

NYS Part 100.10 Home Schooling Requirements

At a Glance

One unit = 6,480 minutes/108 hours/ 2 semesters/ ½ year

Two units= 216 hours/4 semesters/1 year

Four units= 432 hours/8 semesters/2 years

For grades one through six: 900 hours per year required

- *arithmetic,
- reading,
- spelling,
- writing,
- the English language,
- geography, United States history,
- science,
- health education,
- music, visual arts,
- physical education,
- *bilingual education and/or English as a second language where the need is indicated.

For grades seven and eight: The units required herein are cumulative requirements
for both grades seven and eight. 990 hours/year required

- English (two units – 1 year);

- history and geography (two units – 1 year);
- science (two units – 1 year);
- mathematics (two units – 1 year);
- physical education (on a regular basis);
- health education (on a regular basis);
- art (one-half unit – 1 semester); music (one-half unit – 1 semester); practical arts (on a regular basis); and library skills (on a regular basis).
- **The following courses shall be taught at least once during the first eight grades:** United States history, New York State history, and the Constitutions of the United States and New York State.

For grades 9 through 12: The units required herein are cumulative requirements for grades 9 through 12. 990 hours/year required (approx. 24.75 hours weekly for 10 months)

- English (four units/ 2 years)
- social studies (four units/ 2 years) which includes one unit (2 semesters) of American history, one-half unit (1 semester) in participation in government, and one-half unit (1 semester) of economics;
- mathematics (two units – 1 year);
- science (two units – 1 year);
- art and/or music (one unit – 2 semesters);
- health education (one-half unit – 1 semester); physical education (two units – 1 year);

- three units (6 semesters) of electives.

Education Law, sections 801, 804, 806 and 808, also require the following subjects to be covered during grades kindergarten through 12:

- patriotism and citizenship;
- health education regarding alcohol, drug and tobacco misuse;
- highway safety and traffic regulations, including bicycle safety;
and
- fire and arson prevention and safety.