

# **OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

## **HONORS DIPLOMAS**

Students must meet **all but one** of the criteria in order to earn an Honors Diploma. Each of these criteria go beyond the [standard requirements for a diploma for the classes of 2023 and beyond](#). Students must meet general graduation requirements **AND** complete the requirements outlined below to qualify for Honors Diplomas. Students may replace the **ACT/SAT, GPA *or* World Language** requirement with a “Student Strength Demonstration.” The [previous requirements](#) to earn an honors diploma are also available for students in the classes of 2023-2025.

### **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 an 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 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

# ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>State Minimum</u> May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"		<u>Status</u> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria		
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Science</b>	One additional unit Advanced Science		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Social Studies</b>	One additional unit of Social Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Seal Requirement</b>	Earn two additional diploma seals, not including the Honors Diploma Seal		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal*, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____		
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met

\*Students can use OMJ Readiness Seal in 2 additional seals requirement if it is not used in Experiential Learning.

## CAREER TECH HONORS DIPLOMA

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>State Minimum</u> May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"		<u>Status</u> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria	
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Career Tech Coursework</b>	Four units of Career-Tech Courses		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Career Tech Proficiency</b>	Earned a cumulative score of proficient on the technical assessments aligned to their program		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Industry- Recognized Seal or Technology Seal</b>	Meet the requirements to earn the Industry Recognized Credential Seal or Technology Seal		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Two units of one world language	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher; WorkKeys: Earn a score of a 6 or higher on all 3 sections	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met

# STEM HONORS DIPLOMA

<b>Requirements</b>	<b>State Minimum</b> May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"		<b>Status</b> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria		
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Science</b>	One additional unit Advanced Science		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Electives</b>	Two units of additional STEM Courses as Electives		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Industry-Recognized Credential Seal or Fine Arts Seal</b>	Meet requirements to earn the Industry-Recognized Credential Seal or Technology Seal**		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met	
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>		
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met

**\*\* The option of earning the Fine Arts Seal is currently in review to be replaced by the Technology Seal. More information to come after the review process is complete.**

# ARTS HONORS DIPLOMA

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>State Minimum</u> May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"			<u>Status</u> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria	
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Fine Arts</b>	Four units			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Electives</b>	Two units of Fine Arts (may overlap with the general four units)			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Fine Arts Seal</b>	Meet local district requirements to earn the Fine Arts Seal			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____		
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met

# SOCIAL SCIENCE AND CIVIC ENGAGEMENT HONORS DIPLOMA

<b><u>Requirements</u></b>	<b><u>State Minimum</u></b>		<b><u>Status</u></b>	
	May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"		Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria	
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Social Studies</b>	Two additional units of Social Studies		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Community Service Seal</b>	Meet local district requirements to earn the Community Service Seal		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Citizenship Seal</b>	Meet the requirements to earn the Citizenship Seal		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning		<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>	
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met <input type="checkbox"/> NOT met

# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE HONORS DIPLOMA

<u>Requirements</u>	<b>State Minimum</b> May substitute <u>ONE</u> of the World Language, GPA, or ACT/SAT requirements with a "Student Strength Demonstration"			<b>Status</b> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria	
<b>Math</b>	Fourth Math must be >Algebra 2			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Science</b>	One additional unit Advanced Science			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Social Studies</b>	One additional unit of Social Studies			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Biliteracy Seal</b>	Meet requirements to earn the Biliteracy Seal			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Experiential Learning</b>	Field Experience, Ohio Means Job Readiness Seal, Portfolio, or Work Based Learning			<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>World Languages</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Three sequential units of one world language, or no less than 2 sequential units of two world languages studied	<b>OR</b>	<b>Can only have ONE substitute:</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
			<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____		
<b>GPA</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT: Score of 27 or higher, SAT: Score of 1280 or higher	<b>OR</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Student Strength Demonstration: : ▾ _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met

## Class of 2023-2025 ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA

<u>Requirements</u>	<u>State Minimum</u>	<u>Status</u> Must meet ALL BUT ONE of the criteria	
<b>Math</b>	4 units	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Science</b>	4 units	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Social Studies</b>	4 units	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>World Languages</b>	3 units of one world language, or no less than 2 units of each of two world languages studied	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>Fine Arts</b>	1 unit	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>GPA</b>	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met
<b>ACT/SAT</b>	ACT: 27 or higher; SAT: 1280 or higher	<input type="checkbox"/> Met	<input type="checkbox"/> NOT met