

7th - 12th Grade Scope & Sequence Choices at DE

	Math		Science	
	College Prep	Basic Math Credits	College Prep	Basic Credits
7th	Math 87	Math 76	General Science	General Science
8th	Pre Algebra	Math 87	Physical Science	Physical Science
9th	Algebra 1	Pre Algebra	Biology, Physical Science	Biology
10th	Algebra 2	Algebra 1	Chemistry*	Earth Science
11th	Advanced Math or Geometry	Algebra 2	Earth Science Physics*	Earth Science Chemistry*
12th	Calculus or Consumer Math	Consumer Math or Geometry	Intro to Engineering* Forensics Advanced Biology Physics*	Forensics Adv. Biology

Geometry only needs to be taken separately by students not going on to Adv. Math. Saxon Alg1, Alg. 2 & Adv. Math contains Geometry. Alg. 2 is required for Chemistry.

*Chemistry requires enrollment in Alg. 2

*Physics requires enrollment in Adv. Math

Graduation credits	4 yrs. of 9th - 12th math required beginning with at least PreAlgebra	4 yrs of 9th - 12th science required Should include Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and one additional lab science.
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	Language Arts	Social Studies	Foreign Language
	Some classes build on previous courses, while other classes are not dependent on prerequisites.		
7th	MS Literature Circles, MS Essays 1, MS Grammar	Texas History	MS Spanish
8th	MS Essays 2, MS Literature Circles, HS Essays Yr1	Presidents/Constitution	MS Spanish
9th	HS Essays Yr 1, HS Grammar 1, HS Lit Circles MS Essays Yr 2, Visual Grammar	World Geography	Spanish 1, American Sign Language 1 or 2
10th	HS Essays Yr 2, HS Grammar 1, HS Literature Circles, HS Creative Writing, Visual Grammar	Criminal Justice World History	Spanish 1 or 2, American Sign Language 1 or 2
11th	HS Essays Yr 3, HS Grammar 1, HS Literature Circles, HS Creative Writing, Visual Grammar	Criminal Justice US History	Spanish 2 ASL 1 or 2
12th	HS Essays Yr 4, HS Grammar 1, HS Literature Circles, HS Creative Writing, Visual Grammar	Criminal Justice Government/Economics	Dual Credit Spanish ASL 2

Graduation credits	4 yrs. required	4 yrs of credits 12th. Must include Gov. & Economics & US History	3 yrs. preferred by larger universities.
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Electives	Speech	Art	Music	Foundations
	Study Skills	Strings	Yearbook	Cooking
	Theater/Drama/Production	Dance	Psychology	Athletics

High School Classes & Graduation Requirements

Homeschoolers in Texas have precious freedom to choose to educate our students with more Christ-centered material and more in line with our students' gifts, talents, and abilities. The dilemma then is what should be required for homeschool students to graduate. That choice may be driven by the student's life call or higher education pursuits. For Christians to be equipped to take and occupy essential, influential ground in the world today, a college degree may be needed. College admissions at major universities are extremely competitive! College entrance test scores and transcripts primarily decide admission for homeschool students. Transcripts are often screened initially looking for the minimum standard to have been met; this includes homeschool transcripts.

Families with students in 9th grade or above are encouraged to plan the high school years of study while keeping in mind the goals of their student. Many courses have prerequisites or need to be taken sequentially over the four-year time frame. For example, enrollment in Algebra 2 is needed for Chemistry. Completion of Algebra 2 is recommended for Physics. Biology, Chemistry, and Physics are the three high school sciences. For those interested in applying to a major university, four years of science are needed typically requiring an advanced level of science as well. That drives aiming to take Algebra 2 by 10th or 11th grade, if possible.

In light of the choices and freedom that homeschool families have, Dominion Equippers has set forth guidelines for those desiring to graduate with us.

Dominion Equippers' Graduation

Graduation is a celebration of the *completion* of high school requirements. Parents should establish the requirements for their homeschool at the beginning of the 9th grade year. For students to be competitive when applying, college-bound homeschool students are encouraged to meet or exceed the state requirements for graduation. Set graduation standards are required to participate in Dominion Equippers' graduation. Homeschool parents are free to graduate their children as they see fit. Dominion Equippers is also free to set standards for our group since membership and participation are voluntary. Seniors are welcome to take classes with Dominion Equippers, but specific requirements must be met in order to participate in the Dominion Equippers graduation ceremony.

Students homeschooled in Texas are considered the same as those enrolled in a non-accredited private school. As such, there are only minimum standards set forth, while the parent determines all other requirements. The minimum homeschool requirements in Texas are to have a curriculum that teaches reading, spelling, grammar, mathematics, and a study of good citizenship while pursuing that curriculum in a bonafide manner. The curriculum is the parent's choice and can consist of books, workbooks, written materials, or materials on an electronic monitor including computer or video screens, or any combination thereof. "Good citizenship" typically refers to civics such as U.S. and Texas history, government, etc. For further information on the minimum high school graduation requirements, please visit www.tea.texas.gov.

