

CURRICULUM 2009-2010

GRADES 9 – 12



GRADE 9

CORE CURRICULUM

English I *or* English I Honors

Math
Algebra I *or*
Geometry

Science
Physical Science⁺ &/or Earth Space Science⁺ *or*
Biology I⁺ *and* Chemistry I⁺

Social Studies
Shaping Western Society

Theology
Scripture

ELECTIVES

Arts
Art I⁺ (**prerequisite for all Art classes**)
Concert Choir
Dance+
Encores
Explorations of 20th Century Art⁺
Orchestra
Textiles⁺

Foreign Language
French I, II
Latin I
Spanish I, II

Health+
Leadership (officers only)

Life Skills
Creative Living⁺
Clothing I⁺

Physical Education⁺ (quarter credit)
Fitness+
CPR/First Aid/Sports Training+

Speech⁺
Grammar & Composition+

GRADE 10

CORE CURRICULUM

English II *or* English II Honors

Math
Geometry *or*
Algebra II *or* Algebra II Honors

Science
Biology I⁺ *and* Chemistry I⁺
or
Biology II+ *and* Physics I+ (Honors available)⁺

Social Studies
America in the Modern World (1877 to Present)
AP European History

Theology
Sacraments & Vocations

ELECTIVES

Arts
Art I, II⁺
Ceramics I, II⁺
Chamber Singers or Concert Choir
Dance+
Encores
Explorations of 20th Century Art⁺
Orchestra
Textiles⁺

Foreign Language
French I, II, III
Latin I, II
Spanish I, II, III

Leadership (officers only)

Life Skills
Creative Living⁺
Creative Cooking I, II⁺
Clothing I, II⁺

Physical Education⁺ (quarter credit)
Fitness+
CPR/First Aid/Sports Training+

Speech⁺
Grammar & Composition
Theater Arts⁺

Newspaper/Desktop Publishing

Yearbook/Desktop Publishing

<p>+ Semester Course * Quarter Course</p>

Grades 11 and 12 on reverse.

GRADE 11

CORE CURRICULUM

English III or English III Honors

Math

Algebra II or Algebra II Honors
Pre-Calculus or Probability and Statistics

Science

Physics I+ and Biology II+ (Honors available)+
or combination of
Physics II+ Chemistry II+ Advanced Biology+
Earth Science I+ Earth Science II+

Social Studies

AP U.S. History
Global Studies+
U.S. Government+

Theology

Morality & Christian Discipleship

ELECTIVES

Arts

Art I, II+
Ceramics I, II+
Concert Choir or Chamber Choir
Dance+
Encores+
Explorations of 20th Century Art+
Orchestra
Textiles+
Photography +

Foreign Language

French I, II, III, IV
Spanish I, II, III, IV
Latin I, II, III

Note: years 3 and 4 require a "C" average.

Leadership (officers only)

Life Skills

Creative Living+
Creative Cooking I, II+
Clothing I, II+
*Independent Living+ *Required class of 2012 and beyond

Physical Education+ (quarter credit)

Fitness+
CPR/First Aid/Sports Training+

Speech+
Grammar & Composition +
Theater Arts+

Newspaper/Desktop Publishing

Yearbook/Desktop Publishing

Graduation Requirements:

Please note: 1) To graduate, Elms students typically complete a minimum of 24 credits. Honors and Advanced Placement courses are offered across the curriculum. Independent study and guided research are available in select content areas. The post-secondary option of taking college courses for high school and college credit is available as well. 2) The transcripts of students, who demonstrate computer technology proficiency, will be labeled "computer proficient." Computer technology is integrated into the Elms curriculum.

GRADE 12

CORE CURRICULUM

English IV or English IV Honors or AP World Literature

Math

Probability and Statistics
Pre-Calculus AP Calculus

Science

Physics II+ Advanced Chemistry+
Chemistry II+ Advanced Physics+
Earth Science I+ AP Biology
Earth Science II+ Advanced Biology
AP Physics AP Chemistry

Social Studies

AP European History
U.S. Government+ or AP U.S. Government+
Economics+

Theology

Catholic Social Teaching & Christian Living & Lifestyles

ELECTIVES

Arts – same as grade 11

Foreign Language

French II, III, IV
Spanish II, III, IV
Latin II, III, IV
Introduction to German

Note: Years 3 and 4 require a "C" average; students have the option of taking the AP exam

Leadership (officers)

Life Skills – same as grade 11

Physical Education+ (quarter credit)

Fitness+
CPR/First Aid/Sports Training+

Speech+
Grammar & Composition
Theater Arts+

Newspaper/Desktop Publishing

Yearbook/Desktop Publishing

Content Area	Credits Required
English	4
Mathematics	4
Science	3
Theology	4 (one credit per year)
Foreign Language	2 (of same language)
History/Social Studies	3 (one credit in U.S. History and ½ credit in Government)
Health/Physical Education	1
Fine and/or Performing Arts	1
Electives	2