

DEQUINCY HIGH SCHOOL INCOMING FRESHMEN

2028
Class of

February 20, 2024

Graduation Requirements for 9th graders of 2024-2025 & T9s of 2023-2024

TOPS University	
4 English courses	
	English I
	English II
	English III
	English IV
4 Math courses	
	Algebra I
	Geometry
	Algebra II
	Higher level math
4 Science courses	
	Biology
	Chemistry
	2 units from the following: Phy Sci or Prin of Engineering, Environmental Science, Agriscience II (Ag I is pre-requisite), Biology II or Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry II, Physics
4 Social Studies courses	
	Civics or AP American Gov't
	US History
	2 units from the following: World Geography or AP Human Geography, World History, AP European History, African American History, AP Psychology
Physical Education and Health	
	PE I
	PE II (.5)
	Health Ed (.5)
2 Foreign Languages(same lang) <u>or</u>	
2 Computer Science courses	
	Foreign Language I <u>or</u> Computer Science course
	Foreign Language II (same lang. as Foreign Lang I) <u>or</u> 2 nd Computer Science course
1 Fine Art	
	Fine Arts Survey, Art, Band, Chorus, Photography, etc
3 Elective courses	
	Financial Literacy
	Elective
	Elective

Total – 24 Credits

****All students must pass LEAP 2025 tests in the**

following categories:

English I or English II

Algebra I or Geometry

Biology or Civics

TOPS Tech (JumpStart)	
4 English courses	
	English I
	English II
	2 units from the following: English III, English IV, Business English, Technical Writing
4 Math courses	
	Algebra I
	Geometry
	Financial Literacy
	Algebra II, Math Essentials, Business Math, higher level math
2 Science courses	
	Biology
	Phy Sci or Prin of Engineering, Environmental Science, Agriscience II (Ag I is pre-requisite), Biology II or Anatomy & Physiology, Chemistry II, Physics
2 Social Studies courses	
	Civics or AP American Gov't
	US History
Physical Education and Health	
	PE I
	PE II (.5)
	Health Ed (.5)
9 Courses in JumpStart 2.0 Pathway	
	1 Career Readiness Course: Ag I, Quest for Success, JAG I, JAG II
	2
	3
	4
	5
	6
	7
	8
	9

Total – 23 Credits

****Must earn credential(s) associated with JumpStart Pathway to graduate.**

Grade Level Placement:

0 - 6 credits = 9th grade

7 – 11 credits = 10th grade

12 – 18 credits = 11th grade

19+ credits = 12th grade

Note: AP or Dual Enrollment courses with the same name as a course listed above can be substituted.

Graduation requirements

2022-2023 9 th graders & prior years (2021-2022 T9 students)	2023-2024 9 th graders (2022-2023 T9 students)	2024-2025 9 th graders (2023-2024 T9 students)
N/A	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> TOPS Tech students required to take Geom (Act 447) as a math <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Must have Algebra I and Geometry 3rd and 4th math can be chosen from acceptable list of math courses Last class to take US History as LEAP testing requirement 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> TOPS Univ students-Fin Lit required (Act 267) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 20 cr. required for TOPS scholarship TOPS Tech students required to take Geom (Act 447) & Fin Lit (Act 267) as "maths" <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Must have Alg I, Geom, and Fin Lit 4th math can be any other math <p>First to take Civics as a LEAP grad testing requirement</p>
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BASIC INFORMATION

Name: John Doe	9th Grade Entry Date: August 2022	<input type="radio"/> Academic Support Plan Attached
High School Attending: DeQuincy High	Originating Middle School: DeQuincy Middle School	

EDUCATION GOALS

Diploma Pathway	<input checked="" type="radio"/> TOPS University Diploma		<input type="radio"/> Jump Start TOPS Tech (Career) Diploma	
Diploma Endorsements	<input type="radio"/> Community Service Diploma Endorsement	<input type="radio"/> State Seal of Biliteracy	<input type="radio"/> STEM Diploma Endorsement	
Financial Aid & Scholarships	<input type="radio"/> TOPS Honors <input type="radio"/> TOPS Performance <input checked="" type="radio"/> TOPS Opportunity <input type="radio"/> TOPS Tech Early Start <input type="radio"/> TOPS Tech Financial Aid Completion Date: _____			

