



COLLEGE PLANNING TIMELINE: FRESHMEN

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FALL

- Learn your username and password for *PowerSchool*, *Creekmail* and *Naviance Student*.
- Get familiar with Grade Point Average (GPA), what it means, and how it's calculated. ([See Bear Facts p. 14.](#))
- Check out [CCHS graduation requirements](#) (see below).
- Plan ahead for college! Learn about [Colorado Higher Education Admission Recommendations \(HEAR\)](#).
- Parents and Students - Learn about *Naviance Student!*
- Carefully consider and complete your *CCHS Four Year Academic Plan* on *Naviance* (State of Colorado freshman requirement).
- Learn how to study. Ask for help. Find out when your teachers have off periods and where their offices are located.
- Find out who your counselor is and where their office is located.
- Balance school work with activities. Explore and learn new skills.
- Attend *College 101 Freshman Parent Night* in November, intended for students and families who are new to the college planning process.
- Check out the many **clubs** and **athletic teams** at Creek. Look at [Activities](#) and [Athletics](#) on the CCHS website.

SPRING

- Start asking questions about college: Should I go? Why or why not? Talk to your parents/guardians about how you will pay for college.
- Thinking about playing sports in college? Learn about the [NCAA](#) eligibility requirements.
- Look into summer jobs, volunteering and/or other enrichment opportunities.

Course Requirements for Graduation in Cherry Creek

Board Policy IKF

A minimum of 22 units of credit shall be necessary for high school graduation.

English/Language Arts	4.0 units
Mathematics	3.0 units
Science.....	3.0 units
Social Studies*	3.0 units
Physical Education.....	1.5 units
Health.....	0.5 units
Fine/Practical Arts.....	1.5 units
Elective Offerings.....	5.5 units

**Within the 3.0 required credits of Social Studies, 1.0 credit must be a full year of U.S. History and .5 semester of Civics/Government.*



College & Career Ready Demonstration Requirement for Graduation in Cherry Creek and All Other Colorado Schools

Board Policy IKF

In addition to required coursework, all students must demonstrate career or college readiness in Reading/Writing/Communicating (R/W/C) and mathematics through at least one menu option below.

	English	Math
Accuplacer Next Gen	241 on Reading or 236 on writing	255 on AR or 230 on QAS
Accuplacer Classic	62 Reading Comp. or 70 Sentence Skills	61 on Elementary Algebra
ACT	18	19
ACT WorkKeys	Bronze or higher	Bronze or higher
Advanced Placement	2 or higher	2 or higher
ASVAB	31 st Percentile	31 st Percentile
Concurrent Enrollment	Passing grade	Passing grade
IB	4 or higher	4 or higher
SAT (for 2024-2026 only)	470	480
District Capstone	Secondary Literacy Assessment	Common Assessment Portfolio
Industry Certificate	Individualized	Individualized
Performance Based Assessment (PBA)	State-wide scoring criteria	State-wide scoring criteria