STEM

Within the requirements of the 26 credits to earn an endorsement, including Algebra II, chemistry, and physics, a student must complete one of the following course areas below to meet the STEM endorsement criteria.

A Career and Technical Education (CTE)

A coherent sequence of courses for four or more credits in CTE that includes at least two courses in the same career cluster in ***Table 1***, including at least one advanced CTE course (designated with **A**); and the final course in the sequence from the CTE career cluster courses from ***Table 2***.

Table 1

Agriculture, Food, and Natural Resources	
Principles of Agriculture, Food, Natural Resources 9-10	1
Veterinary Medical Applications **A** 11-12	1
Landscape Design & Management 9-12	.5
Agricultural Mechanics & Metal Technologies **A** 11-12	1
Floral Design II (Advanced Floral Design) **A** 12	1
Practicum in Agriculture: Vet Med Assistant **A** 12	1
Architecture & Construction	
Architectural Design I **A** 11-12	1
Architectural Design II **A** 12	2
Health Science	
Principles of Health Science 10-12	1
Medical Terminology **A** 9-12	1
Pharmacology **A** 12	1
World Health Research **A** 11-12	1
Health Science: Theory and Clinical **A** 11-12	2
Practicum in Health Science **A** 12	2
Anatomy & Physiology **A** 11-12	1
Hospitality & Tourism	
Food Science **A** 11-12	1
Information Technology	
Internetworking Technologies I-Cisco **A** 11-12	1
Internetworking Technologies II-Cisco **A** 12	1

Law, Public Safety, Corrections & Security	
Forensic Science **A** 11-12	1
Manufacturing	
Welding I **A** 12	2
Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics	
Engineering Design & Presentation I **A** 11-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design **A** 10-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design II **A** 11-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design III **A** 11-12	1
Gateway to Technology PLTW 8 (high school elective credit)	.5
Introduction to Engineering Design PLTW 9-10	1
Engineering Science PLTW **A** 10-12	1
Aerospace Engineering PLTW **A** 11-12	1
Digital Electronics PLTW **A** 11-12	1
Engineering Design and Development PLTW **A** 12	1
Engineering Design & Problem Solving **A** 12	1
Transportation, Distribution & Logistics	
Automotive Technology I: Maintenance & Light Repair 11-12	2
Automotive Technology II: Automotive Service **A** 12	2
Collision Repair 11-12	2
Paint and Refinishing **A** 12	2

Table 2

Science, Technology, Engineering, & Mathematics	
Engineering Design & Presentation I **A** 11-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design **A** 10-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design II **A** 11-12	1
Honors Scientific Research & Design III **A** 11-12	1
Engineering Science PLTW **A** 10-12 (formerly POE)	1
Digital Electronics PLTW **A** 11-12	1
Engineering Design & Problem Solving **A** 12	1

Career Preparation I or II **A** 11-12 with Extended Career Prep (if the course addresses a career from a field listed among the career clusters in this table)	3
Project-Based Research **A** 11-12 (if the course addresses a career from a field listed among the career clusters in this table)	1

A - Advanced | Science Credit | Math Credit | Meets Health Graduation Requirements

B Computer Science

A coherent sequence of four credits in computer science selected from the following:

Computer Science I; Computer Science II; Computer Science III;
AP Computer Science; IB Computer Science SL or HL;
Game Programming and Design

C Math

Three credits in mathematics including Algebra II and two additional math courses for which Algebra II is a prerequisite (for a total of 5 math credits)

	Credit 1	Credit 2	Credit 3	Credit 4	Credit 5	
	Algebra I *-or-* Algebra I Honors	Geometry *-or-* Geometry Honors	Algebra II *-or-* Algebra II Honors	• Precalculus or Precalculus Honors • AQR • MIS • AP Computer Science • AP Calculus AB (must be taken after Precalculus) • AP Calculus BC (must be taken after Precalculus) • AP Statistics (must be taken after or concurrently with Precalculus)		
IBHL	Algebra I Honors *-or-* Algebra I IH	Geometry Honors *-or-* Geometry IH	Algebra II IH	Precalculus IH	Math HL Year I (BC Calculus)	Math HL Year 2
IBSL	Algebra I Honors *-or-* IH	Geometry Honors *-or-* IH	Algebra II *-or-* Algebra II IH	Precalculus *-or-* Precalculus IH	Math SL	

**if in the IB program, must also satisfy requirements of the IB diploma*

D Science

Four credits in science, including chemistry, physics, and two additional science courses (for a total of 5 science credits)

	Credit 1	Credit 2	Credit 3	Credit 4	Credit 5
	Biology *-or-* Biology PreAP	Chemistry *-or-* Chemistry PreAP	**Physics or Physics PreAP**, and any two courses selected from: • Anatomy and Physiology • AP Biology (1.5 AP Biology + 0.5 Honors Research & Design) • AP Chemistry (1.5 AP Chemistry + 0.5 Honors Research & Design) • AP Physics 1/2 • AP Physics C • Engineering Design and Problem Solving • Environmental Systems • AP Environmental Science • Honors Scientific Research and Design • Food Science • Forensic Science • Principles of Engineering (PLTW)		
IB	Biology IH	Chemistry IH	Physics, IB Physics SL *-or-* Physics Pre-AP		Any two courses selected from— IB Physics HL IB Biology SL IB Biology HL IB Chemistry SL IB Chemistry HL Environmental Systems SL

E Combination

In addition to Algebra II, chemistry, and physics, a coherent sequence of three additional credits from no more than two of the categories above.

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All courses may not be offered on every campus. Check with campus counseling department for more information.