

South Dakota Opportunity Scholarship

Approved High School Coursework

Curriculum Requirements

To meet the curriculum requirements of the SD Opportunity Scholarship, all students must meet the below curriculum with a "C" or higher. Class of 2027 and beyond must have the specific coursework from the subcategories listed below to qualify for the scholarship. The following pages indicate the coursework that meets each individual content area subcategory for the SD Opportunity Scholarship and the Advanced Honors Endorsement graduation requirements.

Language Arts - 4 units

1.5 Writing	0.5 Speech / Debate
1.0 Literature	0.5 American Literature
0.5 Language Arts Elective	

Social Studies - 3 units

1.0 U.S. History	0.5 U.S. Government
0.5 World History	0.5 Geography
0.5 Social Studies Elective	

Mathematics - 4 units

1.0 Algebra I	1.0 Geometry
1.0 Algebra II	1.0 Advanced Math

Science - 4 units

1.0 Biology	1.0 Chemistry or Physics
1.0 Physical Science	1.0 Science Elective

(3 units must be a laboratory science)

World Language or Career and Technical Education - 2 units

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World Language (all units must be the same language)

Can be a combination of these two categories

Other Coursework

0.5 Personal Finance or Economics	0.5 Physical Education
1.0 Fine Arts	0.5 Health or Health Integration

Previous Cohorts are still able to qualify with the below curriculum

Language Arts - 4 units	Social Studies - 3 units
Mathematics - 4 units	Science - 4 units
World Language / Career and Technical Education ¹ - 2 units (world Language units must be the same language) (Career and Technical Education must be DOE approved coursework)	
Personal Finance / Economics - 0.5 unit	Fine Arts - 1 unit
Physical Education - 0.5 unit	Health or Health Integration - 0.5 unit

¹ CTE Credit Courses must be approved local programs. More information can be found at the link below.

<https://doe.sd.gov/cte/documents/SY23-24-ProgramAccess.xlsx>

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (4 units)

Writing

01001	English Language Arts I ²
01002	English Language Arts II ²
01003	English Language Arts III ²
01004	English Language Arts IV ²
01005	AP English Language and Comp
01006	AP English Literature and Comp
01101	English Composition I and II
01102	English Composition III and IV
01103	Composition
01104	Creative Writing
01105	Research/Technical Writing
22110	AP Seminar ³
22112	AP Research ³

(1.5 unit)

Language Art Elective

01055	American Literature/History
01154	Oral Interpretation
01155	Communications

(.5 unit)

American Literature

01054	American Literature
01055	American Literature/History ⁵

(.5 unit)

Literature

01001	English Language Arts I ²
01002	English Language Arts II ²
01003	English Language Arts III ²
01004	English Language Arts IV ²
01006	AP English Literature and Comp
01051	English Literature I and II
01052	English Literature III and IV
01053	Literature
01056	British Literature
01058	World Literature
01059	Biblical Literature
01060	Literature of an Author
01061	Literature of a Genre
01062	Literature of a Period
01063	Literature of a Place
01064	Literature of a People
01065	Literature of a Theme

(1 unit)

Speech/Debate

01151	Speech I
01152	Debate I
01153	Debate II
01154	Oral Interpretation ⁴

(.5 unit)

NOT ELIGIBLE - English Language Arts

01008	English as a Second Language	11101	Journalism
01066	Strategic Reading	11102	Photojournalism
01068	Corrective Reading	11104	Publication Production
01156	Communications fo Career Readiness	01203	English-Test Preparation
01157	Communications for Career Success	01992	English Proficiency Development

² For a year long class, it is recommended that half of the credit count as literature and half of the credit count as writing.

³ May be counted in another content area based on the content focus of the Seminar and/or Research. Handled on a case by case basis.

⁴ District must be granted a substitution for "Required High School Unit offerings" wavier by the DOE to be eligible for a speech credit.

⁵ If course is a two year sequence it could count toward American Literature

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SOCIAL STUDIES (3 units)

U.S. History

04101	U.S. History—Comprehensive
04104	AP U.S. History

(1 unit)

World History

04051	World History—Overview
04057	AP World History

(.5 unit)

U.S. Government

04151	U.S. Gov't - Comprehensive
04157	AP U.S. Government and Politics

(.5 unit)

Geography

04001	World Geography
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(.5 unit)

Elective

04004	AP Human Geography	04158	AP Comparative Gov't and Politics
04005	U.S. Geography	04159	AP Government
04053	Modern World History	04160	U.S. Gov't, Civics, and Economics
04055	Modern European History	04161	Civics
04056	AP European History	04162	Law Studies
04058	Ancient Civilizations	04163	Consumer Law
04059	Medieval European History	04165	Legal System
04060	Ancient and Medieval History	04167	Simulated Political Process
04061	World Area Studies	04201	Economics ⁵
04062	World People Studies	04202	Comparative Economics
04063	Western Civilization	04203	AP Microeconomics
04064	Contemporary World Issues	04204	AP Macroeconomics
04102	Early U.S. History	04205	AP Economics ⁵
04103	Modern U.S. History	04251	Anthropology
04105	State Specific Studies	04252	Particular Topics in Anthropology
04106	Contemporary U.S. Issues	04254	Psychology
04107	U.S. Ethnic Studies	04256	AP Psychology
04108	U.S. Gender Studies	04258	Sociology
04109	Particular Topics in US History	04259	Social Problems/Relations
04110	U.S. Wars and Military Conflicts	04260	Social Science
04111	Native American Studies	04261	Social Science Research
04153	Political Science	04302	Humanities
04154	Comparative Government	04303	Issues of Western Humanities
04155	International Relations	04306	Philosophy
04156	United States and World Affairs	04308	Modern Intellectual History

