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Fort Wayne**

To: Fort Wayne Senate

From: Educational Policy Committee

Date: December 9, 1993

Subject: ICHE proposal for improving high-school preparation for postsecondary education

Whereas, The State Board of Education (SBE) has defined minimum requirements for graduation from high school in the State of Indiana and the requirements for graduation with an academic honors diploma (see next page); and

Whereas, The SBE has not exercised its authority to establish requirements for graduation from a college-preparatory program; and

Whereas, The Indiana Commission for Higher Education (ICHE) is encouraging the SBE to create a college-preparatory program that would represent a substantial expansion of current high-school graduation requirements (see next page);

Resolved, That the Fort Wayne Senate endorse the efforts of the ICHE to increase the fit between secondary and postsecondary education by increasing the requirements for graduation for students in college-preparatory programs.

<i>Subject Area</i>	<i>High School Graduation Requirements</i>	<i>Proposed College Prep Requirements</i>	<i>Academic Honors Requirements</i>
Language Arts	8 credits 6-English writing, reading, listening, speaking, grammar media studies 2-voc ed	8 credits 8-English literature, composition, speech, journalism	8 credits 8-English literature, composition, speech
Mathematics	4 credits 2-mathematics 2-voc ed	6 credits 6-math through Algebra II	8 credits 6-math through Algebra II plus advanced math
Science	4 credits more than one science area	6 credits 2-Biology 2-Physics 2-Bio, Chem, Phys, Earth/space	6 credits 2-Biology 2-Physics 2-Bio, Chem, Phys, Earth
Social Studies	4 credits 2-US History 1-US Government	6 credits 2-US History 1-US Government 3-Economics, Geography, World History	6 credits 2-US History 1-US Govrn 3-Economics, Geography World Hist
Foreign Languages	--	--	6 credits in one language or 8 credits (4 ea) in two languages
Fine Arts	--	--	2 credits
Directed Electives	--	6 credits in Foreign Languages, Computer Science, Fine Arts, or above subject areas	--
Health/Safety	1 credit	1 credit	1 credit
Physical Education	<u>1 credit</u>	<u>1 credit</u>	<u>1 credit</u>
Subtotal	22 credits	34 credits	38-40 credits
Electives	16 credits	4 credits	7-9 credits
Total	38 credits	38 credits	47 credits