

**Traditional Diploma and Endorsement Options**

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| **Traditional Diploma** | | | |
| Curriculum Area | Carnegie Units | Required Subjects | Additional Requirements |
| English | 4 | English I  English II\* | * Students should identify an endorsement area prior to entering 9th grade * Endorsement area can only be changed with parental permission * \*MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation * A students should take a math or math equivalent course during senior year   **Early dismissal/ late arrival**   * For traditional diploma and all endorsements, must have met College and Career Readiness Benchmarks (ACT sub score 17 English and 19 Math) or earned a Silver level on ACT WorkKeys **or all** of the following must be met: * 2.5 QPA * Passed or met all MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation * On track to meet diploma requirements and passing all courses * Concurrently enrolled in Essentials for College Math and/or Essentials for College Literacy OR another higher-level math course and/or another higher-level English Language Arts course OR currently be enrolled /earned credit for DC Comp I and/or DC College Algebra |
| Mathematics | 4 | Algebra I\* |
| Science | 3 | Biology I\* |
| Social Studies | 4 | ½ MS Studies  ½ World Geography  1 World History  1 U.S. History\*  ½ Economics  ½ U.S. Government |
| Physical Education | ½ |  |
| Health | ½ |  |
| Arts | 1 |  |
| College & Career Readiness | 1 | ½ CCR A  ½ CCR B (Taken in 11th or 12th grade) |
| Technology/Computer Science | 1 |  |
| Additional Electives | 5 ½ |  |
| Total Units Required | 24 ½ |  |

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| **Traditional Diploma with Career & Technical Endorsement** | | | |
| Curriculum Area | Carnegie Units | Required Subjects | Additional Requirements |
| English | 4 | English I  English II\* | * Earn an overall QPA of 2.5 * Earn Silver level on ACT WorkKeys * Earn two additional Carnegie Units for a total of 26 ½ * MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation * Must successfully complete **one** of the following: * One dual credit course * Work-Based Learning Carnegie Unit * Earn a State Board of Education approved national credential * One AP course with a C or higher and take the appropriate AP Exam |
| Mathematics | 4 | Algebra I\*  One additional math above Algebra I |
| Science | 3 | Biology I\* |
| Social Studies | 4 | ½ MS Studies  ½ World Geography  1 World History  1 U.S. History  ½ Economics  ½ U.S. Government |
| Physical Education | ½ |  |
| Health | ½ |  |
| Arts | 1 |  |
| College & Career Readiness | 1 | ½ CCR A  ½ CCR B (Taken in 11th or 12th grade) |
| Technology/Computer Science | 1 |  |
| CTE Electives | 4 | Must complete four course units of sequential program of study |
| Additional Electives | 3 ½ |  |
| Total Units Required | 26 ½ |  |

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| **Traditional Diploma with Academic Endorsement** | | | |
| Curriculum Area | Carnegie Units | Required Subjects | Additional Requirements |
| English | 4 | English I  English II\*  English III  English IV | * Earn an overall QPA of 2.5 * Two elective courses must meet MS IHL college preparatory curriculum (CPC) * Earn MS IHL and community college readiness benchmarks (ACT sub scores 17 English and 19 Math or take IHL college ready courses in senior year) * Earn two additional Carnegie Units for a total of 26 ½ * \*MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation * Must successfully complete **one** of the following:   + - One AP course with a C or higher and take the appropriate AP exam     - One academic dual credit course with a C or higher in the course |
| Mathematics | 4 | Algebra I\*  Two additional math above Algebra I |
| Science | 3 | Biology I\*  Two additional science above Biology I |
| Social Studies | 4 | ½ MS Studies  ½ World Geography  1 World History  1 U.S. History \*  ½ Economics  ½ U.S. Government |
| Physical Education | ½ |  |
| Health | ½ |  |
| Arts | 1 |  |
| College and Career Readiness | 1 | ½ CCR A  ½ CCR B (Taken in 11th or 12th grade) |
| Technology/Computer Science | 1 |  |
| Additional Electives | 7 ½ | Two advanced electives of the CPC requirements for MS IHL |
| Total Units Required | 26 ½ |  |

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| **Traditional Diploma with Distinguished Academic Endorsement** | | | |
| Curriculum Area | Carnegie Units | Required Subjects | Additional Requirements |
| English | 4 | English I  English II\*  English III  English IV | * Earn an overall QPA of 3.0 * Two elective courses must meet MS IHL recommended college preparatory curriculum (CPC) * Earn national readiness benchmarks (ACT sub scores 18 English and 22 Math) * Earn three and one half additional Carnegie Units for a total of 28 * \*MAAP assessments (state tests) required for graduation * Must successfully complete **one** of the following: * One AP course with a B or higher and take the appropriate AP exam * One academic dual credit course with a B or higher in the course |
| Mathematics | 4 | Algebra I\*  Two additional math above Algebra I |
| Science | 4 | Biology I\*  Two additional science above Biology I |
| Social Studies | 4 | ½ MS Studies  ½ World Geography  1 World History  1 U.S. History\*  ½ Economics  ½ U.S. Government |
| Physical Education | ½ |  |
| Health | ½ |  |
| Arts | 1 |  |
| College and Career Readiness | 1 | ½ CCR A  ½ CCR B (Taken in 11th or 12th grade) |
| Technology/Computer Science | 1 |  |
| Additional Electives | 8 | Two advanced electives of the CPC requirements for MS IHL |
| Total Units Required | 28 |  |

Requirements are subject to change as changes are made by Mississippi Department of Education.