Vancouver Schools Graduation Information

All Washington public school students must meet the following non-credit, credit, and graduation pathway requirements to graduate and **Enroll** in a 4 year or two year college or technical school, **Enlist** in the U.S. Military, or be **Employed**.

Non-Credit:

- 1. High School & Beyond Plan A tool to guide students through high school and think about their future. Plans are personalized and designed in <u>https://login.xello.world/</u> to help students set, visualize, and work to achieve goals. See Page 6 for additional information.
- **2. Washington State History** Usually met in 7th grade in middle school. If not, 1.0 of World Themes: Washington Perspectives or a competency-based course fulfills this requirement.

Minimum Credit Requirements for High School:



**The 3rd credit of science and the 3rd credit of math are chosen by the student based on the student's interest and High School and Beyond Plan, and approved by the parent or guardian, or if the parent or guardian is unavailable or does not indicate a preference, the school counselor or principal (WAC 180-51-068).

Graduation Pathways: Class of 2020 and Beyond

- **CTE Sequence** Complete sequence of CTE courses
- **ASVAB Score** Meet standard on the ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery)
- Smarter Balanced HS Assessment or WA-AIM (ELA and/or math)
- **SAT/ACT** Meet or exceed the graduation scores in the math and ELA portions
- Dual Credit Earn College Credit in ELA and/or math through a dual credit course
- Bridge to College Course Pass a ELA and/or math Bridge to College course
- **AP/IB Courses or Exams** For both ELA and math, earn a 3 or higher on certain Advanced Placement (AP) exams or a 4 or higher on certain International Baccalaureate (IB) exams or pass the course with at least a C+

In addition to course credit requirements, students must meet the requirements for one of eight PATHWAYS below.

1 Statewide Assessment Scores in ELA & Math

Achieve the graduation cut score on the on-grade level Smarter Balanced Assessment for ELA (2548) and/or Math (2595)

The first and most common pathway to graduation is to meet the graduation cut score on Smarter Balanced ELA and Math. All students will take this test in 10th grade and have the option to retake it in spring of 11th and 12th grade. (Designated IEP students may use WA-AIM scores.)

2 College Admission Exam scores for ELA and/or Math (SAT/ACT)

Exam scores from the SAT, SAT with Essay, ACT, or ACT with Writing may be used, as applicable.

Minimum scores are:

	SAT with or without Essay	ACT with Writing
Math	430	16
ELA	410	14

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Transition Courses Pass a Bridge-to-College course in

ELA and/or Math, earning at least

1.0 credits per subject throughout the duration of an entire school

3 Advanced Placement Exams

Score a 3 or higher on one of the following AP exams or a 4 or higher on one of the following IB exams:

English Language Arts: English Language and Composition, English Literature and Composition, Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Psychology, US History, World History, US Government and Politics, or Comparative Government and Politics

Mathematics: Statistics, Computer Science, Computer Science Principles, or Calculus



4 Dual Credit Courses

For **AP/IB classes**, students must earn a C+ or higher and do not need to take or pass the AP exam.

College in the High School, CTE Dual Credit and Running Start classes that qualify are courses that earn high school graduation credit in English and math, and that allow students to earn college credit at the 100-level or higher. For CTE dual credit courses to meet this pathway requirement, the course must have a state or local course equivalency to meet high school subject area graduation requirements in English or math.

6 Combination

Students can meet their graduation pathway requirement with any combination of at least one ELA and at least one math pathway from options 1-5.

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Career Technical Education Course Sequence

Students can meet a pathway requirement by completing a designated CTE course sequence connected to the High School and Beyond Plan. A sequence is two or more high school credits of CTE courses that are technically intensive and rigorous.

Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)

Students whose high school and beyond plan include enlisting in the military can meet pathway requirements by earning at least the minimum score on the Armed Forces Qualification Test (AFQT) portion of the ASVAB. The current score students must meet is 31.

Additional Options

(Available for a limited time)

IEP Options

(available through class of **2021**) CIA-Cut score for SBA ELA/Math

- Off-Grade level tests in ELA/Math
- LDA in ELA/Math

Expedited Appeal

(available through class of 2020) Admission to higher education institution or career preparation program is the most common reason.

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