

# 9TH GRADE COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS



What is YOUR plan?



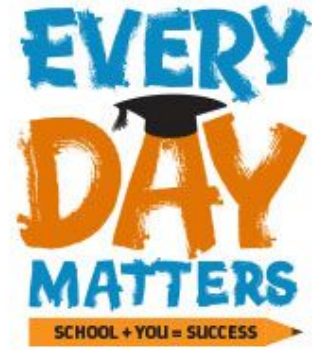
# STEP 1 - LET'S CHECK YOUR GRADES & ATTENDANCE

- You are earning HIGH SCHOOL CREDITS
- Pass all classes / Attend school
  - Attendance is huge predictor of success or failure
  - Credit Recovery is much harder than a classroom
- Make up lost credits as quickly as possible



STUDY HARD.  
DO GOOD  
AND THE  
GOOD LIFE  
WILL FOLLOW.

# WHAT IS GOOD ATTENDANCE?



- If you miss two days a month, you are considered **Chronically Absent**
- Research shows that attendance in elementary and junior high is a BIG PREDICTOR of finishing high school
  - More kids with low attendance drop-out of high school
  - We want every Longhorn to graduate one day!
- Practice going to school every day so you can do it in college or at a job one day



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

- ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS (4 CREDITS)
- MATHEMATICS (3 CREDITS)
  - COLLEGE READY WITH 4 YEARS
- SCIENCE (3 CREDITS)
- DIGITAL LITERACY (.5 CREDITS)
- PHYSICAL EDUCATION (1.5 CREDITS)
  - FIT FOR LIFE
  - PE 9TH
  - ONE MORE PE/SPORT
- SOCIAL STUDIES (3 CREDITS)
  - GEOGRAPHY
  - WORLD HISTORY
  - US HISTORY
  - GOVERNMENT
  - ELECTIVE SOCIAL STUDIES
- FINANCIAL LITERACY (.5 CREDITS)
- FINE ARTS (1.5 CREDITS)
- CAREER AND TECHNICAL (1.0 CREDITS)

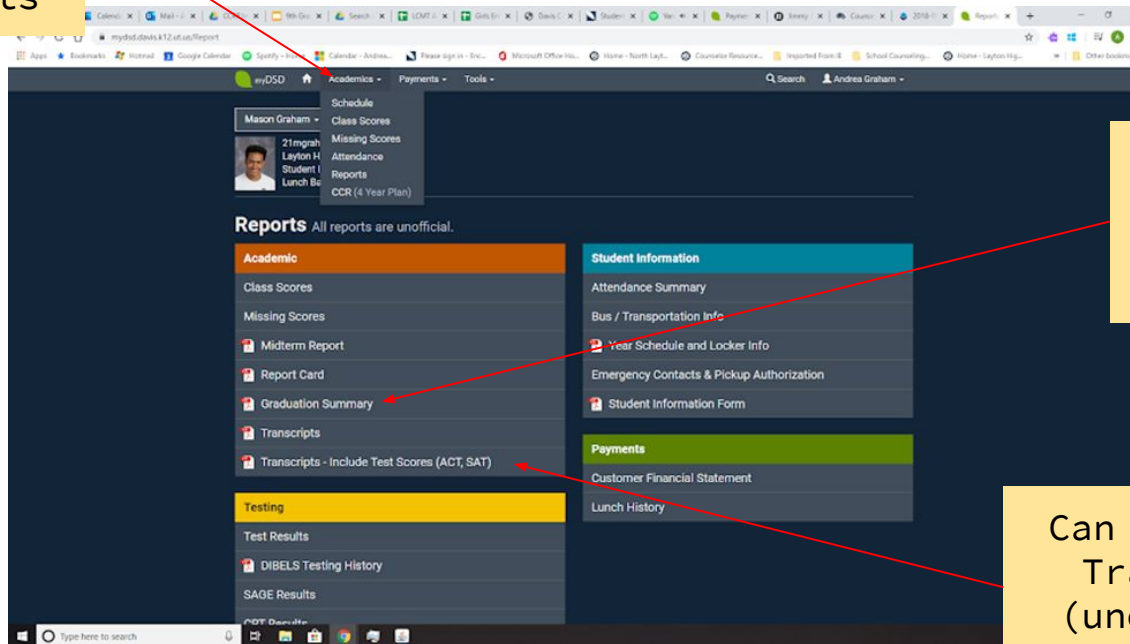
THROUGH HIGH SCHOOL,  
STUDENTS MUST EARN 27  
CREDITS TOTAL

AND

CREDITS MUST BE IN  
SPECIFIC AREAS!

