## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR NEWTON HIGH SCHOOL

## **CREDIT REQUIREMENTS**

	<u>NHS</u>	<u>UVCC</u>
English	4	4
Math (1) (6)	4	4
Science (2)	3	3
Social Studies (3)	3	3
Technology	1	1
Health	1/2	1/2
Physical Education (5)	1/2	1/2
<b>Required Credits</b>	16	15
Electives (8)	6	7
<b>Total Credits for Graduation</b>	22	22

- (1) Including 1 credit of Algebra II or the equivalent
- (2) Including 1 credit of Life Science, 1 credit of Physical Science, and Chemistry
- (3) Including .5 credit of World History, .5 credit of American History and .5 credit of Government
- (4) Includes 2 semesters of \*fine arts, grades 7-12. (Fine Arts in Grades 7-8 are not high school credits.)
- \*\*You must take a high school fine arts course in order to meet honors diploma requirements.
- (5) **Physical Education Exemption:** High School students who participate in interscholastic athletics, cheerleading, marching band, color guard for 2 completed seasons are exempt from taking Physical Education. This will not be counted as a high school credit however.
- (6) Algebra 8 is considered a high school credit and is counted in high school grade point average.
- (7) \*\*Financial Literacy: Each student must receive instruction in Financial Literacy.
- (8) Electives can be chosen from Business/Technology, Social Studies, Science, Language, Fine Arts, English, Math, or Vo Ag.

Additionally, every student will have the opportunity to take a nationally-recognized college admission exam (ACT offered at Newton) free of charge in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade.

## Newton High School students must have 22 Credits to graduate.

\*Fine Arts – Art (1-4), Band, Choir, Instrumental Music, Jazz Band, Show Choir

\*\*Financial Literacy – Business Management for Agricultural and Environmental Systems, Agricultural and Environmental Systems Capstone, Accounting, Publishing, Marketing, Stock Market, Economics – Starting with graduating class of 2026, students must take the stand alone course called "Financial Literacy"