

**FAIRFAX COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
COURSE SEQUENCE GRADES 7-12**

Fairfax County 24 Credit Advanced Studies Diploma

7th	8th	9th	10th	11th	12th
1 Language Arts	Language Arts	English 9	English 10	English 11	English 12
2 Health/ P.E.	Health/ P.E.	Health/ P.E.	Health/ P.E.	Fine/Practical Arts	Elective
3 US History	Social Studies	Social Studies*	Social Studies*	Social Studies*	Social Studies*
4 Science	Science	Science**	Science**	Science**	Science**
5 Math	Math***	Math***	Math***	Math***	Math***
6 Elective/Wheel	Elective/ Foreign Lang.****	Foreign Lang.****	Foreign Lang.****	Foreign Lang. or Elective****	Foreign Lang. or Elective****
7 Fine Arts/ Elective	Fine Arts/ Elective	Fine Arts/ Elective	Fine Arts/ Elective	Fine Arts/ Elective	Fine Arts/ Elective

* FCPS requires a 4th credit in Social Studies. Courses include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government, and two courses in either world history or geography, or both.

** FCPS requires courses from at least three different science disciplines from among: earth science, biology, chemistry, physics, or completion of the sequence of science courses required for the IB Diploma.

*** FCPS requires three units of credit at or above the level of Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, or others above the level of Algebra II.

**** FCPS requires three years of one foreign language, or two years of two foreign languages. 8th grade foreign language may carry a high school credit toward the 24 credit diploma.

Students completing these requirements with an average grade of B or better, and successfully completing at least one AP, IB, or other college-level course for credit, will receive the Governor's Seal on the diploma.

The requirements for a student to earn a diploma shall be those in effect when the student enters the ninth grade for the first time.