

High School Graduation Requirements

Course Requirements

Subject Area	Years Required	Credits Required
Language Arts Literacy	4	At least 20 credits in English Language Arts aligned to grade nine through 12 standards.
Mathematics	3	At least 15 credits in mathematics, including Algebra I or the content equivalent; Geometry or the content equivalent; and a third year of mathematics that builds on the concepts and skills of Algebra and Geometry and that prepares students for college and 21st century careers.
Science	3	At least 15 credits in science, including at least five credits in laboratory Biology/Life Science or the content equivalent; one additional laboratory/inquiry-based science course, which shall include Chemistry, Environmental Science, or Physics; and one additional laboratory/inquiry based science course.
Social Studies	3	At least 15 credits in social studies, including satisfaction of N.J.S.A. 18A:35-1 and 2 and five credits in World History; and the integration of Civics, Economics, Geography and Global Content in all course offerings. N.J.S.A. 18A:35-1 and 2: Requires 2 years of US History in high schools including history of New Jersey and of African-Americans.
Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy	½	At least 2.5 credits in financial, economic, business, and entrepreneurial literacy.
Health & Physical Education	4	At least 3 ¾ credits in Health, Safety, and Physical Education during each year of enrollment, distributed as 150 minutes per week, as required by N.J.S.A. 18A:35-5, 7 and 8.
Visual and Performing Arts (Art, Music, Theater)	1	At least five credits in Visual and Performing Arts.
World Languages	1	At least five credits in World Languages or student demonstration of proficiency through successful completion of assessments that verify student achievement in meeting or exceeding the NJSLs at the high school level.
21 st Century Life and Careers, or Career-Technical Education	1	At least five credits in 21st Century Life and Careers or Career-Technical Education.
Technological Literacy	-	Technological Literacy, consistent with the NJSLs, integrated throughout the curriculum.

School districts may establish course and/or credit requirements that exceed the state minimums.
Livingston High School requires 125 credits for graduation.

Competency Assessments

ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2019

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<u>First Pathway</u> <i>Take and Pass a PARCC Test</i>	PARCC ELA Grade 9 \geq 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 10 \geq 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 11 \geq 725 (Level 3)	PARCC Algebra I \geq 750 (Level 4) <i>or</i> PARCC Geometry \geq 725 (Level 3) <i>or</i> PARCC Algebra II \geq 725 (Level 3)
<u>Second Pathway</u> <i>Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments</i>	SAT Critical Reading (taken before 3/1/16) <i>or</i> SAT Evidence-Based Reading and Writing Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) <i>or</i> SAT Reading Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) <i>or</i> ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading* <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken before 10/1/15) <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading (taken 10/1/15 or later) <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Reading* <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite	SAT Math (taken before 3/1/16) <i>or</i> SAT Math Section (taken 3/1/16 or later) <i>or</i> SAT Math Test (taken 3/1/16 or later) <i>or</i> ACT or ACT PLAN* Math <i>or</i> Accuplacer Elementary Algebra <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken before 10/1/15) <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math (taken 10/1/15 or later) <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Math* <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite
<u>Third Pathway</u> <i>Portfolio Appeals</i>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

*Note: * Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year.*

ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2020

<u>Three Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
First Pathway Take and Pass a PARCC Test	PARCC ELA Grade 9 <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 10 <i>or</i> PARCC ELA Grade 11	PARCC Algebra I*** <i>or</i> PARCC Geometry <i>or</i> PARCC Algebra II
Second Pathway Take and Pass one of the Alternative Assessments <i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i>	SAT Reading Test <i>or</i> ACT Reading or ACT PLAN Reading** <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer <i>or</i> Accuplacer WritePlacer ESL <i>or</i> PSAT10 Reading or PSAT/NMSQT Reading <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Reading** <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite	SAT Math Test <i>or</i> ACT or ACT PLAN Math** <i>or</i> Accuplacer Elementary Algebra <i>or</i> PSAT10 Math or PSAT/NMSQT Math <i>or</i> ACT Aspire Math** <i>or</i> ASVAB-AFQT Composite
Third Pathway Portfolio Appeals <i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible and receive valid scores*</i>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

Note: * "Eligible" is defined as a student who is enrolled in a high-school level course for which there is a PARCC test and receives a valid score. This includes all of these courses: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, ELA 9, ELA 10, and ELA 11. ** Test is no longer administered but can be used for the graduating year. *** The [NJDOE is providing flexibility](#) to meet the math assessment requirement for students in the Classes of 2020 and 2021 who completed an Algebra I course prior to the September 6, 2016 effective date of the new high school assessment regulations.

ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for the Class of 2021

<u>Two Pathways Available</u>	<u>English Language Arts (ELA)</u>	<u>Mathematics</u>
<u>First Pathway</u>	Take and Pass PARCC ELA Grade 10	Take and Pass PARCC Algebra I**
<p style="color: red; margin: 0;"><i>This Pathway is only available if a student takes all PARCC tests associated with the high-school level courses for which they were eligible*</i></p>	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for ELA	Meet the criteria of the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal for Math

Note: * "Eligible" is defined as a student who is enrolled in a high-school level course for which there is a PARCC test and receive a valid score. This includes all of these courses: Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, ELA 9, ELA 10, and ELA 11. ** The [NJDOE is providing flexibility](#) to meet the math assessment requirement for students in the Classes of 2020 and 2021 who completed an Algebra I course prior to the September 6, 2016 effective date of the new high school assessment regulations.

ELA and Math Assessment Requirements for Class of 2022

This will be updated as soon as information is provided from the Department of Education.