

Standard Diploma Requirements for Students Entering the 9th Grade BEFORE 18-19

<i>Subject Area</i>	<i>Units of Credit</i>	<i>Verified Credit</i>	<i>Specifications</i>
English	4	2	N/A
Mathematics	3	1	Courses completed to satisfy this requirement shall include at least two different course selections from among: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra Functions and Data Analysis, Algebra II, or other mathematics courses above the level of Algebra II.
Laboratory Science	3	1	Courses completed to satisfy this requirement shall include course selections from at least two different science disciplines: Earth Science, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics.
History and Social Sciences	3	1	Courses completed to satisfy this requirement shall include U.S. and Virginia History, U.S. and Virginia Government, and one course in either World History or Geography or both.
Health and Physical Education	2	0	N/A
World Language, Fine Arts, or Career and Technical Education	2	0	Credits earned for this requirement shall include one credit in fine or performing arts or career and technical education. World Language may not be used for both credits.
Economics and Personal Finance	1	0	N/A
Electives	4	0	Courses to satisfy this requirement shall include at least two sequential electives as required by the Standards of Quality.
Student Selected Test	0	1	A student may utilize additional tests for earning verified credit in computer science, technology, career and technical education, economics or other areas as prescribed by the board in 8VAC20-131-110.
Total	22	6	

Additional Requirements for Graduation:

- **Students shall earn a career and technical education credential**
- **Virtual Learning** - Students shall successfully complete one virtual course, which may be a noncredit-bearing course, or may be a course required to earn this diploma that is offered online.
- **For students entering the ninth-grade class for the first time in 2016-2017 and beyond:** Students shall be trained in emergency first aid, cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and the use of automated external defibrillators, including hands-on practice of the skills necessary to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation.