

Graduation Requirements

To receive a Keystone High School diploma, students need to earn 21 units of credit in grades 9-12. Credits can be transferred in to Keystone as outlined in the *Transfer Credit* Policy, **but students must** take at least five credits with Keystone, one credit each in the areas of English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and one additional credit of choice, elective or core.

Once a student meets the graduation requirements, he or she is awarded a high school diploma from Keystone. **The required graduation credits must be distributed as follows:**

Course Type		Recommended for College Bound
Health/PE (must include at least .5 credit specifically designated as Health coursework)	1	1
Art	1	1
Mathematics (at least one must be Algebra 1 or higher)	3	4
Science	3	3 -4
English	4	4
Social Studies	4	4
Electives	5	4-5
Total	21	21 - 23

Though the minimum diploma requirement is twenty one (21) credits, we encourage students to develop a four year learning plan and take courses that will provide them the best foundation for college or career, even if that means earning more than 21 credits. College Bound students are encouraged to take at least two credits of the same world language as part of their electives.

Graduation Checklist

Students preparing to graduate from Keystone should keep the following checklist of requirements handy to avoid any last minute issues:

Must meet Keystone's 5-credit minimum as described above.
Total credits, including transfer credits, must be 21 or higher, and must be distributed as shown
in the chart above.
Transfer credits must be verified by Keystone on official transcripts from all previous schools
attended or they cannot be counted toward graduation.**
Keystone cannot offer duplicate credit for courses taken both at Keystone and as shown on
official transcripts and accepted as transfer credits.
**It is critical that Keystone receives a student's official transcripts at the time of enrollment or
shortly after enrollment to avoid any delay in graduation or the need to take additional course