



<i>The Classical Academy</i>	<i>Policies and Procedures</i>
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To receive a high school diploma from The Classical Academy (TCA) College Pathways, students must meet or exceed TCA’s academic standards and measures required by this policy or complete the requirements and goals listed on a student’s Individualized Education Program (IEP), which may include modified academic standards.

- 1. Coursework Requirements:** All students who graduate from TCA should have a firm foundation in the core areas of English, world languages, mathematics, science, and social science, as well as a comprehensive background in arts, physical education, and other electives. To be prepared for post-graduate careers or higher education, students should select courses which are related to their post-secondary plan and are academically demanding.

The coursework outlined in this policy is the minimum required for earning a diploma; students should strive to challenge themselves by exceeding the requirements whenever possible in accordance with their post-graduation goals. School staff will begin to work with students on college and career planning upon entry in the College Pathways Program. In Grade 9, students will develop an individual career and academic plans (ICAP) in collaboration with parents/guardians. It will be reviewed and updated annually in grades 10-12.

Coursework requirements for graduation are based on the number of units of credit earned in grades 9 through 12. A unit of credit is typically the credit received for a one semester course. A minimum of 50 units of credit shall be required for graduation from high school. The principal has the authority to waive graduation requirements. Appeals should be processed per Policy KE-TCA Conflict Resolution Policy. A unit of credit is defined as the amount of credit given for the successful completion of a unit of work as defined in the College Pathways course catalog. College Pathways awards one credit per semester for grades of D- and above.

	College Pathways Diploma	Transcript
<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>Semester Units</b>	Students wishing to receive only a transcript from College Pathways are responsible for ensuring they meet state graduation requirements.
English	8	
Science*****	6	
Health	1	
Mathematics****	6	
Social Science***	6	
World Language	2	
Core / Academic Electives*	6	
<b>Core Total</b>	<b>35</b>	
<b>INTEGRATED SUBJECTS</b>		
Physical Education	3	
Arts**	1	
Unrestricted Electives	11	
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>	

\* Core Electives/Academic electives include courses in English, mathematics, science, social science, and world language.

\*\* Arts requirements include visual and performing arts.

\*\*\* Social Science requirements include two required credits of U.S. History and one credit of Civics.

\*\*\*\* Math must include Algebra 1 and Geometry either in middle school or in high school. All students must earn 6 math credits during grades 9-12.

\*\*\*\*\* Four of the six science credits must be from laboratory science classes.

## 2. Demonstration of Proficiency in English Language Arts and Math:

For students graduating in the 2020-2021 school year, and for each graduating grade class thereafter, in order to be eligible for graduation, students must demonstrate proficiency in both math and English language arts (ELA). In addition to the coursework requirements outlined in Section I and accordance with requirements published by the Colorado Department of Education (CDE) [\[click here\]](#), students will demonstrate proficiency in both math and ELA as indicated in ASD20 Procedure IKF-R [\[click here\]](#).

This policy replaces ASD20 Policy IKF.

**Cross References:**

ASD20 Policy IKF-R Demonstration of Proficiency in English Language Arts and Math  
KE-TCA Conflict Resolution Policy

**Policy Revision History**

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