

## Washington State Graduation Requirements 2012 to 2016

Credits in bold red denote a change from the previous year

Class of:	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	
Entering 9th grade after July 1 of:	2008 See note (1)	2009	2010	2011	2012	
<b>English</b>	3	3	3	3	<b>4</b> See note (2)	
<b>Mathematics</b>	2	<b>3</b>	3	3	3	
		Algebra 1 or Integrated 1				
		Geometry or Integrated 2				
		Algebra 2 or Integrated 3 Or see note (3)				
<b>Science</b> Including at least 1 lab	2	2	2	2	2	
<b>Social Studies</b>	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	<b>3</b> See note (2)	
	1 US history and government	1 United States history				
	.5 credit in Washington State history and government				<b>.5</b> civics	
	1 credit in contemporary world history, geography, and problems, or an equivalent course				<b>.5</b> social studies elective	
<b>Arts</b>	1	1	1	1	1	
<b>Health and Fitness</b> Students must earn credits unless excused per RCW 28A.230.050	2	2	2	2	health	<b>0.5</b>
					fitness	<b>1.5</b>
<b>Occupational Education</b>	1	1	1	1	1 See note (4)	
<b>Electives</b>	5.5	5.5	5.5	5.5	<b>4</b>	
<b>Total Required Credits</b>	19	<b>20</b>	20	20	20 See note (5)	
<b>Non-credit Requirements</b>	Culminating Project					
	High School and Beyond Plan					
	Certificate of Academic Achievement or Individual Achievement awarded to students who pass the required assessments or approved alternatives					
<b>Assessments</b> Beginning in 2009-2010, the Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL) was replaced by the High School Proficiency Exam (HSPE)	Meet proficiency on reading and writing HSPE or state-approved alternative					
	Pass math HSPE, or one math EOC or earn 2 credits of math after 10th grade See note (6)	Class of 2013-2014: Pass one math end-of-course (EOC) exam or state-approved alternative		Class of 2015 on: Pass two math EOC exams or state-approved alternative		
				Pass one science EOC in biology or state-approved alternative		

**Notes:**

(1) Credit requirements were constant from the class of 2004-2012; non-credit from class of 2009-2012  
WAC 180-51-060; WAC 180-51-061

(2) Some district have 2-year extensions for implementing additional credits

(3) A student may elect to pursue a 3rd credit of math other than Algebra 2 or Integrated III if the elective choice is based on a career oriented HSBP and the student, parent/guardian and school rep meet and sign a form

(4) CTE courses locally determined to be equivalent to a non-CTE course may be used to meet two graduation requirements

(5) 150-hour definition of credit has been replaced with a non-time based definition

(6) In 2009-10, the WASL was replaced by the HSPE; through the class of 2012, students who pass the WASL are not required to pass the HSPE

## State Approved Alternatives

### Certificate of Academic Achievement (CAA) Options

Students must take the state exam in reading, writing, and math at least once before accessing CAA options in that content area (unless a transfer in 11th or 12th grade from outside the WA public school system)

#### ➤ Collection of Evidence (COE)

The COE is an evaluation of a set of work samples based on classroom work prepared by the student with instructional support from a teacher

- Students must take the state exam at least twice before accessing the COE or be an 11th or 12th grade transfer from outside the WA public school system
- Collections are scored three times a year

More information at:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/caaoptions/CollectionofEvidence.aspx>

#### ➤ SAT or ACT

(ACT Plus Writing required for ACT writing score)

Students must meet or exceed the following scores:

	SAT	ACT
Reading	350	12
Writing	380	(English/writing) 15
Math	470	19

More information at:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/caaoptions/Equivalency.aspx>

#### ➤ Advanced Placement

- Students must score a three or higher on one of the following subject tests

Reading	English Literature and Composition, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, United States History, World History, United States Government and Politics, or Comparative Government and Politics
Writing	English Language and Composition
Math	Calculus or Statistics

More information at:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/caaoptions/Equivalency.aspx>

#### ➤ GPA Comparison

- For 12th grade students who have at least a 3.2 GPA only
- The school district will compare the student's grades to grades of other students at the same school who took the same course and passed the state exam

More information at:

<http://www.k12.wa.us/assessment/CAAoptions/Comparison.aspx>