



Effective beginning with students who enter high school in 2012-13 school year (class of 2016).

**CORE40 with Academic Honors** (minimum 47 credits)

Course and Credit Requirements	
<b>English/ Language Arts</b>	<b>8 credits</b> Including a balance of literature, composition and speech.
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>6 credits (in grades 9-12)</b> 2 credits: Algebra I 2 credits: Geometry 2 credits: Algebra II <i>Or complete Integrated Math I, II, and III for 6 credits. Students must take a math course or quantitative reasoning course each year in high school.</i>
<b>Science</b>	<b>6 credits</b> 2 credits: Biology I 2 credits: Chemistry I or Physics I or Integrated Chemistry-Physics 2 credits: any Core 40 science course
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>6 credits</b> 2 credits: U.S. History 1 credit: U.S. Government 1 credit: Economics 2 credits: World History/Civilization or Geography/History of the World
<b>Directed Electives</b>	<b>5 credits</b> World Languages Fine Arts Career and Technical Education
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>2 credits</b>
<b>Health and Wellness</b>	<b>1 credit</b>
<b>Electives*</b>	<b>6 credits</b> (College and Career Pathway courses recommended)
<b>40 Total State Credits Required</b>	

Schools may have additional local graduation requirements that apply to all students (not required for students with an IEP).

\* Specifies the number of electives required by the state. High school schedules provide time for many more electives during the high school years. All students are strongly encouraged to complete a College and Career Pathway (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career and college exploration and preparation opportunities.

\*\*SAT scores updated September, 2017  
\*\*\*WorkKeys assessment titles updated, 2018

- For the **Core 40 with Academic Honors** designation, students must:
- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
  - Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits.
  - Earn 6-8 Core 40 world language credits (6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages).
  - Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits.
  - Earn a grade of a “C” or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
  - Have a grade point average of a “B” or better.
  - Complete one of the following:
    - A. Earn 4 credits in 2 or more AP courses and take corresponding AP exams
    - B. Earn 6 verifiable transcribed college credits in dual credit courses from the approved dual credit list.
    - C. Earn two of the following:
      1. A minimum of 3 verifiable transcribed college credits from the approved dual credit list,
      2. 2 credits in AP courses and corresponding AP exams,
      3. 2 credits in IB standard level courses and corresponding IB exams.
    - D. Earn a composite score of 1250 or higher on the SAT and a minimum of 560 on math and 590 on the evidence based reading and writing section.\*\*
    - E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written section
    - F. Earn 4 credits in IB courses and take corresponding IB exams.

**CORE40 with Technical Honors** (minimum 47 credits)

- For the **Core 40 with Technical Honors** designation, students must:
- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
  - Earn 6 credits in the college and career preparation courses in a state-approved College & Career Pathway and one of the following:
    1. Pathway designated industry-based certification or credential, or
    2. Pathway dual credits from the approved dual credit list resulting in 6 transcribed college credits
  - Earn a grade of “C” or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
  - Have a grade point average of a “B” or better.
  - Complete one of the following,
    - A. Any one of the options (A - F) of the Core 40 with Academic Honors
    - B. Earn the following minimum scores on WorkKeys: Workplace Documents, Level 6; Applied Math, Level 6; and Graphic Literacy, Level 5.\*\*\*
    - C. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Accuplacer: Writing 80, Reading 90, Math 75.
    - D. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Compass: Algebra 66, Writing 70, Reading 80.