

**"YOUR MOST IMPORTANT  
WORK IS ALWAYS AHEAD OF  
YOU, NEVER BEHIND YOU."**

**-DR. STEPHEN R. COVEY**



## It's Your **Future.** Get **Ready.**

**Before you know it, you'll be receiving your high school diploma. Ohio is giving you new ways to show the world what you can do with it.**

As a student entering ninth grade on or after **July 1, 2019**, Ohio's new high school graduation requirements give you more flexibility to choose a graduation pathway that builds on your strengths and passions – one that ensures you are ready for your next steps and excited about the future.

### **First**, cover the basics

You must earn a minimum total of 20 credits in specified subjects and take your required tests. Then, decide how you will round out your diploma requirements.

English language arts	4 credits
Health	½ credit
Mathematics	4 credits
Physical education	½ credit
Science	3 credits
Social studies	3 credits
Electives	5 credits

### **Other Requirements**

You also must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy and complete at least two semesters of fine arts. Your district may require more than 20 credits to graduate.



# What class credits do you need to graduate?

- ★ 4 credits of English
- ★ 4 credits of Math
- ★ 3 credits of Social Studies
- ★ 3 credits of Science
- ★ Physical Education (.5) (8th and 9th grade .25 credits each)
- ★ Health (.5)
- ★ Computer Technology (.5)
- ★ 1 fine art credit

= 16.5 hours + 4.5 hrs elective credit

Total of 21 credit hours to graduate



# Honors Diploma

## Earn 7 of the 8:

1. 4 English credits
2. 4 Math credits (Alg 1, Geo, Alg 2 and an Advanced Math)
3. 4 Science Credits (Physical Sci, Biology, Chemistry, Physics or CCP Science)
4. 4 Social Studies credits (One additional beyond requirement)
5. 3 credits of 1 foreign language or 2 credits of 2 languages
6. 1 fine art credit
7. 3.5 GPA
8. 27 ACT Score



## Suggested Curriculum Pathways

College Prep Math: Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, MTH 170 College Algebra, MTH 213 College Statistics

College Prep Science: Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics; May also take BIO 201 (General Biology CCP) and BIO 211 (Anatomy/Physiology CCP), or Astronomy.

Workforce Math Track: Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Financial Algebra/Elementary Statistics

Workforce Science Track: Physical Science, Biology, Ag Science courses, Environmental Science, or Astronomy.

# Example Curriculum

- ★ College Prep Path
- ★ Workforce/Apprenticeship path
- ★ Millstream
- ★ CBI





# Sample Schedule



## Freshmen Year

1. English 9 or CP Eng 9
2. US History I
3. Algebra I, or Geometry
4. Physical Science
5. Physical Education/Leadership
6. (Elective)
7. (Elective)
8. (Elective)

## Sophomore Year

1. English 10 or CP Eng 10
2. US History II
3. Geometry or Algebra II
4. Biology
5. CCP Computer/Heath
6. (Elective)
7. (Elective)
8. (Elective)

## Junior Year

1. English 11 or CP Eng 11
2. Algebra II, CP Algebra II or MTH 170 College Algebra
3. Chemistry, Bio II, Environmental, Astronomy, Ag. etc
4. (Elective)
5. (Elective)
6. (Elective)
7. (Elective)
8. (Elective)

## Senior Year

1. English 12 or CP English 12
2. Government/Econ.
3. Financial/Statistics or MTH 170 or MTH213
4. (Elective)
5. (Elective)
6. (Elective)
7. (Elective)
8. (Elective)

## Second, show competency

Earn a passing score on Ohio's high school Algebra I and English II tests. Students who do not pass the test will be offered additional support and must retake the test at least once.

**Is testing not your strength?** After you have taken your tests, there are three additional ways to show competency!

### Option

1.

#### **Demonstrate Two Career-Focused Activities\*:**

##### **Foundational**

Proficient scores on WebXams

A 12-point industry credential

A pre-apprenticeship or acceptance into an approved apprenticeship program

##### **Supporting**

Work-based learning

Earn the required score on WorkKeys Earn the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

### Option

2.

