

Traditional Diploma and Endorsement Options

Traditional Diploma			
Curriculum Area	Carnegie Units	Required Subjects	Additional Requirements
English	4	English I English II*	- Students should identify an endorsement area - Endorsement area can only be changed with parental permission *MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation - A students should take a math or math equivalent course during senior year Early dismissal/ late arrival - For traditional diploma and all endorsements, must have met College and Career Readiness Benchmarks (ACT sub score 17 English and 19 Math or SAT equivalency sub scores) or earned a Silver level on ACT WorkKeys (for career & technical endorsement only) or all of the following must be met: 2.5 QPA - Passed or met all MAAP assessment (state tests) required for graduation - On track to meet diploma requirements and passing all courses - Concurrently enrolled in Essentials for College Math or Essentials for College Literacy
Mathematics	4	Algebra I*	
Science	3	Biology I*	
Social Studies	4	½ MS Studies ½ World Geography 1 World History 1 U.S. History* ½ Economics ½ U.S. Government	
Physical Education	½		
Health	½		
Arts	1		
College & Career Readiness	1	½ CCR A (Freshman Focus) ½ CCR B (Taken in 11 th or 12 th grade)	
Technology/Computer Science	1		
Additional Electives	5 ½		
Total Units Required	24 ½		

Traditional Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement			
Curriculum Area	Carnegie Units	Required Subjects	Additional Requirements
English	4	English I English II*	- Earn an overall QPA of 2.5 - Earn Silver level on ACT WorkKeys - Earn two additional Carnegie Units for a total of 26 ½ *MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation - Must successfully complete one of the following: - One dual credit course - Work-Based Learning experience or Career Pathways Experience - Earn a State Board of Education approved national credential - One AP course with a C or higher and take the appropriate AP Exam
Mathematics	4	Algebra I* One additional math above Algebra I	
Science	3	Biology I*	
Social Studies	4	½ MS Studies ½ World Geography 1 World History 1 U.S. History * ½ Economics ½ U.S. Government	
Physical Education	½		
Health	½		
Arts	1		
College & Career Readiness	1	½ CCR A (Freshman Focus) ½ CCR B (Taken in 11 th or 12 th grade)	
Technology/Computer Science	1		
CTE Electives	4	Must complete four course units of sequential program of study	
Additional Electives	3 ½		
Total Units Required	26 ½		

Traditional Diploma with Academic Endorsement			
Curriculum Area	Carnegie Units	Required Subjects	Additional Requirements
English	4	English I English II* English III English IV	○ Earn an overall QPA of 2.5 ○ Two elective courses must meet MS IHL college preparatory curriculum (CPC) ○ Earn MS IHL and community college readiness benchmarks (ACT sub scores 17 English and 19 Math or take IHL college ready courses in senior year) ○ Earn two additional Carnegie Units for a total of 26 ½ ○ *MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation ○ Must successfully complete one of the following: ● One AP course with a C or higher and take the appropriate AP exam ● One academic dual credit course with a C or higher in the course
Mathematics	4	Algebra I* Two additional math above Algebra I	
Science	3	Biology I* Two additional science above Biology I	
Social Studies	4	½ MS Studies ½ World Geography 1 World History 1 U.S. History * ½ Economics ½ U.S. Government	
Physical Education	½		
Health	½		
Arts	1		
College and Career Readiness	1	½ CCR A (Freshman Focus) ½ CCR B (Taken in 11 th or 12 th grade)	
Technology/Computer Science	1		
Additional Electives	7 ½	Two advanced electives of the CPC requirements for MS IHL	
Total Units Required	26 ½		

Traditional Diploma with Distinguished Academic Endorsement			
Curriculum Area	Carnegie Units	Required Subjects	Additional Requirements
English	4	English I English II* English III English IV	○ Earn an overall QPA of 3.0 ○ Two elective courses must meet MS IHL recommended college preparatory curriculum (CPC) ○ Earn national readiness benchmarks (ACT sub scores 18 English and 22 Math) ○ Earn three and one half additional Carnegie Units for a total of 28 ○ *MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation ○ Must successfully complete one of the following: ● One AP course with a B or higher and take the appropriate AP exam ● One academic dual credit course with a B or higher in the course
Mathematics	4	Algebra I* Two additional math above Algebra I	
Science	4	Biology I* Two additional science above Biology I	
Social Studies	4	½ MS Studies ½ World Geography 1 World History 1 U.S. History* ½ Economics ½ U.S. Government	
Physical Education	½		
Health	½		
Arts	1		
College and Career Readiness	1	½ CCR A (Freshman Focus) ½ CCR B (Taken in 11 th or 12 th grade)	
Technology/Computer Science	1		
Additional Electives	8	Two advanced electives of the CPC requirements for MS IHL	
Total Units Required	28		

Requirements are subject to change as changes are made by Mississippi Department of Education.