

## **Required Courses for High School Graduation 2017-18**

The four year Highland high school curriculum meets or exceeds the criteria for:

State of Louisiana high school graduation  
TOPS Awards course requirements  
Louisiana State University curriculum requirements  
University of Louisiana system curriculum requirements

### **Graduation Requirements**

A student shall successfully complete a minimum of 26 units of credit in an individual program, which shall be cooperatively planned by the student, the student's parents, and the school to meet high school graduation requirements. The HBCS high school curriculum is as follows:

- English-4 units English I, II, III, and IV
- Mathematics-4 units Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, Advanced Math, Pre-Calculus
- Science-4 units Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Environmental Science, Biology II
- Social Studies-4units World History, Government, American History, World Geography
- Foreign Language 2 units - Spanish I, Spanish II
- Health and P.E.-2 units *Recommended completion by 10<sup>th</sup> grade; substitution of R.O.T.C. is permissible for transfer students*
- Art-1 unit
- Bible-4 units Religion I, II, III and IV
- Electives-4 units Law Studies, Sociology, Publications I and II, PE III and IV, ACT Prep, Personal Finance, Art
- Dual Enrollment as elective credit to qualified upperclassmen.

Transfer students may receive substitution of Carnegie Units.

### **Graduation Goals for Class of 2017 and Beyond**

*TOPS State scholarship opportunity for LA residents*

- Must take TOPS University Courses
- Must meet TOPS grade point average (GPA) requirements for TOPS state scholarship eligibility
- Must meet TOPS ACT requirements for TOPS state scholarship eligibility

*TOPS University Diploma Requirements Required for 4-year college admittance*

- Must take Foreign Language I & II
- Must meet GPA requirements for 4-year college admittance
- Must meet ACT requirements for 4-year college admittance

For further details, go to:

<http://www.louisianabelieves.com/courses/graduation-requirements;>

click on Academics, and then click on Graduation Requirements

*Admission requirements for universities vary. Some universities have higher requirements than others. An individual university's admissions office can provide further details. **It is the responsibility of parents and students to know the TOPS as well as admission requirements/ deadlines of the university in which they are interested.***