GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The following general standards govern requirements for graduation from Queen Anne's County Public Schools. A student who would be eligible to graduate but for attaining credit in either English 12 or Algebra II may obtain that credit by taking a State-approved examination and achieving a passing score as defined by the Maryland State Department of Education. STUDENTS WITH A 3.5 GPA WHO COMPLETE 2 CREDITS OF THE SAME WORLD LANGUAGE, 3 CREDITS OF MATH (INCLUDING ALGEBRA II), 4 CREDITS OF ENGLISH AND 3 CREDITS OF SCIENCE WILL QUALIFY FOR THE MARYLAND SCHOLARS RECOGNITION PROGRAM. *MAKEUP CREDITS MUST HAVE PRIOR COUNTY APPROVAL.

• THE STUDENT MUST HAVE BEEN ENROLLED AS A FULL-TIME STUDENT FOR FOUR YEARS BEYOND GRADE 8 UNLESS ONE OF THE ALTERNATIVES APPROVED BY THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS SATISFIED.

• STUDENTS MUST COMPLETE THE SERVICE-LEARNING REQUIREMENTS.

• DUE TO THE 4-PERIOD DAY, STUDENTS WILL HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO EARN 8 CREDITS PER YEAR AND 32 CREDITS WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL. THEREFORE, ALL STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COMPLETE AT LEAST ONE ENGLISH, MATH, SOCIAL STUDIES, AND SCIENCE CREDIT EACH YEAR.

• ALL STUDENTS MUST MEET STATE HIGH SCHOOL TESTING REQUIREMENTS. Information containing answers to the most frequently asked questions related to high school graduation in Maryland are located on the Maryland State Department of Education website at marylandpublicschools.org. Questions are categorized by topic as much as possible; however, some questions may be related to more than one topic. Answers will be updated as new information becomes available and new regulations are adopted. The code of Maryland Regulations (COMAR) is available on-line at the following website.
http://www.dsd.state.md.us/comar/comar.aspx

CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

English 4
Fine Arts 1
Mathematics 3
- Fundamental or Advanced Algebraic Concepts and Topics
  - 1 - Fundamental or Advanced Geometric Concepts and Topics - 1
Physical Education 1/2
Health 1/2
Social Studies 3
- Local, State and National Government – 1
  -- American History - 1
  -- World History - 1
Science 3
Technology Education 1
- Includes the application of knowledge, tools and solving practical problems

Required Courses for Program Emphasis 4
Additional Program Requirements to total 26 or more

TOTAL CREDITS 26