(.5 unit)

⁵ If the Personal Finance/Economics requirement has been filled with a .5 unit of Personal Finance, Economics credit can fill a Social Studies elective requirement

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Science (4 units)

Physical Science

03101	Chemistry
03102	Chemistry—Advanced Studies
03103	Organic Chemistry
03104	Physical Chemistry
03106	AP Chemistry
03151	Physics
03152	Physics—Advanced Studies
03156	AP Physics C
03159	Physical Science
03163	AP Physics C: Electricity & Magnetism
03164	AP Physics C: Mechanics
03165	AP Physics 1
03166	AP Physics 2

(1 unit)

Chemistry / Physics

03101	Chemistry
03102	Chemistry—Advanced Studies
03106	AP Chemistry
03151	Physics
03152	Physics—Advanced Studies
03156	AP Physics C
03165	AP Physics 1
03166	AP Physics 2

(1 unit)

Biology

03051	Biology
03052	Biology—Advanced Studies
03056	AP Biology

(1 unit)

Electives

03001	Earth Science	03209	Aerospace
03002	Geology	03214	Forensic Laboratory Science
03003	Environmental Science	03008	Earth and Space Science
03004	Astronomy	03053	Anatomy and Physiology
03005	Marine Science	03054	Anatomy
03006	Meteorology	03055	Physiology
03007	Physical Geography	03058	Botany
03061	Zoology	03059	Genetics
03203	Applied Biology/Chemistry	03060	Microbiology
03207	AP Environmental Science		

(1 unit)

NOT ELIGIBLE - Science

03062	Conceptual Biology	03210	Science, Technology & Society
03105	Conceptual Chemistry	03211	Technical Science
03161	Conceptual Physics	03212	Scientific Research & Design
03201	Integrated Science	NA	Ecology
03204	Technical Inquiry		

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MATHEMATICS (4 units)

Algebra I

02052	Algebra I
02053	Algebra I—Part 1
02054	Algebra I—Part 2

(1 unit)

Geometry

02072	Geometry
02075	Accelerated Geometry

(1 unit)

Algebra II

02056	Algebra II
02058	Accelerated Algebra II

(1 unit)

Advanced Math

02102	Discrete Mathematics
02103	Trigonometry
02110	Pre-Calculus
02121	Calculus
02122	Multivariate Calculus
02124	AP Calculus AB
02125	AP Calculus BC
02137	Mathematical Modeling
02138	College Mathematics Preparation
02201	Probability and Statistics
02203	AP Statistics

(1 unit)

Other - Integrated Mathematics

02062	Integrated Mathematics I	02064	Integrated Mathematics III
02063	Integrated Mathematics II	02065	Integrated Mathematics IV

Integrated Mathematics I - IV meets the full Mathematics requirement for the SD Opportunity Scholarship

NOT ELIGIBLE - Mathematics

02001	Informal Mathematics	02153	Technical Math
02002	General Math	02154	Business Math
02051	Pre-Algebra I	02155	Business Mathematics with Algebra
02055	Transition Algebra	02156	Computer Mathematics with Algebra
02057	Algebra III	02157	Consumer Math
02069	Algebra Enhancement	02158	Quantitative Reasoning
02071	Informal Geometry	02209	Data Science Foundations
02074	Principles of Algebra and Geometry	02993	Mathematics Test Preparation
02151	General Applied Mathematics	02994	Mathematics Proficiency Development
02152	Occupational Applied Mathematics		

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Other Information

EXCEPTIONS - CTE for Core Content

Beginning Fall 2024, the below coursework can be used to meet the SD Opportunity Scholarship Curriculum Requirements in the indicated content area if the school district has been granted approval from the DOE to offer the CTE Course for Core content. A list of approved CTE for Core Content can be found at the link below.

<https://doe.sd.gov/cte/corecontentcredit.aspx>

CTE for Core Content - Science

18056	Principles of Agricultural Science: Plant
18106	Principles of Agricultural Science: Animal
18308	Agricultural Biotechnology
18101	Fundamental Animal Science
18051	Fundamental Plant Science
03067	PLTW Human Body Systems
03068	PLTW Medical Interventions
03066	PLTW Principles of Biomedical Science
21017	Introduction to Engineering Design
21018	Principles of Engineering

CTE for Core Content - Fine Arts

11155	Graphic Design I
05162	Visual Communications
05162	Visual Media Design

CTE for Core Content - Math

21017	Introduction to Engineering Design
21018	Principles of Engineering