

**BETHANY CHRISTIAN HIGH SCHOOL
GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

SUBJECT AREA	Bethany General		Bethany Honors		Core 40		IAHD IN Academic Honors	
	To Do		To Do		To Do		To Do	
Diploma Requirements								
English	8		8		8		8	
Mathematics	4		6		6		8	
			Alg I+II, Geom		Alg I+II, Geom		Alg I+II, Geom, Precalc	
Science	4		6		6		6	
			Bio, Chem, Addt 2		Bio, Chem, Addt 2		Bio, Chem, Addt 2	
Social Studies								
U.S. History	2		2		2		2	
Amer. Government	1		1		1		1	
World History	2		2		2		2	
Economics					1		1	
Health	1		1		1		1	
Physical Education	2		2		2		2	
Fine Arts								
Chorale (9 th)	1		1		1		1	
Art (9-12)	1		1		1		1	
Elective Credit (9-12)	1		1		1		1	
* art								
* music								
* Theatre Arts								
* Creative Writing								
Foreign Language			4		encouraged		6 (one language)	
Bible (1/yr/BCHS)	4		4		4		4	
Additional Electives	11		8		5		2	
TOTAL NEEDED	42		47		42		47	

Notes:

- IAHD and Bethany Honors Diploma both require 3.0 cumulative GPA.
- Core 40 diploma required for graduation: students pursuing General HS diploma must "Opt Out".
(details for Opt Out process available in Guidance Office)
- For any other details or questions, stop in the guidance office.

Effective beginning with students who enter high school in 2007–08

Course and Credit Requirements	
English/ Language Arts	8 credits Credits must include literature, composition, and speech
Mathematics	6 credits 2 credits: Algebra I* 2 credits: Geometry* 2 credits: Algebra II* <i>(*or complete Integrated Math series I, II, and III for 6 credits.)</i> All students are required to take a math or physics course during their junior or senior year.
Science	6 credits 2 credits: Biology I 2 credits: Chemistry I or Physics I or Integrated Chemistry-Physics 2 credits: any Core 40 science course
Social Studies	6 credits 2 credits: U.S. History 1 credit: U.S. Government 1 credit: Economics 2 credits: World History/Civilization or Geography/History of the World
Directed Electives	5 credits World Languages Fine Arts Career/Technical
Physical Education	2 credits
Health and Wellness	1 credit
Electives*	6 credits (Career Academic Sequence Recommended)**
40 Total State Credits Required	

CORE40 with Academic Honors (minimum 47 credits)

For the **Core 40 with Academic Honors** diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits.
- Earn 6-8 Core 40 world language credits.
- Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits.
- Earn a grade of “C” or above in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of “B” or above.
- Complete one of the following:
 - Two Advanced Placement courses and corresponding AP exams
 - Academic, transferable dual high school/college courses resulting in 6 college credits
 - One Advanced Placement course and corresponding AP exam and academic transferable dual high school/college course(s) resulting in 3 college credits
 - Score 1200 or higher combined SAT math and critical reading***
 - Score a 26 composite ACT
 - An International Baccalaureate Diploma.

***SAT requirements will be modified with the addition of the writing section.

CORE40 with Technical Honors (minimum 47 credits)

For the **Core 40 with Technical Honors** diploma, students must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Complete a career-technical program (related sequence of 8-10 career-technical credits)
- Earn a grade of “C” or above in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of “B” or above.
- Complete state recognized certification requirements.*

*Anticipated—State Board action to be complete fall 2006.

* Specifies the number of electives required by the state. High school schedules provide time for many more electives during the high school years.
** All students are strongly encouraged to complete a Career Academic Sequences (selecting electives in a deliberate manner) to take full advantage of career exploration and preparation opportunities.
Schools may have additional local graduation requirements.

INDIANA CORE40 Your Academic Edge

Indiana's Core 40 curriculum helps you make the most of your high school years by providing the academic foundation you will need to succeed in college and the workforce. Here are some of the benefits of Core 40:

- **Challenging Courses = Big Rewards.** Students who take strong academic courses in high school are more likely to enroll in college and earn a degree. That's important, because higher education pays: On average, college graduates earn more than a million dollars more over a lifetime than those with only a high school education. High school graduates earn 42 percent more than high school dropouts. Core 40 pays.
- **More Career Options.** Good jobs require education beyond high school. That means if you want a job that will support you and your future family, provide health benefits and offer a chance for advancement, you'll need to complete a two- or four-year degree, apprenticeship program, military training, or workforce certification. If you are planning to go directly to work after high school graduation, you will still need to be prepared for training and retooling throughout your lifetime. Core 40 gives you more options — and more opportunities — to find a career with a real future.
- **What Employers and Training Programs Want.** Employers, apprenticeship programs and the military all agree — they expect you to arrive with essential skills, including speaking and writing clearly, analyzing information, conducting research, and solving complex problems. The expectations are the same: You need Core 40.
- **Preparation for College Success.** It's not just about getting in — it's about finishing. To succeed in college-level work, students need to complete Core 40 in high school. Anything less may mean taking remedial (high school) coursework in college, which means it will take you longer to finish and will cost you more in college tuition. It also means you'll have a greater chance of dropping out before you get your degree. That's why Core 40 is a college admissions requirement: In fall 2011 you won't be able to

start at a four-year public Indiana college without Core 40 (or a documented equivalent). Most private colleges require students to have at least this level of high school academic preparation. Core 40 is your best preparation for success.

- **Money for College.** The Core 40 diploma can help you earn money for college. Indiana students who complete a Core 40 diploma and meet other financial aid and grade requirements can receive up to 90 percent of approved tuition and fees at eligible colleges. Core 40 with Academic Honors graduates can receive up to 100 percent and some colleges also offer their own scholarships specifically for students who earn this diploma.

Succeeding With Core 40

Core 40 becomes Indiana's required high school curriculum in fall 2007. Students entering high school at that time will be expected to complete Core 40 as a graduation requirement.

By providing all Indiana students a balanced sequence of academically rigorous high school courses in the core subjects of English/language arts, mathematics, science and social studies; physical education/health and wellness; and electives including world languages, career/technical, and fine arts, the Core 40 requirement gives all our students the opportunity to compete with the best. That's great news for Indiana students.

To graduate with less than Core 40, a student must complete a formal opt-out process involving parental consent. See your school counselor for full details.

For more information about Core 40 and your career and course plan, see your counselor and visit Learn More Resource Center at www.learnmoreindiana.org.

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INDIANA ACADEMIC HONORS DIPLOMA
4-year Course Outline
Suggested Plan

Grade 9		
1	English 9	English 9
2	Algebra I or Geometry	Algebra I or Geometry
3	Env. Science Adv.	Env. Science Adv.
4	Old Testament	Health
5	Spanish I	Spanish I
6	Physical Education	Physical Education
7	Chorale/Study Hall	Chorale/Study Hall

Grade 10		
1	English 10	English 10
2	Geometry or Algebra II	Geometry or Algebra II
3	Biology	Biology
4	New Testament	Elective? Art?
5	Spanish II	Spanish II
6	World History	World History
7	Study Hall	Study Hall

Grade 11		
1	English 11	English 11
2	Algebra II or Precalc	Algebra II or Precalc
3	Chemistry	Chemistry
4	US History	US History
5	Spanish III	Spanish III
6	Jubilate or Elective	Church History
7	Study Hall	Study Hall

Grade 12		
1	English 12	English 12
2	Economics	American Government
3	Art Class	Elective
4	Elective	Christian Faith Journey
5	Elective	Elective
6	Jubilate or Elective	Jubilate or Elective
7	Study Hall	Study Hall