



2017-2018 Registration Information SOCIAL STUDIES

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What are the graduation requirements?

- Students are required to take and pass the four mandated high school social studies courses listed below. This is the recommended sequence:
 1. World History
 2. American History I
 3. American History II
 4. American History: The Founding Principles, Civics and Economics (commonly referred to as C & E)
- Each high school social studies course is intended to be a stand-alone course. There are no prerequisites for any of the high school courses for social studies.

What should determine student course placement? The High School Social Studies Program is committed to providing the highest level of rigor for each student. We encourage schools to make purposeful recommendations, placing students in the most rigorous course appropriate.

Course Placement Guidelines for Freshmen			Additional Notes
Data Source	Threshold	Recommendation	
8 th Grade Social Studies	Course grade $\geq 80\%$	Honors World History	AP World History, AP Human Geography, and AP Psychology are possible options for freshmen; these courses could be considered gateway AP courses or entry-level courses.
	Course grade $\geq 90\%$	Honors World History AP World History if offered at the high school	
AND/OR			Students may substitute either AP US History or IB History of the Americas for American History I and American History II. <i>If they do this, they are required to take a fourth social studies course (elective).</i>
7 th -Grade EOG	4.0-5.0	Honors or AP World History	
	3.0-3.9	Honors	
	2.0-2.9	Academic	
	1.9 and below	Academic	
Course Placement Guidelines for Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors			Check patterns from historical data to determine best placement. Students' willingness to challenge themselves in a more rigorous course than indicated by data is also a relevant factor to consider.
Data Source	Threshold	Recommendation	
High School Social Studies Course Grade	Final course grade $\geq 80\%$ in honors level.	AP Course	
	Final course grade $\geq 80\%$ in standard level.	Honors level for next course in the sequence	
AND/OR			
8 th Grade Reading EOG English II EOC	4.0-5.0	Honors or AP	
	3.0-3.9	Honors or Academic	
	2.0-2.9	Academic	
	1.9 and below	Academic	
AND/OR			
AP Potential	$\geq 60\%$	Corresponding AP Course	
	40%-59%	Corresponding AP or Honors Course	