

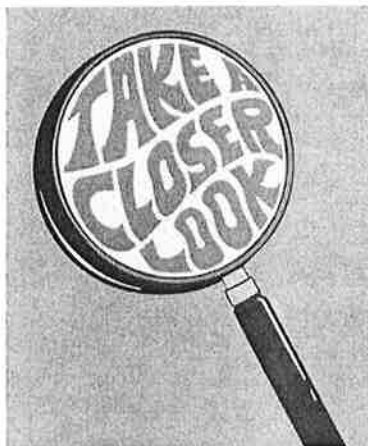
Credit and Assessment Graduation Requirements ⁽¹⁾

Subject	REQUIRED CREDITS	
	Class of 2022-2025 ⁽²⁾	
English Language Arts	4.0	
Social Studies	3.0	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.0 credit Contemporary World Problems (2 courses in: Contemporary World History, Geography, and/or Contemporary World Problems courses) • 1.0 credit US History (2 courses) • 0.5 credit of Civics (U.S. Government) (1 course) • 0.5 credit Social Studies electives (1 course in: history, geography, sociology, or psychology) • Washington State History and Government as a non-credit requirement ⁽³⁾ 	
Mathematics	3.0	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Algebra 1-2 / Integrated Math I • Geometry 1-2 / Integrated Math II • A third credit of math aligned to the student's High School and Beyond Plan ⁽⁴⁾ 	
Science	3.0	
	2.0 credits must be lab sciences	
Career and Technical Education (CTE)	1.0	
	0.5 Financial Literacy required , plus 0.5 other CTE program or occupational education ⁽⁵⁾	
Arts	2.0	
	1.0 credit may be substituted for PPR courses ⁽⁶⁾	
Health and Fitness	2.0	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.5 credit Fitness • 0.5 credit Health 	
World Languages	2.0	
	1.0-2.0 credits may be substituted for PPR courses ⁽⁶⁾	
Electives	4.0	
Total Required Credits	24.0	
Non-credit Requirements	High School and Beyond Plan and Washington State History and Government (subject to the provisions of RCW 28A.230.170, RCW 28A.230.090, and WAC 392-410-120)	
Pathway Requirement	All students will take the Smarter Balanced (SBA) ELA Exam, Smarter Balanced (SBA) Math Exam, and Washington Comprehensive Assessment of Science (WCAS). To meet graduation requirements, students must demonstrate English and Math proficiency through one of the following pathways:	
	English Proficiency:	Math Proficiency:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet standard on the SBA ELA exam ⁽⁷⁾ • Meet standard on alternative exam (SAT, ACT) • Complete a college level course in ELA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet standard on the SBA Math exam ⁽⁷⁾ • Meet standard on alternative exam (SAT, ACT) • Complete a college level course in Math
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meet standard on the ASVAB exam (meets both English and Math) • Complete a 2.0 credit (4-course) approved CTE pathway (meets both English and Math) 	

Notes:

- (1) Graduation requirements apply to a student based on the year the student begins 9th grade. The graduation requirements for the student's expected graduation year must be met, regardless of when the student actually graduates ([WAC 180-51-035](#)).
- (2) Core 24 graduation requirements begin with the Class of 2021.
- (3) The Washington State History requirement may be met in middle school (grade 7-8) through successful completion of a designated course. The Pasco middle school course does not earn high school credit; students must still complete 3.0 credits of social studies in high school. For students who did not successfully complete the middle school course, a high school alternative option is offered to meet this requirement.
- (4) Students are required to take 3.0 credits of math, which include: Algebra 1-2 or Integrated Math I; Geometry 1-2 or Integrated Math II; an additional level of math, such as Algebra 3-4, Integrated Math III, Pre-Calculus, Statistics, Financial Algebra, etc. The third credit of math should align with the student's High School and Beyond Plan, prepare students to meet state assessment system standards, and be chosen with the agreement of the parent/guardian or school counselor/principal if the parent/guardian does not indicate a preference ([WAC 180-51-068](#)).
- (5) Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses locally determined to be equivalent to a non-CTE course may be used to meet two graduation requirements ([WAC 180-51-067](#) and [WAC 180-51-068](#)), known as the "two for one" policy. Either a CTE course or an occupational education course may be used to meet the requirement. At a minimum, competencies shall align with the definition of an exploratory course as contained in the CTE program standards of OSPI ([WAC 180-51-067](#) and [WAC 180-51-068](#)).
- (6) Personalized Pathway Requirements (PPR) are up to 3.0 credits chosen by a student to meet specific post-secondary career or education goals that align with the student's interests and High School and Beyond Plan. PPR credits may replace 1.0 credit in the Arts and 2.0 credits of World Languages.
- (7) For graduation purposes, the State Board of Education has set [exit exam passing scores](#) on Smarter Balanced tests that may be different from the consortium-determined achievement levels.

Graduation Pathways: A Closer Look



High school helps prepare students for a variety of pathways after graduation. To ensure students are prepared for the college, career, or training option of their choice, Washington State requires all students to demonstrate proficiency in English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics. Students can show they are ready through a variety of methods, from tests to specific coursework.

The specific test cut-scores listed below are subject to change. Course pathways may also be updated annually and are subject to state approval. Based on your plans after high school, select from the pathway options below. For the current cut-scores, see: <https://www.sbe.wa.gov/our-work/graduation-pathway-options>

Questions? Check with your school counselor.

I Plan to Attend College ...

(You can use any combination of the ELA and math options listed in this section.)

- ✓ ACT
 - ELA minimum score = 14
 - Math minimum score = 16
- ✓ SAT
 - ELA minimum score = 410
 - Math minimum score = 430
- ✓ Dual credit courses (1.0 credit total)
 - AP Course: Earn a C+ in each term of a state-approved course
 - CTE Dual Credit Courses (a minimum of 2 trimesters is needed to earn 1.0 credit)
 - College in the High School Course in subject area
 - Running Start Course in subject area
- ✓ Dual credit exams (for state approved courses):
 - AP = 3+ in subject area
- ✓ State Assessments:
 - Smarter Balanced:
 - ELA minimum score = 2548
 - Math minimum score = 2595
 - WA-AIM for qualifying students, as determined by their Individualized Education Program (IEP) team:
 - ELA minimum score = 104
 - Math minimum score = 103
- ✓ Transition Courses (1.0 credit total):
 - Completion of state approved Bridge to College course

I Plan to Join the Military ...

- ✓ ASVAB Exam, AFQT Section
 - Minimum score = 31
- ✓ Check the State Board of Education website by September 1 annually (www.sbe.wa.gov/our-work/graduation-pathway-options/asvab)

I Plan to Enter Trade School, an Apprenticeship, or Work ...

- ✓ Complete 2.0 or more credits in a state-approved career pathway
- ✓ All approved pathways include a dual credit course, credential or certification, or lead to an industry recognized credential or certification