Graduation Credit Check List Lesson

This graduation requirements checklist includes the same information as your 9th through 12th grade High School Plan and Beyond, but in a different format. Completing the Graduation Credit Check List will ensure that your Plan includes the classes necessary to graduate.

1. Using your 8th and 9th grade Schedule Plan, write the name of each 9th grade class in the Course Title column, in the appropriate row.
   - Make sure your choice of 9th grade English class goes on the top line, your choice of 9th grade Math class on the seventh line, your choice of 9th grade Science class on the ninth line, etc.
   - Note that the course titles of your 9th grade Social Studies and P.E. credit classes are pre-printed on the form.

2. Write the names of the 9th grade Elective classes you plan to take on the lines listed for electives under the dark line. For each class, consider whether any Elective class satisfies a Course Requirement BEFORE you decide to write it on an Elective line.

   EXAMPLES
   - In 9th grade, Child Psychology, Computer Applications, or Intro. To Manufacturing should be included as Occupational classes instead of being written in as Elective classes.
   - Any 9th grade Music (Choir, Band, Orchestra, etc.) or Art (Calligraphy, Pottery, etc.) classes should be included as Fine or Performing Arts classes instead of being written in as Elective classes.
   - Include 9th grade Marine Science or Astronomy on the tenth line, as a .5 credit Science class.
   - Include 9th grade Current Affairs or Cultural Awareness on the fifteenth line—this means that you won’t be required to take a Social Studies class during your Senior (12th grade) year.

3. As you complete the form, keep in mind that any course requirement credits you earn MORE THAN THE NUMBER REQUIRED TO GRADUATE are written under Electives.

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   - The first two semesters of any Art or Music classes are written under Fine or Performing Arts. This means that you have satisfied the Fine or Performing Arts graduation requirement. Any MORE of these kinds of classes are written under Electives.
   - Since there’s a 2-year graduation requirement in Math, that means that any Math classes you choose to take in 11th or 12th grade get written in under Electives.
   - Since there’s a 2-year graduation requirement in Science, that means that you’ll need to take at least three semesters of Science beyond the Physical Sciences class you’ll be required to take in 9th grade. Any MORE than those 1 & 1/2 years of Science will be written under Electives.

4. Transfer your 10th to 12th grade English courses placing the Course Title on lines two through six of your Graduation Credit Check List. Write your choices for 10th and 11th grade Social Studies classes on lines thirteen and fourteen.

5. Complete the Check List, you will fill in the Taken in Grade column for every class that isn’t already filled in, as well as all three columns for the bottom four rows. The bottom four rows MUST be completed.