

Sturgis Brown High School
Graduation Requirements

PURPOSED – February 11, 2019

PURPOSED	CURRENT	PURPOSED
South Dakota Diploma Requirements	Sturgis Brown High School Diploma Requirements	Sturgis Brown High School Diploma Requirements
English = 4	English = 4	English = 4
1 = Writing .5 = Speech 1 = Literature (.5 must be American Literature)	1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.	1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. or Novels .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.
Mathematics = 3	Mathematics = 3	Mathematics = 3
1 = Algebra 1	1 = Algebra 1 1 = Geometry 1 = Algebra II	1 = Algebra 1 1 = Geometry 1 Math Elective
Science = 3	Science = 3	Science = 3
1 = Biology	1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 = Chemistry or College Chemistry	1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 Lab Science Elective
Social Studies = 3	Social Studies = 3	Social Studies = 3
1 = US History .5 = US Government	.5 = World Geography .5 = World History 1 = US History 1 = Government	1 = US History 1 = Government 1 Social Studies Elective
Fine Arts = 1	Fine Arts = 1	Fine Arts = 1
Physical Education = .5	Physical Education = .5	Physical Education = .5
Health = .5	Health = .5	Health = .5
Personal Finance or Economics = .5	Personal Finance = .5	Personal Finance = .5
	Career Planning = .5	Career Planning = .5
CTE or World Language or Capstone = 1	CTE or World Language = 1	CTE or World Language = 1
Electives = 5.5	Electives = 7	Electives = 7
Total = 22	Total = 24	Total = 24

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Sturgis Brown High School Diploma Requirements	Advanced Endorsement	Advanced Career Endorsement	Advanced Honors Endorsement (All Grades must be C or higher)
English = 4	English = 4	English = 4	English = 4
1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. or Novels .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.	1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. or Novels .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.	1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. or Novels .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.	1 = English 9 .5 = English 10 – Lit. or Novels .5 = English 10 – Speech or Debate 1 = English 11 .5 = English 12 – Research .5 = English 12 – Lit.
Mathematics = 3	Mathematics = 3	Mathematics = 3	Mathematics = 4
1 = Algebra I 1 = Geometry 1 Math Elective	1 = Algebra I 1 = Geometry 1 = Algebra II	1 = Algebra I 1 = Geometry 1 Math Elective	1 = Algebra I 1 = Geometry 1 = Algebra II 1 Advanced Math
Science = 3	Science = 3	Science = 3	Science = 4
1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 Lab Science Elective	1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 Lab Science Elective	1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 Lab Science Elective	1 = Physical Science 1 = Biology 1 = Chemistry or Physics 1 Science Elective
Social Studies = 3	Social Studies = 3	Social Studies = 3	Social Studies = 3
1 = US History 1 = Government 1 Social Studies Elective	1 = US History 1 = Government 1 Social Studies Elective	1 = US History 1 = Government 1 Social Studies Elective	1 = US History 1 = Government .5 = World Geography .5 = World History
Fine Arts = 1	Fine Arts = 1	Fine Arts = 1	Fine Arts = 1
Physical Education = .5	Physical Education = .5	Physical Education = .5	Physical Education = .5
Health = .5	Health = .5	Health = .5	Health = .5
Personal Finance = .5	Personal Finance = .5	Personal Finance = .5	Personal Finance = .5
Career Planning = .5	Career Planning = .5	Career Planning = .5	Career Planning = .5
CTE or World Language = 1	CTE or World Language = 1	CTE or World Language = 2	CTE or World Language = 2
		2 Units from the same CTE Cluster and Attainment of Silver or Higher on NCRC	2 Units from the same CTE Cluster OR 2 Units from World Lang.
Electives = 7	Electives = 7	Electives = 6	Electives = 4
Total = 24	Total = 24	Total = 24	Total = 24

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Subject	PROPOSED		CURRENT	
	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required
English	1 unit Writing .5 unit Speech 1 unit Literature (including .5 unit American Literature)	4	1.5 units Writing .5 unit Speech 1.5 units Literature (must include .5 unit American Literature) .5 unit Language Arts elective	4
Mathematics	1 unit Algebra I	3	1 unit Algebra 1 unit Geometry~ 1 unit Algebra II~	3
Science*	1 unit Biology	3	1 unit Any Physical Science 1 unit Biology 1 unit Chemistry or Physics~	3
Social Studies	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government	3	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government .5 unit World History .5 unit Geography	3
Fine Arts		1		1
Physical Education		.5		.5
Health/Health Integration		.5		.5
Personal Finance or Economics		.5		.5
Approved CTE –OR– World Language –OR– Capstone Experience		1		1
Electives		5.5		5.5
Total		22		22

A student may earn one or more advanced endorsements that are in alignment with the student's personal learning plan. See *Advanced Endorsements* section.

NOTES for PROPOSED requirements:

- * A state-approved advanced computer science course (with a list of approved courses provided) may be substituted for 1 unit of science (not including Biology).
- Credit for an approved CTE course may count for core content coursework if the district applies through SD DOE's CTE for Core Content program. See <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/corecontentcredit.aspx> for more information.
- Students may earn advanced endorsements with their high school diploma. See the *Advanced Endorsements* section for specific endorsements.

