

State and Local Course Requirements for High School Graduation

For 9th Graders Entering in August 2020

CONTENT AREA	FUTURE READY CORE	OCCUPATIONAL COURSE OF STUDY (OCS)
English	4 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • English IV 	4 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English I • English II • English III • English IV
Mathematics	4 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NC Math 1 • NC Math 2 • NC Math 3 • and a fourth mathematics course to be aligned with the student's post-high school plans. 	3 credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Math 1 • Math 1 • Financial Management
Science	3 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Earth/Environmental Science • A Physical Science • Biology 	2 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applied Science • Biology
Social Studies	4 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • World History or AP World • A Founding Principles course (Civics and Economics or Founding Principles of the United States of America and North Carolina: Civic Literacy) or AP United States Government and Politics • An American History (American History I, American History II, or American History) or AP US History • Economics and Personal Finance 	2 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founding Principles Civics and Economics or Founding Principals of the United States of America and North Carolina: Civic Literacy • Economics and Personal Finance
Global Languages	Not required for graduation, but 2 levels are required for admission to the UNC System	Not required for OCS
Health and Physical Education	1 Credit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health/Physical Education I 	1 Credit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health/Physical Education I
CPR	Successful completion of CPR for students graduating 2015 and beyond	Successful completion of CPR for students graduating 2015 and beyond
Electives or Other Requirements	6 Credits 2 of the 6 elective credits from any combination of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Career and Technical Education (CTE) • Arts Education • Global Languages 	6 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employment Preparation I Science • Employment Preparation II Citizenship A & B • Employment Preparation III Citizenship A & B • Employment Preparation IV Math • Career Training
Career and Technical Education		4 Credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTE electives
Arts Education	All students must complete ONE arts credit (music, visual art, theatre arts, dance) between Grade 6 and Grade 12 in order to graduate from high school, beginning with those students entering Grade 6 in 2022 (Senate Bill 681).	All students must complete ONE arts credit (music, visual art, theatre arts, dance) between Grade 6 and Grade 12 in order to graduate from high school, beginning with those students entering Grade 6 in 2022 (Senate Bill 681).
Total Minimum Credits Required	22 Credits	22 Credits