

## Standard Diploma

Students entering the 9th grade in school years 2003-2004 and beyond must earn **22** standard units of credit and **six** verified credits:

### Standard Units of Credit:

English - 4 standard units of credit required  
Mathematics - 3 standard units of credit required  
Laboratory Science - 3 standard units of credit required  
History and Social Sciences - 3 standard units of credit required  
Health and Physical Education - 2 standard units of credit required  
Fine Arts or Career and Technical Education - 1 standard unit of credit required  
Electives - 6 standard units of credit required; must include two sequential electives

### Required Units of Verified Credit:

2 Verified Credits in English  
1 Verified Credit in Mathematics

### Verified credit areas that can be substituted:

1 Verified Credit in Science\*\*  
1 Verified Credit in History and Social Studies\*\*  
1 Student-Selected Test\*

**\*To meet the student-selected test requirement, a student may use an additional mathematics, science or history and social studies test; or a student may take a computer science, technology, *career and technical education* or other area prescribed by the Board of Education and pass an industry certification examination or occupational competency credential.**

**\*\*A student who completes a career and technical education sequence (a “completer”) and passes an industry certification examination or occupational competency credential may earn 2 verified credits – one can be used for the student-selected verified credit test, and one for either the science or the history and social studies verified credit requirement.**