## STANDARD DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

#### (for students who enter 9<sup>th</sup> grade prior to 2018-19)

22 Standard Credits, 6 Verified Credits

## English: 4 credits / 2 verified credits

Courses shall include English 9, 10, 11 and 12 or an advanced equivalent.

#### Math: 3 credits / 2 verified credits

Courses shall include at least two different course selections from among Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra Functions and Data Analysis, Algebra II, or other mathematics courses above the level of Algebra II.

#### Science: 3 credits / 1 verified credit

Courses shall include at least two different course selections from among Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics or completion of the sequence of science courses required for the IB Diploma.

#### Social Studies: 3 credits / 1 verified credit

Courses shall include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government and one of the following: World History to 1500; World History from 1500.

## Health and Physical Education: 2 credits / 1 verified credit

CPR/First Aid/AED Training. Courses shall include Health PE I and II. Students will meet the CPR/First Air/AED Training requirement while enrolled in an HPE I and II course in Prince William County Public Schools. Students who enter the 9<sup>th</sup> grade prior to the 2016-17 school year do not need to meet this requirement.

## Economics/Personal Finance: 1 credit

(Virtual course component included with this class) Students will meet the Virtual Course graduation requirement after taking and passing this course in a Prince William County School.

#### Electives: 4 credits

Courses shall include two electives which are sequential and one elective which qualifies as a World Language or Fine Arts, or Career Technical Education course. The World Language or Fine Arts, or Career Technical Education course credit may be used to partially satisfy the sequential elective requirement.

#### **Other Requirements**

CTE Credentialing Exams: Students must take and pass a career and technical education credentialing exam that has been approved by the Virginia Board of Education. 1 Student Selected Verified Credit: This verified credit may be earned by passing an SOL test and the corresponding course in any subject area. A student may also utilize additional tests for earning verified credit in computer science, technology, career and technical education, economics, or other areas a prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education.

# Standard Diploma

22 Standard Credits, 6 Verified Credits: Students who enter 9th grade PRIOR TO 2018-19

Course	Credits	Verified Credits	
English	4	2	Courses shall include English 9, 10, 11 and 12 or an advanced equivalent.
Math	3	1	Courses shall include at least two different course selections from among Algebra I; Geometry; Algebra Functions and Data Analysis; Algebra II, or other mathematics courses above the level of Algebra II.
Science	3	1	Courses shall include at least two different course selections from among Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics or completion of the sequence of science courses required for the IB Diploma.
Social Studies	3	1	Courses shall include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government and one of the following: World History to 1500; World History from 1500.
Health and Physical Education	2	1	CPR/First Aid/AED Training Courses shall include Health PE I and II. *Students will meet the CPR/First Aid/AED Training requirement while enrolled in an HPE I and II course in Prince William County Public Schools.
Economics/ Personal Finance (Virtual course component included)	1		Students will meet the Virtual Course graduation requirement after taking and passing this course in a Prince William County School.
Electives	4		Courses shall include two electives which are sequential and one elective which qualifies as a World Language or Fine Arts, or Career Technical Education course. The World Language or Fine Arts, or Career Technical Education course credit may be used to partially satisfy the sequential elective requirement.
Other Requirements			<ul> <li>CTE Credentialing Exam: Students must take and pass a career and technical education credentialing exam that has been approved by the Virginia Board of Education.</li> <li>1 Student Selected Verified Credit: This verified credit may be earned by passing an SOL test and the corresponding course in any subject area. A student may also utilize additional tests for earning verified credit in computer science, technology, career and technical education, economics, or other areas as prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education.</li> </ul>

\*Students who entered the 9<sup>th</sup> grade prior to the 2016-2017 school year do not need to meet this requirement.

## ADVANCED STUDIES DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS

(for Students who enter 9<sup>th</sup> grade prior to 2018-19) 26 Standard Credits. 9 Verified Credits

#### English: 4 credits / 2 verified credits

Courses shall include English 9, 10, 11 and 12 or an advanced equivalent.

#### Math: 4 credits / 2 verified credits

Courses shall include at least three different course selections from among Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II; or other mathematics courses above the level of Algebra II.

## Science: 4 credits / 2 verified credits

Courses shall include at least three different course selections from among Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics or completion of the sequence of science courses required for the IB Diploma.

#### Social Studies: 4 credits / 2 verified credit

Courses shall include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government and both World History to 1500 and World History from 1500; World Geography may be accepted as one of the required World History courses for transfer students.

#### World Language: 3 or 4 credits

Courses shall include three years of one language or two years each of two languages.

#### Health and Physical Education: 2 credits

CPR/First Aid/AED Training. Courses shall include Health PE I and II. Students will meet the CPR/First Air/AED Training requirement while enrolled in an HPE I and II course in Prince William County Public Schools. Students who enter the 9<sup>th</sup> grade prior to the 2016-17 school year do not need to meet this requirement.

#### Economics/Personal Finance: 1 credit

(Virtual course component included with this class) Students will meet the Virtual Course graduation requirement after taking and passing this course in a Prince William County School.

#### Electives: 3 or 4 credits

One elective must be a Fine Arts or Career and Technical Education course.

#### Other Requirements: 1 Student Selected Verified Credit

This verified credit may be earned by passing an SOL test and the corresponding course in any subject area. A student may also utilize additional tests for earning verified credit in computer science, technology, career and technical education, economics, or other areas a prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education.

# Advanced Studies Diploma

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26 Standard Credits, 9 Verified Credits: Students who enter 9th grade PRIOR TO 2018-19

Course	Credits	Verified Credits	
English	4	2	Courses shall include English 9, 10, 11 and 12 or an advanced equivalent.
Math	4	2	Courses shall include at least three different course selections from among Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, or other mathematics courses above the level of Algebra II.
Science	4	2	Courses shall include at least three different course selections from among Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics or completion of the sequence of science courses required for the IB Diploma.
Social Studies	4	2	Courses shall include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government and both World History to 1500 and World History from 1500; World Geography may be accepted as one of the required World History courses for transfer students.
World Language	3 or 4		Courses shall include three years of one language or two years each of two languages.
Health and Physical Education	2		CPR/First Aid/AED Training* Courses shall include Health PE I and II. *Students will meet the CPR/First Aid/AED Training requirement while enrolled in an HPE I and II course in Prince William County Public Schools.
Economics/ Personal Finance (Virtual course component Included)	1		Students will meet the Virtual Course graduation requirement after taking and passing this course in a Prince William County School.
Electives	3 or 4		One elective must be a Fine Arts or Career and Technical Education course.
Other Requirements			1 Student Selected Verified Credit: This verified credit may be earned by passing an SOL test and the corresponding course in any subject area. A student may also utilize additional tests for earning verified credit in computer science, technology, career and technical education, economics, or other areas as prescribed by the Virginia Board of Education.

\*Students who entered the 9th grade prior to the 2016-2017 school year do not need to meet this requirement.