# HOW DO I KNOW WHAT GRAD REQUIREMENTS I'VE DONE?

In MyDSD:  
Click Academics  
Click Reports



Select  
Graduation  
Summary from  
Reports Menu

Can also view  
Transcript  
(unofficial)

# CREDIT RECOVERY

- Credit Recovery online through **Edgenuity** or Summer School
- If you fail a class required for graduation, it **MUST** be made up or you won't graduate!

**It's much easier to pass  
classes you are in now,  
with a teacher teaching  
you!**



## STEP 2 - CREATE COLLEGE/CAREER GOALS

- Utah Futures- [http](http://www.utahfutures.org)
- College/Career Search [s://www.utahfutures.org](http://www.utahfutures.org)  
[/](http://www.utahfutures.org)
  - Research scholarships
- Pick career pathway



# PLAN AHEAD SO YOU CAN TAKE ADVANTAGE OF OPPORTUNITIES

Finish your high school credits early so you can...

- Davis Tech programs
- CE/AP Classes = Certificate of Completion = 1 year of college credit
- College Sports= **You'll need to research NCAA**
- Weber State Early College
- 1, 2, 4 or More Video





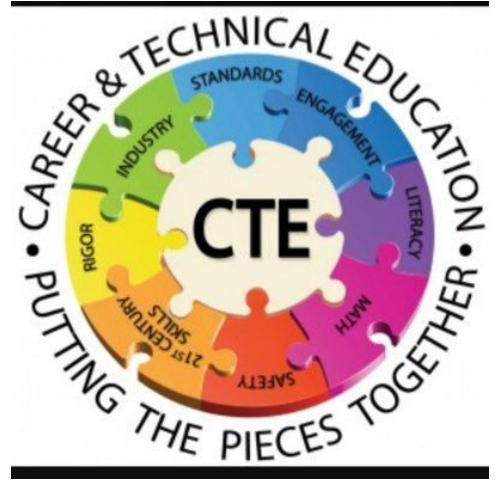
# IS IT TOO EARLY TO THINK ABOUT SCHOLARSHIPS?



- Get involved in school
  - Volunteer in community
  - Sign up for at least one school club, after school program, sport
- Lots of scholarship money available if you plan ahead
  - University Scholarships – Merit
  - Private
  - State Funded
- Some require specific things
  - Ethnic Origin
  - Gender
  - Volunteer hours
  - Leadership

# STEP 3 - THINK AHEAD TO 10TH GRADE

- Research school options
  - Use high school's website to learn about classes
  - Look at NHS Career Pathways
  - NUAMES = focusing on college classes
- Start researching careers
  - Follow career pathways when choosing classes
  - Pick NHS Academy that fits career goals
- Think of FUTURE
  - Research NCAA if you want to play sports in college
  - Certificate of Completion
- Start building your resume!
- GET INVOLVED!



# STEP 4 - CHOOSE YOUR CLASSES

- Be purposeful
- Even if you choose same classes as friends, you will probably not be in the same class.
- Think about how to give yourself a **COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE**
- Attend school every and give your best effort so you graduate!

## Sophomore Core:

1. English
2. Math
3. Science
4. World History
5. Health
6. Fit for Life
7. Keep working on electives

**Make Good Choices**



# WHY TAKE HONORS/AP CLASSES?



- You can do hard things!
  - Teaches you how to manage time
  - Teaches you how to think more deeply
- Universities love these classes on your transcript
  - They are looking for RIGOROUS COURSEWORK
- Could help you earn an Honors Diploma, Scholarships, **Certificate of Completion**





**The journey of a thousand  
miles begins with one step.**

Lao Tzu