COLLEGE & CAREER GOALS

Career Specialty/Occupation (Option 1):	Career Specialty/Occupation (Option 2):
Career Cluster® (Option 1): -	Career Cluster® (Option 2): -
Jump Start Graduation Pathway: Choose one	Jump Start Graduation Pathway: Choose one
Post-High School Workforce Plans: <input type="radio"/> On-the-Job Training <input type="radio"/> Military <input type="radio"/> Employment	Certifications: <input type="radio"/> Statewide <input type="radio"/> Regional <input type="radio"/> Complementary

COURSE PLANNING

Subjects	6th-8th/T9 Grade	9th Grade	10th Grade	11th Grade	12th Grade	Graduation Tracker			
						Min Req	Earned	Enrolled	Must Complete
English		English I	English II	English III	English IV	4	3		1
Mathematics		Algebra I	Geometry	Algebra II	Algebra III	4	3		1
Science		Env. Science	Biology	Chemistry			4		
Social Science		Civics	AP HUG	US History DE	World History		3		1
Health			Health .5			.5	.5		
Physical Education		PE I	PE II .5			1.5			
World Languages	Spanish I	Spanish II				2	2		
Arts			Fine Arts Survey			1	1		
Electives/CTE	Quest for Success	Agriscience I	Agriscience II	Agriscience III	Ag. Leadership	3	5		
Electives		FUEL I	FUEL II	FUEL III					
				ACT Prep					
				VIP Criminal Justice					
Credit Totals									

EXTRACURRICULAR & EMPLOYMENT ACTIVITIES

Extracurricular	Employment	Community Service	Awards/Industry-Based Certifications

ASSESSMENTS

Academic						Personal	
						Instrument	Scores/Notes
College & Career Readiness	ACT					ACT Engage	
	WorkKeys					ASVAB	
LEAP 2025	English	English I	English II	US History		Skills Inventory	
	Math	Algebra I	Geometry			Career Interest	
	Science		Biology			Learning Styles	
	Social Studies					ONET Profiler	
Diagnostic							

Gifted & Talented Courses		AP, IB, & Cambridge Courses		CLEP Exams		Articulated Credit/Dual Enrollment Courses			
Course	Credit	Course	Score	Course	Credit	Course	Credit	Course	Credit

SIGNATURE APPROVALS						Dates LWC data provided:					
	6th-8th/T9	Date	9th	Date	10th	Date	11th	Date	12th	Date	
Student											
Parent											
Counselor/Advisor											

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Incoming Freshmen Scheduling Notes

2024-2025

FRESHMAN Sample Schedule	
ENGLISH	English I or Business English*
MATH	Algebra I or Math Essentials*
SCIENCE	Environmental Science
SOCIAL STUDIES	World Geography or AP Human Geography
P.E.	P.E. I
FUEL	FUEL I
ELECTIVES #1 and #2	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Agriscience I- Band- Choir- Food Science- Intro to Business Computer Applications- JAG I- Quest for Success- Spanish II- Study Skills <p>(see description/information on Freshmen Electives handout)</p>

*Incoming Freshmen English & Math Course Selection Process

Per CPSB Eighth Grade Promotion Policy (*CPSB Pupil Progression Plan*), the selection of freshmen English (Business English or English I) and math (Math Essentials or Algebra I) will be based on 8th grade LEAP 2025 test scores.

**Freshmen taking Math Essentials and Business English will need to take a 5th English and math if they decide to continue the TOPS University diploma pathway. This means they will be required to double up on math and English their junior or senior year.*

SCHEDULE CHANGES

A student will not be allowed to change teachers or courses once he/she has been placed in the course without administration approval.

The administration plans now for the next school year based upon the subjects selected. Schedules are changed only to balance classes and to meet graduation or TOPS requirements.

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Freshmen Electives

2024-2025

Agriscience I: This course covers basic agriculture topics including plant and animal science, leadership skills, life skills, and much more. Students may join the FFA (Future Farmers of America). Successful completion of Agriscience I & II satisfies one science course for graduation in TOPS University and TOPS Tech Jump Start diploma pathway. FFA Dues are \$15.

