New York State High School Diploma Requirements

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Requirements



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4 to 8 assessments accomplished by successfully passing Regents exams, Department approved alternatives or pathway exams



22 Credits accomplished by successfully completing course work

Diploma Types

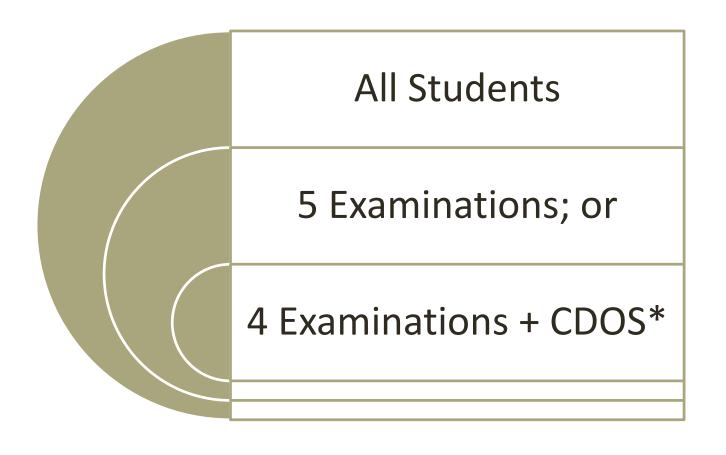


Distribution of Credits

	Local Diploma, Regents Diploma, Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation
Content Area	Minimum Number of Credits
English	4
Social Studies Distributed as Follows: U.S. History (1) Participation in Government (1/2) Economics (1/2) Other (2) (students entering grade 9 in 2016 must earn 2 credits in Global History and Geography)	4
Science Distributed as Follows: Life Science (1) Physical Science (1) Life Science or Physical Science (1)	3
Mathematics	3
Languages Other than English (LOTE)	1*
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and/or Theater	1
Physical Education	2
Health	0.5
Electives	3.5
Total	22

^{*}Students with disabilities may be exempt from the LOTE required credit if so indicated on their IEP

Assessment Requirements



^{*}Career Development Occupational Studies (CDOS)

Pathways 4+1

Pathways All students must pass Humanities **4 Required Regents Examinations:** One in each discipline STEM Arts Social English Math Science **Studies** LOTE CTE CDOS

How do students meet the Pathway Requirements toward a Regents or Local Diploma?

Meeting the Assessment Requirements for a Humanities Pathway

Humanities

Any additional Social Studies
 Regents Exam or any Social Studies
 or English exam from the list of
 Department Approved Alternatives
 after a student has completed a
 course in the subject.

Meeting the Assessment Requirements for a STEM Pathway

STEM

 Any additional Math or Science Regents exam or any Math or Science exam from the list of Department Approved Alternatives, after a student has completed a course in the subject.

Meeting the Assessment Requirements for an Arts Pathway

Arts

 Any assessment from the list of Department Approved Arts Pathway Assessments after a student has been prepared in the associated content

Meeting the Assessment Requirements for a Language Other Than English (LOTE) Pathway

Biliteracy (LOTE)

 This pathway is not currently available.
 Examinations are under review and will be posted on the Multiple Pathway page once approved.

Meeting the <u>Program and</u> <u>Assessment</u> Requirements for a CTE Pathway

CTE

 After a student has successfully completed a Department approved CTE Program s/he passes an approved CTE Pathway Assessment found at the link below. The student must successfully complete <u>BOTH</u> the program and the assessment. Not all CTE technical assessments are approved as CTE Pathway Assessments

Multiple Pathways Resources

http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/multiple-pathways/

Meeting the <u>Program or Assessment</u> Requirements for a CDOS Pathway

CDOS

- Students who complete all the components of the CDOS commencement credential option 1 (program) or option 2 (assessment) may use that credential to meet the +1 pathway requirement toward a local or Regents diploma.
- Note: CDOS may also be earned as a standalone credential for those students unable to meet the other requirements for a Regents or local diploma

Dual Role of Career Development Occupational Studies

CDOS as a Pathway to Local or Regents Diploma

- Passing Regents
 Examinations in
 - ELA
 - Math
 - Science
 - Social Studies



 All the CDOS Credential Requirements CDOS as a Standalone Credential

 Students are unable to successfully complete all the Regents or local diploma requirements but do complete all the CDOS credential requirements

CDOS Commencement Credential Requirements – 2 Options

CDOS Commencement Credential – Option 1

- Available to all students except students assessed using the New York State Alternate Assessment seeking the Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential. Available as a stand alone credential or added to a Local or Regents diploma.
- Criteria:
 - Career Plan
 - Employability Profile
 - Demonstrated achievement of CDOS Standards
 - 216 hours of CTE coursework and/or work-based learning experiences (of which at least 54 hours must be in work-based learning experiences)

CDOS Commencement Credential – Option 2

- Available to all students except students assessed using the New York State Alternate Assessment seeking the Skills and Achievement Commencement Credential. Available as a stand alone credential or added to a Local or Regents diploma.
- Criteria meeting the requirements for one of the nationally recognized work readiness credentials
 - National Work Readiness Credential;
 - SkillsUSA Work Force Ready Employability Assessment;
 - National Career Readiness Certificate WorkKeys (ACT);
 - Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems Workforce Skills Certification System.

