

CORE40 with Academic Honors (minimum 47 credits)

Course and Credit Requirements	
English/ Language Arts	8 credits Including a balance literature, composition and speech.
Mathematics	6 credits 2 credits: Algebra I 2 credits: Geometry 2 credits: Algebra II <i>Or complete Integrated Math series I, II, and III for 6 credits.</i> All students are required to take a math or physics course during their junior or senior year.
Science	6 credits 2 credits: Biology I 2 credits: Chemistry I or Physics I or Integrated Chemistry-Physics 2 credits: any Core 40 science course
Social Studies	6 credits 2 credits: U.S. History 1 credit: U.S. Government 1 credit: Economics 2 credits: World History/Civilization or Geography/History of the World
Directed Electives	5 credits World Languages Fine Arts Career/Technical
Physical Education	2 credits
Health and Wellness	1 credit
Electives*	6 credits (Career Academic Sequence Recommended)
40 Total State Credits Required	

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.
- 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:
 - Complete AP courses (4 credits) and corresponding AP exams
 - Complete IB (Higher Level) courses (4 credits) and corresponding IB exams
 - Earn a combined score of 1200 or higher on the SAT critical reading and mathematics
 - Score a 26 or higher composite on the ACT
 - Complete dual high school/college credit courses from the Core Transfer Library (6 transferable college credits)
 - Complete a combination of AP course (2 credits) and corresponding AP exams and dual high school/college credit course(s) from the Core Transfer Library (3 transferable college credits)

CORE40 with Technical Honors (minimum 47 credits)

For the **Core 40 with Technical Honors** diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Complete a career-technical program (8 or more related 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 two of the following, one must be A or B:
 - A. Score at or above the following levels on WorkKeys: Reading for Information - Level 6; Applied Mathematics - Level 6; Locating Information - Level 5
 - B. Complete dual high school/college credit courses in a technical area (6 college credits)
 - C. Complete a Professional Career Internship course or Cooperative Education course (2 credits)
 - D. Complete an industry-based work experience as part of two-year technical education program (minimum 140 hours)
 - E. Earn a state-approved, industry-recognized certification

*Anticipated—State Board action to be complete fall 2007.

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 Sequences (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career exploration and preparation opportunities.