

STATE APPROVED GRADUATION PATHWAYS

What assessments are used for graduation?

Most Washington state public high school scholars will fulfill the assessment portion of their graduation requirements by passing required state tests. If scholars do not pass on their first attempt, there are retake opportunities for these tests, Alternative Assessment Progressions, or Additional Graduation Pathway Options displayed in the chart below. Some scholars, however, need a different method to demonstrate that they possess the knowledge and skills required for graduation. Additional graduation pathways provide all scholars with the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skills using methods other than state accountability tests.

Who can access Alternative Assessment Progressions or Additional Graduation Pathway Options?

Alternative Assessment Progressions or Additional Graduation Pathway Options are available to all scholars in the class of 2020 and beyond.

See the Assessments Required for Graduation and Additional Graduation Pathway options in the chart below.

For additional support, please make an appointment with your school counselor or the testing coordinator or visit www.k12.wa.us/student-success/graduation/graduation-requirements/graduation-pathways

GRADUATION PATHWAY OPTIONS	
ASSESSMENT	
ELA	Smarter Balanced ELA test (Score of 2548 or higher)
Math	Smarter Balanced Math test (Score of 2595 or higher)
<i>Students in the Classes of 2022 and beyond, if using the SBA as their graduation pathway, would have to meet the graduation scores to be considered to have completed that pathway.</i>	

STANDARDIZED TEST CUT SCORES		
ASVAB	Score of 31 or higher on AFQT (required score is updated annually)	
ACT	ELA: Score of 14 or higher	Math: Score of 16 or higher
SAT	ELA: Score of 410 or higher	Math: Score of 430 or higher

	ADVANCED PROGRAMING COURSE GRADE CUT SCORES	ADVANCED PROGRAMING EXAM CUT SCORES
AP	Grade: Earn a B or higher both semesters	Exam: Score of 3 or higher on the AP Exam
Cambridge	Grade: Earn a B or higher both semesters	Exam: Score of E or higher on the AICE Exam
IB SL/HL	Grade: Earn a B or higher both semesters	Exam: Score of 4 or higher on the IB Exam

DUAL CREDIT, BRIDGE TO COLLEGE and CTE COURSE SEQUENCE	
Dual Credit	One credit earned in a college level English/Math Course through CTE, College in the High School or Running Start
Bridge to College	College Course Placement with a C Grade or higher in ELA and/or Math
CTE Course Sequence	Complete 2.0 or more CTE credits in the same CTE program area that either includes a dual credit course or leads to an industry