



PREPARING for GRADUATION

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Kettering Fairmont High School graduation requirements of 21.5 credits meet the standards set by the Ohio Department of Education for students who enter the ninth grade for the first time up to July 1, 2010. Students must meet all assessment requirements for his or her graduation class and complete a Student Success Plan.

OHIO CORE GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Kettering Fairmont High School graduation requirements of 21.5 credits meet the standards set by the Ohio Department of Education and Workforce. Students must meet all assessment requirements for their graduation class and complete a Student Success Plan. Ohio Graduation Requirements:

1. Course Completion - Students will satisfy Ohio's curriculum requirements and any additional local requirements. Students will complete the state minimum 20 units, with specific units required in each content area.
2. Demonstrating Competency - Students will demonstrate competency in the foundational areas of English language arts and mathematics or through alternative demonstrations, which include College Credit Plus, career-focused activities, their ACT or SAT scores, or military enlistment.
3. Demonstrating Readiness (Seals) - Students will demonstrate readiness for their post-high school paths by earning two diploma seals that allow them to demonstrate important foundational and well-rounded academic and technical knowledge, professional skills, and leadership and reasoning skills.

FAIRMONT HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Subject	FHS & Ohio Core Requirements
English Language Arts	4 units
Mathematics	4 units, including 1 unit of Algebra II, or its equivalent
Science	3 units with inquiry-based laboratory experience including the following or their equivalent: 1 unit of physical science 1 unit biology 1 unit of advanced study in chemistry, physics or other physical science; or astronomy, physical geology, or other earth/space science
Social Studies	3 units which shall include: 1/2 unit of US History 1/2 unit of US Government 1/2 unit of World History & Civilizations
Physical Education	1/2 unit (120 hrs) Students who participate in high school athletics, marching band or cheerleading for two seasons will be permitted to substitute 1/2 unit (60 hrs) of another course of study if local board policy allows
Electives	6 -1/2 units, which must consist of one or a combination of: world languages, fine arts, business, career technical education, family and consumer sciences, technology, agricultural education, or English Language Arts, math , science or other social studies courses not otherwise required under the Ohio Core
Fine Arts	At least two semesters or equivalent of fine arts in grades 9-12 are required for graduation except for certain career-technical students
Health	1/2 unit
Financial Literacy	1/2 unit financial literacy OR personal financial management
Total	21.5 units

- The student, the parent and the high school must develop a career plan for the child.
- The student's high school must provide counseling and support for the student related to the plan
- The student successfully completes, at minimum, the curriculum prescribed in current law.

DIPLOMAS

Students may earn one of two types of diploma

Regular Diploma: This diploma is for students who complete the required curriculum of Fairmont High School and meet all assessment requirements for his or her graduating class and complete a student success plan.

Diploma with Honors: These include International Baccalaureate Diploma with honors, High School Academic Diploma with Honors and Career-Technical Diploma with Honors. The State of Ohio has adopted new criteria for the Graduating Classes of 2011 and beyond. The chart below shows the details of each of these diplomas.

COMPARISON DIPLOMAS WITH HONORS CRITERIA

Subject	International Baccalaureate Diploma w/Honors	Academic Diploma w/Honors	Career-Technical Diploma w/Honors
English	4 units, plus the two required International Baccalaureate essays	4 units	4 units
Mathematics	4 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or the equivalent, and another higher level course or a four-yr sequence of courses that contain equivalent content	4 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or the equivalent and another higher level course or a four-year sequence of courses that contain equivalent content	4 units, including Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II or the equivalent and another higher level course or a four-year sequence of courses that contain equivalent content
Science	4 units including biology, chemistry and at least one additional advanced science**	4 units, including 2 units of advanced science**	4 units, including two units of advanced science**
Social Studies	4 units	4 units	4 units
World Languages	4 units minimum, including at least 2 units in each language studied	3 units (must include no less than 2 units for which credit is sought), i.e., 3 units of one language or 2 units each of two languages	N/A
Fine Arts	1 unit	1 unit	N/A
Electives	N/A	N/A	4 units of Career-Technical minimum. Program must lead to an industry recognized credential, apprenticeship, or be part of an articulated career pathway which can lead to post secondary credit
Grade Point Average	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale	3.5 on a 4.0 scale
ACT/SAT Score (excluding scores from the writing sections)*	27 ACT/1210 SAT	27 ACT/1210 SAT	27 ACT/1210 SAT
Additional Assessment	Must complete criterion-referenced assessments in a minimum of six academic disciplines	N/A	Receive passing scores on all Ohio WebXams

STUDENTS MUST FULFILL ALL BUT ONE OF THE APPLICABLE CRITERIA TO QUALIFY FOR THE VARIOUS HONOR DIPLOMAS

* Writing sections of either standardized test should not be included in the calculation of this score.

** Advanced science refers to courses in the Ohio Core that are inquiry-based with laboratory experiences and align with the 11/12th grade standards (or above) or with an AP science course, or with the new high school syllabi, or with an entry-level college course (clearly preparing students for a college freshman-level science class, such as anatomy, botany, or astronomy).

*** The International Baccalaureate track to the Honors Diploma requires full completion of all requirements for an IB Diploma Programme including the Theory of Knowledge Course in meta-cognition, the Extended Essay project and the 140 hour Creativity, Action and Service (Service-Learning) requirement. Note: the International Baccalaureate Courses do not qualify for this track to the Diploma with Honors.

**** Classes of 2021 and beyond honors diploma requirements TBD by the state of Ohio.

FOUR YEAR PLANNER CLASS OF 2018 & BEYOND

Use this chart to plan your classes for your four years at Fairmont High School. **Students need 21.5 credits in order to graduate.**

SUBJECT***	GRADE 9	GRADE 10	GRADE 11	GRADE 12
ENGLISH a total of 4 credits required	English 9 or Intro to Pre AP/IB ELA I	Sem I	Sem I	Sem I
		Sem II	Sem II	Sem II
		Credit total	Credit total	Credit total
MATHEMATICS a total of 4 credits required	Algebra I or Geometry (H)	Sem I	Sem I	Sem I
		Sem II	Sem II	Sem II
		Credit total	Credit total	Credit total
SCIENCE a total of 3 credits required	Integrated Science or Biology I	Sem I	Sem I	Sem I
		Sem II	Sem II	Sem II
		Credit total	Credit total	Credit total
SOCIAL STUDIES* a total of 3 credits required	US History or US History (H)	US Government or US Government (H)	Sem I	Sem I
			Sem II	Sem II
			Credit total	Credit total
HEALTH/PE** a total of 1 credit required	Health Sem I PE I	PE II Sem I	Sem I	Sem I
			Sem II	Sem II
			Credit total	Credit total
BUSINESS/TECHNOLOGY, FINE ARTS OR WORLD LANGUAGE *** a total of 1 credit required			Sem I	Sem I
			Sem II	Sem II
			Credit total	Credit total
ELECTIVES a total of 5.5 credits required Choose from Business/Tech, World Language, Family & Consumer Science and Career Tech		Planning for College/Work or Career Explorations	Sem I	Sem I
			Sem II	Sem II
			Credit total	Credit total

* CLASS OF 2021 AND BEYOND REQUIRED TO EARN 1/2 CREDIT OF WORLD HISTORY AND CIVILIZATIONS.

** IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL 9TH GRADE STUDENTS TAKE HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION I.

*** ART & MUSIC CLASSES SATISFY THE FINE ARTS REQUIREMENT. FINE ARTS IS REQUIRED EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN CAREER TECHNICAL STUDENTS.