## HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS



#### Students must earn 24 credits to graduate

### **REQUIRED CREDITS**

- English- 4 credits
- Math- 3 credits
- Social Science- 3 credits
- Science- 3 credits
- World Language- 3 credits
- P.E.- 1 credit
- Fine Arts- 1 credit
- Health- 1/2 credit
- Community Service- 1/2 credit

# = 19 Credits

Students must complete an additional **five credits** for graduation

#### COMMUNITY SERVICE

9th Grade -- 15 Hours 10th Grade -- 20 Hours 11th Grade -- 25 Hours 12th Grade -- 25 Hours

> 85 HOURS = 1/2 CREDIT

### EARNING CREDITS

- 1 credit= A two semester, full-time course
- 1/2 credit= A single semester, full-time course, OR two semester, part-time course (TOK)

#### Students are expected to complete 8 credits in 9th grade

## CIS OFFERS THREE GRADUATION PATHS FOR STUDENTS

#### HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Students who complete the credit requirement for graduation will receive a US high school diploma.

#### HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA & IB CERTIFICATE(S)

Students may take individual IB courses in 11th and 12th grade. A certificate is earned if the student completes the external assessments required.

#### HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA & IB DIPLOMA

Students complete all of their classes at the IB level. In addition to this, they complete the IB Core, which consists of an Extended Essay, a class called Theory of Knowledge, and projects called Creativity, Activity, Service.

### **CONSIDERATIONS UNIVERSITY PLANNING:**

- Universities want to see students take the most rigorous courses that are appropriate for them.
- The UK, US, Europe and Canada all highly regard IB courses and the Diploma Program.
- The IBDP is a fantastic preparation for university study.
- It is key to ensure that courses chosen at High School cover the prerequisites required for a university course.