

Welcome to Freshman Orientation



CLASS OF
2021

Rigorous Preparation

**Core 40
with
Academic
Honors**

**Core 40
with
Technical
Honors**

Core 40



**Postsecondary
Success**

**College
Technical
School
2-year School
Apprenticeship
Military
Workforce**

**Indiana's
Graduation
Requirements**
(Class of 2016 & Beyond)

INDIANA CORE40

Effective beginning with students who enter high school in 2012-13 school year (class of 2016).

Course and Credit Requirements

English/ Language Arts	8 credits Including a balance of literature, composition and speech.
Mathematics	6 credits (in grades 9-12) 2 credits: Algebra I 2 credits: Geometry 2 credits: Algebra II <small>Or complete Integrated Math I, II, and III for 6 credits. Students must take a math or quantitative reasoning course each year in high school.</small>
Science	6 credits 2 credits: Biology I 2 credits: Chemistry I or Physics I or Integrated Chemistry-Physics 2 credits: any Core 40 science course
Social Studies	6 credits 2 credits: U.S. History 1 credit: U.S. Government 1 credit: Economics 2 credits: World History/Civilization or Geography/History of the World
Directed Electives	5 credits World Languages Fine Arts Career and Technical Education
Physical Education	2 credits
Health and Wellness	1 credit
Electives*	6 credits <small>(College and Career Pathway courses recommended)</small>

40 Total State Credits Required

Schools may have additional local graduation requirements that apply to all students

* Specifies the number of electives required by the state. High school schedules provide time for many more electives during the high school years. All students are strongly encouraged to complete a College and Career Pathway (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career and

CORE40 with Academic Honors (minimum 47 credits)

For the **Core 40 with Academic Honors** diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits.
- Earn 6-8 Core 40 world language credits (6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages).
- Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits.
- Earn a grade of a "C" or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a "B" or better.
- Complete one of the following:
 - A. Earn 4 credits in 2 or more AP courses and take corresponding AP exams
 - B. Earn 6 verifiable transcribed college credits in dual credit courses from priority course list
 - C. Earn two of the following:
 1. A minimum of 3 verifiable transcribed college credits from the priority course list,
 2. 2 credits in AP courses and corresponding AP exams,
 3. 2 credits in IB standard level courses and corresponding IB exams.
 - D. Earn a combined score of 1750 or higher on the SAT critical reading, mathematics and writing sections and a minimum score of 530 on each
 - E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written section
 - F. Earn 4 credits in IB courses and take corresponding IB exams.

CORE40 with Technical Honors (minimum 47 credits)

For the **Core 40 with Technical Honors** diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 6 credits in the college and career preparation courses in a state-approved College & Career Pathway and one of the following:
 1. Pathway designated industry-based certification or credential, or
 2. Pathway dual credits from the lists of priority courses resulting in 6 transcribed college credits
- Earn a grade of "C" or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a "B" or better.
- Complete one of the following,
 - A. Any one of the options (A - F) of the Core 40 with Academic Honors
 - B. Earn the following scores or higher on WorkKeys; Reading for Information – Level 6, Applied Mathematics – Level 6, and Locating Information-Level 5.
 - C. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Accuplacer: Writing 80, Reading

Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma



Students must complete a
minimum of **47 credits**

*All required courses will be assigned a letter grade and
factored into the overall GPA.*

Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma



- Complete all requirements for Core 40
- Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits
- Earn 6-8 credits Core 40 world language credits (*6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages*)
- Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits
- Earn a grade of “C” or above in courses that count toward the diploma
- Have a cumulative GPA of a “B” or above

AND...

Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma

Complete one of the following:

- A. 4 credits in AP courses and take corresponding AP exams,
At MG – AP US History, AP Biology, AP Chemistry, AP Calculus , AP Statistics plus more
- B. 6 college credits in dual credit courses from priority course list,
At MG – Literature, Composition, Speech, Calculus, Foreign Language plus more
- C. Earn a combination of AP and dual credit courses:
 - 1. 3 college credits from priority course list,
 - 2. 2 credits in AP courses and take corresponding AP exams,
- D. Earn a 1750 or higher on the SAT critical reading, math, and writing sections and a minimum of 530 on each section
- E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written section

Core 40 with Technical Honors Diploma



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and factored into the overall GPA.*

Core 40 with Technical Honors Diploma



- Complete all requirements for Core 40,
- Earn grade of “C” or above in courses that count toward the diploma,
- Have a cumulative GPA of “B” or above, and
- Earn 6 credits in the college & career preparation courses in a College & Career Pathway and one of the following:
 1. Pathway designated industry-based certification or credential, or
 2. Pathway dual credits resulting in 6 transcribed college credits
- **AND...**

Core 40 with Technical Honors Diploma



- Complete ONE of the following:
 - A. Any one of the options (A-F) of the Academic Honors Diploma.
 - B. Earn the following scores or higher on WorkKeys:
Reading for Information – Level 6,
Applied Mathematics – Level 6, and
Locating Information – Level 5.
 - C. Earn the following minimum score(s) on
Accuplacer: Writing 80, Reading 90, Math 75.
 - D. Earn the following minimum score(s) on Compass:
Algebra 66, Writing 70, Reading 80.

Parent's Role



1. Check homework – some students may need to do more at home studying
2. Set a consistent time and space for studying
3. Check progress frequently on PowerSchool
4. Consider tutors – some students may need extra help with more rigorous classes.
5. Review and help your child select classes
6. Get involved with their postsecondary preparation