



GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

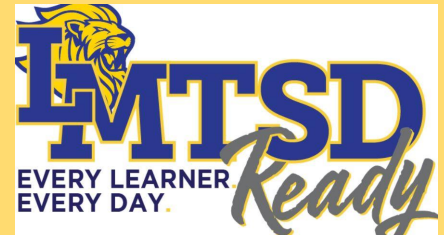
ACT 158

Class of 2023



ACT 158 OF 2018

- Provides alternatives to PA's statewide requirement of attaining proficiency on the Keystone exams in Algebra, Literature and Biology
- Effective beginning with the Class of 2023
- Four additional pathways for college, career and community readiness
- Students must take the Keystone exams for federal accountability



01.

KEYSTONE PROFICIENCY PATHWAY

Achieve a minimum
scaled score of 1500 or
better in each of the
three Keystone exams:

Algebra

Biology

Literature

02.

KEYSTONE COMPOSITE PATHWAY

Earn a composite score of 4452 or
better on the three exams:

Algebra, Biology and Literature,
with no scores of Below Basic

AND

at least one score of Proficient or
Advanced

03. CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CONCENTRATOR PATHWAY

In addition to passing the Keystone related courses, for each Keystone Exam content area in which a student achieves less than Proficient, the student must also meet one of the following:

- Attainment of an Industry-Based Competency Certification
- Demonstration of high likelihood of success on approved industry-based competency assessment
- Demonstration of readiness for continued meaningful engagement in a CTE program

04. ALTERNATIVE ASSESSMENT PATHWAY

The student must pass the Keystone related course and one of the following:

Alternative Assessment Options

- ACT (composite score of 21)
- ASVAB (composite score of 31)
- PSAT/NMSQT (total score of 970)
- SAT (total score of 1010)
- AP (3 or higher on each not passed exam)

OR

Dual Enrollment Option:

Earn a passing grade on an LEA-approved concurrent enrollment course for each not passed exam (college transcript required)

OR

Higher Education Option:

Demonstrate acceptance into an explicit degree program or major at one 4-year non-profit institution of higher education or general acceptance and meet additional requirements

05. EVIDENCE BASED PATHWAY

In addition to passing the Keystone related courses, the student must provide three pieces of evidence regardless of the number of Keystone Exams in which a score less than Proficient was achieved.

One of the following is required, can meet requirement through 2-3 of these options:

AP Exam (3 or better), successful completion of more than one concurrent enrollment or post secondary course, attainment of more than one industry-recognized credential or acceptance into an accredited other than 4 year non profit institution of higher education.

Two of the following are required if not fulfilled through the first option:

Successful completion of a service-learning project, satisfactory compliance with the NCAA requirements and minimum GPA, guarantee of full-time employment

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