Band: The band is composed of students who have already reached a level of proficiency on their instruments. The band performs at all football games, parades and festivals. The band begins practicing one week before school starts and practices before or after school during football season and occasionally during concert season. Dues are \$100.

DHS Choirs – Beginning, Intermediate, & Select Choir: Students must audition for Select and Intermediate Choirs. While most freshmen are placed in a training choir class, the choir teacher has the option to place a student in the Select or Intermediate choirs. Participation in concerts, district and state festivals, and required rehearsals is expected. Participation in concerts, district, and state festivals, and required rehearsals is expected. Dues are \$80.

Food Science: This course concentrates on food and nutrition, personal development, clothing, sewing projects, child development, home and family needs, and consumer education. Students will have the opportunity to test for the National Retail Federation Customer Service Test to receive the National Customer Service Certification. \$25 class fee.

Introduction to Business Computer Applications: This class is designed to teach students techniques and formatting for typing, as well as learn to format basic academic and business documents, to apply grammar and punctuation rules in documents, and operate a computer in an efficient manner. They will be expected to learn simple commands using Microsoft Word. Students will have the opportunity to earn Microsoft Office Specialist certification in PowerPoint 2019 and Word 2019.

JAG I: This course works with students to get the skills needed to graduate from high school and succeed in today's workforce. Students are tested with a vocational interest and aptitude test then use these results to help select a career. Areas studied include job application, interviews, characteristics of a good employee, understanding values and goals, and understanding budgeting, taxes, and insurance.

Quest for Success: This is a career exploration course designed to prepare students for career and life success. The course will help students develop 21st century workforce skills, explore new and exciting careers, and learn about themselves and their interests.

Spanish II: Intermediate Spanish with an emphasis on more intense oral expression, reading, and writing, and more awareness of grammar patterns. Students who anticipate passing the credit exam in Spanish I given at the end of the 8th grade may sign up for Spanish II. Students will be placed in their 1st elective alternative listed at the bottom of the Career Plan if the credit exam is not passed. Students who do not pass the credit exam will have the opportunity to take Spanish I & II in the 11th and 12th grade.

***Prerequisite: Spanish I or qualifying score from Spanish credit exam**

Study Skills I (IEP required): Study Skills is designed for those students now enrolled in a resource class. The class is for tutorial work and improving study skills. Students work on learning to study, outlining, taking notes, preparing for the future, and much more.



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2024-2025 SCHEDULING INFORMATION FRESHMEN

The purpose of this guide is to help students make good decisions concerning course selections for the next school year. Please use this information to assist with planning your high school career. Each class chosen should be part of an overall graduation plan.

SCHEDULING REQUIREMENTS

- Students must schedule 8 classes unless they are a senior and do not need 8 classes.
- Senior athletes shall be required to take at least four (4) subjects/units per semester and must pass all four (4) subjects/units in the fall semester to be eligible for the spring semester (*LHSAA*)
- Seniors should be aware that many scholarships require 4 classes.

ACADEMIC CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Freshman	= 0-6 credits
Sophomore	= 7-11 credits
Junior	= 12-18 credits
Senior	= at least 19 credits

GRADING SCALE & POLICY

A	=	100% - 93%	=	4.00 – 3.50	=	4 Quality Points
B	=	92% - 85%	=	3.49 – 2.50	=	3 Quality Points
C	=	84% - 75%	=	2.49 – 1.50	=	2 Quality Points
D	=	74% - 67%	=	1.49 – 1.00	=	1 Quality Points
F	=	66% and below	=	Below 1.00	=	0 Quality Points

Nine Weeks Grade

To determine a nine weeks' grade, divide the number of points the student earned by the number of points possible. This numerical average will then be converted to a letter grade.

Final Grade

The Final Grade in each course will be determined by averaging the students' 4 nine-week letter grades (and LEAP exam grade for LEAP 2025 Courses).

LEAP Courses

Courses with mandated LEAP test will be counted as 20% of the final average (the equivalent to a nine-week grade) for this class. The final course grade will be an average of the letter grades awarded each nine-weeks and the letter grade awarded on the LEAP exam.

