

Socorro ISD 2015-16 Graduation Plans Fact Sheet

What is the Foundation High School Plan?

The Socorro Foundation High School Program provides the minimum number of courses needed to graduate from the Socorro ISD High Schools. The plan consists of the 4X4 core and a total of 23 required electives.

What is an Endorsement?

Incoming ninth grade students will select an endorsement plan to complete while in high school. Depending on the endorsement area, students will take a minimum of 26-29 credits.



STEM

Science, Technology, Engineering and Math

This path includes courses directly related to science (including Environmental Science), Engineering, and Advanced Mathematics, or a coherent sequence in some Career and Technical Education Courses



Business & Industry

Includes courses directly related to Database Management, Information Technology, Communications, Accounting, Finance, Marketing, Graphic Design, Architecture, Construction, Welding, Logistics, Automotive Technology, Agricultural Science, Culinary Arts and Hospitality, Tourism, and HVAC



Public Services

Includes courses directly related to Health Sciences, Education and Training and Law Enforcement



Arts & Humanities

Includes courses directly related to Political Science, World Languages, Cultural Studies, English Literature, History and Fine Arts



Multidisciplinary Studies

Includes courses from the curriculum of each Endorsement area and credits in a variety of advanced courses from multiple content area sufficient to complete the Distinguished Level of Achievement under the Foundation High School Program

What is the Distinguished Level of Achievement?

All students enrolled in a Socorro ISD high school will qualify for the Distinguished Achievement Program by completing the prescribed sequences of courses in on of the many programs offered by Socorro ISD. By completing the four Math, English, Science and Social Studies to include Algebra II, completing the Endorsement electives and the remaining required courses, students will receive a Distinguished Level of Achievement label on their transcript.

What are Performance Acknowledgements?

Students have the option of earning a Performance Acknowledgment, which will be noted on the official high school transcript. This is not a graduation requirement, but allows students to obtain an acknowledgment for outstanding performance in different areas to include:

- Dual Credit courses
- Articulated courses
- Associate Degree earned as HS student
- AP exam scores
- International Baccalaureate (IB) exam scores
- ACT, SAT, and PSAT scores
- Language acquisition
- Earning a state or nationally recognized certificate or license

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