

2023

COLUMBUS CITY SCHOOLS DIPLOMA OF GRADUATION: Students must successfully complete courses and earn a minimum of 22 total credits in the required categories below (# required credits listed in parentheses). Some courses may be taken prior to 9th grade year for high school credit. Physical Education 2 and Health are permitted to be scheduled in grades 9-12 only. World Languages are recommended but not required for graduation. Credit requirements listed are for the Diploma of Graduation. Students must also earn a Competency and demonstrate College and Career readiness as outlined below.

	CREDITS COMPLETED		CREDITS COMPLETED		CREDITS COMPLETED		CREDITS COMPLETED		CREDITS COMPLETED		
	English	Math	Social Studies	Science	Academic Elective	Physical Education	Health	Fine Arts	Technology	General Electives	Internship
1 Earn Required CREDITS <u>22</u>	(4.0)	(4.0)	World History, Amer.. History, Amer. Gov. (3.0)	Physical, Biological, and Advanced (3.0)	Science or Social Studies (1.0)	(0.5)	(0.5)	(1.0)	(1.0)	(3.0)	120 hrs. required (1.0)
8 th Grade											
9 th Grade											
10 th Grade											
11 th Grade											
12 th Grade											

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Demonstrate Competency



Competency: To demonstrate Competency, students must earn required OST scores or earn one of the other Competency options.
Pass Ohio's State Tests (OST): Earn competent scores on end-of-course state tests. End-of-course tests are: **English II & Integrated Math I.** ODE will set competency score levels by March 2020. Your school and district receive grades on the Ohio School Report Cards for all students' scores and participation on state tests.
SCORES: ___ English II ___ Math I ___
Options Other Than Passing OSTs:
 Students **NOT** scoring competent on a test must receive remedial supports and retake the exams at least once. If a student still does not score competent, they may use one of the three alternate options below:
 ___ **College Credit Plus:** Earn credit for one math and one English course through College Credit Plus.
 ___ **Career Experience & Technical Skill:** Complete two demonstrations, at least one of which must be foundational:
 • **Foundational:** Proficient on three WebXams, approved industry credential (12 points), pre-apprenticeship or acceptance into an apprenticeship program
 • **Supporting:** Workplace experience, WorkKeys (score of 14) or the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal
 ___ **Military Readiness:** Meet the requirements to enlist in the military, as demonstrated by a contract with the military to enlist

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Show College & Career Preparation

Diploma Seals: To show Preparation for College or Career, students must earn **TWO diploma seals, one of which must be STATE defined:**

<input type="checkbox"/> OhioMeansJobs Readiness (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Citizenship (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Technology (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Community Service (Local)
<input type="checkbox"/> Industry Recognized Readiness (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Science (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Military Enlistment (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Engagement (Local)
<input type="checkbox"/> College Readiness (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Honors Diploma (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Biliteracy (State)	<input type="checkbox"/> Fine and Performing Arts (Local)

* [For detailed information about Competency options & Seals requirements, please go to the Ohio Department of Education site.](#) *

Diploma and Certification Type
(awarded based on completed courses)

___ **Diploma of Graduation:** Earn all 22 required credits indicated in parentheses and meet at least one of the College and Career Readiness requirements above.
 ___ **Diploma with Honors:** Awarded to students who meet criteria set by the state of Ohio. There are three types of Honors Diplomas. (See [ODE's Comparison Of Diplomas with Honors Criteria](#))
 ___ **Diploma of Distinction:** Earn at least 24 credits, meet the CCS Diploma of Graduation requirements and have **four (4.0) credits in Social Studies, four (4.0) credits in Science, and three (3.0) credits in the same world language** which may replace three (3.0) General Elective credits.
 ___ **Certification of College Preparatory:** Awarded to students who meet CCS Diploma of Graduation requirements and have **two (2.0) credits in the same World Language**
 ___ **Certification of Specialization:** Awarded to students who earn **five or more credits in any one specific area of study** - academic or elective. _____
 SPECIALIZATIONS: _____