LOUISIANA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Diploma Pathway

Students may choose to work toward a TOPS Tech Jump Start Pathway or the TOPS University Pathway. *Students earning a TOPS University or TOPS Tech (Jump Start) Diploma may not necessarily earn the TOPS/TOPS Tech Scholarship. GPA and ACT/WorkKeys score are factored into eligibility.

LEAP 2025 Tests

- Students must pass the following state assessments with an approaching basic or above to earn a diploma: English I or English II; Algebra I or Geometry; Biology or U.S. History
- Grades assigned for the achievement levels (based on the state scale aligned to the student’s test score) are as follows:
Advanced= A, Mastery= B, Basic= C, Approaching Basic= D, Unsatisfactory= F

GRADUATION HONORS POLICY

The Honors GPA calculation is based on the 5.0 GPA.

Honors GPA Positions (TOPS University or TOPS Tech Jump Start diploma)

- A. Summa Cum Laude..... 3.90 - 4.00+ GPA
- B. Magna Cum Laude..... 3.70 - 3.89 GPA
- C. Cum Laude..... 3.50 - 3.69 GPA

Graduation Index Requirements

Students must earn at least 110 points in the graduation index/strength of diploma by one of the following:

- At least one passing course grade for TOPS core curriculum credit AP or Dual Enrollment class
- Basic or Advanced Jump Start credential
- Pass a CLEP exam

Summa Cum Laude Graduation Address

Students who graduate with a 4.0 GPA or above will be eligible for selection to give a speech at graduation. Students must turn in a copy of their speech by the designated date to be considered for the selection process.

TOPS SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION (subject to change)

TOPS University – TOPS curriculum AND 2.5 GPA AND minimum 20 composite on ACT AND completed FAFSA
TOPS Tech Jump Start - TOPS curriculum AND 2.5 GPA AND minimum 17 composite on ACT or WorkKeys Silver AND completed FAFSA

DUAL ENROLLMENT

Requirements

- See current McNeese/Sowela dual enrollment information

Grading Scale for Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment Courses

Advanced Placement and Dual Enrollment courses will be weighted in the following manner:

A	=	100% - 90%	=	5 Quality Points
B	=	89% - 80%	=	4 Quality Points
C	=	79% - 70%	=	3 Quality Points
D	=	69% - 60%	=	2 Quality Points
F	=	59% and below	=	0 Quality Points



Calcasieu Parish Honor Graduate Policy 2024 Graduates and Beyond

Calcasieu Parish School System Honor Graduate Policy

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A. Honors GPA Positions (TOPS University and Jump Start Pathway)

Honor Distinction	GPA
Summa Cum Laude	3.90-4.00+
Magna Cum Laude	3.70-3.89
Cum Laude	3.50-3.69

B. Graduation Index Requirements

~Students must earn at least **110 points** in the graduation index to be an Honor Graduate.

~Students that earn **150+ points** in the graduation index will be a **Distinguished Honor Graduate**.

Student Result	Points
HS Diploma plus Associate's Degree	160
HS Diploma plus (a) AP score of 3 or higher, IB Score of 4 or higher, or CLEP score of 50 or higher OR (b) Advanced statewide Jump Start credential *Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 160 points.	150
HS Diploma plus (a) At least one passing course grade for TOPS core curriculum credit of the following type: AP**, college credit, dual enrollment, or IB** OR (b) Basic statewide Jump Start credential *Students achieving both (a) and (b) will generate 115 points. **Students must take the AP/IB exam and pass the course to earn 110 points.	110
Four-year graduate (includes Career Diploma student with a regional Jump Start credential)	100
Five-year graduate with any diploma *Five-year graduates who earn an AP score of 3 or higher, an IB score of 4 or higher, a CLEP score of 50 or higher, or an Advanced statewide Jump Start credential will generate 140 points. Five-year graduates who earn an Associate's Degree will generate 150 points.	75
Six-year graduate with any diploma	50
HiSET plus Jump Start credential	40
HiSET	25
Non-graduate without HiSET	0

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Mrs. Justilien is available during the summer at the following times:

June 1- 7 from 8:30-2:00

August 1-the beginning of school

Please contact Mrs. Marcantel to process any new registrations or transfers to other schools after August 1st.