



PREPARING for GRADUATION

GRADUATION CREDIT REQUIREMENTS

Kettering Fairmont High School graduation minimum requirements of 21.5 credits meet the standards set by the Ohio Department of Education for students who enter the ninth grade for the first time up to July 1, 2010.

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| English | 4 credits |
| * Social Studies | 3 credits |
| ** Science | 3 credits |
| Mathematics | 3 credits |
| ***Health and P.E..... | 1 credit |
| Business/Technology or Fine arts, or foreign language... | 1 credit |
| Electives..... | 6.5 credits |
| TOTAL | 21.5 credits |

* One credit must be United States History and 1/2 credit must be American Government

** One credit must be a life science and one credit must be a physical science.

***It is recommended that all 9th grade students take Health and Physical Education.

Graduation Ceremony: Only those students who have completed all required high school credits for graduation may participate in the graduation ceremony. See Student Handbook for more information.

OHIO GRADUATION TEST

All students must pass the state of Ohio's mandated Ohio Graduation Test (unless exempt for specific reasons allowed by law) in order to graduate from Fairmont High School. Graduating students must pass all five sections of the Ohio Graduation Test (OGT) which includes writing, reading, mathematics, social studies, and science. The first administration of the tests will be given in the spring of the sophomore year, and a student will have a minimum of four more opportunities to pass. Summer opportunities will also be available.

DIPLOMAS

Students may earn one of two types of diploma:

Regular Diploma: This diploma is for students who complete the required curriculum of Fairmont High School and pass all five parts of the Ohio Graduation Test.

Diploma with Honors: These include High School Academic Diploma with Honors and Career-Technical Diploma with Honors. The State of Ohio has adopted new criteria for the Graduating Classes of 2011 and beyond. The chart shows the details of each of these diplomas.

| COMPARISON OF DIPLOMAS WITH HONORS CRITERIA | | | | |
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| Students need to fulfill all but one criterion for any of the following Diplomas with Honors | | | | |
| SUBJECT | High School Academic Diploma with Honors Graduating Classes | | Career-Technical Diploma with Honors for Graduating Classes | |
| | 2010 and Before | 2011 and Beyond | 2010 and Before | 2011 and Beyond |
| English | 4 units | 4 units | 4 units, which may include one unit of applied communication | 4 units |
| Mathematics | 3 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or a three-year sequence of courses that contain equivalent content | 4 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or equivalent and another higher level course or a four-year sequence of courses that contain equivalent content | 3 units, including Algebra and Geometry, or a sequence of courses that contain equivalent content | 4 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or equivalent and another higher level course or a four-year sequence of courses that contain equivalent content |
| Science | 3 units, which develop the concepts for physical, life, and earth and space sciences | 4 units, including physics and chemistry | 3 units, which develop the concepts for physical, life, and earth and space sciences | 4 units, including physics and chemistry |
| Social Studies | 3 units | 4 units | 3 units | 4 units |
| Foreign Language | 3 units, including at least 2 units in each language studied | 3 units, including at least 2 units in each language studied | 2 units, or 2 units of business/technology, or one unit each | Not counted toward requirements |
| Fine Arts | 1 unit | 1 unit | May be counted toward requirements under Electives | Not counted toward requirements |
| Career-Technical | Not counted toward requirements, and may not be used to meet requirements | Not counted toward requirements, and may not be used to meet requirements | 3 units in the vocational or technical education curriculum | Now counted in Electives |
| Electives | Either 1 unit of business/technology and 2 units of above or 3 units of the above subject, not including career-technical | Not counted toward requirements | 2 units of above categories, including fine arts | 4 units of Career-Technical minimum. Program must lead to an industry recognized credential, apprenticeship, or be part of an articulated career pathway which can lead to post secondary credit. |
| GPA | 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 |
| *ACT/SAT | 27 ACT / 1210 SAT | 27 ACT / 1210 SAT | 27 ACT / 1210 SAT | 27 ACT / 1210 SAT |
| Additional Assessment | Not applicable | Not applicable | Complete a career passport that reflects achievement of the occupational proficiency benchmark established for the Ohio vocational competency assessment or the equivalent | Achieve proficiency benchmark established for appropriate Ohio Career-Technical Competency Assessment or equivalent |

**Writing sections of either standardized test should not be included in the calculation of this score.*

Diploma with Honors requirements pre-suppose completion of all high school diploma requirements in Ohio Revised Code including: