KANSAS STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

FACT SHEET

Kansas Graduation Requirements – Class of 2028 and beyond

To earn a Kansas high school diploma beginning with the Class of 2028, students must complete a minimum of 21 credits of required coursework and demonstrate postsecondary readiness by earning at least two separate Kansas State Board of Education approved postsecondary assets during high school. Diplomas are awarded by local school districts that meet the requirements established through the Kansas State Department of Education accreditation system.

Credits Required - Minimum 21

- 4 credits of English language arts, includes reading, writing, literature, and grammar *with at least one-half unit of communications*.
- 3 credits of history and government, includes world history; United States history; United States government, including the Constitution of the United States; concepts of economics and geography.
- 3 credits of science, including physical, biological, and earth and space science concepts and at least one credit as a laboratory course.
- 3 credits of mathematics, including algebraic and geometric concepts.
- 0.5 credits of physical education.
- 0.5 credit of health includes safety, first aid or physiology.
- 1 credit of fine arts, including art, music, dance, theatre, forensics, and other similar studies selected by a local board of education.
- 0.5 credits of financial literacy.
- 1 credit of advanced science, technology, engineering, or math (STEM).
- 4.5 credits of elective courses.

Postsecondary Assets – Minimum 2

- 4-H Kansas Key Award
- 9+ College hours
- 95% attendance in high school
- ACT Composite (Score of 21 or higher)
- Advanced Placement Exam (3+)
- ASVAB per requirements of military branch selected
- Client-centered Projects
- Completing Board of Regents Curriculum
- Community Service hours (40 or more)
- CTE Scholar
- Eagle Scout or Gold Award Girl Scouts
- Industry-Recognized Certifications
- International Baccalaureate Exam (4+)
- JAG-K - Jobs for America's Graduates*Kansas
- Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps (JROTC)
- SAT score (1200 or higher)
- Seal of Biliteracy
- Senior Exit Interview/Senior Projects
- State Assessment score of level 3 or 4 in Math
- State Assessment score of level 3 or 4 in ELA
- State Assessment score of level 3 or 4 in Science
- State Officers in any state level high school organization
- Two or more high school athletics/activities
- WorkKeys Level (Silver or higher)
- Workplace learning experience directly related to a student IPS
- Youth Apprenticeships

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The completion of the FAFSA is not a graduation requirement.

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