Ohio's Graduation Requirements

Sarah Wilson
College and Career Readiness –
Program Administrator

Presentation Overview

- Class of 2020 Graduation Requirements

- Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2021 and beyond

- Questions

Requirements for all students in the Class of 2020

Complete *20* course credits

Earn diploma through one of many options

OHIO'S OPTIONS
FOR A HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA

Class of 2020 Graduation Options

At least 18 points on state tests;

Industry-approved credential and a work-readiness score on WorkKeys;

Remediation-free score on ACT or SAT; or

Meet temporary graduation options for the class of 2020

Temporary Options
for the Class of 2020

Graduation Options

Option 1

Students entering grade 9 between July 1, 2016, and June 30, 2017, are eligible to utilize the modified graduation options below.

Students must take and pass courses that constitute the curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. If the student receives a score of "1" or "2" on any math or English language arts test, the student must retake the test at least once.

Additionally, you must meet **at least two** of the below requirements:

- Earn a GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale in all courses completed **during the 11th and 12th grades** (must complete at least four full-year — or equivalent — courses in each year);

- Complete a capstone project during 12th grade that meets criteria defined by Ohio Department of Education guidance and evaluation processes (**guidance available by May 31, 2019**);

- During 12th grade, complete a work or community service experience totaling 120 hours, as defined by the Ohio Department of Education and Governor's Office for Workforce Transformation (**guidance available by May 31, 2019**);

- Earn three or more College Credit Plus credits at any time during high school;

- Earn credit for an Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) course and earn an AP exam score of 3 or higher or IB exam score of 4 or higher at any time during high school;

- Earn a WorkKeys exam score of 3 on each of three test sections;

- Earn a State Board-approved industry-recognized credential or credentials that equal at least three points;

- Meet OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal requirements.

Option 2

Students must take and pass courses that constitute the curriculum requirements and take all seven end-of-course exams. Students must finish a career-technical program that includes at least four courses in a single career pathway and complete **at least one** of the options below:

- Earn a total score of Proficient or better based on all career-technical exams or test modules;

- Earn an industry-recognized credential or credentials that equal 12 points;

- Complete a workplace experience totaling 250 hours with evidence of positive evaluations.

Class of 2020 Graduation Options

State law did not extend the temporary graduation options to future cohorts.

