

## Options to Demonstrate Career and College Preparedness

To earn a high school diploma from any high school in the Cherry Creek School District, a student must successfully obtain a minimum of 22 credits and demonstrate career and college preparedness in Reading/Writing/Communication and Mathematics. Many options are available to CCSD students to demonstrate career and college preparedness.

Students are encouraged to plan with their families, teachers, and school counselors to determine the best options for meeting graduation requirements and being well-prepared for career and college opportunities. Students should monitor the completion of each component of the graduation requirements throughout their four years of high school.

### 1 Minimum Credits

#### Course Requirements for Graduation in Cherry Creek School District

*Board Policy IKF*

**A minimum of 22 credit units shall be necessary for high school graduation.**

English	4.0 units
Mathematics	3.0 units
Science	3.0 units
Social Studies	3.0 units
PE	1.5 units
Health	.5 units
Fine Art/CTE	1.5 units
Additional Credit	5.5 units

### 3 Essential Skills

#### Essential Skills Necessary for Success in Career and College

The following skills are critical to success in College and Career.

- Innovation
- Critical thinking skills
- Real-world experiences
- Problem-solving
- Curiosity/Inquiry
- Relevancy
- Working in teams
- Communication skills
- Project-based learning
- Flexibility/Adaptability

### 2 Competency Menu Options

In addition to required coursework, all students must demonstrate career or college readiness in Reading/Writing/Communicating (R/W/C) and mathematics through at least one menu option below. For more information, visit CCSD Board Policy Exhibit IKF-E

Option	R/W/C	Mathematics
Accuplacer Next Generation	241 on Reading OR 236 on Sentence Writing	255 on Arithmetic (AR) OR 230 on Quantitative Reasoning, Algebra, and Statistics (QAS)
ACT	18 on ACT English	19 on ACT Math
ACT WorkKeys	Bronze or Higher	Bronze or Higher
Advanced Placement Exam (AP)	2 or Higher	2 or Higher
ASVAB	AFQT 31st percentile	AFQT 31st percentile
Concurrent Enrollment	Passing Grade	Passing Grade
District Capstone	Secondary Literacy Assessment	Common Assessment Portfolio
International Baccalaureate Exams (IB)	4 or Higher	4 or Higher
SAT <i>*Score Updated for 2024-2026 ONLY</i>	470	<b>480*</b>
Industry Certificate	Individualized	Individualized
Collaboratively Developed Performance Based Assessment	State-wide Scoring Criteria	State-wide Scoring Criteria



*Your pathway of purpose starts here.*