

VALLEY GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>SUBJECT AREA</u>	<u>REQUIRED UNITS OF CREDIT</u>
Core Curriculum	
English	4
Social Studies	3 (Must include Soc. St. I, Am. Hist. & Gov.)
Science	3 (Must include Physical, Life & Adv. Science)
Mathematics	4 (Must include Alg. 2)
Health	½
Physical Education	½ (Two semesters)
Fine Art	1
*CTC program does not require the Fine Art	

Other Electives 6

*Students must receive instruction in financial literacy which is included in the Social Studies curriculum.

*Valley Local School District has adopted the state optional policy that would exempt students who participate in interscholastic athletics, marching band or cheerleading for two full seasons from the physical education requirement. Students must take another course, which cannot be a physical education course, of at least 60 contact hours.

Total Number of Credits Required for Graduation 22

*Students will take End-of-Course Exams in Algebra I, Geometry, English II, Biology, American History and American Government.

Students in the Class of 2018-2022 will meet one of the following:

*Earn a cumulative performance point score of 18 or higher on the end-of-course exams. The total possible being 35 points, 5 points on each, and earning a minimum of 4 pts. on Math, 4 pts. on English, and 6 pts. across Science & Social Studies.

*Earn 12 points through approved industry-recognized credential or group of credentials in a single career field and achieve a workforce readiness score on the WorkKeys assessment.

*Earn “remediation free” scores on a nationally recognized college admission exam. Juniors will be given the ACT each year paid for by the state of Ohio. ACT remediation scores: English 18 or higher, Reading 22 or higher & Math 22 or higher.

Students may also use the 2023 requirements to graduate if necessary.

Students in the Class of 2023 and beyond will meet the following criteria:

*Earn 22 high school credits

*Show Competency in Algebra 1 and English II

*Show Readiness by earning 2 diploma seals out of 12 options

The complete listing is available at the Ohio Department of Education at *education.ohio.gov*. or you may contact the guidance office at 740-259-6631/6632.

IMPORTANT FACTS:

It is important that you research your college and career interests so that you will be well prepared for all course requirements and expectations. Plan early, visit colleges of interest and job shadow in the occupations you would like to pursue and most importantly pay attention to deadlines.

The State of Ohio has introduced a new rigorous high school curriculum that is raising the requirements for graduation in both the classroom and state testing. “The Ohio Core” curriculum will challenge students to meet academic expectations in a changing world. We suggest that all seniors be enrolled in a full schedule with core academic courses their last year of high school. College entrance, scholarship and career field requirements are getting much more competitive and the better prepared you are with the best ACT score you can attain will be to your advantage.

Consult with parents, teachers and the guidance counselor for additional information with your education and career planning. We are encouraging all students to register for classes with these thoughts in mind so they will be able to maximize their opportunities for a successful future.

*If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Valley High School Guidance Office at 259-6631 or email Mrs. Shope, Guidance Counselor at ellen.shope@valleyls.org