

Credit Requirements

	Regents Diploma	Advanced Regents Diploma
	MINIMUM NUMBER OF CREDITS	
English	8	8
Social Studies <i>Distributed as follows:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Global History (4) U.S. History (2) Participation in Government (1) Economics (1) 	8	8
Science (including lab) <i>Distributed as follows:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Science (2) Physical Science (2) Life Science or Physical Science (2) 	6	6
Mathematics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Including at least 2 credits of advanced math (e.g., Geometry or Algebra II). 	6	6
Language Other Than English (LOTE)	2	6 ¹
Visual Art, Music, Dance, and /or Theater	2	2
Physical Education (Every Year)	4	4
Health	1	1
Electives	7	3
Total	44	44

Look Ahead
 In addition to earning a high school diploma, students can prepare for college and careers by successfully completing:

Subject-Specific Sequences

Science: Eight (8) Regents-level credits, including a sequence that consists of at least three of the following: Living Environment, Chemistry, Physics, or AP Science

Mathematics: Eight (8) Regents-level credits, including a sequence that consists of at least the following: Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II

Advanced Courses

- Advanced Placement (AP) courses
- Courses for college credit such as College Now or CUNY Early College
- International Baccalaureate (IB) courses
- NYCDOE-certified College Preparatory Courses²

¹ Students completing Arts or CTE endorsements to the Advanced Regents diploma are required to complete only 2 credits of LOTE and are not required to take the LOTE exam. See reverse for more information about these endorsements.

² To learn more about NYCDOE-certified College Preparatory Courses, visit <http://schools.nyc.gov/Accountability/tools/report/default.htm>.

Examination Requirements

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REGENTS EXAM	MINIMUM SCORES		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earn a score of 3+ on any Advanced Placement (AP) Exam Pass a course that earns college credit with a "C" or higher Earn an Advanced Regents diploma Earn a CTE diploma endorsement and/or pass an industry recognized technical assessment for licensure and/or certification Earn an Arts diploma endorsement Earn a score of 4+ on any International Baccalaureate (IB) Exam
Common Core English Language Arts (ELA) [†]	Passing score [^]	Passing score [^]	
Common Core Math [†]	Passing score [^] on <u>one</u> math exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I, Geometry, OR Algebra II 	Passing score [^] on <u>all three</u> math exams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Algebra I, Geometry, AND Algebra II 	
Global History and Geography	65 +	65 +	
U.S. History and Government	65 +	65 +	
Science	65+ on <u>one</u> science exam: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living Environment, Earth Science, Chemistry, OR Physics 	65+ on <u>two</u> science exams: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Living Environment, AND Earth Science, Chemistry, OR Physics 	
NYC Language Other Than English (LOTE) Exam	Not required	65 +	

Common Core Regents Exams

[†] Starting in 2013-14, New York State is aligning the ELA and math Regents exams to Common Core standards.

- Students who enter grade 9 in 2013-14 or thereafter must pass the Common Core aligned ELA Regents exam.
- Students who begin studying high school math (typically Algebra) in 2013-14 or thereafter must pass the Common Core aligned math Regents exam(s).

Through January 2015 only, students may take both the Common Core and non-Common Core math Regents exams; the higher score may be used to fulfill graduation requirements.

For more information about Common Core standards, see <http://schools.nyc.gov/Academics/CommonCoreLibrary/ForFamilies/default.htm>.

[^] Passing scores and college readiness indicators for these Regents exams will be determined after June 2014. See <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/assessment/hsgen/>.

Diploma Endorsements: Students may earn diploma designations recognizing the successful completion of additional courses and exams.

- Arts endorsement:** Students must complete 10 credits in one art form (visual arts, music, dance, or theater) and pass the corresponding arts assessment. Students earning an arts endorsement to the Advanced Regents diploma are required to earn 2 LOTE credits and are not required to pass the LOTE exam.
- CTE endorsement:** Students in approved CTE programs must meet alternative credit and assessment requirements. The number of total credits varies by sequence and may exceed 44. Students earning a CTE endorsement to the Advanced Regents diploma are required to earn 2 LOTE credits and are not required to pass the LOTE exam.
- Honors designation:** Students must earn an average of 90 or higher on the required Regents exams for their diploma type. As the Common Core Regents exams are introduced, the New York State Education Department may determine new score requirements for this endorsement.
- Mastery in Math (Advanced Regents diploma only):** Students must score 85 or higher on each of the three math Regents exams. The New York State Education Department may determine new score requirements for this endorsement for the Common Core Regents exams.
- Mastery in Science (Advanced Regents diploma only):** Students must score 85 or higher on each of three science Regents exams.

NOTE: Students with disabilities have additional options for fulfilling exam requirements. See <http://www.p12.nysed.gov/specialed/>.