## CORE40

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

English/	8 credits
Language Arts	Including a balance of literature, composition and speech.
Mathematics	6 credits (in grades 9-12)
	2 credits: Algebra I 2 credits: Geometry 2 credits: Algebra II Or complete Integrated Math I, II, and III for 6 credits. Students must take a math or quantitative reasoning course each year in high school
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  6 credits
Studies	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	5 credits
Electives	World Languages Fine Arts Career and Technical Education
Physical Education	2 credits
Health and Wellness	1 credit
Electives*	6 credits (College and Career Pathway courses recommended)

## 40 Total State Credits Required

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

## CoRE40 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. Earn 4 credits in 2 or more AP courses and take corresponding AP exams
  - B. Earn 6 verifiable transcripted college credits in dual credit courses from priority course list
  - C. Earn two of the following:
    - A minimum of 3 verifiable transcripted college credits from the priority course list,
    - 2. 2 credits in AP courses and corresponding AP exams,
    - 3. 2 credits in IB standard level courses and corresponding IB exam
  - Earn a combined score of 1750 or higher on the SAT critical reading, mathematics and writing sections and a minimum score of 530 on each
  - E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written sectio
  - F. Earn 4 credits in IB courses and take corresponding IB exams.

## C®RE40 with Technical Honors

(minimum 47 credits)

For the Core 40 with Technical Honors diploma, 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
  - Pathway dual credits from the lists of priority courses resulting in 6 transcripted 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 scores or higher on WorkKeys; Reading for Information Level 6, Applied Mathematics Level 6, and Locating Information-Level 5
  - C. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Accuplacer: Writing 80, Reading 90, Math 75.
  - Earn the following minimum score(s) on Compass; Algebra 66
     Writing 70, Reading 80.

<sup>\*</sup> 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.