School Requirements	College Preparatory Plan
Language Arts/English - 4 credits	English – 4 credits
Math – 3 credits	Math - 3-4 credits
Science – 3 credits	Science – 3-4 credits
Social Studies – 3.5 credits	Social Studies – 3-4 credits
Fine Arts – 1 credit	Fine Arts – 1-2 credits
Elective – 7 credits	Foreign Language – 2-4 credits
	Phy-Ed/Health – 1-2 credits
	Electives – 6 credits
Total Credits - 21.5	Total Credits – 23-30 credits

High school and the struggling learner

- Student Educational Plan
- Consultant for Special Needs:
 - HSLDA - Homeschool Legal Defense Association, hsllda.org
 - MACHE - mache.org
 - Kris M. Cox, krismcox.com (also look under "recommended" for resources)
 - <http://spedhomeschool.com/homeschool-help/>
- Adaptations and accommodations are often needed

Determining Credit Value for High School

Check curriculum for recommend credit value - if not included, use the following:

- Textbook approach = 1 credit or Carnegie Unit
- Time logs
 - Complete 60 hours of work = ½ credit or Carnegie Unit
 - Complete 120-180 hours of work = 1 credit or Carnegie Unit
- PSEO courses will give you college level credits, these need to be converted to Carnegie Unit high school credits on your high school transcript.

Making a four-year plan

<i>~Four Year High School Plan~ Homeschool Consulting: www.krismcox.com</i>					College prep
	9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade	Recommended
English					4 credits
Math					3-4 credits
Science					3-4 credits
Social Studies					3-4 credits
Foreign Language					2-3 credits/varies with colleges
Fine Arts					1-2 credits
Phy Ed/Health					1-2 credits
Electives					5-7 credits

- Three Keys to Success: recommended by John Basie Impact 360
- Electives - Some suggestions:
 - Career class
 - Personal Finance
 - Time management
 - Study Skills/ACT or SAT prep
 - Life skills
 - Bible classes
 - Worldview course
 - Interest-based studies
- What life skills do you want your child to have?
 - creditsbeforecollege.com/wp-content/uploads/2019/02/Essential-Life-Skills.pdf

Resources for high school curriculum:

- Edu.gcfglobal.org/en/
- [Udemy.com](https://www.udemy.com/)
- [Learn.saylor.org](https://www.learn.saylor.org/)
- [Hslda.org](https://www.hslda.org/) – high school
- [Cathyduffyreviews.org](https://www.cathyduffyreviews.org/)
- [Villageschoolofthebible.org](https://www.villageschoolofthebible.org/)
- [Faithfulworkouts.com](https://www.faithfulworkouts.com/) – Phy-ed online
- [Careerdirect.org/career](https://www.careerdirect.org/career) - consultants
 - Cheri Frame - creditsbeforecollege.com/
 - Kate Milner - Katemilner.info
 - Kristin Lackie- wellplanneddegree.com

Record-keeping

Administrative Records

- Yearly calendar
- Daily schedule
- Report cards
- Expense Reports/Receipts
- Health/Immunization Records

Student Records

- Annual test scores
- Any outside classes taken including grades
- Any other important test scores

Academic Work

- Bibliography of texts/ materials used
- Samples of work
- Names/Addresses of outside teachers
- **Transcript (for high school)**

Non-Academic Work

- Volunteer work
- Travel & field trips
- Honors and awards
- Sports Activities
- Employment

Grading

- Typical Grading Scale: 90-100% =A, 80-89% =B, 70-79%=C, 60-69%=D
- For grading subjective courses: let your student know what is expected!
- zimmerworks.com/rubric.htm has a great chart and suggestions for art and other subjective courses
- Rubric maker - rubric-maker.com

Transcripts – see above for list of required information

- Two types of transcripts
- Keep to one sheet of paper, typed, and save forever

Computing GPA

1. List subject; grades, credits for all courses taken for that year.
2. Compute the quality points for each course (credit value multiplied by the numerical value for grade.) The most commonly used scale for calculating the quality points is the 4-point scale:
 - a. A=4, B=3, C=2, D=1, F=0
 - b. For example: Biology is 1 credit, and the student received an A which is worth 4, so the quality points for that course would be 1 x 4= 4.
 - c. Unweighted systems award the same credit for regular, honors and advanced placement (AP) classes. Weighted systems give a bonus for AP classes or higher-level classes. A common weighted system gives an additional 1 point for AP and college level classes, making an AP or college level course. A is worth 5 (A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2)
 - d. Add up the total number of quality points for the year

Required information on a transcript

Personal Information

- Full Name
- Birthdate
- Address
- Contact Info
- Parent's names
- NO SS# needed
- School information

Academic Record

- Classes taken
- Credits Earned
- Final Grade
- GPA: both yearly and cumulative
- Graduation Date
- Your signature
- Academic Summary (optional)
- Grading Scale (optional)

- e. Add the total number of credits for the year
 - f. Divide the number of quality points by the number of credits. Round to two decimal figures. That figure is your student's GPA for that year.
3. **For Cumulative GPA:** Add up total quality points from all four years and divide this by the total number of credits for all four years. This gives the cumulative GPA. (don't just add up individual yearly GPA's and divide by four– this won't be accurate)

Example: Year 2021-2022

Subject:	Credits:	Grade:	Quality points:
English 10	1	B	1 x 3 = 3
Biology	1	A	1 x 4 = 4
US History	1	B	1 x 3 = 3
Geometry	1	A	1 x 4 = 4
Spanish I	1	B	1 x 3 = 3
Phy-Ed/Health	1	A	1 x 4 = 4
Career Exploration	0.5	B	0.5 x 3 = 1.5
Home Economics	0.5	B	0.5 x 3 = 1.5

Total quality points = 3+4+3+4+3+4+1.5+1.5= 24

Total Credits= 7 24 quality points divided by 7 credits = 3.43 GPA

Getting college credit while in high school

- **Post-Secondary Enrollment Option (PSEO)**
 - Apply to the college of choice for PSEO
 - Complete form at education.mn.gov/MDE/fam/dual/pseo/ (prior to every semester)
- **College Level Examination Program (CLEP) or DSST**
 - clep.collegeboard.org
 - getcollegecredit.com
 - Creditsbeforecollege.com
- **Advanced Placement Examinations (AP)**
 - apcentral.collegeboard.org

Creating a Diploma

- HSLDA.org

***“Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding;
in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.” Proverbs 3:5-6***

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Contact me for a high school consultation to make an individualized plan for your student!