# the high school graduation requirements are changing?

Beginning with the graduating class of 2018, Texas high school students will have the option to complete one of three new graduation plans: the Foundation Plan, the Foundation plus Endorsement Plan, or the Distinguished Plan.

With the move to these new graduation plans comes new course requirements, particularly with regard to mathematics. Only students who choose to complete the Distinguished Plan or the STEM endorsement within the Foundation plus Endorsement Plan will be required to complete Algebra II.

Yet, Algebra II is still an admissions requirement for most public colleges and universities in Texas.

# **Class of 2018!**



For more information:

Texas Education Agency: http://www.tea.state.tx.us/brochures/

Institute for Public School Initiatives http://ipsi.utexas.edu/hb5-resources-2/

Education Service Center Region 13 http://www4.esc13.net/cc/house-bill-5

Did you know...

# Will you have the math to get you to college?

Not all new graduation plans require Algebra II, but most Texas public universities do!

### **Your Choice of High School Graduation Plans:**

#### Foundation Plan (22 credits)

English (4 credits)
Science (3 credits)
Mathematics (3 credits)
Social Studies (3 credits)
Physical Education (1 credit)
World Language (2 credits)
Fine Arts (1 credit)
Electives (5 credits)

Does NOT require
Algebra II

## Foundation plus Endorsement (26 credits)

English (4 credits)
Science (4 credits)
Mathematics (4 credits)
Social Studies (3 credits)
Physical Education (1 credit)
World Language or Computer Science (2 credits)
Fine Arts (1 credit)
Electives (2 credits)
Endorsement Requirements

Only STEM endorsement requires Algebra II

#### Distinguished (26 credits)

English (4 credits) Science (4 credits) Mathematics (4 credits)

#### **MUST INCLUDE ALGEBRA II**

Social Studies (3 credits)
Physical Education (1 credit)
World Language or Computer Science (2 credits)
Fine Arts (1 credit)
Electives (2 credits)
Endorsement Requirements for 1 Endorsement

**Requires Algebra II** 



# **Affects Your College Options:**

Will NOT qualify for admission to Texas public universities Will qualify
for admission to Texas
public universities,
if you complete Algebra II

Will qualify for automatic admission to Texas public universities

If you intend to select either the **Foundation** or the **Foundation plus Endorsement** Plan, talk to your guidance counselor TODAY about adding Algebra II!