

# Standardized minimum curriculum recommended

In considering school curricular offerings, the task force assigned them to two categories: required and local option.

1. **Required** — those skills or content areas to be requirements for all students in all schools.

## Elementary school

### Grades K-6

#### Required

Art  
Health  
Language Arts  
    Handwriting  
    Listening  
    Speaking  
    Spelling  
    Usage (grammar, capitalization, punctuation)  
    Writing (composition)

Mathematics  
Music (general)  
Physical Education  
Reading  
Science  
Social Studies  
    Geography  
    History

#### Local Option

Foreign Language  
Instrumental Music  
Native Culture  
Native Language

Kindergarten was regarded by the Task Force as a program to be offered by all elementary schools, with attendance being optional.

Ethnic studies were viewed by the Task Force as an important component of elementary curriculum that should be integrated into all content areas.

2. **Local Option** — wherein local communities determine whether or not to include a content or skill area in the curriculum and whether to designate the offering as a required or an elective.

## Junior high school

### Grades 7-8

#### Required

Health  
Language Arts  
    Composition  
    Literature  
    Speech  
Mathematics  
Physical Education  
Reading  
Science  
Social Studies  
    Geography  
    Government  
    History

#### Local Option

Art  
Foreign Language  
Industrial Arts (woods, metals, et cetera)  
Home Economics or Home Science (foods, clothing, et cetera)  
Music  
    Instrumental  
    Vocal  
Native Culture  
Native Language

Ethnic studies were viewed as a content area that should be integrated into all aspects of the curriculum for grades seven and eight.

## Senior high school

### Grades 9-12

#### Required

Health  
Language Arts  
    Composition  
    Literature  
    Speech  
Mathematics (General)  
Physical Education  
Science (General)  
Social Studies  
    U.S. History  
    U.S. Government  
    Alaska History  
    Alaska Government  
    World History

#### Electives

Art  
Business Education  
Drama  
Foreign Language  
Home Economics or Home Science (foods and nutrition, family relations, clothing and textiles, child development)  
Human Relations  
Industrial Arts (woods, metals, small engines, transportation)  
Language Arts (creative writing, developmental reading, journalism)  
Mathematics (consumer, algebra, geometry, computer science, advanced algebra, trigonometry, mathematics analysis, probability and statistics, analytical geometry, calculus)  
Music (instrumental, vocal)  
Reading (developmental)  
Science (earth, physical, biology, chemistry, physics, geology)  
Social Studies (Native history, economics, anthropology, ethnic studies, psychology, sociology, contemporary problems, international relations)

#### Local Option

Driver Education; Native Culture, Language and Literature