## **Preparing Ohio's Students for Their Future**



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## **Presentation Overview**

- Graduation Plans
- Long-term High School Graduation Requirements
- Contact Information & Resources
  - Please access the counselor QR Code for questions and further information.





## **Why Graduation Plans?**

Organization for new graduation requirements

# Pathways *through* graduation

Identification of students on and off track

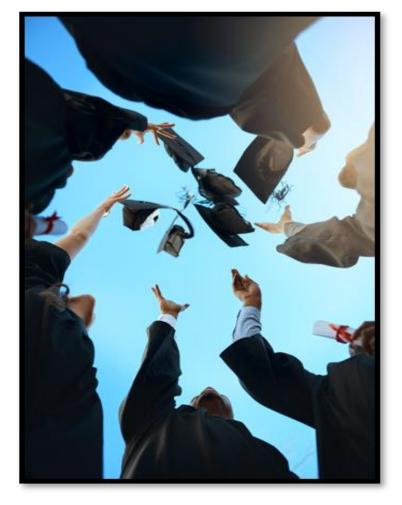
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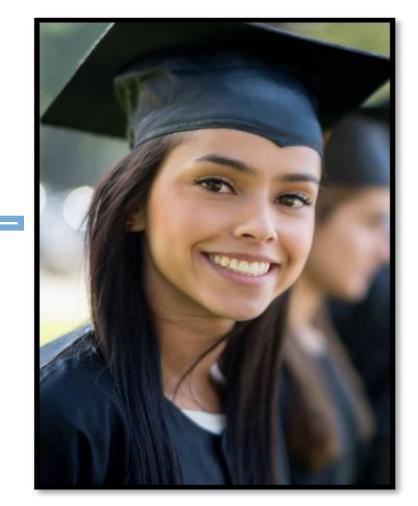
## **Ohio's Long-Term Graduation Requirements** Students must meet requirements in all three areas



**1. Course Requirements** 







3. Demonstration of **Readiness** 



## **1. Course Requirements**

General Course Requirements	State Minimum
English language arts	4 units
Health	½ unit
Mathematics	4 units
Physical education	½ unit
Science	3 units
Social studies	3 units
Electives	5 units

Districts may require more than the minimum 20 credits as a local decision.

Students must receive instruction in economics and financial literacy (in high school) and complete at least two semesters of fine arts\* (during grades 7-12).

\*Fine arts may not be required for students in a career-tech program unless it is a component of local course requirements.



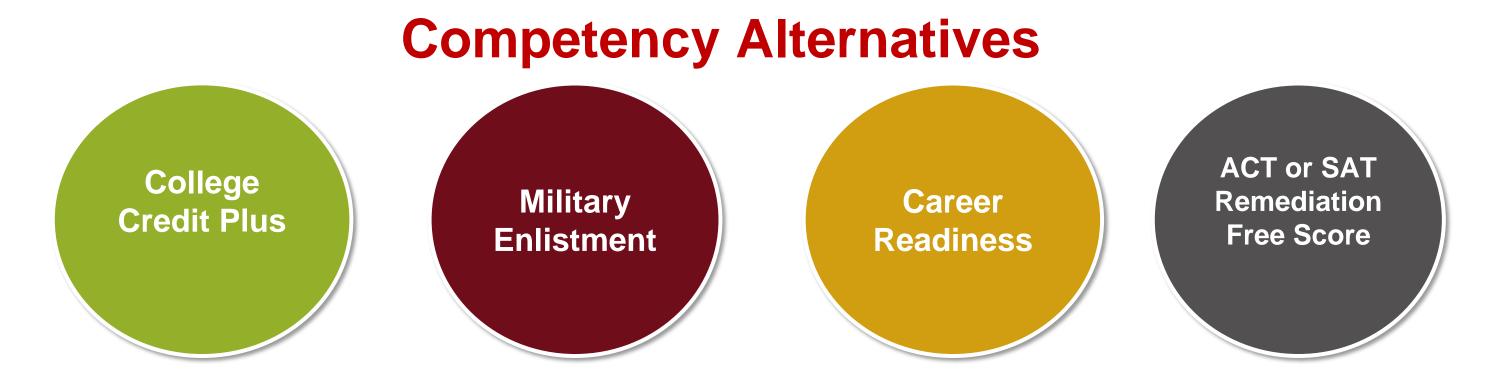


## 2. Demonstration of Competency

**Competency on Ohio's State Tests:** 

Algebra I (or Integrated Math I) - 684 English Language Arts II - 684 Competency on Ohio's Alternative Assessment if deemed appropriate :

