

Graduation Requirements

Graduating Class of 2017

English	4
Math	4 (must include Algebra II)
Science	3 (must include 1 unit of physical sciences, 1 unit of life sciences and 1-unit advanced study in one or more of the following sciences: chemistry, physics, or advanced biology)
Social Studies	3 (must include American History and Government)
Health	1/2
Physical Ed.	1/2
Electives*	<u>6</u>
TOTAL	21 UNITS OF CREDIT

*Electives units must include one or any combination of foreign language, fine arts, business, career-technical education, technology, English language arts, mathematics, science or social studies courses not otherwise required.

Additional requirements

Fine arts requirement met in _____ (1 credit)

All students must complete at least two semesters of fine arts taken any time in grades 9-12. Students following a career-technical pathway (WCCC) are exempted from the fine arts requirement.

Economics and Financial Literacy requirement met in _____

(Government or Personal Finance, other)

OGT—All students will be required to pass all five parts of the test. The five areas tested are writing, reading, math, social studies and science.

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Meet one of the Following:

- **TESTING—18 points** : Take all Seven Exams: English 9, English 10, American History, Government, Algebra, Geometry, *Physical Science or Biology*. **Must have at least four points earned in English and Math and six points total in science and social studies.**
- Earn a “remediation-free” score on a nationally recognized college admission exam such as ACT or SAT. The state of Ohio will pay for all 11th-grade students in the Class of 2018 and beyond to take the exam free of charge.
- Earn a State Board of Education-approved, industry-recognized credential or a state-issued license for practice in a career and achieve a score that demonstrates workforce readiness and employability on the **WorkKeys** assessment.

Graduating Class of 2019-Beyond

English	4
Math	4 (must include Algebra II)
Science	3 (must include 1 unit of physical sciences, 1 unit of life sciences and 1 unit advanced study in one or more of the following sciences: chemistry, physics, or advanced biology)
Social Studies	3 (must include American History, World History and Government)
Health	1/2
Physical Ed.	1/2
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Economics and Financial Literacy requirement met in World History 9 or Honors World History 9

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Testing Assessments

The courses in which students take an end-of-course exam will be: English 9 and English 10, algebra I, geometry, physical science (class of 2018), biology (class of 2019-beyond) American history and American government. Students can earn from 1-5 points for each exam, based on their performance.

5 – Advanced 4 – Accelerated 3 – Proficient 2 – Basic 1 – Limited

Students who take physical science, American history or American government as part of Advanced Placement or college credit plus programs can use their scores from the programs’ end-of-course exams in place of the state end-of-course exam scores to accumulate graduation points.

A student who earned high school credit in any of the above

What are the remediation-free scores?

ACT		SAT	
English Language Arts*	English subscore of 18 (or higher)	English Language Arts*	Writing 430 (or higher)
	Entered high school prior to July 1, 2014, reading subscore of 21 (or higher)		Reading 450 (or higher)
	Entered high school after July 1, 2014, reading subscore of 22 (or higher)		
Mathematics	Mathematics subscore of 22 (or higher)	Mathematics	Mathematics 520 (or higher)

**These scores are subject to change. Remediation-free scores for the new 2016 SAT will be posted once the Ohio Department of Higher Education has confirmed them.*

Each student may use the highest score in each subscore from multiple administrations of a test to meet the student's graduation requirement option. This would include the state-funded administration, which will be given to all Ohio students in the spring of their junior year and additional attempts that students take and fund through non-state resources during their academic careers.

Students who meet the remediation-free scores in all three subscore areas under a single test will meet the requirements for graduation under this option. These students will receive Ohio diplomas upon completion of the curriculum requirements.

As part of the state and federal reporting requirements, districts are required to submit student scores for the following state end-of-course tests: geometry or math II, English language arts II, biology, American history and American government. Therefore, districts do need to administer these tests to all students.

Statewide Administration

The first statewide administration of the college and career readiness test will be in the spring of 2017. Districts will select either the ACT or SAT to administer to the class of 2018 (students who entered high school for the first time after July 1, 2014, and before July 1, 2015.) Here is more information about the [state-funded administration of ACT and SAT](#).

Industry-Recognized Credentials

Explore Career Fields

Agriculture 	Arts and Communications 	Business and Finance 
Construction 	Education and Training 	Engineering 
Health 	Hospitality and Tourism 	Human Services 
Information Technology 	Law and Public Safety 	Manufacturing 
	Transportation 	

HOW CAN A STUDENT EARN A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA UNDER THE “CREDENTIAL” OPTION?

In order to qualify for a diploma under the credential option, a student need to do two things:

- Earn a minimum score of 13 on WorkKeys, a work readiness test that many employers use
- Earn an industry-recognized credential or credentials worth 12 credential points

CAN A STUDENT MIX AND MATCH CREDENTIALS?

Yes, a student may choose any combination of credentials that totals to 12 points within a single career field. Students can consult with a counselor, teacher, or other professional to aid in choosing the bundle of credentials that best suits their career aspirations.