

DIPLOMA OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS OF MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM

Regular Diploma Requirements for 16-17 Freshmen & Thereafter

<u>ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA</u>	
(Approved by the Alabama State board of Education on 01-10-2013)	
This diploma n Mobile County Public School System has one endorsement option. The endorsement has specific requirements that must be met.	
English	4
<u>Four credits to include:</u>	
English 9	1
English 10	1
English 11	1
English 12	1
Mathematics	4
<u>Four credits to include:</u>	
Algebra I	1
Geometry	1
Algebra II or Algebra II with Trigonometry	1
Math Elective	1
Science	4
<u>Four credits to include:</u>	
Biology	1
A physical science (Physical Science, Chemistry, or Physics)	1
Alabama Course of Science or equivalent/substitute from Career Technical Education/advanced placement/international baccalaureate/post-secondary/SDE approved science.	2
Social Studies	4
<u>Four credits to include:</u>	
Modern world History & Geography 1500 to Present	1
U.S. History & Geography Beginning to Industrial Revolution	1
U.S. History & Geography Industrial Revolution to Present	1
Government	½
Economics	½
L.I.F.E (Personal Fitness)	1
(Two JROTC credits (1a and 1b) may be used to meet this requirement)	
Health Education	½
Career Preparedness	1
(Career and Academic Planning, Computer Applications, and Financial Literacy)	
CTE, and/or Foreign Language, and/or Arts Education	3
3 credits taken from these areas in any combination. However, students are encourage to complete two courses in sequence.	
Electives	6½
Total Credits	28

Honors Diploma Requirements for 18-19 Freshmen & Thereafter

<u>ONLY ENDORSEMENT OPTION</u>	
<u>ALABAMA HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA WITH ADVANCED HONORS ENDORSEMENT**</u>	
<u>Advanced Honors Endorsement</u>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student must pass core requirements at HR, AP, or DE, or IB. • Student must pass a minimum of 4 years English instruction at HR, AP, DE, or IB level. • Student must pass Algebra I. • Student must pass Geometry. This does not include the geometry linked to the geometry prerequisite course. • Student must pass HR Algebra II with Trigonometry and one other HR, AP, or DE Level Mathematics credit. • Student must pass HR Biology, CP Chemistry 1, CP or AP Physics, and one other Science elective totaling 4 science credits earned in grade 9 - 12. 4th elective does not have to be honors, but student cannot go backwards. • Student must pass a minimum of 4 years Social Studies instruction at HR, AP, DE, or IB level. • Student must pass 2 credits in same World Language. • Student must earn minimum of 30 Total Credits. • Student must maintain 3.5 GPA (cumulative grade point average), have acceptable attendance, and acceptable conduct record. 	
<p>** Exceptions to the Freshman year requirement MAY be made in certain circumstances: Transfer Students; Scheduling Errors; Teacher Recommendation; Students coming from middle schools without advanced/honors track.</p>	
Note:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Beginning in the 2013-2014 school year, all MCPSS seniors will be required to complete a career portfolio to meet graduation requirements. 2) Middle school students earning high school credit for Algebra I HR and/or Biology I HR will receive the credit. However, they must earn minimum of four (4) math credits and science credits respectively, in grades 9-12 in the high school program. Students must earn at least one math credit each school year in high school. 	

**GRADUATION REQUIREMENT FOR BEGINNING FRESHMAN 2016-2017 AND THEREAFTER
PATHWAY OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS OF MOBILE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM**

Multiple Pathways to High School Diploma

- Honors Advanced Placement (AP), Dual Enrollment (DE) International Baccalaureate (IB)
- Regular
- Essentials/Life Skills Pathway (Special Education)
 - 4 units of English – English Essentials 9, 10, 11, 12
 - 4 units of Mathematics – Algebraic Essentials to include Algebraic Essentials, Geometry Essentials, Essentials Algebra II or an equivalent
 - 4 units of Science – Essentials Science to include Essentials Biology, Essentials Physical Science, 2 (two) Science electives
 - 4 units off Social Studies – Essentials World History, Essentials US History to 1877, Essentials US History 1877 to Present, American Government for Living, and Economics for Living
 - 1 unit of LIFE (Personal Fitness)
 - ½ unit of Health Education
 - 1 unit of Career Preparedness (Career and Academic Planning, Computer Applications and Financial Literacy)
 - 3 units of CTE
 - 6 ½ units of Electives – required elective course Cooperative Education Seminar/Work-Based Experience

Note: if any student takes a minimum of 4 credits in this Pathway, he/she must take Cooperative Education Seminar/Work-Base Experience. Pursuing this Pathway will affect student’s post – secondary options.

- Alternative Achievement Standards Pathway (special education)
 - 4 units of English – AAS English 9,10,11,12
 - 4 units of Mathematics – AAS Mathematics 9,10,11,12
 - 4 units of Science – AAS Science 9,10,11,12
 - 4 units of Social Studies – AAS Social Studies 9,10,11,12
 - 1 unit of LIFE (Personal Fitness) or Adapted Physical Education
 - 1 unit of AAS Pre-Vocational, AAS Vocational, AAS Community-Based Instruction, and/or AAS Elective
 - 3 units of AAS Life Skills(9,10,11)
 - 1 unit of AAS Life Skills (12)
 - 2 units of AAS Pre-Vocational, AAS Vocational, AAS Community-Based Instruction, and/or AAS Elective.

Note: Pursuing this Pathway will affect student’s post-secondary options.