

New York State Diploma/Credential Requirements  
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The following chart outlines the diploma and credential requirements currently in effect. The chart provides an overview of the requirements and identifies the student populations that have access to each type of diploma and non-diploma high school exiting credential. Websites are provided to offer more detailed information regarding the requirements for each diploma or credential.

For the full text of the New York State High School Diploma Requirements, reference the Commissioner’s Regulations 8 CRR-NY 100.5, [Diploma Requirements](#) as well as the NYSED’s [General Education and Diploma Requirements](#) webpage. Reference the [Understanding NYS Diploma Requirements ~ Family Resources](#) webpage to access three flyers and a tracking tool translated into eleven difslReq Tc 0 Tw 1anse(R)2.6. More information may be referenced on the [Individual Arts Assessment](#) webpage.

Additional questions pertaining to diploma or credential requirements may be directed to the Office of Curriculum and Instruction at [emscgradreg@nysed.gov](mailto:emscgradreg@nysed.gov) or (518) 474-5922.

New York State High School Diplomas

Diploma Type	Available to	Requirements
Regents Diploma	All student populations	<p>Credit: 22 units of credit distributed as follows: 4 ELA, 4 social studies, 3 science, 3 mathematics, ½ health, 1 arts, 1 world languages<sup>i</sup>, 2 physical education, and 3 ½ electives</p> <p>Assessment:</p> <p>4 required Regents Exams<sup>ii</sup> (one in each discipline: English, mathematics, science, social studies);                      successful completion of 1 Pathway<sup>iii</sup>; and                      each Regents Exam with a score of 65 or better<sup>iv</sup></p> <p>Reference: <a href="#">Diploma Types</a></p>









Diploma Type	Available to	Requirements
Local Diploma (through Superintendent Determination)	Students with disabilities with an IEP  Does NOT INCLUDE students with a Section 504 Accommodation Plan	<p>Credit: 22 units of credit distributed as follows: 4 ELA, 4 social studies, 3 science, 3 mathematics, ½ health, 1 arts, 1 world languages, 2 physical education, and 3 ½ electives</p> <p>Assessment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A superintendent’s determination made upon a parent’s written request, based on review of documentation, as to graduation-level proficiency in the subject area in which the student was not able to demonstrate proficiency of the State’s learning standards through the assessment required for graduation.</li> </ul> <p>To be eligible for the superintendent determination:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The student must have a current individualized education program (IEP) and be receiving special education programs and/or related services.</li> </ol>

Diploma Type	Available to	Requirements
Local Diploma (through Special Determination)	All student populations (only applies to June 2022 graduates)	Credit: 22 units of credit distributed as follows: 4 ELA, 4 social studies, 3 science, 3 mathematics, ½ health, 1 arts, 1 world languages, 2 physical education, and 3 ½ electives  Assessment:

## Non-diploma High School Exiting Credentials

Credential Type	Available to	Requirements
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## Endnotes

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- i. Students with a disability may be excused from the world languages credit requirement if so indicated on the IEP but must still earn 22 units of credit to graduate.
- ii. In all cases students may substitute an assessment from the list of Department Approved Alternative Examinations Acceptable for Meeting Requirements for a Local or Regents Diploma.
- iii. In addition to passing the following 4 required Regents Exams or the corresponding [Department approved alternative examination](#), all students must complete 1 of the following pathway options:

earn the New York State [Seal of Civic Readiness](#); or  
pass an additional mathematics Regents Exam in a different course or Department approved alternative; or  
pass an additional science Regents Exam in a different course or Department approved alternative; or  
pass an additional social studies Regents Exam in a different course or Department approved alternative; or  
pass an additional English assessment in a different course selected from the Department approved alternative list; or  
pass a [Department Approved Pathway Assessment in the Arts](#); or  
pass a [Department Approved Pathway Assessment in World Languages](#); or  
successfully complete all the requirements for the [CDOS Commencement Credential](#); or  
successfully complete an [approved CTE program](#), including the associated 3-part technical assessment.

The additional assessment must measure a different course than that which was measured by one of the four required exams above, or an approved pathway assessment in the Arts, CDOS, or world languages. Additional information can be referenced on the NYSED's [Multiple Pathways](#) webpage.

- iv. An assessment exemption may be accepted in lieu of a Regents Examination, pathway assessment, or Department approved alternative exam. Additional information can be referenced in the (ov)-8 (e)414S1 (al)3d lh .00Tc