

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION AND CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

THE MAGNET PROGRAM IS A RIGOROUS, HONORS-LEVEL PROGRAM. THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE REQUIRED FOR A STUDENT TO GRADUATE WITH AN APEX ARTS CERTIFICATE. APEX ARTS MAGNET PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS CAN BE USED TO FULFILL THE AACPS MINIMUM GRADUATE REQUIREMENTS.

APEX PRIME REQUIREMENTS: DAYTIME COURSES

AHS PRIMES: Minimum of 6 Apex Arts Credits with a minimum grade of a B in each APEX ARTS course

Creative Writing <i>6 credits minimum</i>	Honors Apex Arts Creative and Dramatic Writing I, II 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Media and Writers Workshop I, II, III 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Creative Writing: Genre Studies 0.5/sem <i>AP English Literature & Composition recommended</i>
Dance <i>6 credits minimum</i>	Honors Apex Arts Ballet I,II,III (<i>Ballet IV is optional</i>) 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Modern Dance I,II,III (<i>Modern IV is optional</i>) 0.5/sem
Film & New Media <i>6 credits minimum</i>	Honors Apex Arts Elements of Film and New Media I, II, III 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Film and New Media Studio I, II, III 0.5/sem <i>AP Studio Art and AP Art History are recommended</i>
Theatre and Acting <i>6 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Acting/Theatre Performance 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Theatre History and Stagecraft I, II 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Actor's Instrument 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Acting in the American Theatre 1.0/sem
Theatre Design & Production <i>6 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Technical Design I, II, III 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Theatre History and Stagecraft I, II 0.5/sem Honors Apex Arts Design Arts 0.5/sem
Visual Arts <i>6 credits minimum</i>	Honors Apex Arts Visual Arts Studio I,II 1.0/sem Honors Apex Arts Visual Arts Portfolio Development I,II 0.5/sem AP Studio Art 2D Design, 3D Design or Drawing 0.5/sem <i>AP Art History is recommended</i>

BHS PRIMES: Minimum of 8 Apex Arts Credits with a minimum grade of a B in each Apex Arts course

Required for all Apex Arts Music Primes <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Music Theory and Composition 0.25/sem Honors Apex Arts Music Technology 0.25/sem Honors Apex Arts Drum Lab 0.25/sem Honors Apex Arts Music History Styles and Composition 0.25/sem Honors Music History & Literature 0.5/sem AP Music Theory 0.5/sem
Band <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Ensemble Band I, II, III, IV 0.5/sem
Guitar <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Guitar I, II, III, IV 0.5/sem
Piano <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Piano I, II, III, IV 0.5/sem
Strings <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Ensemble Strings I, II, III, IV 0.5/sem
Vocal Music <i>4 credits</i>	Honors Apex Arts Performance I, II, III, IV 0.5/sem

JUNIOR REQUIREMENT FOR ALL APEX ARTS STUDENTS

H Business for the Arts Course .5/sem
Effective beginning with the class of 2023

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SENIOR REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL APEX ARTS STUDENTS

Honors Apex Arts Solo Capstone 1.0/sem

Honors Apex Arts Collaborative Capstone 1.0/sem

Internship: Successful completion of 135 Hours and Internship Portal requirements. The internship requirements begin junior year with the majority of the internship hours happening the summer between junior and senior year.

All Apex Arts Seniors are required to have a full day schedule

APEX ARTS ELECTIVE OPTIONS

Apex Arts Voice for the Artist 0.5/sem

Apex Arts Acting for the Artist 0.5/sem

Apex Arts Movement for the Artist 0.5/sem

Apex Arts Broadcasting and Recording 0.5/sem

Apex Arts Independent Studio 0.25/sem or 0.5/sem

ENGLISH

4 credits

MATHEMATICS

4 credits (Four years of math in high school)

HEALTH

0.5 credits- Health Competencies

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

1.0 credits- Fitness for Life (0.5) and any other 0.5 PE course

SOCIAL STUDIES

3 credits- US Government, World History, US History

SCIENCE

3 credits- Lab science to include Biology (1.0) and any other 2 science credits

TECHNOLOGY

1 credit- Foundations of Technology A & B

WORLD & CLASSICAL LANGUAGE

3 credits required, 1 credit earned in Middle School

Apex+ REQUIREMENTS

9-11TH Graders: Must successfully complete a minimum of **45** hours per academic year.

Seniors: Apex+ participation (projects and lessons) is optional.

Please see the Apex Arts High School Requirements Contract for more detailed Apex+ requirements.

SUMMER BRIDGE REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of an Apex Arts Summer Bridge or approved equivalent experience prior to 9th and 10th grade years.

PROFESSIONAL ARTS EXPERIENCES

All students are required to attend two events per year coordinated by their Prime Art teacher and the High School Apex+ Teacher Specialist.

Please see the AACPS High School Program of Study for more information about graduation requirements.