Dresden High School
Class of 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023
Graduation Requirements

Ready Core Curriculum

The following 22 units shall be required for graduation with a
High School Diploma.

Courses	Number of Credits
English Language Arts	4
Mathematics	4*
Science	3**
Social Studies	3***
Lifetime Wellness	1
Physical Education	.5
Personal Finance	.5
Foreign Language	2****
Fine Arts	1
Elective Focus	3
Total	22

*Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II plus one additional math course the senior
year. All students must be enrolled in at least one math class per year.
**Two of the credits must be Biology I and Chemistry or Physics. One
additional lab science is required.
***U.S. History and Geography, World History and Geography and U.S. Government
and Civics/Economics are required.
****Both credits must be in the same language.

Additional Components of the High School Transition Policy

End of Course Testing
End of course examinations will be given in several subject areas. The
weight of the examinations on the student's second semester average
will be determined by the state and/or county.

ACT Testing
Students will take the ACT Test in the 11th grade. All students must
take the official ACT test in order to meet graduation requirements.

United States Civics Test
All students must take and pass a United States Civics test in order
to meet graduation requirements.

Graduating with Distinction
Students may graduate with distinction if they attain a B average or
above and complete at least one of the following:
-- earn nationally recognized industry certification
-- attend a Governor's Schools
-- participate in All State
-- selected as a National Merit Finalist or Semi-Finalist
-- score a 31 or higher composite ACT score
-- earn 12 or more hours of college credit

Graduating with Honors
Students who score at or above the benchmarks on the ACT Test or the
equivalent on the SAT test will graduate with honors. The ACT
benchmark scores are as follows: English Score 18, Math Score 22,
Reading Score 22, and Science Score 23.