



Ohio Graduation Requirements for the Classes of 2023 and beyond Worksheet



Credits



Competency



Readiness



High School
Diploma



Cover the Basics: Earn High School Credit

Credit requirements for high school graduation in Westerville consist of **a minimum of 20 credits**, which must include the following:

Subject	Minimum Credits Required	Courses I've Completed	Credits I've Earned
English	4.0		
Mathematics <i>(including 1 unit of Algebra 2 or its equivalent)</i>	4.0		
Science <i>(including a Life Science, Physical Science, and Advanced Science course)</i>	3.0		
Social Studies <i>(including American History, World History, and American Government)</i>	3.0		
Health	0.5		
Physical Education¹	0.5		
Elective credits	5.0		
<i>Additional curriculum requirements:</i>			
Financial Literacy Instruction²	instruction in required standards		
Fine Arts³	2 semesters		

1 – The Physical Education requirement may be waived under Policy 5460. Note you will need to take an additional 0.50 elective credit to meet minimum credit requirements for graduation if utilizing the PE Waiver.

2 - U.S. Government, AP US Government, and IB History of the Americas HL fulfill the financial literacy requirement when taken through Westerville City Schools. Westerville's Personal Money Management and CCP Personal Finance also meet this requirement. ***Please note: Beginning with the Class of 2026, students will be required by the state of Ohio to earn a ½ unit of credit in financial literacy. More information regarding this requirement will be provided during the 2022-2023 school year.**

3 - All students not completing a career-technical pathway must complete at least two semesters of fine art at any time throughout grades 7-12. It is recommended that you earn 1.0 fine arts credit if pursuing a four-year degree after high school graduation.



Show Competency

Students must demonstrate competency by earning a 684 or higher on the Algebra 1 **AND** English 2 OSTs.

Ohio State Test	Minimum Competency Score	My Score
Algebra 1	684	
English 2	684	

OR

If students do not meet the set benchmark in one or both areas, they must

- Retake any test where the benchmark is not met at least once

AND

- Complete one of three additional options below:

Option 1: Demonstrate Two Career-Focused Activities *(one must be foundational)*

Foundational	Supporting
Proficient Scores on WebXam <i>(career center or WCS Pathways)</i> 12 Point Credential Pre-Apprenticeship Program State-issued license for practice in a vocation that requires and examination	250 hours of Work Based Learning OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

OR

Option 2: Enlist in the Military

Take the ASVAB

AND

Show proof of enlisting in the Military



OR

Option 3: Complete College Coursework

Complete college coursework in Math if competency not met on Algebra 1 OST

Complete college coursework in English if competency not met on English 2 OST

OR

Option 4: Meet College Readiness Benchmark

ACT - English subscore of 18 (or higher) - Mathematics subscore of 22 (or higher)

SAT - Evidence-Based Reading and Writing (EBRW) 480 (or higher) - Mathematics **530** (or higher)



Show Readiness

Students will demonstrate readiness to graduate by successfully completing at least **TWO graduation seals** (including at least one Ohio state seal):

Ohio State Seals	Local Seals
<p>OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete OMJ Readiness Seal Validation form by demonstrating proficiency on 15 skills 	<p>Community Service Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete community service project with minimum of 60 hours of service – requires pre-approval of project
<p>Industry-Recognized Credential Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 12 pts of industry-recognized credentials <input type="checkbox"/> State-issued license for practice in a vocation that requires and examination 	<p>Certified Student Engagement Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Complete PE Waiver OR <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in 2 school theater productions OR <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in two years of one seal-eligible club/activity OR one year of 2 seal-eligible clubs/activities
<p>Military Enlistment Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Take ASVAB AND <input type="checkbox"/> Enlist in a branch of the US Armed Forces 	
<p>College-Ready Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> ACT: 18 English, 22 Reading, 22, Math OR <input type="checkbox"/> SAT: 480 EBRW, 530 Math 	<p>Fine and Performing Arts Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Earn 2.0 credits of fine and/or performing arts credits with a C- or better (AND participate in performances) OR <input type="checkbox"/> Participate in more than one event/competition adjudicated by an outside organization OR

<p>Citizenship Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 3 or higher on American History AND American Government OST OR <input type="checkbox"/> 2 or higher on an AP American History AND American Government exam OR <input type="checkbox"/> B or higher in American History AND American Government 3-credit hour CCP course <input type="checkbox"/> B or higher in American History and Government 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Be selected to an event such as OCC Art Show, Regional Orchestra, OCC Honor Choir/Music Show OR <input type="checkbox"/> Induction into the Thespian Society
<p>Science Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 3 or higher on the Biology OST OR <input type="checkbox"/> 2 or higher on an AP Science (Biology, Chemistry, or Physics) test OR <input type="checkbox"/> 3 or higher on SL/2 or higher on HL IB Science exam (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, or Sports, Exercise, and Health Science) OR <input type="checkbox"/> B or higher in 3-credit hour CCP Science course <input type="checkbox"/> B or higher in Advanced Science course 	<p>Notes:</p>
<p>Honors Diploma Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Earn an honors diploma (Academic, IB, Career Tech, Arts, Social Sciences, OR STEM) 	
<p>Seal of Biliteracy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Earn proficiency in English AND demonstrate high proficiency on a world language test 	
<p>Technology Seal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Earn a 2 or higher on AP Computer Science A or AP Computer Science Principles test OR <input type="checkbox"/> B or higher in any 3-credit hour CCP course that meets technology course guidelines set by the state 	

Transfer Students:

- Students who transfer in 12th grade and fail to attain a competency score in Algebra I or ELA II are exempt from having to retake prior to using alternative demonstration
- Requires districts to create guidelines for a locally defined state diploma to give a transfer student a district or school from which the student transfers.
 - Competency
 - Required assessments - Algebra I and ELA II and any course they take in Ohio with an EOC
 - 12th grade transfer students are exempt from retaking exams prior to using alternative demonstrations of competency
 - Readiness
 - Transfer students must earn 2 seals, 1 State defined
 - "B" or higher in American History and Government may be used to satisfy Citizenship Seal
 - "B" or higher in district approved Science and Technology score may be used for applicable seals

Special Education:

- Students with an excusal from the consequences of assessments are excused from demonstrating competency, but must earn two Seals.

- Students must test, receive remediation, and retest in the subject area not passed to be excused from the consequences of assessment
- Citizenship Seal and Science Seal
 - Required score on Alternative Assessment for Students with the most Significant Cognitive Disabilities