

## GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS for the UNCSA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA\*

<b>English</b>	<b>4 units</b>
<b>Foreign Language</b> (See second bullet-point below.)	<b>0 units</b>
<b>Mathematics</b> (See information about calculators below, as well as the third and fourth bullet-points.)	<b>3 units</b>
<b>Science</b> (Units must include Biology, at least one physical science course, such as Chemistry, Physics, or Physical Science, and a third science course of the student's choice.)	<b>3 units</b>
<b>Social Studies</b> (Including World History, Civics/Economics, and U.S. History)	<b>3 units</b>
<b>Wellness</b> (Dance and Drama students satisfy the P.E. component of Wellness through their arts courses.)	<b>1 unit</b>
<b>Arts courses and electives**</b>	<b>6 units</b>
	<b>Total 20 units</b>

\* As a campus of the University of North Carolina, UNCSA grants its own high school diploma. Therefore, the requirements above are set by UNCSA and not by an outside state education agency such as the N. C. Department of Public Instruction. UNCSA is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

\*\* Arts courses will be automatically scheduled for students by the arts schools based on a student's program and year of study.

### PLEASE NOTE:

- Students take an English class each year of high school at UNCSA.
- Foreign language is not a requirement for graduation from UNCSA, but many colleges and universities, including all UNC campuses, require at least two years of the same foreign language for admission. We encourage and advise students to take or continue a foreign language. French and Spanish are offered in the high school. Students who have already started a study of German or Italian may be able to continue these languages in the UNCSA Undergraduate Academic Program. The latter should inquire with Mr. Jeff Morgan, Assistant Dean of the High School Academic Program ([morganj@ncarts.edu](mailto:morganj@ncarts.edu) / 336-770-3245).
- Many colleges and universities, including all UNC campuses, require at least one math course beyond Algebra II for admission, and many prefer, including all UNC campuses, that applicants continue math study through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade regardless.
- Units earned before the 9<sup>th</sup> grade will not count towards high school graduation requirements at UNCSA, but they will be taken into account by college admissions offices.
- It is the parents' and the student's responsibility to ensure that the student is enrolled in a course of study that meets the admission requirements of colleges to which the student plans to apply. College admissions information is available from the guidance counselor in the High School Academic Program office, in the UNCSA Semans Library, and on the Internet. College advising workshops are held by the guidance counselor during the fall term, and the guidance counselor is available by appointment for consultation: Mr. Brock Snyder ([snyderb@uncsa.edu](mailto:snyderb@uncsa.edu) / (336)770-1320).
- Texas Instruments (TI) graphing calculators will be used extensively in your daughter or son's math course at UNCSA. We feel that these calculators are valuable learning tools and encourage you to purchase one for your son/daughter if you haven't already. The **TI-83 Plus**, **TI-84**, and **TI-84 Silver Edition** models (\$89 - 110) are recommended for all mathematics courses at UNCSA. Classroom materials and demonstrations are specific to TI graphing calculators. If you purchase a new calculator, please send the proof-of-purchase seal from the box to the UNCSA High School Academic Program. Texas Instruments has a volume-purchase program for educators, which provides free equipment for schools. Thank you.