

NEW Graduation Requirements (ACT 158)
Beginning with the Class of 2023

The PA Department of Education has now created guidelines and requirements for students in PA to follow in order to graduate successfully. Please see and view the different options/pathways that are available:

Option 1: Pass ALL of the Keystone exams (English 10, Algebra 1 and Biology)
**Need a minimum score of 1500 or higher in each subject*

Option 2: Pass at least ONE exam with Proficient or Advanced, and not receive any score of **Below Basic**. The total of these exam scores must add up to 4452 or higher.

Option 3: (If you did not meet the requirements in options 1 or 2):

Must pass all of the Keystone courses (Algebra 1, Biology, Keystone English 10)
AND

Meet one of the following requirements:

Receive a score of 31 or higher on the ASVABS

Receive a score of 970 or higher on the PSATs

Receive a score of 1010 or higher on the SATs.

Successfully complete and pass a dual enrollment course in the following
(Chemistry, Advanced Biology, English 11 or 12)

Acceptance letter into a 4 year institution (college or university)

Option 4: (CTC OPTION)

**If you did not meet the requirements in options 1 or 2, and are attending
the Career and Technology Center*

Must pass all of the Keystone courses (Algebra 1, Biology, Keystone English 10)
AND

Earn a competency certification, or pass the NOCTI, or show the
likelihood/readiness of passing the NOCTI

Option 5:

Must pass all Keystone Courses (Algebra 1, Biology and Keystone English 10)
AND

Must meet 3 of the following requirements:

Receive a 630 or better on any SAT Subject test

Successfully complete ANY dual enrollment course

Acceptance into any higher education institution (2 year, technical, etc)

Receiving a score of proficient or higher in at least ONE Keystone exam

Letter confirming full time employment or military enlistment
Completion of an internship or externship program.

Students must graduate using one of these 5 options. If none of these options are met, students will not successfully graduate.

**** Please know that these requirements are in addition to our local graduation requirements. Local graduation requirements may be located in the student handbook.