

# STUDENT INFORMATION 2009/2010

## Graduation Requirements

	Graduating Classes of 2009-2010	Graduating Classes of 2011-2012	Graduating Class of 2013
English	4 credits	4 credits	4 credits
Communication Skills	1 credit		
Mathematics	3 credits	3 credits	4 credits
Science	3 credits	3 credits	3 credits
U.S. History	1 credit	1 credit	1 credit
World History	1 credit	1 credit	1 credit
U.S. Government	½ credit	½ credit	½ credit
Economics	½ credit	½ credit	½ credit
NM History	½ credit	½ credit	½ credit
Health	½ credit	½ credit	½ credit
P.E.	1 credit	1 credit	1 credit
Practical Arts	1 credit	1 credit	
Career, Workplace Readiness or Foreign Language Class			1 credit
<b>Total Required Credits</b>	<b>17 credit</b>	<b>16 credits</b>	<b>17 credits</b>
<b>Total Elective Credits</b>	<b>6 credits</b>	<b>7 credits</b>	<b>7 credits</b>
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>23 credits</b>	<b>23 credits</b>	<b>24 credit</b>

\*Some transfer students may require 25 credits to graduate.

### College Requirements

College admission requirements vary greatly across the nation. Generally, students who take the following college prep courses will be prepared for most colleges.

Regular or Honors English	4 credits
Math (minimum Alg I, Alg II, Geo	4 credits
Science	4 credits
Foreign language(same language)	2 credits

All 4 year colleges also have a G.P.A. requirement. All 4 year colleges require that you take the **SAT or ACT Test. You should start taking these tests in your junior year.** Registration packets are available in your case manager's office or you can register online by going to their website: [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org) It is advisable that you begin inquiring about entrance requirements and admission procedures for specific schools you are interested in as early as tenth grade. **CampusTours.com** is a source for virtual college tours, with interactive maps, photos, tuition, admission information, and more. To qualify for academic scholarships your senior year, make sure to keep up a high GPA and take as many advanced courses as possible. Also colleges take into consideration a student's involvement in extra curricular activities such as participation in sports and clubs, plus community service when awarding these scholarships.

### Grade Classifications

A student's grade classification is **determined only at the beginning of the school year based on number of credits earned to date.** This **will not** be changed during the school year even after more credits have been earned. Number of credits needed for each grade classification is as follows:

**5 credits = 10<sup>th</sup> grade = sophomore**  
**11 credits = 11<sup>th</sup> grade = junior**  
**17 credits = 12<sup>th</sup> grade = senior \***

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### Outside Opportunities for Credits

**Evening School** is available to all high school students at a fee of \$15.00 for ½ credit for any core or elective class. Classes start in August for the first semester and in January for the spring semester. Let your case manager know if you need more information or would like to sign up for classes. Most of the classes are held at Albuquerque High School.

**The Career Enrichment Center** is a science, technology and vocational school for high school students. If you are interested in exploring a certain career you can sign up to take classes specific to that career. It is located at 807 Mountain Road NE. Their

phone number is 247-3658. Their classes are flexible enough to meet any student's schedule and it is very easy to register on-line.

**Dual Enrollment** is offered to high school students starting their sophomore year by **Central New Mexico Community College**. This is a great opportunity for students to start earning college credit while also earning high school credit. If you are interested, first meet with Mrs. Barreras to get enrolled online. Then go to any **CNM** campus and ask to take the **Accuplacer Test**. After you finish the test you get your scores and bring them to Mrs. Barreras to determine what classes you are able to take based on your test scores. Fill out the paperwork and go register.

**American School of Correspondence** offers students core subject classes as well as electives. The cost for classes can range from \$140 to \$90 for ½ credit. Brochures are available in your case manager's office. These courses are done by mail.

### **CEPi Electives**

CEPi Electives are offered offline as well as on Nova Net and Plato. These electives are listed below. We will let you know as new electives become available.

**Nova Net:** Business Communication, Business Entrepreneurship and Exploring Careers/World of Work

**Plato:** Business Skills, Communication Skills, Civics, Art History and Appreciation, Consumer Math, Global Studies and Computer Applications and Technology

**Offline:** Basic Computer Applications/Smart Lab, General Computer Applications/Smart Lab, Spanish I, II, III, Driver's Education, Service Learning/Work Experience, Creative Writing, Literature

### **Experiential Learning**

It is CEPi's mission to engage students and their families in learning experiences directed at gaining academic and social skills necessary for personal, social and career success. Students are strongly urged to participate in at least one of the following placement options while enrolled at CEPi #1:

- **Work Experience**
- **Service Learning**
- **Volunteer**
- **Internship**

**Many scholarships offered during your senior year are based on how involved you were in your school and community.**

To get a complete description of these activities as well as the courses that go along with them please see Mrs. Jessica Barreras, Career Education/Service Learning Coordinator.

### **Next Step Plan**

The Public Education Department of New Mexico requires that all high school students develop a Next Step Plan together with their parents and school personnel. The purpose of this document is so that students can plan their course of study and take the classes that will help better prepare them for whatever they plan to do after high school. These are to be updated every year with a **final step plan** developed right before graduation.

### **Services Provided by Case Managers**

Each student here at CEPi has been assigned to a case manager. **Ms. Theresa Bustos** is the case manager for those **students in grades 9, 10 & 11**, and Mrs. Esther Archibeque is the case manager for all **12<sup>th</sup> grade students**. The role of your case manager, working together with your parents and teachers, is to assist you in the following areas:

- **Academics** – Your case manager will assist you in keeping track of your credits and making sure that you are taking the right classes so that you can meet all of your graduation requirements and get that diploma!
- **Career Development** – Your case manager, together with the career education coordinator, will provide you with information and activities to explore different careers and post-secondary options.
- **Personal Development** – Your case manager is here to assist you with any personal issues that might hinder your success in school. Presentations and group counseling on teen social concerns will also be offered.

Both Mrs. Archibeque and Ms. Bustos have an **“open door”** policy to encourage **students to come in and ask for assistance on any issue at any time!**

