

Attention Sophomores

Below is information that **ALL SOPHOMORES** should know.

Burroughs High School Graduation Requirements

To graduate from a high school in the Sierra Sands Unified School District a student must successfully complete the following minimum requirements.

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Years Required</u>	<u>Semesters Classes</u>	<u>Credits Required</u>
English	4	8	40
Mathematics	2	4	20
Science	2	4	20
World Geography	½	1	5
Modern World History	1	2	10
US History	1	2	10
American Government	½	1	5
Economics	½	1	5
Fine Arts or Foreign Lang	1	2	10
P E	2	4	20
Health	½	1	5
Electives		16	80
<u>Total</u>			230

California requires that all students pass one year of Algebra 1 to receive a diploma.

See the Burroughs High School Course Description Guide for a complete description of graduation requirements

Need additional help in a subject: If you are struggling with assignments or need additional help in a class, we encourage you to seek help in The Learning Center (TLC) during lunch. You should also check with your teachers regarding times they are available to offer addition help. Many teachers have designated time you can go see them to get the extra assistance you might need. Many teachers have lists of student tutors who are also available for a fee. **Do not wait until it is too late, get extra help as soon as you begin to struggle.**

Career and College Exploration : You should continue to explore your college and career goals. If you have not done so already, create an account on californiacolleges.edu. It's FREE to create the account. They offer personality & interest assessments to match your results to potential careers, and then find majors and colleges in CA that offer those programs. Get help searching for scholarships and researching sample financial aid packages as well as exploring other options for paying for college.

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Minimum College Admission Requirements for Cal State/UC (A-G)

- A. 2 years of history/social science (including one year of World History; and one year of US History or one-half year of US History and one-half year of American Government/Civics)
- B. 4 years of college prep English
- C. 3 years of college prep math (must include Algebra CP, Geometry CP, and Algebra 2 CP)
- D. 2 years of a lab science (must include two of the three: Biology, Chemistry, Physics)
- E. 2 years of the same foreign language
- F. 1 year of the same fine art such as Art1/2, Drama 1/2, Orchestra, Symphonic Band, Concert Choir
- G. 1 year of college prep elective (usually English, science, math, social studies, fine arts, or foreign language that are not used in the above requirements)

All grades for college admission requirements must be a C or better, a D or F is not recognized for college admission.

SAT Reasoning Test is required for both Cal State and UC. UC may require particular SAT Subject Area Tests to demonstrate proficiency in competitive majors.

Create an account on www.collegeboard.org for study resources and registration for the SAT's.

PSAT (Practice SAT) is recommended Fall of Junior year. PSAT administration occurs on site in the Fall of every school year. (Registration for this exam is at Burroughs.)

Please see BHS Course Description Guide, www.csumentor.edu and www.universityofcalifornia.edu for a complete description of college entrance requirements.

Admission to California Community Colleges

All students planning to attend a two year college will need to take placement tests (English/Writing and Mathematics). The student should contact the school they are planning to attend.

Important Web Sites

- www.calstate.edu (home page for all Cal State Universities)
- www.csumentor.edu (how to plan and apply to a Cal State)
- www.universityofcalifornia.edu (home site for University of California)
- www.ucop.edu/admissions (U.C. information on admissions)
- www.cccco.edu (California Community College system)
- www.cerrocoso.edu (home page for Cerro Coso Community College)
- www.californiacolleges.edu (college and career information for California)
- www.collegeboard.org (registration for the SATs)
- www.ncaaclearinghouse.net (you must register if you want to play sports at Div. 1 or Div. 2 colleges)
- www.cde.ca.gov/ci/ct (to learn more about career technical education (C.T.E.))
- www.fastweb.com the leading online resource in finding scholarships to help you pay for school