



DIPLOMA PATHWAYS SEALS OF DISTINCTION OVERVIEW

Students shall meet all requirements for earning a South Carolina high school diploma to be eligible to earn any Seal of Distinction.

One or more Seals may be earned, but are not required for graduation.

Consult District or School Curriculum Guides for more information regarding curriculum choices and requirements.

Honors Seal of Distinction	College-Ready Seal of Distinction	Career Seal of Distinction	Specialization Seal of Distinction
UGP GPA 3.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher or ACT 20 or higher or SAT 1020 or higher Tests may be superscored	UGP GPA 2.5 or higher	UGP GPA 3.0 or higher
English - 4 credits 2 at honors or higher level Math - Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th higher level math requiring Algebra 2 as a prerequisite 3 at honors or higher level Lab Science - 3 credits 2 at honors or higher level Social Studies - 3 credits 2 at the honors or higher level World Languages - 2 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2018–2019 3 credits of the same language for students entering 9th grade in 2019–2020 and beyond Advanced Coursework - 4 additional credits of honors or higher completed during the Junior/Senior years (the last 2 years prior to graduation)	English - 4 credits Math - Algebra 1 (or the equivalent of Algebra 1), Algebra 2, Geometry, and a 4th Higher Level Math Lab Science - 3 credits Social Studies - 3 credits World Language - 2 credits In the same language Fine Arts - 1 credit	English - 4 credits Math - 4 credits Science - 3 credits Social Studies - 3 credits <u>and one of the following:</u> Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) major OR Career and Technical Education (CTE) Completer <u>and one of the following:</u> One industry recognized credential OR Silver or higher on WIN OR Completion of Career Ready Work-Based Learning (WBL) placement	(complete one area to qualify) STEM - 4 credits beyond required courses in math, science, technology, and engineering; at least 2 at honors level or higher; may be in 1 area of STEM or across 4 areas World Language - 4 credits in the same language OR minimum ACTFL Exam score of “Intermediate Low” (or an equated score on STAMP or ASL assessment) OR AP exam score of 3 or higher OR IB exam score of 4 or higher before the senior year; <u>English Learners</u> – all criteria above and Level 5 composite ACCESS test score Military - 4 credits in JROTC and an ASVAB score of 31 or higher Arts - 4 credits in single or multiple areas of the Arts; 2 or more at honors or higher level and *mastery on external exam or performance task. *waived for Class of 2022