

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

27 ¼ CREDITS ARE REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION FROM CCHS.

These requirements meet or exceed the Minnesota state graduation requirements and fulfill the entrance requirements of most colleges and universities. Please check the specific entrance requirements of the college or university you are planning to attend.

BIBLE: 4 credits required
required (One for each year of attendance)

ENGLISH: 4 credits + Sr. thesis

HISTORY: 4 credits required
required

MATHEMATICS: 3 credits

SCIENCE: 3 credits required
required

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: 2 credits

COMPUTER SCIENCE: 1/2 credit required
credit required

PHYSICAL EDUCATION: 1

ARTS: 2 credits required

HEALTH: 1/2 credit required

ELECTIVES: 3 credits required

***HIGH SCHOOL THESIS:**

****STUDENT**

APPRENTICESHIP:

1/4 Credit Requirement for all Seniors
Juniors

Non-Credit Requirement for all

***SENIOR THESIS:**

The Senior Thesis is the culminating academic experience for each graduating senior and provides each student with:

- a. If requested, a mentoring relationship with a Christian scholar that will foster an avenue of inspiration guiding the development, research, writing, and defense of the thesis.
- b. A season in the student's life for:
 - Marking the pivotal point where he/she advances into the world of adult ideas
 - Original thinking
 - Their first philosophical contribution
 - Affecting their culture
- c. An opportunity to demonstrate the mastery of Christian scholarship through the "4 R's": Research, Reason, Relate, and Record.
- d. The learning experience of producing a polished written and oral presentation for future scholarly discourse.

The purpose of the Senior Thesis is to prepare and guide each student through the experience of developing, researching, writing, and defending a personal position on a worthy idea in a way that manifests his or her Biblical worldview and Christian scholarship, thus equipping the student for a lifetime of presenting and defending their faith and worldview. Each senior, if they request it, is assigned a Thesis Advisor, who is a CCHS faculty member, Board member, or professional. The role of the Thesis Advisor is

to “walk the student through the process” of researching and writing a thesis and to assist the student in preparing for the oral presentation and defense. The thesis research paper and oral presentation are graded and recorded on the student’s permanent record.

The basic requirements of the Senior Thesis are for the senior to:

- a. Research, write, and submit in typed A.P.A. format a ten to twenty page thesis;
- b. Prepare and deliver a five to ten minute oral presentation of his/her thesis to the Thesis Advisory Council;
- c. Orally defend their position by fielding questions from the Thesis Advisory Council for five to ten minutes.

****STUDENT APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM: (Junior Requirement)**

We believe that the Student Apprenticeship Program will prove to be a very rewarding experience for our students. It will introduce them to communication and social skills so necessary in developing confidence for entering the job market and for making career choices. The purpose of the apprenticeship is to provide high school juniors with a one-week experiential encounter in the market place or ministry with a professional or craftsman within a chosen profession, art, or trade. The apprenticeship may take place during the summer between the junior and senior years or after school hours during the school year. Students must spend between fifteen and thirty hours on the job site.

Students research, observe first hand, participate, and evaluate their experiences under the guidance of a High School faculty member and their Apprenticeship Sponsor. Upon receipt of sponsor acceptance, the student must personally make application, arrange for an interview, and prepare to participate in the workplace. The apprentice must interview the sponsor, maintain an observation and task log, and present an oral report describing their experience. Thank you notes of appreciation must be written at the end of the apprenticeship.