



COMPONENTS OF THE CULMINATING PROJECT

1. A proposal that includes:
 - The topic and how it relates to the student's personal community service, career, cultural or academic interest
 - The stated goal of the project
 - Major steps to be completed
 - Identification and approval of an advisor
 - A proposed timeline for completion
 - Estimated costs
 - Parent permission

2. Project documentation that will include:
 - A bibliography/annotated bibliography of research completed (if applicable)
 - Artifacts of the project that document the work completed

3. Presentation of the project. Staff and or community members using a common rubric will evaluate the presentation.

4. Reflective paper that is completed at the end of the project. The paper will be evaluated using a common District rubric.

WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF THE CULMINATING PROJECT?

The project must accomplish the following:

- ✓ Networking in the community outside of the school (advisors, agencies, businesses)
- ✓ Exploring an interest that connects to a student's future
- ✓ Applying academic learning to a career, academic, or community interest
- ✓ Extending learning in a way that classroom instruction cannot

"I know of no more encouraging fact than the unquestionable ability of man to elevate his life by conscious endeavor."

Henry David Thoreau

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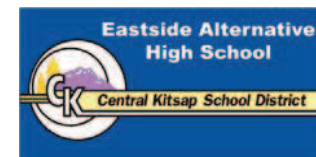
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Graduation Requirements





What are the new graduation requirements?

State and district changes have been approved that increase graduation requirements. To be eligible for graduation, a student must:

1. Demonstrate proficiency in the Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRs) by passing the Washington Assessment of Student Learning (WASL) in 2009 and the High School Proficiency Exams (HSPE) in 2010 and beyond. Students will earn a Certificate of Academic Achievement or Certificate of Individual Achievement.

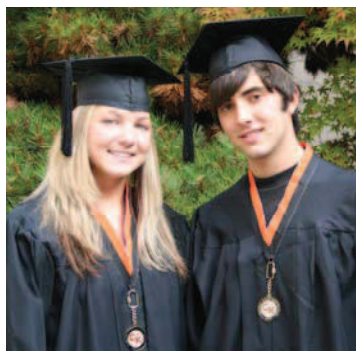
2. Earn 22 Credits:¹

- 4 - English
- 2 – Mathematics*
- 3 - Social Studies
- 2 - Science
(both credits lab science)
- 1.5 - Occupational Education
- 2 - Health & Fitness
- 1 - Fine Arts
- 6.5 – Elective

* The class of 2013 and beyond will need 3 credits of Mathematics.

3. Complete a High School and Beyond Portfolio.

4. Complete a Culminating Project.



THE CERTIFICATE OF ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

This is earned through an assessment that is given in the spring of a student's sophomore year. Students are assessed for skill accomplishment in the areas of reading, writing, mathematics, and science. Students will have opportunities in both their junior and senior years to retake components of the assessment that are not passed in the sophomore year. Students may be eligible to earn a Certificate of Individual Achievement by meeting standards in their area of disability as defined by their IEP.

CREDITS

Credits are earned by successfully passing high school courses. Students earn .5 credits for each semester course passed. Information on specific courses and credits can be obtained from the school counselor. Universities, colleges or technical training programs may require additional credits or other prerequisites.

HIGH SCHOOL & BEYOND PORTFOLIO

All students enrolled in Central Kitsap School District shall have a High School and Beyond Portfolio that includes transcripts/test scores, a resume, cover letter, letters of recommendation, awards, certificates, personal statement, sample of best work, a Personal Education Plan, and artifacts of the Culminating Project to document a student's completion of the High School and Beyond requirement.

THE CULMINATING PROJECT

The Culminating Project provides students with opportunities to connect school to life outside of school. Students choose projects that connect to career, academic, community service, and/or cultural interests. These projects are the basis for students to refine and demonstrate the skills they have gained in school while pursuing personal interests. Students maintain learning logs and make formal presentations about their project. Staff will use a common checklist or rubric to review each component of the Culminating Project to ensure that it meets Central Kitsap School District standards.

¹ 19 credits required by the State of Washington and 3 additional credits required by CK School District