

All students graduating from this school district will meet this state's and this district's graduation requirements.

**STATE STANDARDS FOR GRADUATION for Class of 2010 - 2012**

The State Board of Education has established that all students graduating from an Idaho public high school must meet the following requirements:

1. Local Achievement Standards. A student must successfully meet locally established subject area achievement standards, demonstrated through various measures of accountability, including, but not limited to, examinations. The local standards must meet or exceed the standard set by the state.
2. Course Credits and Core of Instruction. A student must successfully complete a minimum of forty-two (42) semester credits, one semester equaling one-half (1/2) year, and successfully complete the following specified twenty-five (25) semester credits core of instruction:
  - a. Secondary Language Arts and Communications—nine (9) credits required.
    - (1) Instruction in communications, including oral communication and technological applications;
    - (2) Four (4) years of English are required;
    - (3) Each year of English will consist of language study, composition and literature;
    - (4) A course of speech or a course in debate will fulfill one (1) credit requirement.
  - b. Mathematics and Science—eight (8) credits required.
    - (1) A minimum of four (4) credits in math are required. Instruction in secondary mathematics will include applied mathematics, business mathematics, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, fundamentals of calculus, probability and statistics, discrete mathematics and courses in mathematical problem solving and reasoning.
    - (2) A minimum of four (4) credits in science, with two (2) credits in laboratory sciences are required. Instruction in secondary science will include applied sciences, earth and space sciences, physical sciences, and life sciences.
  - c. Social Studies—five (5) credits required in the following subject areas:
    - (1) Two (2) credits in government;

- (2) Two (2) credits in U.S. history;
- (3) One (1) credit in economics.

Current world affairs and geography will be integrated into all social studies instruction. Courses such as geography, sociology, world affairs and world history may be offered as electives, but will not be counted as a social studies requirement.

- d. Humanities—two (2) credits required, to include a course in interdisciplinary humanities or the related study of one (1) or more of the following topics: literature, history, philosophy, architecture, music, art, drama, dance, foreign languages, or comparative world religions, if the course syllabus is aligned with the Humanities Standard.
  - e. Health/Wellness—one (1) credit required, and it will focus on positive health habits.
3. Proficiency Assessment. A student must attain a proficient or advanced score on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT), beginning January 1, 2006, unless the student is exempt under the following conditions:
- (1) The student received a proficient or advanced score on an exit exam from another state that requires a standards-based exam for graduation. Such state exit exams must be approved by the state board of education, measure skills at the tenth grade level or above, and be in comparable subject areas to the ISAT; or
  - (2) Upon appeal to the board of trustees for an alternate measure(s) to demonstrate proficiency, the student successfully met the criteria established by the board of trustees.

**DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS**

	Credits
Language Arts (English)	8
Speech	1
Math	4
Natural Sciences	4
*World Cultures	2
U.S. History	3
Economics	1
Government	2
Health	1
Physical Education	2
Computer Literacy	2
Total Required Credits	30
Electives	18
Total	48

\*Satisfies the Idaho State Humanities Requirement

Students can earn up to 64 credits in four years on the Kuna High School Schedule.

### **ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

As a further condition of graduation, and as a condition of issuance of a diploma or certificate, or as a condition for issuance of a transcript, all indebtedness incurred by a person when he or she was a student must be paid. Furthermore, all books or other instructional material, uniforms, athletic equipment, advances on loans, or other personal property of the school district borrowed by the person when he or she was a student of the district must be returned. The payment of fees may be excused upon an adequate showing of financial need or other exigency.

### **CREDIT CALCULATION**

Credits toward graduation requirements cannot be counted more than once for meeting the minimum requirements.

- b. Impacting the class of 2013, and subsequent classes:

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### **STATE STANDARDS FOR GRADUATION for Class of 2013 and subsequent classes**

The State Board of Education has established that all students graduating from an Idaho public high school must meet the following requirements:

1. Local Achievement Standards. A student must successfully meet locally established subject area achievement standards, demonstrated through various measures of accountability, including, but not limited to, examinations. The local standards must meet or exceed the standard set by the state.
2. Course Credits and Core of Instruction. A student must successfully complete a minimum of forty-six (46) semester credits, one semester equaling one-half (1/2) year, and successfully complete the following specified twenty-nine (29) semester credits core of instruction:
  - a. Secondary Language Arts and Communications—nine (9) credits required.
    - (1) Instruction in communications, including oral communication and technological applications;
    - (2) Four (4) years of English are required;
    - (3) Each year of English will consist of language study, composition and literature;
    - (4) A course of speech or a course in debate will fulfill one (1) credit requirement.

- b. Mathematics and Science—twelve (12) credits required.
- (1) A minimum of six (6) credits in math are required, two (2) credits must be taken in last year of high school. Instruction in secondary mathematics will include applied mathematics, business mathematics, algebra, geometry, trigonometry, fundamentals of calculus, probability and statistics, discrete mathematics and courses in mathematical problem solving and reasoning.
  - (2) A minimum of six (6) credits in science, with four (4) credits in laboratory sciences are required. Instruction in secondary science will include applied sciences, earth and space sciences, physical sciences, and life sciences.
- c. Social Studies—five (5) credits required in the following subject areas:
- (4) Two (2) credits in government;
  - (5) Two (2) credits in U.S. history;
  - (6) One (1) credit in economics.
- Current world affairs and geography will be integrated into all social studies instruction. Courses such as geography, sociology, world affairs and world history may be offered as electives, but will not be counted as a social studies requirement.
- d. Humanities—two (2) credits required, to include a course in interdisciplinary humanities or the related study of one (1) or more of the following topics: literature, history, philosophy, architecture, music, art, drama, dance, foreign languages, or comparative world religions, if the course syllabus is aligned with the Humanities Standard.
- e. Health/Wellness—one (1) credit required, and it will focus on positive health habits.

3. Proficiency Assessment. A student must attain a proficient or advanced score on the Idaho Standards Achievement Test (ISAT), beginning January 1, 2006, unless the student is exempt under the following conditions:

- (1) The student received a proficient or advanced score on an exit exam from another state that requires a standards-based exam for graduation. Such state exit exams must be approved by the state board of education, measure skills at the tenth grade level or above, and be in comparable subject areas to the ISAT; or
- (2) Upon appeal to the board of trustees for an alternate measure(s) to demonstrate proficiency, the student successfully met the criteria established by the board of trustees.

**DISTRICT REQUIREMENTS**

	Credits
Language Arts (English)	8
Speech	1
Math	6
Natural Sciences	6
*Global Connections	1
U.S. History	3
Economics	1
Government	2
Health	1
Physical Education	2
Total Required Credits	31
Electives	17
Total	48

\*Satisfies one credit of the Idaho State Humanities Requirement

Students can earn up to 64 credits in four years on the Kuna High School Schedule.

**ADDITIONAL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

A Senior Project, oral and written report, by end of senior year must be completed, as well as a college entrance exam by end of junior year. As a further condition of graduation, and as a condition of issuance of a diploma or certificate, or as a condition for issuance of a transcript, all indebtedness incurred by a person when he or she was a student must be paid. Furthermore, all books or other instructional material, uniforms, athletic equipment, advances on loans, or other personal property of the school district borrowed by the person when he or she was a student of the district must be returned. The payment of fees may be excused upon an adequate showing of financial need or other exigency.

**CREDIT CALCULATION**

Credits toward graduation requirements cannot be counted more than once for meeting the minimum requirements. ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

**LEGAL REFERENCE:**

*Idaho Code* Sections

- 33-119
- 33-603
- 33-1601, et seq.
- 18-4511

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