

Classes of 2024 & Beyond Academic Honors Diploma Checklist

(Classes of 2024 & 2025 can still meet the previous requirements)

***Must Meet ALL but ONE of the Requirements Listed including all required high school diploma requirements**

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

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| <p>Math (4 credits)</p> <p>___ Algebra I</p> <p>___ Geometry</p> <p>___ Algebra II or equivalent</p> <p>___ Add. Higher-Level Math _____</p> | <p>Experiential Learning (1 needed) * see notes on next page</p> <p>___ Field Experience ___ Portfolio ___ OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal</p> <p>___ Work-Based Learning</p> |
| <p>Science (4 credits) <u>Advanced?</u> *NEEDS 2</p> <p>___ Phys. Science or equivalent ___</p> <p>___ Biology or equivalent ___</p> <p>___ Chemistry or equivalent ___</p> <p>___ _____ ___</p> | <p>Seal Requirement (4 Total Seals, not incl. Honors Diploma Seal)</p> <p>___ Biliteracy ___ Citizenship ___ College-Ready</p> <p>___ Community Service ___ Fine & Performing Arts ___ Industry-Recognized Credential</p> <p>___ Military Enlistment ___ OhioMeansJobs Readiness (cannot also count for Experiential Learning)</p> <p>___ Science ___ Student Engagement ___ Technology</p> |
| <p>Social Studies (4 credits)</p> <p>___ World History or equivalent</p> <p>___ American History or equivalent</p> <p>___ Government or equivalent .50/1.0</p> <p>___ Financial Literacy or equivalent .50/1.0</p> <p>___ _____ .50/1.0</p> <p>___ _____ .50/1.0</p> | <p>World Languages (3 sequential credits in one OR 2 sequential credits each of two different languages)</p> <p>___ _____</p> <p>___ _____</p> <p>___ _____</p> <p>___ _____</p> |

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| <u>ACT (27 or higher)</u> _____ | <u>UNWEIGHTED GPA (3.5 or higher)</u> _____ |
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Experiential Notes:

EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING OPTIONS:

Students can earn the experiential learning option by meeting one of the following options: field experience, portfolio, OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal and work-based learning.

FIELD EXPERIENCE:

To fulfill the field experience criterion, a student must complete a learning experience that is pertinent to his or her honors diploma area of focus. Experiential learning is focused on the application of academic and technical skills within a student's program of study. Experiential learning includes lab-based activities, co-ops, simulated workplace, mentorships, internships, pre-apprenticeships and apprenticeships. Lab-based experiential learning should simulate real-work worksites and expectations. Students should receive regular supervision and follow-up that is documented. [Click here for more detailed guidance on field experience](#) .

PORTFOLIO:

Work that is contained in a portfolio documents the student's extensive knowledge and technical, critical-thinking and creative skills (representative of the student's honors diploma area of focus) that the student has learned. Students must get their portfolios reviewed and validated by external experts. [Click here for more detailed guidance on the portfolio criterion](#) .

OHIOMEANSJOBS READINESS SEAL:

To earn the [OhioMeansJobs-Readiness Seal](#), motivated high school students must demonstrate specific professional skills required for success in the workplace. Students must work with at least three experienced and trusted mentors who validate the demonstration of these skills in school, work or the community. If a student earns the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal as a part of their experiential learning requirement, it can not count as one of their additional seals earned.

WORK-BASED LEARNING:

[Work-based learning](#) experiences are conducted at a work site during or after school. They are designed to provide authentic learning experiences to students that link academic, technical and professional skills. Business and education partners work together to evaluate and supervise the experience, which must be documented with learning agreements.

Student Strength Demonstration Replacement

Students can use the Student Strength Demonstration to replace the **ACT/SAT, GPA or World Language** requirement for any Honors Diploma. The Student Strength Demonstration options are listed below. The same options exist for each of the six honors diplomas* but, where relevant, should reflect coursework or experiences relevant to the theme of the Diploma. For example, a student earning the Academic Honors Diploma and using the College Credit Plus option to replace another requirement for the diploma should have College Credit Plus courses relevant to the Academic Honors diploma.

OPTIONS:

- » [College Credit Plus](#): 12 total College Credit Plus credits
- » [Advanced Placement](#): three courses with score of 3 or higher on AP tests
- » [Career-Technical Assurance Guide \(CTAG\)](#): 12 total credits
- » [Apprenticeship/Pre-Apprenticeship](#): Completion or Evidence of Acceptance if required to be older than 18
- » [WorkKeys](#): Score of 6 or higher on all tests (*void for Career-Tech Honors Diploma)
- » [Armed Services Vocational Battery](#): Score of 50 or above on the ASVAB
- » [Work-Based Learning](#): 250 total hours of work-based learning

*from the Ohio Department of Education [New Academic Honors Diploma](#)