#### **Enlist in the Military**

Show evidence that you have signed a contract to enter a branch of the U.S. armed services upon graduation.

### Option

3.

#### **Complete College Coursework**

Earn credit for one college-level math and/or college-level English course through Ohio's free College Credit Plus program.

\*At least one of the two must be a Foundational skill



## **Third, show readiness**

Earn two of the following diploma seals, choosing those that line up with your goals and interests. These seals give you the chance to demonstrate academic, technical and professional skills and knowledge that align to your passions, interests and planned next steps after high school.

### **At least one of the two must be Ohio-designed:**

- OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal (Ohio)
- Industry-Recognized Credential Seal (Ohio)
- College-Ready Seal (Ohio)
- Military Enlistment Seal (Ohio)
- Citizenship Seal (Ohio)
- Science Seal (Ohio)
- Honors Diploma Seal (Ohio)
- Seal of Biliteracy (Ohio)
- Technology Seal (Ohio)
- Community Service Seal (Local)
- Fine and Performing Arts Seal (Local)
- Student Engagement Seal (Local)



# LOCAL INVOLVEMENT SEALS

## **Community Service Seal:**

- Complete a minimum of 60 community service hours during high school. Hours may be counted starting the summer before freshman year.

## **Fine and Performing Arts Seal:**

- Complete a minimum of 4 credits of fine arts during high school (band, choir, art, industrial/agricultural art) OR
- Must participate in two fine arts activities outside of school. This may include plays, musicals, jazz band, community theatre, art club, or any other activity approved by the Fine Art department.

## **Student Engagement Seal:**

- Complete 8 extracurricular experiences during high school career such as: athletics, clubs or student government.
- Extracurricular activities and/or clubs must be school-sponsored and/or community activities and clubs must be approved by administration.
- The coach, club advisor, or activity supervisor may determine if the student has participated to a meaningful extent.

# ***Graduation Documents***

- Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2023 and Beyond
- Explanation of Graduation Requirements including all Graduation Seals



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# HABIT 7

## Sharpen the Saw

### BODY

Physical Dimension

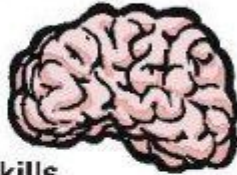
- Exercise
- Eat Healthy
- Sleep | Rest
- Relaxation



### MIND

Mental Dimension

- Read
- Educate
- Write
- Learn new skills



### HEART

Emotional Dimension

- Build Relationships
- Give Service
- Laugh | Love



### SOUL

Spiritual Dimension

- Meditate
- Keep a Journal
- Pray
- Take in Quality Media



# High School Activities... HAVE FUN!

★ Get involved with school or community activities

- Sports, Band/Choir, Play/Musical, Student Council, Leader in Me, Student Government, FFA, NHS and more!

- Clubs such as Spanish club, Gaming club, Quiz bowl, etc.

★ Community service (MHS and others)



# Important Announcements!

- If you are taking a College Credit Plus (CCP) class next year your forms are due April 1st!
- Class registration forms will be due back Friday March 26th, 2021!



# So you want to go to college...

- What do you want to study?
- What kind of college are you looking for? 2 or 4 year school?
- What kind of atmosphere do you want out of a college?
- **ULTIMATELY....WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO?**

<https://www.niche.com/about/college-quiz/>

[https://nces.ed.gov/college\\_navigator/](https://nces.ed.gov/college_navigator/)



# Public, Private and Community Colleges

- Public schools in Ohio:

<https://www.niche.com/colleges/search/top-public-universities/s/ohio/>

- Private schools in Ohio:

<https://www.niche.com/colleges/search/top-private-universities/s/ohio/>

- Main campuses, regional campuses and community colleges:

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University\\_System\\_of\\_Ohio](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/University_System_of_Ohio)

- Can't travel? <http://www.ecampustours.com/>



You have **BRAINS** in your **HEAD**.

You have **FEET** in your **SHOES**.

You can **STEER** yourself any  
**DIRECTION** you **CHOOSE**.

~ Dr. Seuss