Mathematics – Basic (489) English language arts – Basic (485)









## **Competency Alternative: ACT or SAT Remediation Free Scores** Sea

Demonstrate Competency for subject area not passed: •

Subject	ACT	SAT
English Language Arts	Lage Arts Reading subscore of 22 (or higher)	





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# **Competency Alternative: Military**

## **Requirements:**

- Provide evidence that a student has enlisted in a branch of the U.S Armed forces;
  - To show evidence of enlistment, a student will provide to the district or school a signed copy of the Department of Defense Form Enlistment/Reenlistment (DD Form 4) enlistment contract
  - $\circ~$  All branches offer a Delayed Entry program



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# **Competency Alternative: College Credit Plus**

## **Option:**

• Earn college credit in a non-remedial math or English course (for the subject area(s) not passed) to demonstrate competency.

## **Eligibility Standards:**

- 3.0 high school GPA
- 2.75 3.0 high school GPA with "A" or "B" in "relevant coursework" as determined by Institution of Higher Education





# **Competency Alternative: Career Readiness**

Complete 2 demonstrations to show competency, at least 1 must be a foundational option

### **Foundational Demonstration**

- Cumulative score of proficient or higher on 3 or . more WebXams in single career pathway
- Earn a 12-pt. approved industry-recognized credential or group of credentials totaling 12 pt. in one career field
- Earn a State issued license in a vocation that requires an examination
- Pre-apprenticeship or apprenticeship program
  - **Registered with Ohio State Apprenticeship Council**



## Supporting Demonstration

- Complete 250-hours Work-based Learning
- Earn workforce readiness score on WorkKeys
- Earn the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal







## 3. Demonstration of Readiness

**12** Diploma Seals

• 2 Seals: 1 State Defined

9 State Defined Seals & 3 Local Defined Seals

All seals attached or affixed to diploma and noted on transcript







## **Demonstration of Readiness:**

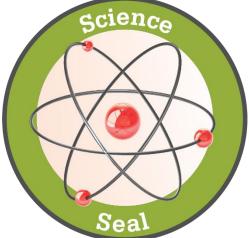
### **State Defined Seals**















# **State Defined Seal:** Military Enlistment

## **Options to earn seal:**

• Provide evidence of enlistment in an armed services branch of the military; **OR** 

 Participating in an approved Junior Reserve Officer Training (JROTC) program Find additional information and locate a JROTC program near you here.









# **State Defined Seal: Industry- Recognized Credential**

## **Options to earn seal:**

- Earn **12** points of industry-recognized credential that is aligned to a job that is determined to be "in-demand" in this state and its regions; **OR**
- Earn a group of credentials totaling 12 points in a single career field
- Obtaining a state-issued license for a practice in a vocation that requires an examination







# **State Defined Seal: OhioMeansJobs Readiness**

## • Requirements:

- Demonstrate proficiency in each of **15** identified professional skills; Ο
- Use the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal Form to record demonstration of each professional skill;  $\bigcirc$
- Work with a mentor (3) to validate (confirm) each skill across a minimum of *two* of the three environments Ο
  - ✓ **Community:** Volunteer coordinators, faith-based leaders & others
  - ✓ Work: Supervisors, hiring managers, experienced co-workers & others
  - ✓ **School:** Teachers, administrators, advisors, coaches & others







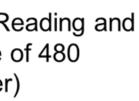
# **State Defined Seal: College Ready**

• Requirements: Students must earn remediation-free scores on the ACT or SAT, as outlined below.

