

SECTION 2: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS AND GRADING

Both the New York State Board of Regents and the local Board of Education of the Charter School for Applied Technologies may issue diplomas to students who complete specific courses of study. Parents and students are urged to carefully read the information on the tables below and to become thoroughly familiar with what is required for a student to receive his/her diploma. ***Students are reminded that requirements for a diploma apply to students depending upon the year in which they first enter ninth grade.*** A student who takes more than four years to earn a diploma is subject to the requirements that apply to the year that the student first entered ninth grade.

NEW YORK STATE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR STUDENTS ENTERING GRADE 9 IN SEPTEMBER 2011 AND THEREAFTER REGENTS DIPLOMA OR WITH ADVANCED DESIGNATION

| Required Subjects | Units (credits) | Required Exams | Required Subjects | Units (credits) | Required Exams |
|---|-----------------|--|---|-----------------|---|
| English | 4 | Regents ELA | English | 4 | Regents ELA |
| Social Studies | 4 | Regents US History AND Regents Global History ++ | Social Studies | 4 | Regents US History AND Regents Global History ++ |
| Mathematics | 3 | 1 Sequential Math Regents Exam | Mathematics | 3 | Regents Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2/Trigonometry |
| Science | 3 | 1 Science Regents Exam | Science | 3 | 1 Regents, Life Science, 1 Regents, Physical Science |
| Health | 0.5 | None | Health | 0.5 | None |
| Fine Arts | 1 | None | Fine Arts | 1 | None |
| World Language | 1 | None | World Language | 1* | Checkpoint B Regional Exam* |
| Physical Education (0.5 unit each year) | 2 | None | Physical Education (0.5 unit each year) | 2 | None |
| Electives | 3.5 | None | Electives | 3.5 | None |
| TOTAL | 22 | 5 Exams | TOTAL | 22 | 8 + World Language Checkpoint B Exam |

*Five credits of art, music, business or technical education can be used in place of World Languages for the Advanced Regents Designation

++ 4 + 1 Graduation Pathway Pathway Assessment Options: All students must pass the following 4 required Regents exams or the corresponding Department approved alternative examination found at <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/hsgen/archive/list.pdf>: 1 Mathematics Regents exam, 1 Science Regents exam, 1 social studies Regents exam, and the English Language Arts Regents exam.

In addition all students must choose 1 of the following assessments:

- Additional Mathematics Regents exam in a different course; or
- Additional Science Regents exam in a different course; or
- Additional Social Studies Regents exam in a different course

NEW YORK STATE DIPLOMA OPTIONS

| DIPLOMA TYPE | AVAILABLE TO | LINK TO FULL INFORMATION |
|------------------------------------|---|--|
| Regents* | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsdiploma |
| Regents with Advanced Designation* | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD |
| Mastery in Science | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD |
| Mastery in Math | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regentsAD |
| Mastery in Science and Math | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#diplomaHonors |
| Regents Diploma (through appeal) | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regpasscore |
| Local Diploma (through appeal) | All Students | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#regpasscore |
| Local Diploma | Students with a disability and an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1005.html#assessment http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/safetynetcompensatoryoption.html |

*Honors Designation for students averaging 90 or higher on required Regents Exams

NEW YORK STATE NON-DIPLOMA EXIT CREDENTIAL OPTIONS

| CREDENTIAL TYPE | AVAILABLE TO | LINK TO FULL INFORMATION |
|---|---|---|
| Career Development and Occupational Studies Commencement Credential | Students with disabilities other than those assessed using the NYS Alternate Assessment | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/SACCMemo.htm |
| Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential | Students with severe disabilities that are assessed using the NYS Alternate Assessment | http://www.p12.nysed.gov/part100/pages/1006.html |