High School Course Planning

Credits are given based on completing 80% of textbook / coursework or by hours spent in instruction and practice of a skill 120 hours = 1 credit / 60 hours = .5 credit

ACADEMIC RECORD					
Course Title	Final Grade	Credit	Course Title	Final Grade	Credit
ENGLISH			SCIENCE		
English I		1	Physical Science (with lab)		1
English II		1	Biology (with lab)		1
English III		1	Chemistry (with lab)		1
English IV		1	(4 th science class – see notes)		1
MATH			REQUIRED ELECTIVES – to be completed in the 4 years of HS		
Algebra I		1	Physical Education		1
Geometry		1	Health & Nutrition		.5
Algebra II		1	Drivers Ed.		.5
Pre-Calc		1	Financial Literacy		.5
HISTORY / SOCIAL STUDIES			ELECTIVES		
World History		1	at least 1 full credit in art or music		1
American History		1	College bound preferred classes:		
Economics		.5	- Career Exploration		.5
US Government		.5	- World Language		2 credits
			- Internships/Volunteer work		
			- Several years in a specific area of interest		

English — The best way to write them is simply English # but if the student is English focused you could include specifics like: British Lit., Communications, Creative Writing, Critical Thinking Writing, Debate

Math — Universities may require 4 full math credits. GCU takes 3.

History — World History & American History can be taken in any order but must be a high school level class. Economic & US Government are typically taken in 12th grade and should be placed on the transcript there.

Science — this is the expected path for college bound students. For 12th grade it is a good idea to choose a science that is specific to what the student enjoys and plans to do. High School level science classes that look good on transcripts are: Physics, Earth Science, Astronomy, Marine Biology, Human Anatomy, Botony

Required Electives — These are all electives expected for college bound students. The way that they are taken can be specific to the student's learning style.

Electives — use extra-curricular activities as well as lean into the student's interests. Electives can be added by hours spent in instruction and practice of a skill 120 hours = 1 credit / 60 hours = .5 credit. Photography, Karate, Dance, Horse Riding, Home Ec, Automotive Skills, Woodshop, Art History, Psychology, Welding, Video Production, Baking, Drawing & Illustration, Graphic Design, Blogging, Debate, Film Studies, World Religions, Critical Thinking, Robotics, 3D Printing, Drone Operation, Aviation, Game Design, Coding (Python, JavaScript, etc.), Musical Instruments — piano, violin, guitar, bass, drums, ukulele, vocal lessons