NOTES for CURRENT requirements:

- ~With school and parent/guardian approval, a student may be excused from a math and/or science course in favor of a more appropriate course. In the area of Math, a student may be excused from taking Algebra II or Geometry, but not both. The student must still take three units of Math. In the area of Lab Science, a student may be excused from the requirement to take Chemistry and/or Physics. Students must still take three units of Lab Science. A student's parent or legal guardian and school counselor or administrator must agree to the decision, and the excuse must be documented at the local level.
- Credit for an approved CTE course may count for core content coursework if the district applies through SD DOE's CTE for Core Content program. See <http://doe.sd.gov/octe/corecontentcredit.aspx> for more information.

Advanced Endorsements

Within the coursework outlined under *South Dakota High School Diploma Requirements*, a student may earn one (or more) of three advanced endorsements:

- **Advanced Endorsement:** Indicates a student has pursued coursework consistent with entrance requirements for postsecondary education at a university
- **Advanced Career Endorsement:** Indicates a student has career experience in a concentrated area, based on academic and/or workplace experience and a related credential
- **Advanced Honors Endorsement:** Indicates a student has pursued advanced rigorous, academic coursework consistent with §13-55-31.1 (High school course requirements for opportunity scholarship eligibility)

Advanced endorsements outline specific coursework completed within the general high school diploma requirements to denote particular emphases. (*Substitutions noted above with an * do not apply to Advanced and Advanced Honors endorsement requirements.*) Highlighted areas show the distinctions for each endorsement.

Advanced Endorsement:

Indicates a student has pursued coursework consistent with entrance requirements for postsecondary education at a university

Subject	PROPOSED		CURRENT GRAD REQUIREMENTS	
	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required
English	1 unit Writing .5 unit Speech 1 unit Literature (including .5 unit American Literature)	4	1.5 units Writing .5 unit Speech 1.5 units Literature (must include .5 unit American Literature) .5 unit Language Arts elective	4
Mathematics	1 unit Algebra I 1 unit Geometry 1 unit Algebra II	3	1 unit Algebra 1 unit Geometry~ 1 unit Algebra II~	3
Science	1 unit Biology 2 units other lab sciences	3	1 unit Any Physical Science 1 unit Biology 1 unit Chemistry or Physics~	3
Social Studies	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government	3	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government .5 unit World History .5 unit Geography	3
Fine Arts		1		1
Physical Education		.5		.5
Health/Health Integration		.5		.5
Personal Finance or Economics		.5		.5
Approved CTE --OR-- World Language --OR-- Capstone Experience		1		1
Electives		5.5		5.5
Total		22		22

Advanced Career Endorsement:

Indicates a student has career experience in a concentrated area, based on academic and/or workplace experience and a related credential

Subject	PROPOSED		CURRENT GRAD REQUIREMENTS	
	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required
English	1 unit Writing .5 unit Speech 1 unit Literature (including .5 unit American Literature)	4	1.5 units Writing .5 unit Speech 1.5 units Literature (must include .5 unit American Literature) .5 unit Language Arts elective	4
Mathematics	1 unit Algebra I	3	1 unit Algebra 1 unit Geometry~ 1 unit Algebra II~	3
Science*	1 unit Biology	3	1 unit Any Physical Science 1 unit Biology 1 unit Chemistry or Physics~	3
Social Studies	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government	3	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government .5 unit World History .5 unit Geography	3
Fine Arts		1		1
Physical Education		.5		.5
Health/Health Integration		.5		.5
Personal Finance or Economics		.5		.5
	2 units of either of the following or a combination of the two: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved CTE units from the same career cluster OR • Capstone Experience units AND Attainment of an industry-recognized credential OR National Career Readiness Certificate of Silver or higher	2+		1
Electives		4.5		5.5
Total		22		22

Advanced Honors Endorsement:
Indicates a student has pursued advanced rigorous, academic coursework consistent with §13-55-31.1 (High school course requirements for opportunity scholarship eligibility)
 All high school coursework completed with a "C" or higher.

Subject	PROPOSED		CURRENT GRAD REQUIREMENTS	
	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required	Within Units Required, Must Include:	Total Units Required
English	1.5 unit Writing .5 unit Speech 1.5 unit Literature, including .5 unit American Literature .5 unit Language Arts elective	4	1.5 units Writing .5 unit Speech 1.5 units Literature (must include .5 unit American Literature) .5 unit Language Arts elective	4
Mathematics	1 unit Algebra I 1 unit Geometry 1 unit Algebra II 1 unit Advanced Mathematics (see https://sdos.sdbor.edu/require/require.htm for more information)	4	1 unit Algebra 1 unit Geometry~ 1 unit Algebra II~	3
Science	1 unit Biology 1 unit Any Physical Science 1 unit Chemistry or Physics 1 unit Science electives	4	1 unit Any Physical Science 1 unit Biology 1 unit Chemistry or Physics~	3
Social Studies	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government .5 unit Geography .5 unit World History .5 unit Social Studies elective	3	1 unit U.S. History .5 unit U.S. Government .5 unit World History .5 unit Geography	3
Fine Arts		1		1
Physical Education		.5		.5
Health/Health Integration		.5		.5
Personal Finance or Economics		.5		.5

<p>Approved CTE –OR– World Language</p>	<p>2 units of either of the following or a combination of the two: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Approved CTE courses <u>OR</u> Modern or Classical Language (including U.S. Sign Language); units must be in the same language </p>	<p>2</p>		<p>1</p>
<p>Electives</p>		<p>2.5</p>		<p>5.5</p>
<p>Total</p>		<p>22</p>		<p>22</p>