Portions of the cost of the graduation ceremony are supplemented by DE. Therefore, the ceremony is for students who have taken a minimum of five class hours at DE within the past two years, with two of those class hours being a two-day-a-week core class. Seniors must be currently enrolled in DE classes, including the Graduation class, and they must meet the deadlines outlined on the class syllabus. In light of DE's emphasis to specialize in upper level math and science, completion of college-prep coursework is the standard for participation in Dominion Equippers' graduation ceremony. Coursework typically needed for university-level acceptance also includes high school-level sciences with lab work, which is standard for DE science classes.

Therefore, the course requirements for participating in DE's graduation are:

- 4 years of language arts
- 4 years of math (at least through Algebra 2)
- 4 years of science (Colleges look for Biology, Chemistry, Physics, and one additional lab science.)
- 4 years of American or World History, Geography, or Government/Economics type courses.
(For DE's purposes, Bible classes count as "Good Citizenship" credits, as well.)
- 2 years of foreign language is also required for DE Graduation.
- At least 22 total credit hours, including the classes mentioned above and 4 elective credit hours
- The student must pass all classes with a 70% average or above.
- At least five class hours must have been taken through Dominion Equippers within the last two years, two of those being a two-day-a-week core class.
- A transcript must be provided, detailing the above requirements and validated by a parental signature.

Dominion Equippers desires to graduate God-centered, Christ-like, Holy Spirit empowered world changers and history makers! Graduating with Dominion Equippers is voluntary so it is expected that those students who wish to graduate with DE maintain a respectful attitude with regard to other students and with those in authority. Actions reflecting a willful disregard for authority and policy will prohibit participation in DE's Graduation class and ceremony. This lack of concern includes disregard for the DE's dress code as specified in the current Handbook, song submissions for graduation, lack of attention to class assignment deadlines, cheating/plagiarizing, or skipping class. DE is not a good fit for everyone. There are other groups in the area who host homeschool graduations with no requirements. Families are also welcome to hold private ceremonies.

Those interested in more information about the requirements and costs for graduating with DE need to attend the Graduation Parent Meeting, which is held on the evening of the first day of fall classes.

Texas High School Graduation Requirements (TEA.gov)		
<i>Foundation HSP - 22 total credits</i>		
English Language Arts	Four Credits	Adv English course can be one full credit or combination of two half credits from: English IV, Independent Study in English, Literary Genres, Creative Writing, Research and Technical Writing, Humanities, Public Speaking III, Oral Interpretation III, Debate III, Independent Study in Speech, Independent Study in Journalism, Advanced Journalism III: Broadcast, Newspaper or Yearbook; AP English, Business English
	English I	
	English II	
	English III	
	An advanced English course	
Mathematics	Three Credits	Advanced math course can be one full credit or combination of two half credits from: Algebra II, Precalculus, Financial Mathematics, Calculus, Robotics Mathematical Models with Applications, Digital Electronics, Advanced Quantitative Reasoning, Independent Study in Mathematics, Statistics, AP or IB math courses
	Algebra I	
	Geometry	
	An advanced math course	
Science	Three Credits	Second credit must be one of the following: Integrated Physics and Chemistry, Chemistry, Physics, Principles of Technology, AP or IB science course Additional credits: Chemistry, Physics, Aquatic Science, Astronomy, Earth and Space Science, Environmental Science, AP or IB science course, Advanced Animal Science, Anatomy and Physiology, Medical Microbiology
	Biology (lab-based)	
	An adv science course (lab-based)	
	An advanced science course (lab-based)	
Social Studies	Three Credits	US History, US Government (0.5), Economics (0.5), World History or World Geography
Physical Education	One credit	Foundations of Personal Fitness, Adventure/Outdoor Education, Aerobic Activities, Team or Individual Sports, Athletics, ROTC
Languages other than English	Two credits in the same language	
Fine Arts	One credit	Art, Dance, Music, Theatre, Musical Theatre, Floral Design, Digital Art and Animation, 3-D Modeling
Speech	Demonstrated proficiency in speech skills	
Electives	Five credits	see above courses or visit tea.org for more info
<i>Distinguished Level of Achievement -26 total credits</i>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A total of four credits in math, including credit in Algebra II ● A total of four credits in science ● Completion of curriculum requirements for at least one endorsement. A student may earn an endorsement by completing the above four credits in math and science, the curriculum for the endorsement and two additional elective credits 		
Endorsement Categories: STEM, Business and Industry, Public Services, Arts and Humanities, Multidisciplinary Studies See TEA.gov for a list of curriculum requirements for each endorsement.		