

ACE GRADUATION CHECKLIST

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OKLAHOMA REQUIREMENTS FOR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION, STUDENT TESTING, AND OKLAHOMA'S PROMISE



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OKLAHOMA'S HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS UNDER TITLE 70 OKLAHOMA STATUTES § 11-103.6

COLLEGE PREPARATORY/WORK READY CURRICULUM STANDARDS

Students entering the 9th grade are required to enroll in the College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum. A student's parent or legal guardian may complete an opt-out form provided by the school to request that the student be enrolled under the Core Curriculum standards also in state law.

This curriculum meets the state's requirements for high school graduation and a standard diploma. The local Board of Education may set graduation requirements above the state standards.

This curriculum is aligned to the requirements for college admission at Oklahoma's colleges and universities.

This curriculum is aligned to "Oklahoma's Promise," a program that provides a college tuition waiver for students who meet specific eligibility requirements.

Students must meet additional requirements related to End-of-Instruction tests and the Personal Financial Literacy Passport (see details on checklist page).

CORE CURRICULUM STANDARDS

Students will enroll in the Core Curriculum standards outlined in state law if the parent or legal guardian gives approval in writing for the student to opt out of the College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum. For details see "Success" brochure or graduation requirements online at <www.sde.state.ok.us>.

This curriculum meets the state's requirements for high school graduation and a standard diploma. The local Board of Education may set graduation requirements above the state standards.

Not all courses included in this curriculum are aligned to requirements for college admission, but students may be admitted to college if they complete the required coursework for college admission.

Not all courses included in this curriculum are aligned to requirements for college admission, but students may be eligible for the Oklahoma's Promise tuition waiver if they complete the required coursework.

Students must meet additional requirements related to End-of-Instruction tests and the Personal Financial Literacy Passport (see details on checklist page).

The decision to opt out of the College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum to the Core Curriculum standards may be made more than once, but it may become more difficult for a student in the upper grades to select specific courses necessary for high school graduation. Contact your local high school counselor for assistance.

For more information on:

- Local high school graduation requirements, contact your high school counselor.
- Oklahoma's Promise college tuition waiver requirements, contact the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education, (405) 225-9100.
- State graduation requirements, contact Counseling, (405) 521-3549, or Accreditation, (405) 521-3333, at the Oklahoma State Department of Education (SDE).
- *Achieving Classroom Excellence Act* requirements, contact the SDE's Office of Standards and Curriculum, (405) 521-3361.
- End-of-Instruction (EOI) tests, contact the SDE's Office of Accountability and Assessment, (405) 521-3341.

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A summary of Oklahoma's College Preparatory/Work Ready Curriculum standards from the *Achieving Classroom Excellence Act of 2005* (ACE), Title 70 O.S. § 11-103.6.

ENGLISH (4 UNITS OR SETS OF COMPETENCIES)

- English I
- English II
- English III
- English IV
- Other English course approved for college admission requirements

MATHEMATICS (3 UNITS OR SETS OF COMPETENCIES)

Beginning with those entering the 9th grade in the 2008-09 school year, all students must take 3 units of Mathematics in Grades 9-12 in addition to any of the following courses taken prior to Grade 9.

- Algebra I
- Algebra II
- Geometry
- Trigonometry
- Math Analysis
- Calculus
- AP® Statistics
- Other mathematics course approved for college admission requirements

LABORATORY SCIENCE (3 UNITS OR SETS OF COMPETENCIES)

- Biology I
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Other laboratory science course approved for college admission requirements

HISTORY AND CITIZENSHIP SKILLS (3 UNITS OR SETS OF COMPETENCIES)

- 1 United States History, and
- ½ United States Government
- ½ Oklahoma History
- 1 selected from the subjects of History, Government, Geography, Economics, Civics, or non-Western culture and approved to meet college admission requirements

FOREIGN OR NON-ENGLISH LANGUAGE OR COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY (2 UNITS OR SETS OF COMPETENCIES)

- 1st year of Foreign or Non-English language
- 2nd year of **same** Foreign or Non-English language

OR

- 1st year of Computer Technology
- 2nd year of Computer Technology
(excludes keyboarding or typing courses)

1 ADDITIONAL UNIT OR SET OF COMPETENCIES SELECTED FROM ANY COURSES LISTED PREVIOUSLY

FINE ARTS OR SPEECH (1 UNITS OR SET OF COMPETENCIES)

- Music
- Art **OR** Speech
- Drama

AT LEAST 6 ELECTIVES†

TESTING REQUIREMENTS*

Beginning with students entering 9th grade in the 2008-09 school year, every student shall demonstrate mastery of the state academic content standards in the following subject areas in order to graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma.

- English II, and
- Algebra I, and two of the following:
 - English III
 - Algebra II
 - Geometry
 - Biology I
 - U.S. History

Personal Financial Literacy Requirement (Title 70 O.S. § 11-103.6h)

Beginning with students entering the 7th grade in the 2008-2009 school year, in order to graduate from a public high school, students must complete and demonstrate satisfactory knowledge in 14 areas of instruction related to financial literacy, including such topics as credit card debt, saving money, interest, balancing a checkbook, understanding loans, identity theft, and earning an income. School districts have the option of determining when the areas of instruction are taught and whether these are integrated into existing courses or taught as a separate course (which may count as an elective credit). Contact your local school district officials for specific details.

23 UNITS or sets of competencies are required in order to meet state graduation requirements.

*Students with disabilities may participate in the Oklahoma Alternate Assessment Program (OAAP) or Oklahoma Modified Alternate Assessment Program (OMAAP), as determined by their Individual Education Program (IEP) teams.

†The local school board's graduation requirements may exceed the state graduation requirement of 23 units.

See the school counselor for local coursework requirements or for information regarding proficiency-based promotion.