The temporary graduation options available to the classes of 2018-2020 expire with the class of 2020.
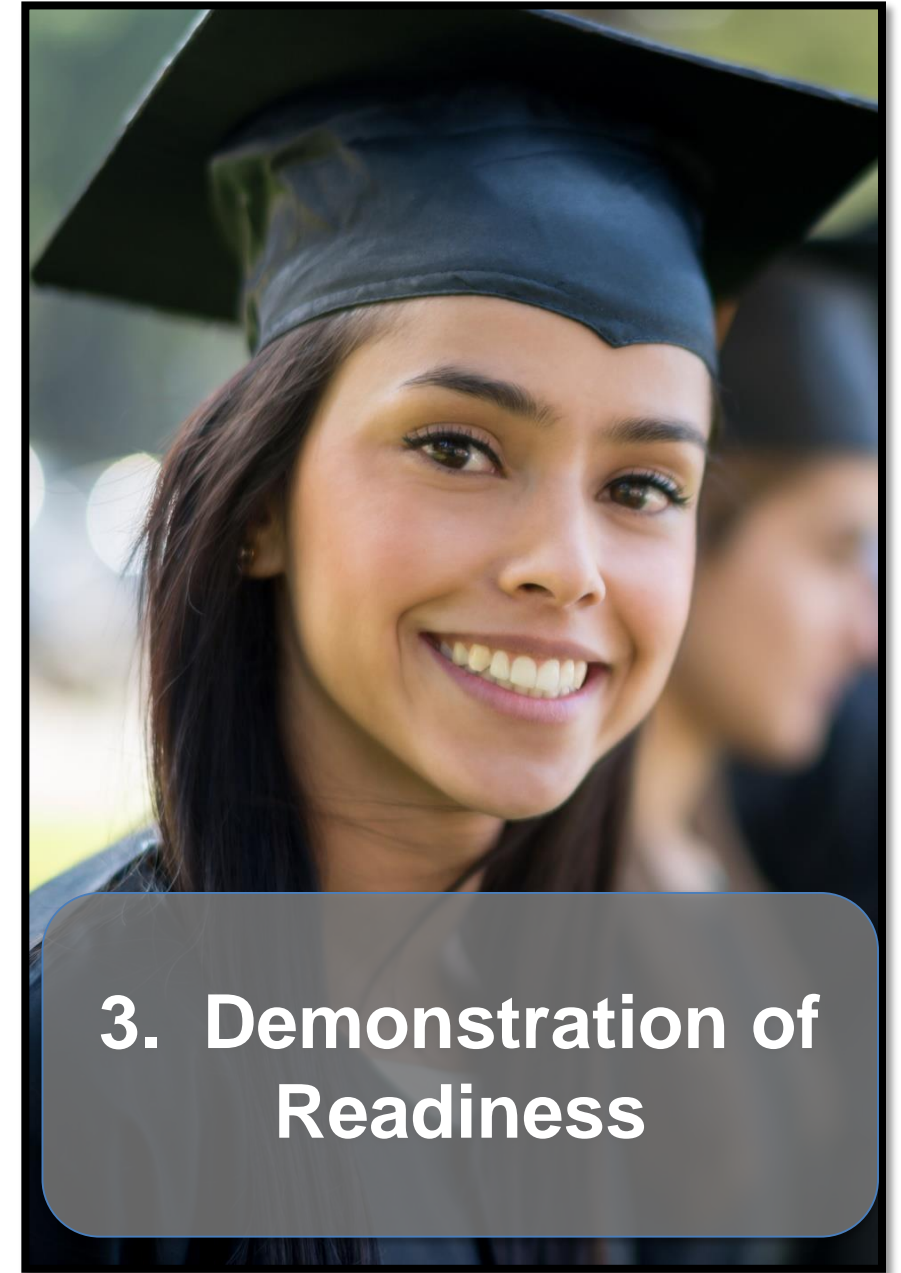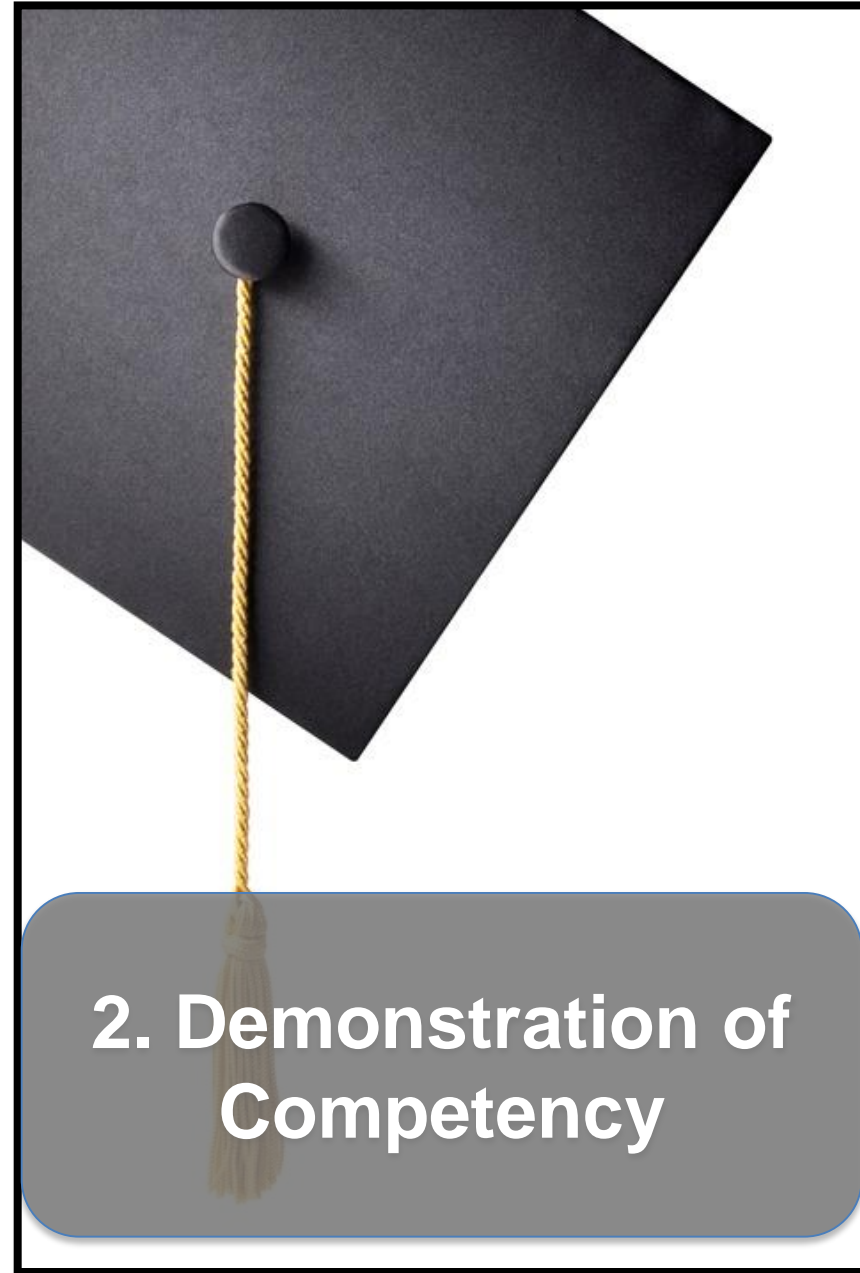
Students in the classes of 2021 and 2022 will meet original three pathways or new requirements outlined in HB 166 that are required for the classes of 2023 and beyond.

