

KENTUCKY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION: NEW MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

	<u>4 English Credits</u>	<u>4 Math Credits</u>	<u>3 Social Studies Credits</u>	<u>3 Science Credits</u>	<u>Other Credits</u>
FOUNDATIONAL	English I English II	Algebra I Geometry	Social Studies Social Studies	Lab-based Science Lab-based Science	1/2 Health; 1/2 PE Visual/Performing Arts
PERSONALIZED	2 Additional English credits aligned with the ILP and covering the remaining KAS for Reading and Writing	2 Additional Math credits aligned with the ILP and covering the remaining KAS for Mathematics	Social Studies aligned with ILP	Science aligned with ILP	6 credits aligned with ILP
	Additional course options could include, but are not limited to: English III, English IV, AP Language, AP Literature, dual credit English, etc.	Additional course options could include, but are not limited to: Algebra II, Precalculus, College Algebra, AP Calculus, dual credit math, dual credit CTE math, etc.	Additional course options could include, but are not limited to: Government (or AP), U.S. History (or AP), World Civilizations/History (or AP), dual credit social studies, etc.	Additional course options could include, but are not limited to: Chemistry (or AP), Physics (or AP), Biology (or AP), CSI Forensics, dual credit science, etc.	Additional course options could include, but are not limited to: Chorus 1, Orchestra 1, Visual Arts 1, Theatre 1, Band 1, etc.

GRADUATION QUALIFIERS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING HIGH SCHOOL IN 2019-2020 (COMPLETE ONE):

Precollege curriculum as established by the Council on Postsecondary Education in 13 KAR 2:020	Benchmark score in one section of a college admissions or placement examination as established by the Council on Postsecondary Education in 13 KAR 2:020	Three postsecondary credit hours or more of a Kentucky Department of Education-approved dual credit course with a grade of C or higher	One course and corresponding assessment meeting the following criteria: Advanced placement (AP) with a score of three or higher; or Cambridge Advanced International (CAI) with a score at or above benchmark; or International Baccalaureate (IB) with a score of five or higher	Industry certification as approved by the Kentucky Workforce Innovation Board	Four credits from valid courses within a single KDE-approved career pathway	Two years of a KDE-approved or Kentucky Labor Cabinet-approved pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship	A KDE-approved process to verify 500 hours of exceptional work experience, or alternative requirements as prescribed in a student's IEP
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GRADUATION PREREQUISITES FOR STUDENTS ENTERING HIGH SCHOOL IN 2020-2021 (MEET ONE OR A COMBINATION OF THE FOLLOWING TO DEMONSTRATE BASIC COMPETENCE IN READING AND MATH):

The student's **10th-grade** state-required assessments in reading and mathematics meet the minimum criteria. The minimum criteria shall include **scoring, at least, as an Apprentice in reading and mathematics** in the state-required assessments approved by the Kentucky Board of Education. Students who do not meet the minimum criteria on one or both assessments may retake the reading and/or mathematics assessments twice annually in the 11th and 12th grades of high school enrollment.

Score Proficient or higher for reading or mathematics or both reading and mathematics, if applicable, on the student's **8th-grade** state-required assessment.

The principal may **submit a collection of the following student evidence** to the superintendent or designee for review and approval: the student's ILP that includes student transcript; if applicable, for students with IEPs, evidence that the student has achieved progress on measurable annual IEP goals as determined by the Admissions and Release Committee; performance on the 10th-grade state-required assessments in reading or mathematics; and appropriate interventions, targeted to the student's needs, provided to the student to ensure support was offered and accessible in order for the student to meet the requirements outlined in this administrative regulation.

OTHER GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:

- Pass state-mandated civics test
- Successfully complete a course or program in financial literacy
- Receive instruction in essential workplace skills
- Demonstrate competency in technology



OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

- Development of Individual Learning Plan (grades 6-12)
- CPR Training in Health, PE or JROTC course

MINIMUM GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FRESHMAN CLASSES 2018-2019 THROUGH 2020-2021

YEAR	MINIMUM NUMBER OF CREDITS	ENGLISH/ LANGUAGE ARTS	SOCIAL STUDIES	MATHEMATICS	SCIENCE	OTHER CREDITS	GRADE 10 EXAMS	OTHER REQUIREMENTS
GRADE NINE STUDENTS ENTERING 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR	22 credits	Four credits: English I, II, III, and IV	Three credits	Three credits: Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II; A mathematics course or equivalent will be taken each year of high school	Three credits	1/2 credit: Health 1/2 credit: Physical Education One credit: visual/performing arts	Counts only toward accountability spring of 2020	Civics test; demonstrated performance based competency in technology; seven elective credits
GRADE NINE STUDENTS ENTERING 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR	22 credits	Four credits: English I, II, and two other personalized credits covering the remaining required <i>KAS for Reading and Writing</i>	Three credits	Four credits: Algebra I, Geometry, and two other personalized credits covering the remaining required <i>KAS for Mathematics</i>	Three credits	1/2 credit: Health 1/2 credit: Physical Education (one of which shall provide CPR training) One credit: visual/performing arts	Counts only toward accountability spring of 2021	Civics test; Complete at least one graduation qualifier listed in 704 KAR 3:305; demonstrated performance based competency in technology; six elective credits
GRADE NINE STUDENTS ENTERING 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR	22 credits	Four credits: English I, II, and two other personalized credits covering the remaining required <i>KAS for Reading and Writing</i>	Three credits	Four credits: Algebra I, Geometry, and two other personalized credits covering the remaining required <i>KAS for Mathematics</i>	Three credits	1/2 credit: Health 1/2 credit: Physical Education (one of which shall provide CPR training) One credit: visual/performing arts	For graduation and accountability spring of 2022 (This is only one option for demonstrating the prerequisites)	Civics test; Financial literacy standards program or course; Complete at least one graduation qualifier and meet at least one graduation prerequisite listed in 704 KAR 3:305; demonstrated performance based competency in technology; six elective credits

All required courses must be aligned to the *Kentucky Academic Standards*. These are state minimum standards and additional requirements may vary by district.

