

Mississippi High School Graduation Pathways

| Career Pathway Option* 21 Credits*** | | Traditional Pathway Option* 24 Credits Minimum | | District Option** 21 Credits Minimum | | MS Early Exit Exam Option**** (Applies only to students in a State Board of Education (SBE) approved Innovative Program) 17.5 Credits Minimum | |
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| Graduation Requirements | Required Courses | Graduation Requirements | Required Courses | Graduation Requirements | Required Course | Graduation Requirements | Required Courses |
| 4 Credits of English 3 Credits of Math 3 Credits of Science 3 Credits of Social Studies 0.5 Credit of Health/ Physical Education 1 Credit of Integrated Technology 4 Credits of Career and Technical Education Electives 2.5 Credits of Electives | English I, English II Algebra I Biology I 1 U.S. History 0.5 U.S Government 0.5 Mississippi Studies 0.5 Comprehensive Health 0.5 OR Physical Education Technology Foundations, ICT, 9th STEM, or Computer Applications and Keyboarding From Student's Program of Study | 4 Credits of English 4 Credits of Math 4 Credits of Science 4 Credits of Social Studies 0.5 Credit of Health 0.5 Physical Education 1 Credit of Business & Technology 1 Credit of Art 5 Credits of Electives | English I, English II Algebra I Biology I 1 U.S. History 1 World History 0.5 Geography 0.5 Economics 0.5 U.S Government 0.5 Mississippi Studies 0.5 Comprehensive Health Technology Foundations, ICT, 9th STEM, or Computer Applications and Keyboarding | 4 Credits of English 4 Credits of Math 3 Credits of Science 3 Credits of Social Studies 0.5 Credit of Health 1 Credit of Business & Technology 1 Credit of Art 4.5 Credits of Electives | English I, English II Algebra I Biology I 1 U.S. History 1 World History 0.5 U.S Government 0.5 Mississippi Studies 0.5 Comprehensive Health Technology Foundations, ICT, 9th STEM, or Computer Applications and Keyboarding | 2 Credits of English 3 Credits of Math 2 Credits of Science 2.5 Credits of Social Studies 1 Credit of Health & Physical Education 1 Credit of Business & Technology 1 Credit of Fine Art 5 Credits of Electives | English I, English II Algebra I Biology I 1 U.S. History 1 World History 0.5 U.S Government 0.5 Mississippi Studies OR approved SBE equivalent courses 0.5 Comprehensive Health 0.5 Physical Education Technology Foundations, ICT, 9th STEM, or Computer Applications and Keyboarding Electives should align with postsecondary admission standards. |

Individual Career and Academic Plan (iCAP)

Each student in Mississippi schools must have an iCAP that is personalized to meet his or her educational and career goals. Students who choose the Career Pathway Option must complete 4 career and technical education units and 2.5 elective units specified in the students iCAP.

Subject Area Tests

The Subject Area Testing Program (SATP) consists of four academic, end-of-course tests (Algebra I, Biology I, English II, and U.S. History from 1877). A passing score in each of the four subject-area tests is required.

* Career and Traditional Pathway Options are State Board required.

** District Pathway is a local decision.

*** The Career Pathway Option is available for all students beginning in 2011-2012

**** The Mississippi Early Exit Diploma indicates that students are ready to do college level work without remediation and opens up a variety of educational and career pathways within and beyond high school. In order to qualify for a Mississippi Early Exit Diploma, in addition to earning the Carnegie Units listed, students must meet college and career qualification scores in *all* core content areas on a series of End of Course (EOC) exams and/or the required benchmarks for college readiness on the ACT or Institution of Higher Learning (IHL) approved college entrance exam.