

**Course and Credit Requirements**

<b>English/ Language Arts</b>	<b>8 credits</b>	Including a balance of literature, composition and speech.
	<b>6 credits</b>	
<b>Mathematics</b>	<b>6 credits</b>	
<b>Science</b>	<b>6 credits</b>	
<b>Social Studies</b>	<b>6 credits</b>	
<b>Directed Electives</b>	<b>5 credits</b>	
<b>Physical Education</b>	<b>2 credits</b>	
<b>Health and Wellness</b>	<b>1 credit</b>	
<b>Electives*</b>	<b>6 credits</b>	
<b>40 Total State Credits Required</b>		

Schools may have additional local graduation requirements that apply to all students

\* 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 Career Academic Sequence (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career exploration and preparation opportunities.

*Effective beginning with students who enter high school 2006-07*

**CORE 40 with Academic Honors**

*(minimum 47 credits)*

For the Core 40 with Academic Honors diploma, 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. Complete AP courses (4 credits) and corresponding AP exams
  - B. Complete IB courses (4 credits) and corresponding IB exams
  - C. Earn a combined score of 1200 or higher on the SAT critical reading and mathematics
  - D. Score a 26 or higher composite on the ACT
  - E. Complete dual high school/college credit courses from an accredited postsecondary institution (6 transferable college credits)
  - F. Complete a combination of AP courses (2 credits) and corresponding AP exams and dual high school/college credit course(s) from an accredited postsecondary institution (3 transferable college credits)