

**MINIMUM COURSE LOAD AND GRADE CLASSIFICATION
FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

The required minimum course load shall be:

- Freshman - 6 credit classes per semester
- Sophomore - 6 credit classes per semester
- Junior - 6 credit classes per semester
- Senior - 6 credit classes per semester (except for (a) students enrolled in college credit courses shall enroll in a minimum of five (5) credit courses; (b) the six (6) credit minimum is waived for student enrolled in COE Programs.)

All students shall be scheduled for seven (7) periods of classes per day unless enrolled in an approved program out of school such as technical school, COE or dual enrollment at a college or university or principal approval for a shortened day their senior year.

Students are required to attend at least eight (8) semesters and earn at least 24 credits in order to graduate from Pattonville High School (unless special permission is granted by the Principal to graduate early). In order for a student to be classified in a specific grade, the student must be entering a school year having earned the specified number of credits prior to the first day of the semester indicated and have attended the required number of semesters:

| <u>Year:</u> | <u>Number of credits at the beginning of:</u> | |
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| | <u>First Semester</u> | <u>Second Semester</u> |
| Freshman: | 0 - 5.75 | 0 - 8.25 |
| Sophomore:(beginning at least third semester) | 6.0 - 11.75 | 8.5- 14.25 |
| Junior: (beginning at least fifth semester) | 12.0 - 17.75 | 14.5- 20.75 |
| Senior: (beginning at least seventh semester) | 18.0or more | 21.0 or more |

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INFORMATIONAL NOTE: Eligibility for programs through other educational institutions (i.e. vocational /technical) may have credit requirements in addition to grade classification.