

Instructional Program Offerings

The school district shall identify and offer courses with content that recognizes:

1. The basic education skills including the ability to:
 - 1.1 distinguish, interpret and make use of words, numbers and other symbols, including sound, colors, shapes and textures;
 - 1.2 organize words and other symbols into acceptable verbal and non-verbal forms of expression, and numbers into their appropriate functions;
 - 1.3 perform intellectual functions such as problem solving, decision making, goal setting, selecting, planning, predicting, experimenting, ordering and evaluating;
 - 1.4 use various muscles necessary for coordinating physical and mental functions.
2. Instruction in reading, penmanship, spelling, mathematics, geography, English grammar, physiology, hygiene with a special reference to the effects of tobacco, alcohol, and drugs on the human system, history of the United States, science with special reference to the environment, and the prevention of child abuse;
3. The importance of the cultivation of manners, the worth of kindness to all living creatures and to the environment, the fundamental principles of honesty, honor, industry and economy; the minimum requisites for good health or wellness including the beneficial effect of physical exercise; methods to prevent exposure to and transmission of HIV/AIDS and of sexually transmitted diseases;
4. The need to provide high school students with an opportunity to enroll in at least one (1) course in the following areas of study: fine arts, career education, computer education, consumer education, economics, environmental education, foreign language, health education, home and family life, music and remedial education (reading, language arts, and mathematics);
5. The graduation requirements as adopted by the legislature, State Board of Education, and the Yakima Board of Directors.

The following subjects are required to be offered:

<u>Subject Area</u>	<u>Grade 1-8</u>	<u>Grade 9-12</u>
Washington State History and Government	90 (55 min.) hrs. (K-6)	90 (55 min.) hrs.
United States History	180 (55 min.) hrs.	
Contemporary Problems or Related Social Studies	180 (55 min.) hrs.	
Health and Fitness	100 min. per week	180 (55 min.) hrs. (average of)/yr.

6. The minimum college entrance requirements as established by the state and regional universities and colleges.

The board directs the superintendent to prepare appropriate regulations to implement this policy.

Cross References:

(cf.: 2410 – High School Graduation Requirements)

Legal References:

RCW 28A.150.200-760 Basic Education Act of 1977

RCW 28A.230 Compulsory Courses

WAC 180-50-105 Purposes

WAC 180-50-115 Mandatory areas of study in the common school

WAC 180-50-120 Washington history and government

WAC 180-50-125 United States history

WAC 180-50-130 Social studies course

WAC 180-50-135 Physical education

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