

# TCHS Program of Studies

The Louisiana Department of Education has made changes to their previous graduation requirements and has adopted two graduation pathways. To graduate from the State of Louisiana, a student must follow either the TOPS University Diploma or the Jump Start Career Diploma pathway. Teurlings Catholic High School only offers the TOPS University Diploma pathway. This does not insure that a student will receive the TOPS Scholarship Award. To receive the TOPS Award, students must also meet the ACT and GPA requirements outlined by the TOPS program. In addition, Teurlings Catholic requires that students schedule a Religious Studies course each year. The required TCHS Program of Studies is outlined below.

Course	Requirements	
English *	4 credits	English I, II, III, IV
Math *	4 credits	Pathway 1: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and either Algebra III or Advanced Math I as a Senior Pathway 2: (for students with Algebra I credit in 8 <sup>th</sup> grade) Geometry, Algebra II, Advanced Math I, and either Advanced Math II or Calculus as a Senior Pathway 3: (accelerated path for students without Algebra I credit in 8 <sup>th</sup> grade, but wanting to take either Advanced Math II or Calculus as a Senior.) Algebra I, Geometry and Algebra II (both in 10 <sup>th</sup> grade), Advanced Math I (as a Junior), and either Advanced Math II or Calculus as a Senior
Science *	4 credits	Physical Science, Biology I, Chemistry, and 1 credit from either Anatomy/Physiology, Biology II, Physics, or Environmental Science as a Senior
Social Studies *	4 credits	World Geography, Civics, U.S. History, World History
Foreign Language	2 credits	French I and French II <u>or</u> Spanish I and Spanish II (Students must schedule 2 credits from the same language) (Students entering high school with any Foreign Language credit should consult the Guidance or Academic Offices before scheduling)
Health/Physical Education	2 credits	Health - 1/2 credit (9 <sup>th</sup> ) and Physical Education I - 1/2 credit (9 <sup>th</sup> ) and Physical Education II – 1 credit (10 <sup>th</sup> )
Art	1 credit	Selected from Art I, Fine Arts Survey, Theatre/Drama(acting), or Theatre (competitive speech)
Free Electives	3 credits	Please see -TCHS Elective Course Choices - document posted on Renweb (listed with scheduling information under the Admissions tab)
Religious Studies *	4 credits	Religious Studies I, II, III, IV

\*One credit in each of these areas must be scheduled each year.

\*\*Students must schedule 7 courses per year.