

Earning an Ohio High School Diploma at CVCA

FOR CLASSES
2018 AND
BEYOND



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There is no one-size-fits-all way to graduate. The state of Ohio publishes minimum graduation requirements and gives you several options to qualify for a high school diploma. Here's what you need to do to graduate at CVCA.

To earn an Ohio high school diploma at CVCA, you must meet CVCA's curricular requirements.

AND

Choose an option below to show that you are ready for college and a career.

Earn at Least 18 Points on Subject Tests

Terra Nova Tests:

- Math v19
- Math v20
- Reading v19
- Reading v20
- Science v20
- Social Studies v19
- Social Studies v21/22

Each test earns you up to five graduation points. You must have a **minimum** of four points in Math, four points in English, and six points across Science and Social Studies.

AP and CCP Classes *(limited subjects)*

Graduation points may also be earned via grades in College Credit Plus (CCP) courses or scores on AP tests in the following subjects only: American History, American Government, and Biology.

OR

College Readiness Tests

Earn remediation-free scores in Mathematics and English Language Arts on either the ACT or SAT.

Remediation-free scores for the Class of 2018:

ACT		SAT	
English	18	Math	530
Math	22	EBRW <i>(Evidence-based Reading and Writing)</i>	480
Reading	22		

You cannot mix scores from the two tests.

The Ohio Department of Higher Education works with Ohio's universities to set the remediation scores for the ACT and SAT tests. For all high school juniors, the remediation-free scores set by February 1 of their junior year will be used to meet their graduation requirement.

Up-to-date information regarding remediation-free scores can be found at the Ohio Department of Education website: education.ohio.gov.

See your guidance counselor for more information.

The state of Ohio provides additional pathways to qualification for graduation. The information listed here specifies options provided at Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy.

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ACADEMIC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

	CVCA DIPLOMA	OHIO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION HONORS DIPLOMAS			
		Academic	STEM	Arts	Social Science & Civic Engagement
Bible ¹	4	4	4	4	4
English	4	4	4	4	4
Mathematics ²	4	4	5 ¹⁵	4	4
Science ³	3	4 ¹⁵	5 ¹⁵	3	3
Social Studies ⁴	3	4 ¹⁵	3	3	5 ¹⁵
World Language ⁵	2	3 or 4 ¹⁵	3 or 4 ¹⁵	3 or 4 ¹⁵	3 or 4 ¹⁵
Fine Arts	1	1	1	4 ¹⁵	1
PE ⁶	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Speech & Debate	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Technology ⁷	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0	0.5 or 0
Electives	Variable	Variable	Variable ^{8, 15}	Variable ^{8, 15}	Variable ^{8, 15}
TOTAL CREDITS⁹	24	24	24	24	24
Jterm ¹⁰	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Ohio Graduation Requirement ¹¹	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
GPA	—	3.50/4.00 ¹⁵	3.50/4.00 ¹⁵	3.50/4.00 ¹⁵	3.50/4.00 ¹⁵
ACT/SAT ¹²	Required	Required 27 ACT/1280 SAT ¹⁵	Required 27 ACT/1280 SAT ¹⁵	Required 27 ACT/1280 SAT ¹⁵	Required 27 ACT/1280 SAT ¹⁵
Field Experience ¹³	—	—	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵
Portfolio ¹⁴	—	—	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵

Clarifying footnotes are listed on the following page.

Clarifying Footnotes for Academic Graduation Requirements

- ¹ One-half credit in Bible per semester enrolled at CVCA is required. Regardless of how many Bible credits are required based on time of enrollment, a CVCA diploma requires a minimum of 24 credits.
- ² Must include Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and one higher level course (Upper Level Math Elective) or equivalent.
- ³ Must include Biology and Chemistry. At least two units of advanced science (Chemistry may count as one) are required for both the Academic and STEM honors diplomas.
- ⁴ Must include Global Studies (1 credit, fulfills ODE World History and Civilizations requirement), American History (1 credit), Government (½ credit), and Economics (½ credit) or equivalent.
- ⁵ Two credits in the same language are required for a CVCA high school diploma. Three credits in one language OR two credits in each of two languages are required for all honors diplomas.
- ⁶ May be met with one full year (½ credit) of Physical Education or two PE waivers (no credit; earned by participating in two full seasons of interscholastic athletics, cheerleading, or marching band/color guard in high school).
- ⁷ Computer Applications (½ credit) is a specific graduation requirement for students graduating from CVCA through the Class of 2019. Students in the Class of 2020 and beyond must either successfully complete *Computer Concepts* or demonstrate minimum typing fluency of 40 words per minute or greater using correct typing form.
- ⁸ For the STEM Honors Diploma, two additional elective credits must have a focus in STEM courses; for an Arts Honors Diploma, two additional elective credits must have a focus in fine arts course work; and for a Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors Diploma, three additional credits must have a focus in social sciences and/or civics.
- ⁹ In order to meet ODE guidelines, at least 20 of the required credits must be in non-Bible and non-SOM courses, but a CVCA diploma requires a minimum of 24 credits.
- ¹⁰ A full Jterm credit is required for each complete academic year of enrollment at CVCA.
- ¹¹ Students must meet high school graduation testing requirements as defined by ODE.
- ¹² Students must take and send CVCA their official scores for both the SAT and ACT.
- ¹³ Field Experience refers to experiential learning in either an internship or apprenticeship.
- ¹⁴ The student portfolio is a collection of experiential learning and competencies based on the student's field experiences. Students will engage with professionals or scholars in the field while developing their own portfolio or ePortfolio of original work that documents their technical, critical, and creative skills representative of their honor's focus. Students' work must be reviewed and evaluated by scholars or professionals within the field/ area of study (not CVCA staff) in which the students' work is focused. Students must give a presentation to showcase the work and provide an analysis of it to the school and local community. If the student does not complete a field experience, the portfolio can be based on a collection of work related to the student's honors diploma area of focus.
- ¹⁵ ODE requires students to fulfill all but one of these requirements to earn each respective honors diploma.

