Side-by-Side Comparison – Current Graduation Requirements (MHSP, RHSP, and DAP) and HB 5 Requirements to be Implemented Beginning in 2014-2015

Discipline	MHSP (22 credits)	RHSP (28 credits)	DAP (28 credits)	Foundation HSP (22 credits)
English Language Arts	Four credits: • English I • English III • English III • English IV or approved alternate course	Four credits: • English I • English II • English III • English IV	Four credits: • English I • English II • English III • English IV	Four credits: • English I • English II • English III • An advanced English course
Mathematics	Three credits: • Algebra I • Geometry • SBOE approved math course	Four credits: • Algebra I • Algebra II • Geometry • An additional math credit	Four credits: • Algebra I • Algebra II • Geometry • An additional math credit	Three credits: • Algebra I • Geometry • An advanced math course
Science	Two credits: • Biology • IPC or Chemistry and Physics (one of the two serves as an academic elective)	Four credits: Biology Chemistry Physics An additional science credit	Four credits: Biology Chemistry Physics An additional science credit	Three credits: • Biology • IPC or an advanced science course • Any advanced science course
Social Studies	Four credits: • World Geography Studies (one credit) • World History Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit)	Four credits: • World History Studies (one credit) • World Geography Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit)	Four credits: • World History Studies (one credit) • World Geography Studies (one credit) • U.S. History Studies Since 1877 (one credit) • U.S. Government (one-half credit) • Economics (one-half credit)	 Three credits: World History U.S. History U.S. Government (one-half credit) Economics (one-half credit)
Physical Education	One credit	One credit	One credit	One credit
Languages Other Than English	None	Two credits in the same language	Three credits in the same language	Two credits in the same language (other exceptions)
Fine Arts	One credit	One credit	One credit	One credit
Speech	One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE)	One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE)	One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE)	One-half credit from either of the following: • Communication Applications • Professional Communications (CTE)
Health	One-half credit	One-half credit	One-half credit	One-half credit
Technology	One credit • Principles of Information Tech	One credit • Principles of Information Tech	One credit • Principles of Information Tech	One credit • Principles of Information Tech
Electives	5 credits	Six credits	Five credits	Three and one half credits One must be World Geography

Students must complete the requirements for at least one endorsement. Endorsement options are not limited to the ones listed. Students need 28 credits for an endorsement.

Science, Technology, Engineering & Math	Business & Industry	Arts & Humanities	Public Services	Multidisciplinary
4th Math & Science Required	4 th Math & Science Required	4 th Math & Science Required	4 th Math & Science Required	4 th Math & Science Required
Math Emphasis:	Agriculture Emphasis: Principles of Info Tech Two of the following Principles of Ag Sci. Ag Mech & Mtl Tech Food & Tech Safety Horticulture Livestock Prod. Small Animal Mgmt. Wildlife Mgmt. One of the following Adv. Animal Science Principles & Elements in Floral Design Practicum in Ag	Art Emphasis:	Human Services: Principles of Info Tech Principles of Human Services Lifetime & Nutrition Dollars & Sense	General Studies Emphasis: English x4 (to include English IV) Science x4 (to include Chemistry and/or Physics) Math x4 Social Studies x4
Science Emphasis: Biology Chemistry Physics Two of the following Anat. & Phys. Earth,Space & Sci. Adv. Animal Sci. AP Science Scientific Res & Dsgn (TBI) Scientific Res & DsgnII (TBI)	English Elective Emphasis: Debate I Debate II Debate III English IV	Band Emphasis: Band I Band II Band III Band III		General Studies with Emphasis in Advanced Placement: Four Academic AP Credits or Four Academic Credits in Dual Credit
	Finance Emphasis: Principles of Info Tech Accounting I Accounting II Dollars & Sense	Choir Emphasis:		
	Information Technology: Principles of Info Tech Digital Interactive Media Printing & Imaging Dollars & Sense	L.O.T.E. Emphasis:		
		Social Studies Emphasis: World Geography World History U.S. History U.S. Government Economics Theatre Emphasis:		
		 Theatre Art I Theatre Art II Theatre Art III Theatre Art IV 		

Distinguished Achievement

- Four Credits in Math including Algebra II
- Four Credits in Science
- Completion of at least one endorsement

A student must earn distinguished level of achievement to be eligible for top 10% automatic admission.

House Bill 5 Performance Acknowledgements:

A student may earn a performance acknowledgment :

- •for outstanding performance in a dual credit course
- •in bilingualism and biliteracy
- on an AP test or IB exam
- on the PSAT, the ACT-Plan, the SAT, or the ACT
- •for earning a nationally or internationally recognized business or industry certification or license
 - 12 hours of dual credit with a 3.0 or higher
 - Associates Degree earned (TBI)
 - 3 or higher earned on an Advanced Placement Test
 - Commended on the PSAT Test
 - 1250 earned on SAT Math & Reading Combined
 - 28 earned on the ACT (excluding writing)

A student may earn a performance acknowledgment in bilingualism and biliteracy by demonstrating proficiency in accordance with local school district grading policy in two or more languages by:

- (1) completing all English language arts requirements and maintaining a minimum grade point average (GPA) of the equivalent of 80 on a scale of 100; and
- (2) satisfying one of the following:
 - •completion of a minimum of three credits in the same language in a language other than English with a minimum GPA of the equivalent of 80 on a scale of 100; or
 - •demonstrated proficiency in the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills for Level IV or higher in a language other than English with a minimum GPA of the equivalent of 80 on a scale of 100 or
 - •completion of at least three credits in foundation subject area courses in a language other than English with a minimum GPA of 80 on a scale of 100; or
 - •demonstrated proficiency in one or more languages other than English through one of the following methods:
 - a score of 3 or higher on a College Board AP exam for a language other than English; or
 - •a score of 4 or higher on an IB exam for a higher-level languages other than English course; or
 - •performance on a national assessment of language proficiency in a language other than English of at least Intermediate High or its equivalent

In addition to meeting the requirements to earn a performance acknowledgment in bilingualism and biliteracy, an English language learner must also have:

- (A) participated in and met the exit criteria for a bilingual or English as a second language (ESL) program; and
- (B) scored at the Advanced High level on the Texas English Language Proficiency Assessment System (TELPAS).