



Ohio High School Honors Diplomas

Students must meet **all but one** of the listed criteria to qualify for an Honors Diploma, and any one of the criteria may be the one that is not met. Each of these criteria go beyond the standard course requirements for a diploma, which can be found [here](#). Students may replace any of the **blue** options with a “Student Strength Demonstration.”

Requirements	Academic Honors Diploma	International Baccalaureate Honors Diploma	Career Tech Honors Diploma	STEM Honors Diploma	Arts Honors Diploma	Social Science & Civic Engagement Honors Diploma
1.	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2	4th Math must be greater than Algebra 2
2.	1 additional unit of Advanced Science ²	1 additional unit of Advanced Science ²	Proficient pathway score on WebXams ³	1 additional unit Advanced Science ²	4 units fine arts	2 additional units Social Studies
3.	1 additional unit of Social Studies	1 additional unit Social Studies	4 units of Career-Tech Courses	2 units of additional STEM Courses as electives	Electives - 2 Units of Fine Arts (may overlap with general 4 units)	Meet the requirements to earn the Citizenship Seal
4.	3 sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	3 sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	2 units of one world language	3 sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	3 sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	3 sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied
5.	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale
6.	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶ / WorkKeys ⁵	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶	27 ACT/1280 SAT ⁶
7.	Earn 2 additional diploma seals, *not including the Honors Diploma Seal	Meet requirements to earn the Seal of Biliteracy	Meet the requirements to earn the Industry-Recognized Credential Seal or Technology Seal	Meet the requirements to earn the Industry-Recognized Credential Seal or Technology Seal	Meet the requirements to earn the Fine Arts Seal	Meet the requirements to earn the Community Service Seal
8.	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴	Meet requirements of one of the Experiential Learning options ⁴
Substitution	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹	Students may replace one of the blue options with a "Student Strength Demonstration" ¹

Students may replace **one** of the options in “Blue” (options 4, 5, or 6) with a “Student Strength Demonstration”¹

NOTES:

Completion of any advanced standing program, which includes Advanced Placement, International Baccalaureate, College Credit Plus, and may include Credit Flexibility, can be counted toward the unit requirements of an Honors Diploma.

¹ Students can use the Student Strength Demonstration to replace one of **ACT/SAT, GPA or World Language** requirement for any Honors Diploma.

[College Credit Plus](#): Earn 12 college credits through the College Credit Plus program

[Advanced Placement](#): Complete three advanced placement (AP) courses with score of 3 or higher on the corresponding AP tests

[Career-Technical Assurance Guide](#) (CTAG): Earn 12 articulated college credits through CTAGs

[Apprenticeship/Pre-Apprenticeship](#): Complete an apprenticeship registered with the Ohio state apprenticeship council; complete a pre-apprenticeship program recognized by the Ohio state apprenticeship council; or submit evidence of acceptance into an apprenticeship if the program requires applicants to be 18 or older to enroll

[WorkKeys](#): Earn a score of 6 or higher on all three sections of the WorkKeys test (Note: Students seeking the Career-Tech Honors Diploma may only use this demonstration as a substitute for the World Language criteria. This demonstration may not be used as a substitute for the GPA and ACT or SAT Score criteria for purposes of the Career-Tech Honors Diploma.)

[Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery \(ASVAB\)](#): Earn a score of 50 or above on the ASVAB.

[Work-Based Learning](#): Complete 250 total hours or more of work-based learning.

² Advanced science courses contain rigorous content appropriate for grades 11 and 12. An advanced science course builds on the concepts and skills developed in the physical science and biology courses detailed in Ohio's Learning Standards for Science.

³ Student must achieve a cumulative score of proficient or higher on the technical assessments aligned to their program. Technical assessments may include: WebXam test, industry recognized credentials in lieu of WebXam test, and College Credit Plus Career Technical Education course grades.

⁴ Students can satisfy the experiential-learning requirement by completing or attaining one of the following options: [field experience and portfolio](#), OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal, or work-based learning.

⁵ Students using WorkKeys to satisfy this assessment requirement must earn a score of six or higher on all three sections of the WorkKeys assessment (Graphic Literacy, Workplace Documents, and Applied Mathematics). The WorkKeys option applies only to the Career Tech Honors Diploma.

⁶ Students must have scores of 27 or higher on the ACT or 1280 or higher on the SAT or their equivalents on previous or future versions of the tests. The ACT writing and SAT essay sections are not included. Students can use a superscore on the ACT or SAT to meet the required scores.