# **Planning High School Courses**

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College preparation for the college bound AND the non-college bound. Always be prepared! Teenagers change their minds, and academic preparation can't hurt.

## **Cover Your Core Classes and Capture Delight**

Core subjects may look different for each family. Cover core every year. Delight Directed Learning may look different for each child within a family. Delight Directed Learning: reduces burnout, improves cooperation, makes learning meaningful.

### **Required Classes**

Some classes required for graduation but not covered every year

Cover Every Year	Cover As Needed
English: 4 years	Foreign Language: 2 to 3 years
Reading & Writing; Curriculum or 1 hr per day	One language; 15 min per day all year
Math: 3 to 4 years	Physical Education: 2 years
At their level, and include senior year	A <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub> credit each year is fine!
Social Studies: 3 to 4 years	<u>Fine Arts: 1 year</u>
American history, world history,	Music, Art, Theater, Dance,
government, & economics	Or combine in a "Survey of Fine Art"
Science: 3 years with at least 1 lab science	Electives: Enough to get to 22 to 24 credits
At least 1 lab science;	Demonstrate a passion. What drives you crazy?
Often biology, chemistry, & physics	Family core classes

## Homeschooling High School During a Family Crisis

Cover core if possible: math, English, social studies, science. If possible try to finish Math, and reading, journaling. Plan ahead for a crisis, and "plan around" the crisis year if possible. Cover your subjects from their beginning. Only drop classes for a true emergency.

#### **Getting Teens to Work**

Focus on natural consequences. Remember direct "if > then" statements. Encourage them to work independently. Change and growth occurs over 4 years. "Newborn is to four year old as freshman is to senior"