Graduation Requirements and Scheduling

Graduation Formula

High School Diploma =

Cover the Basics + Show Competency + Show Readiness

Credits

To earn a high school diploma, a student must first successfully complete all course requirements. A total of 21 credits are required for graduation.

21 Credits to graduate

- 4 English
- 4 Math (Must include Algebra 2)
- 3 Science (Biology, Physical Science)
- 3 Social Studies (World History, American History, Government)
- 0.5 Physical Education (Or 2 waivers)
- 0.5 Health
- 1 Fine Arts
- 0.5 Communications
- 0.5 Financial Literacy

State Testing Requirements – Classes of 2023 and Beyond

Required to administer end-of-course tests to all students at the completion of the associated course

Algebra 1*, Geometry, English Language Arts II*, Biology, American History, American Government

Required to administer the state-funded ACT or SAT* to all juniors

Show Competency Earn scores on end-of-course tests that demonstrate "competency" in Algebra I and English II

- ✔ Algebra I
- ✓ Language Arts II

- ☐ Biology (Proficient = State Seal)
- □ American History (Seal)
- ☐ American Government (Seal)
- □ Geometry

Competency Scores

Algebra I	684+
Language Arts II	684+

Competency – Alternative Demonstrations

College Credit Plus: Earn credit for one math and/or one English through College Credit Plus (for subject not passed).

Career Experience and Technical Skill: Complete 2 demonstrations, one must be foundational

- a. Foundational: Proficient on 3 WebXams, approved industry credential (12 points), pre-apprenticeship or acceptance into an apprenticeship program
- b. Supporting: Workplace experience, WorkKeys or the OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal

Military Readiness: Contract with the military to enlist upon graduation.

Show Readiness -Earn 2 Diploma Seals (student must earn 2 diploma seals, one of which must be state defined):



OhioMeansJobs Readiness Seal (State) – Demonstrate work-readiness and professional competencies.

Industry-Recognized Credential Seal (State) – Earn a 12-point industry-recognized credential OR a group of credentials totaling 12 points in a single career field.

College-Ready Seal (State) – Earn remediation-free scores on the ACT or SAT:

ACT English (18), Reading (22), Math (22)

SAT Reading/Writing (480), Mathematics (530)



Military Enlistment (State) – Participate in JROTC OR enroll in the military.

Citizenship Seal (State) – Score proficient on both the American History and Government End of Course Exams; OR equivalent score on AP test; OR "B" or above in approved CCP course.

Science Seal (State) – Score proficient on the Biology End of Course Exams; OR equivalent score on AP test; OR "B" or above in approved CCP course.

Honors Diploma Seal (State) – Meet requirements for one of six honors diplomas: Academic Honors, STEM Honors, Arts Honors, Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors, International Baccalaureate Honors, or Career-Tech Honors



Seal of Biliteracy (State) – Demonstrate a high level of proficiency in both English and at least one other world language.

Technology Seal (State) – AP or IP test score; Earn "B" or higher in an approved CCP course



Community Service Seal (Local) – Earn 20 hours in addition to the WHS Community Service Requirement for graduation. Hours are obtained independently.

Fine and Performing Arts Seal (Local) – Earn 4 or more credits in a fine art, (cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher in these courses); OR participate in a minimum of 3 Drama Club and/or Community Theater productions; OR participate in a minimum of 3 Honors Choir and/or Honors Band Concerts AND obtain a grade of C or high in Introduction to Theater course.

Student Engagement Seal (Local) – Participate in at least 3 athletic seasons of any sport OR participate in any club for at least 3 year.

College Credit Plus & Advanced Placement

The CCP program offers highly motivated students the opportunity to simultaneously earn secondary (high school) and post-secondary (college) credit for college-level courses at no cost to the students (with the exception of select private colleges).

The student and a parent/guardian must attend an informational meeting prior to signing up for CCP. After attending such a meeting, the student and parent must sign the Wellington High School Intent to Participate form and return it to the high school school counselor by April 1.

Wellington High School offers a number of Advanced Placement courses. These courses are designed for students who are academically talented, disciplined, highly motivated and willing to accept the challenges of an honors course. The student must successfully complete prerequisites for the course and maintain a high level of performance. The AP courses are designed to be the equivalent of a 1st year college course. All students in an AP course are required to take the national AP exams administered in May. Students can earn college credit if they score well enough on their AP exams.

"Am I on track to graduate?"

Minimum of 6 credits EARNED per year

- English specific
- Math specific
- Science/Social Studies grade specific

Performing Arts Pathway

New classes added this year:

Acting and Script Analysis: This course combines understanding of the relationship between actor and script. Students research major theatre genres and influences, breaking down a script to discover objectives, obstacles, tactics and character development. They create a script with scenes, plot points and characters. They learn acting techniques, including imagery, personal associations and inner monologue. They perform a role within an original or established piece of work.

Stagecraft: Creating the set, balancing the lights, projecting video and engineering the sound all help to accentuate the script and characters in a show. Students learn the skills of stagecraft through research, critique and hands-on experience. They use technology, background design, makeup and costuming to enhance overall production with a focus on the script and director vision.

Stage Design and Construction: This course focuses on design and construction of what the audience sees around actors. Students analyze scripts and budgets to determine appropriate sets. They create renderings and drawings by hand and through computer drafting programs to present the designer's vision. They develop models, mock-ups and final construction of scenery. In addition to construction techniques, they acquire workplace skills such as leadership, collaboration and safety.

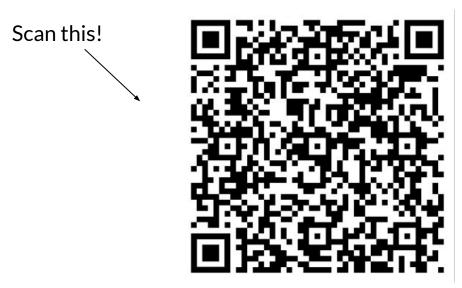
Intro to Theater is a Prerequisite for these classes

Athletic Eligibility

You must have passed the equivalent to **five one-credit courses**, each and every grading period to have continuing eligibility.

https://www.ohsaa.org/Portals/0/Eligibility/EligibilityGuidelinesGuidanceCounselors.pdf

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