

## REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

Twenty-one (21) units are required for graduation. These twenty-one units must include some specific course requirements which are listed below.

The units of credit awarded a particular subject are designated by the State Board of Education, based upon the number of hours a class meets and the amount of outside preparation required.

Please consult the course descriptions for the amount of credit given each course.



**NOTE:** Passage of the Ohio Graduation Test beginning with the class of 2007 is an additional graduation requirement.

### REQUIREMENTS BY GRADE LEVEL FOR EAST COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER STUDENTS

#### Freshman 2015

English 9      Physical Science  
Math  
World History (1/4 credit)  
Freshman Conn/Integrated Software

#### Sophomore 2014

English 10      Physical Education  
American Hist (1/4 credit)  
Math      Bio Chem.  
Career Cluster

#### Junior 2013

English 11      Science  
Math      Health  
Physical Education  
CAREER AND TECHNICAL PROGRAM  
OR ACADEMIC MAJOR

#### Senior 2012

English 12      Amer.Gov/Econ  
\*Math  
\*Science  
CAREER AND TECHNICAL PROGRAM OR  
ACADEMIC MAJOR  
\*Recommended for college-bound students

## SPECIFIC SUBJECT REQUIREMENTS

The units required for graduation must include the following pattern of courses taken in grades 9 through 12, inclusive. These are minimum requirements.

<u>SUBJECT AREA</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>
English	4	4	4	4
Mathematics	3	3	4	4
Science	3	3	3	3
Social Studies	3	3	3	3
Health	.5	.5	.5	.5
Physical Education	.5	.5	.5	.5
Elective Subjects	6	6	6	6
1 unit Bus./Tech, Fine Arts, or Foreign Language	1	1	1	1
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Total Carnegie Units	21	21	21	21

### COURSE LOAD

A normal class load is at least six (6) periods a day. Our recommendation is that a student's schedule include one lunch period and one study hall if the student and his/her parents deem it a necessity.

### COURSE CHANGES

Courses should be selected carefully. Course selection is finalized and not open to student-initiated requests for change after June 8, 2011. An exception will be made if it is determined that a student does not have the proper background or ability for a course as evidenced by courses taken in prior years, grades received in those courses, and results of standardized tests.

### HONORS LEVEL COURSES

Honors-level courses provide challenging academic work for the very capable student. These courses are available in the areas of English, Math, Social Studies, and Science.

## **ADVANCED PLACEMENT**

Advanced Placement courses providing challenging academic experiences are offered to the most capable, high-achieving students. The courses will make demands on students equivalent to those of introductory college courses. At the end of the course, the student should take the Advanced Placement test for college credit. College credit may be earned on the basis of the results of the three-hour examination and the requirements of the college the student plans to attend. Advanced Placement courses are available at East in Chemistry, English, and European History. A grade of A in an Advanced Placement course earns 5 quality points when figuring grade-point averages; a B grade earns 4 points; **a C grade earns a normal 2 points.**

## **GRADE PLACEMENT**

### TENTH GRADE

A student entering the Sophomore class must have earned four (4) units of credit two of which are in major subjects such as math, social studies, English, and science.

### ELEVENTH GRADE

A student entering the Junior class must have earned nine (9) Units of credit, five of which are in major subjects.

### TWELFTH GRADE

A student entering the Senior class must have earned (15) Units of credit, of which eight are in major subjects.

These are minimum credit requirements; students following a regular program should have more than the minimum number of credits.

## **POSTSECONDARY OPTION**

This program allows students to take courses at The University of Akron and to receive both high school and college credit for the courses. It is free to students who qualify. The requirements for admission to the program are listed below.

### 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 10<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

3.75 GPA, a B+ average in English, a 26 on the ACT or an 1150 on the SAT, and a written recommendation from a guidance counselor supporting the student's preparedness for college level coursework. Write an essay, 500 words or less, regarding why the student wants to enroll in the program. You may enroll in only one course per semester.

### 11<sup>TH</sup> AND 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE

3.3 GPA, 1110 SAT or 24 ACT, or 3.5 cumulative GPA with ACT/SAT scores for placement purposes (all applicants must submit ACT/SAT scores for placement purpose. You may enroll in 14 credits per semester.

## **GUIDELINES FOR COLLEGE PREPARATION**

The following curriculum is recommended for the college-bound student:

4 units of English	3 units of Social Studies	3 units of Mathematics
3 units of Science	2 units of Foreign Language	1 unit Visual/Performing Arts