Graduation Requirements Classes of 2021 and Beyond

House Bill 166 included changes to graduation requirements for the class of 2021 and beyond

Ohio | Department of Education

Ohio's High School Graduation Requirements

1. Course Requirements

2. Demonstration of Competency

3. Demonstration of Readiness

Ohio | Department of Education

Demonstration of Competency

Competency on Ohio's State Tests

Military Enlistment

College Credit Plus

Career Readiness

Ohio | Department of Education

Career Readiness

- **Foundational Demonstration:**

  - Proficient on 3 or more WebXams
  - Earning an approved industry-recognized credential
  - Pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship program

- **Supporting Demonstration:**

  - 250-hour Workplace Experience
  - WorkKeys
  - OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

Ohio | Department of Education

Demonstration of Readiness

OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

Seal of Biliteracy

College Ready Seal

Science Seal

Honors Diploma Seal

Citizenship Seal

Criteria for earning these Seals is set by existing Ohio law, code or board policy.

OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

Requirements:

- Demonstration of professional skills, work-readiness, and work ethic competencies

- Students must have at least a total of 3 mentors to validate the 15 professional skills needed to earn the Seal

Seal of Biliteracy

Requirements:

- **The student must demonstrate a high level of proficiency in both English and at least one other world language**

- Students can demonstrate proficiency in English and at least one other world language through a series of test-based options.

College Ready Seal

Requirements:

- Earn remediation-free scores on the ACT or SAT

Science Seal

Requirements:

*Students can earn the Science Seal in one of **three** ways:*

- Proficient on the Biology test; or

- Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate; or

- Earning a "B" or higher in an approved CCP course

Ohio | Department of Education

Honors Diploma Seal

Requirements:

- Meeting the criteria for one of six honors diplomas:
  - Honors Diploma
  - Career-Tech Honors Diploma
  - IB Honors Diploma
  - STEM Honors Diploma
  - Civics and Social Sciences
  - Fine Arts Honors Diploma

Citizenship Seal

Requirements:

Students can earn the Citizenship Seal in one of three ways:

- Proficient on American History and American Government

- Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate

- Earning a "B" or higher in approved College Credit Plus Courses

Ohio | **Department** of Education

Demonstration of Readiness

Technology Seal

Military Enlistment Seal

Industry-Recognized Credential Seal

Guidance for earning these seals will need to be developed.

Ohio | Department of Education

Requirements:

*Students can earn the Military Enlistment Seal in one of **two** ways:*

- Providing evidence in an armed services branch of the military; OR
- Participating in an approved Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) program

Military Enlistment Seal

Technology Seal

Requirements:

Students can earn the Technology Seal in one of three ways:

- Advanced Placement or International Baccaluareate; or

- Earning a "B" or higher in an approved College Credit Plus course; or

- Completing a course offered through the student's district or school that meets guidelines set by the Ohio Department of Education

Industry-Recognized Credential Seal

Requirements:

In order to earn the industry-recognized credential seal, a student must:

Earn an industry-recognized credential that is aligned to a job that is determined to be "in-demand" in this state and its regions.

Demonstration of Readiness

Community Service Seal

Student Engagement Seal

Fine and Performing Arts Seal

State law directs the guidelines for these seals be set by districts and schools.

Ohio | Department of Education

Community Service Seal

Requirements:

- Completion of a community service project that is aligned with the guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority
- Other requirements are locally-defined, meaning that each school or district may construct requirements for their own specific program

Ohio | Department of Education

Fine and Performing Arts Seal

Requirements:

- Demonstration of skill in the fine or performing arts according to an evaluation that is aligned with the guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority
- Other requirements are locally-defined, meaning that each school or district may construct requirements for their own specific program

Certified Student Engagement Seal

Requirements:

- Participation in extracurricular activities such as athletics, clubs, or student government to a meaningful extent, as determined by the guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority
- Other requirements are locally-defined, meaning that each school or district may construct requirements for their own specific program

Ohio | Department of Education