What is the Difference Between a Regents and Local Diploma?

The answer depends on two factors:

- To which subgroup does a student belong?
 - Student with a Disability
 - English Language Learner
 - General Education
- What scores did the student attain on the required examinations for graduation?

Assessment Requirements Regents Diploma

	Regents Diploma for all students		Regents Diploma via Appeal for all students	
Regents Exam or passing score on a Department Approved Alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	# of Exams	Passing Score
English Language Arts (ELA)	1	65	1	
Math	1	65	1	1 exam with a score of 60-64 for which an appeal has been granted
Science	1	65	1	
Social Studies	1	65	1	
Pathway	1 (or CDOS)	65 if Regents Exam	1 (or CDOS)	by the district and all other required exams with a 65 or greater
Compensatory Safety Net	Non Applicable		Non Applicable	

Local Diploma – 4 Ways

(1)All Students - Appeal

	Local Diploma via Appeal for <u>All Students</u>		
Regents Exam or passing score on a Department Approved Alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	
English Language Arts (ELA)	1		
Math	1		
Science	1		
Social Studies	1	2 exams with a score of 60-64 for	
		which an appeal has been granted by the district and all other required exams with a 65 or greater	
Pathway	1 or CDOS		
Compensatory Safety Net	Non Applicable		

(2)English Language Learner/Multi-Lingual Learner - Appeal

	Local Diploma via Appeal for English Language Learners		
Regents Exam or passing score on a Department Approved Alternative	# of Exams	Passing Score	
English Language Arts (ELA)	1		
Math	1	ELA with a score of 55-59 for which an appeal has been granted and all other required exams with a score of 65 or greater	
Science	1		
Social Studies	1		
Pathway	1 or CDOS	OR 1 exam with a score of 60-64 and ELA with a score of 55-59 for which appeals have been granted by the district and all other required exams with a score of 65 or greater	
Compensatory Safety Net	Non Applicable		

(3)Students with a Disability Low Pass Safety Nets

	Local Diploma for Students with a Disability via low pass safety nets	
Regents Exam or passing score on a Dept. App. Alt	# of Exams	Passing Score
English Language Arts (ELA)	1	55*
Math	1	55*
Science	1	55* ^
Social Studies	1	55* ^
Pathway	1 or CDOS	55* ^ (if Regents exam)
Compensatory Safety Net	Scores of 45-54 on any required Regents exam (except ELA and Mathematics) can be compensated by a score of 65 or above on another required Regents exam including ELA and Mathematics.	

^{*}Students with a disability seeking the local diploma through the low pass safety-net may appeal scores of 52-54 on up to two Regents Examinations.

[^] Students with a disability who are unable to obtain a passing score on these examinations may seek a local diploma by Superintendent's Determination. See http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/2017-memos/superintendent-determination-of-graduation-with-a-local-diploma-updated.htm

(4)Superintendents Determination of a Local Diploma

Added as an option at the June 2016 BOR meeting; amended October 2016

- Eligibility:
 - Student with a current IEP
 - Passed ELA and Math Regent exams with a score of 55 or has successfully appealed a score of 52-54
 - has participated in the other Regents exams (science and social studies), but has not passed one or more of these as required for graduation
 - demonstrated competency in the subject area where the student was not able to demonstrate his/her proficiency of the State's learning standards through the Regents exam
 - Earned all required credits and passed, in accordance with district policy, all courses required for graduation
- Applicable to June 2016 grads and thereafter

Information and forms: http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/publications/2017- memos/superintendent-determination-of-graduation-with-a-local-diploma-updated.htm

Superintendent Determination

- The Superintendent may only conduct review after receipt of a written request from an eligible student's parent or guardian.
- The student and the parent of the student must receive written notice of the superintendent's determination with the copy of the completed form.

Superintendent Determination

- Where the superintendent determines the student :
 - has met the requirements for graduation, the district must provide prior written notice that the student is not eligible to receive a free appropriate public education after graduation with a local diploma and may not return to school until the age of 21.
 - has <u>not</u> met the requirements for graduation, the written notice shall inform the student and parents that the student has the right to attend school until receipt of a local or Regents diploma or until the end of the school year in which the student turns age 21, whichever shall occur first.

Conclusion

- Current requirements are diverse and complex.
- As you can see in recent years we have added multiple avenues to attain a diploma.



Questions?