#### Graduation Requirements

**Credit Recommendations for Competitive Colleges**

**English 4 credits**

**Social Studies 4 credits**

*(1 credit in U.S. History required Junior year)*

*(½ credit in Civics required Senior year)*

**Mathematics 4 credits**

**Science 4 credits**

*(2 Lab Sciences strongly recommended)*

*(4 years of Science are recommended and a minimum of 4 credits)*

**World Language 3 credits**

*(2-3 credits in World Language strongly recommended)*

**Career & Technical Education and/or Fine Arts 2 credits**

**Physical Education/Health 2 credits**

**Additional Credits 4 credits**

***TOTAL 27 credits***

**Bolton High School Credit Requirements**

**English 4 credits**

**Social Studies 4 credits**

*(1 credit in U.S. History required Junior year)*

*(½ credit in Civics required Senior year)*

**Mathematics 4 credits**

**Science 3 credits**

*(2 Lab Sciences strongly recommended)*

*(3 years of Science are required and a minimum of 3 credits)*

**World Language 1 credit**

*(2-3 credits in World Language strongly recommended)*

**Career & Technical Education and/or Fine Arts 2 credits**

**Physical Education/Health 2 credits**

**Additional Credits 4 credits**

***TOTAL 24 credits***

**To ensure that all students are prepared for post-secondary education, the credit requirements represent a rigorous set of expectations for all students – not merely a set of “minimum” requirements.**

In addition to earning credits, students must demonstrate skills through performance assessments in every course and meet the ***academic performance expectations***and the ***product based performance expectations*** (see below) as part of the school’s graduation requirements.

Measuring performance standards as part of the school’s graduation requirements is a necessary complement to the credit requirements. Only through such a system of measurement can Bolton High School guarantee the mastery of expectations that the school and community have articulated as the set of skills necessary for success in the 21st century and for sustained life-long learning.

**Students must meet all**

**Performance Expectations below as part of the BHS Graduation Requirements.**

**Academic Performance**

**Expectations**

**Response to Literature\***

**Persuasive Writing\***

**Numeric Problem Solving\***

**Scientific Problem Solving\***

**Oral Communication**

**Technology/Information Literacy**

**Arts/Aesthetic Literacy**

**\****Correspond to Connecticut Academic*

*Performance Test (CAPT) Sections*

**Product Based Performance**

**Expectations**

**Education/Career Portfolio**

**Community Service** (30 Hours)

**(Class of 2016+ requires 50 hours)**

**Senior Capstone Project**

**Health/Physical Education Portfolio**