



Guide to Planning your High School Courses

Planning what classes to take in high school can help you get a head start on reaching your career goals. Follow the steps below to create your course plan.

Know What's Required

Below is an example of classes and credits Ohio students may need to take to graduate from high school.

English language arts	4 English language arts				
Mathematics	4 mathematics, including:	1 algebra II			
Science	3 sciences, including:	1 physical science	1 life science	1 advanced science	
Social studies	3 social studies, including:	1/2 American history	1/2 American government		
Other requirements	1/2 physical education	1/2 health	1 fine arts	1 economics and financial literacy	5 electives

Your high school may have additional requirements for graduation. List your high school's requirements:

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Identify Your Options

Check with your school to see how you can start early and earn college credit in high school through these programs:

- Advanced Placement (AP)
 Career Tech
 College Credit Plus (or PSEO)

Determine Action Steps

Your current career goal	
Education and training needed	
Admission requirements for education/training	

Plan Your Courses

- Enter the courses you're required to take in each grade to graduate high school
- Add electives that match your career goals
- Identify courses and programs that will help you earn college credits and a credential when you graduate high school



Resources for additional information:

Ohio High School Graduation Requirements: <http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Ohio-s-New-Learning-Standards/Graduation-Requirements>

Ohio Career Tech Schools: <https://www.ohiohighered.org/students/find-a-career/career-technical-professional-and-vocational-schools/high-school-career-tech-prep>

Career Pathways: <https://jobseeker.k-12.ohiomeansjobs.monster.com/ExploreIt/CareerClusters.aspx>

	English	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies	Other requirement/ elective	Other requirement/ elective	Other requirement/ elective	Other requirement/ elective
	7 8							
Secondary	9							
	10							
	11							
	12							
Post-Secondary	Year 1 1st Semester							
	Year 1 2nd Semester							
	Year 2 1st Semester							
	Year 2 2nd Semester							