

GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING PARKWAY'S STANDARDS FOR A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

A planned four year program of twenty-four units of credit is the minimum requirement for a diploma from a Parkway high school.* It is also necessary to pass the United States and Missouri Constitution tests which are included in the required Government course.

REQUIRED UNITS

4 Units of Communication Arts

English 1 - Grade 9
English 2 - Grade 10
English 3 - Grade 11
English 4 - Grade 12

3 Units of Social Studies

Modern United States History- Grade 9
World History- Grade 10
Eleventh and/or Twelfth Grade Social Studies:
One-half credit of social studies elective and
One-half credit Government, which includes
the U.S. and Missouri Constitution requirement.

3 Units of Science

Matter and Change
Forces and Motion in One Dimension
Biology: One unit of credit
One additional unit of science

3 Units of Mathematics

Pre Algebra and above

1 Unit of Fine Arts

Music, Art and/or Drama. Grades 9, 10, 11 or 12

1 Unit of Career and Technical Education

Business Education, Cooperative Education, Vocational
Education, Family and Consumer Sciences, Photo Journalism
Yearbook, Newspaper and/or Technology Education.
Grades 9, 10, 11, or 12.

1 Unit of Physical Education

Physical Fitness Concepts- Grade 9
One-half credit from Second Required Course Choices – Grades 10-12

1/2 Unit of Health Education

Grade 10

1/2 Unit of Personal Finance

Grades 10, 11, or 12

7 Elective Credit Units

**Only credits earned in the 9th through 12th grades count toward a diploma.*