



**Michigan Merit Curriculum**  
**High School Graduation Requirements**  
**PA 123 and PA 124**

<b>Subject Area</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>English Language Arts</b>  <b>4 Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Aligned with subject content expectations developed by the Department and Approved by the State Board of Education</li> </ul>
<b>Mathematics</b>  <b>4 Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Algebra 1</li> <li>• Geometry</li> <li>• Algebra 2</li> <li>• 1 additional math or math-related credit</li> <li>• Math or math-related credit in the final year</li> </ul>
<b>Science</b>  <b>3 Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Biology</li> <li>• Chemistry or Physics</li> <li>• 1 additional Science credit</li> </ul>
<b>Social Studies</b>  <b>3 Credits</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• .5 Civics</li> <li>• .5 Economics</li> <li>• U.S. History and Geography</li> <li>• Work History and Geography</li> </ul>
<b>Health and Physical Education</b>  <b>1 Credit</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credit guideline developed by the Michigan Department of Education</li> </ul>
<b>Visual, Performing, and Applied Arts</b>  <b>1 Credit</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credit guidelines developed by the Michigan Department of Education</li> </ul>
<b>World Languages</b>  <b>2 Credits</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Begins with the class of 2016</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Credits earned in Grades 9 – 12 OR</li> <li>• An equivalent learning experience in grades K-12</li> </ul>
<b>Online Learning Experience</b>  <b>1 Credit</b>	<p style="text-align: center;">Begins with the class of 2011</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online course or learning experience OR</li> <li>• Online experience is incorporated into each of the required credits</li> </ul>