

CVCA 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	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 CREDITS⁸	24	24	24	24	24
Jterm/Mterm ⁹	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required
Ohio Graduation Requirement ¹⁰	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 ¹¹	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 ¹²	—	—	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵
Portfolio ¹³	—	—	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵	Yes ¹⁵

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 At least two units of advanced science are required for both the Academic and STEM honors diplomas. Students must include Biology, Chemistry, and either Physical Science or Physics in grades 9-12.

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 meeting the ODE Financial Literacy requirement) 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, marching band, or show choir in high school).

⁷ For the STEM Honors Diploma, 2 additional elective credits must have a focus in STEM courses. For an Arts Honors Diploma, 2 additional elective credits must have a focus in fine arts course work. For a Social Science and Civic Engagement Honors Diploma, 3 additional elective credits must have a focus in social sciences and/or civics.

⁸ A CVCA diploma requires a minimum of 24 credits, and in order to meet ODE guidelines, at least 20 of the required credits must be in non-Bible and non-SOM courses.

⁹ A full Jterm/Mterm credit is required for each complete academic year of enrollment at CVCA.

¹⁰ Students must meet high school graduation testing requirements as defined by ODE.

¹¹ Students must take and send CVCA the official scores for both the ACT.

¹² Field Experience refers to experiential learning in either an internship or apprenticeship.

¹³ 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.

¹⁴ ODE requires students to fulfill all but one of these requirements to earn each respective honors diploma.