Subject	ACT	SAT
English Language Arts	English subscore of 18 (or higher)	
	Reading subscore of 22 (or higher)	Writing score ( (or higher
Mathematics	Mathematics subscore of 22 (or higher)	Mathematics sco (or higher







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## **State Defined Seal: Technology**

## **Options to earn seal:**

- Earn a score equivalent to proficient "2" on an appropriate Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate test; OR
- Earning a "B" or higher in an approved College Credit Plus course; OR
- Completing a course that meets guidelines set by the Ohio Department of Education









# **State Defined Seal: Citizenship**

## **Options to earn seal:**

### American History

- Earn a score of proficient on Ohio's State Test in American History Ο
- Earn a final course grade equivalent to a "**B**" or higher in American History Ο
- Earn a score equivalent to proficient "2" on Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate test in  $\cap$ **US** History
- Earn a "**B**" or higher in American History College Credit Plus course. Ο

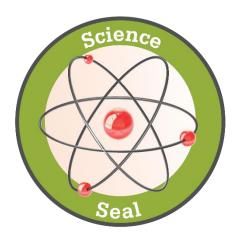
OR: Earn a score of **Basic** (457) or higher on Social Studies Alternate Assessment for Students with the Most Significant Cognitive Disabilities

### **American Government**

- Earn a score of proficient on Ohio's State Test in American Government Ο
- Earn a final course grade equivalent to a "**B**" or higher in American Government Ο
- Earn a score equivalent to proficient "2" on Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate test in Ο US Government
- Earn a "**B**" or higher in American Government College Credit Plus course. 0







# **State Defined Seal: Science**

## • Options to earn seal:

• Earn a score of proficient on Ohio's State Test in Biology; **OR** 

- Earn a final course grade equivalent to a "B" or higher in an **advanced science** course
- Earn a score equivalent to proficient "2" on an appropriate Advanced Placement or International Baccalaureate science test; **OR**
- Earn a "B" or higher in a College Credit Plus science course.
- Earn a score of **Basic** (430) or higher on Science Alternate Assessment for Students with the Most Significant

Cognitive Disabilities







## **State Defined Seal: Biliteracy**

## Requirements

Students must demonstrate proficiency in English and high levels of proficiency in at least one other world language

Students can demonstrate proficiency in English and at least one other world language through a series of test-Ο based options









# **State Defined Seal: Honors Diploma**

## Requirements

To receive the Honors Seal, students must earn **one** of **six** honors diploma Seals outlined below:

- Academic Honors Diploma; Ο
- Career-Tech Honors Diploma; Ο
- International Baccalaureate Honors Diploma; Ο
- STEM Honors Diploma; Ο
- Arts Honors Diploma; Ο
- **Civics and Social Sciences Honors Diploma** Ο
- Honors Diploma Criteria Ο





# **Demonstration of Readiness:**

### **Locally Defined Seals**











# **Locally Defined Seals**



**Community Service:** Completion of a community service project that is aligned with the guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority.

- Can be completed at any point during the four years of high school
- Cannot be started before June 1st of the summer prior to a students' freshman year
- Must be completed by March 1st (unless otherwise approved by administration) of senior year
- A student must complete a community service project through a group or organization which promotes community service. Some examples would be an Eagle Scout project, 4-H project, or a community service project where the student is the organizer and is the lead person through a school or community group (Project Share, church affiliation, Student Council).
- Each community service experience must be pre-approved by the Margaretta High School counselor and principal.
- Hours must be documented and signed by the community service project supervisor.





# **Locally Defined Seals**



**Certified Student Engagement:** Participation in extracurricular activities to a meaningful extent, as determined by local guidelines. Activities can include: Athletics, Clubs & Student government.

- A student must successfully complete at least six (6) extracurricular experiences during high school such as athletics, Clubs, (SADD, FFA), or student government to be deemed meaningfully engaged.
- Extracurricular activities and/or clubs must be school-sponsored. Coach, athletic director, or club advisor will determine if the student has completed participation to a meaningful extent and sign verification paperwork.
- A student must be employed and show 120 hours of documented (pay stubs) work experience supervised/verified by school personnel.









# **Locally Defined Seals**



Fine and Performing Arts: Demonstration of skill in the fine or performing arts according to an evaluation that is aligned with the guidelines adopted by the student's district board or school governing authority.

- A student must complete at least six (6) semesters of credit in Band, Choir, Fine Arts, Agriculture Science and earn a cumulative 3.0 GPA during those six semesters in order to earn this seal.
- Students may also apply through an outside group to achieve this seal, but it must be pre-approved by the Margaretta High School counselor and principal. Examples of this would be participation in the Cleveland Orchestra, an outside drama production, or some other group where participation could be verified.
- Hours must be documented and signed by the supervisor of the outside group.













