

Introduction and Overview of Merit Diploma

To achieve the Merit Diploma in any specific department requires a more in depth program of study in the area of emphasis. Students may be eligible for merit status in more than one department. Students are recognized at the graduation ceremony for their extra effort.

A Merit Diploma awarded to students who fulfill the requirements for a Canyon View High School diploma, completion of the preauthorization form, along with additional qualifications per department. The student must maintain 90% attendance average each year, complete 40 hours of documented volunteer service, and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better.

Overview of Department Requirements

Academics

- Complete 4 English credits
- Complete 4 Math credits
- Complete 3 Science credits with lab
- Maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA in all courses

Agricultural Science

- Complete 3 Agricultural classes
- Be a member of FFA
- Earn State FFA Degree

Art/Visual

- Complete 3 Art classes with 3.5 GPA
- Complete 1 advanced art classes with 3.5 GPA
- Participate in 3 Art shows/competitions
- Participate in 1 extra curricular art related activity
- Prepare portfolio

Business & Marketing

- Complete a total of 5 AT or IT business classes
- Be an active member of FBLA for at least two years
- Maintain a 3.5 GPA

Communications

- Complete 2 years of Journalism and/or Yearbook
- Maintain a 4.0 GPA in their communication classes
- Complete a reflective Journalism and/or Yearbook portfolio of work samples.

CTE General

- Complete a total of 6 classes in any CTE areas (Business, FACS, AG Woods, Engineering)
- Be a member of FBLA, FCCLA, FFA, or SkillsUSA
- Submit a resume that includes Leadership, Service and Academics
- Maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA

Dance

- Complete 3 dance classes and maintain a 3.5 GPA in each class
- Complete 1 advanced dance class and maintain a 3.5 GPA
- Participate in at least 3 CVHS dance performances or competitions
- Participate in 1 extracurricular dance related activity
- Prepare Resume/portfolio including certificates, awards, programs, pictures, etc. of requirements.

Engineering Technology

- Submit 2 letters of recommendations
- Complete 4 credits of CTE, with two of which are Engineering and Technology classes. (CAD, Engineering, Electronics, Robotics, etc.)
- Maintain a 3.5 GPA, no lower than 3.7 in CTE classes
- Be a member of the Technology Student Association (TSA) or SkillsUSA.

English

- Complete 4 years of sequential English classes 9-12
- Maintain a 3.7 cumulative GPA in English.

- Complete an Honors, AP or concurrent enrollment English class.
- Complete a portfolio of writing samples from English class.

Family and Consumer Science

- Complete any 4 Family and Consumer Science classes.
- Maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA
- Be an active member of FCCLA for at least 1 year.
- Submit a resume that includes Leadership, Service and Academics

Foreign Language

- Complete 3 years of a foreign language.
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA
- Complete one of the following:
 - Attend and participate in the BYU, or SUU language fairs
 - Join and participate in the CVHS Foreign Language Club for a minimum of one year.

Mathematics

- Complete 4 years of sequential mathematics classes.
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA in all Math classes.
- Complete 1 year of AP Calculus, Math 1050, Precalculus or Modern Math
- Complete Senior project to be determined by the math department.

Music

- Participate in 4 years of any combination of music ensembles.
- Participate in a minimum of 2 years in second ensemble
- Maintain an “A” average in all music classes
- Complete one or more of the following:
 - Participate in a minimum of 2 years at Region Solo and Ensemble (small group)
 - Complete MUSC 1010
 - Participate in an extra-curricular music activity (ie pit orchestra, community choir/orchestra/band, etc)

Physical Education

- Complete a semester of PE credit all 4 years of high school (excluding Athletics)
- Provide a signature from the coach for the sport played at CVHS
- Complete a resume of accomplishments in PE, including: Participation on an athletic team in at least one of the following sports each year: Swimming, Football, Cross Country, Soccer, Basketball, Tennis, Wrestling, Track, Baseball, Softball, Drill and Cheer.
- Maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA or better in all PE courses.

Science

- Complete 3 years of science from the following: Biology, Earth Science, Chemistry, Physics, any science Concurrent Enrollment course through SUU.
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA in each Science class.
- Earn an 80% in a Concurrent Enrollment course, including lab.
- Maintain a 3.5 cumulative GPA

Social Science

- Maintain a 3.5 GPA in all Social Science classes.
- Complete at least one AP or Concurrent Enrollment Social Studies Course.
- Complete and turn in the portfolio.

Theatre

- Maintain an A average in all Theatre classes.
- Participate in a minimum of 1 year of High School Shakespeare Competition.
- Participate in at least 2 years of Region and State Theatre competitions.
- Be involved in at least 2 CVHS productions.

Woods/Trade & Technology

- Complete Woodworking I and II and Furniture Design and Manufacturing.
- Maintain a cumulative 3.5 GPA in all woodworking classes.
- Be a member of Skills USA.

