

# *Requirements for a High School Diploma and Graduation*

The graduation requirements for the Alberta High School Diploma are outlined below. The courses listed are the minimum level students must complete to earn a diploma. These requirements are set to ensure students graduate from high school with a broad education. These requirements are not always the same as those needed to enter post-secondary institutions. For example, Social Studies 30-1 or 30-2 is a diploma requirement, but may not be a requirement of the post-secondary institution you are interested in attending. Mathematics 20-3 fulfills the diploma requirement but may not be enough to fulfill the requirement of the post-secondary institution you are interested in attending.

To earn an Alberta High School Diploma, a student must achieve the following:

<b>HIGH SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS</b>
100 CREDITS – including the following
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS – 30 LEVEL (English Language Arts 30-1, 30-2)
SOCIAL STUDIES – 30 LEVEL (Social Studies 30-1, 30-2)
MATHEMATICS – 20 LEVEL (Mathematics 20-1, 20-2 or 20-3))
SCIENCE – 20 LEVEL (Science 20, Science 24, Biology 20, Chemistry 20 or Physics 20)
PHYSICAL EDUCATION 10 (3 credits)
CAREER AND LIFE MANAGEMENT (CALM - 3 credits)
10 CREDITS IN ANY COMBINATION FROM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Career and Technology Studies (CTS)</li> <li>• Fine Arts</li> <li>• Physical Education 20 and/or 30</li> <li>• Locally developed/acquired authorized courses in CTS, Fine Arts, Second Languages, Knowledge and Employability (K &amp; E) or IOP Occupational Courses</li> <li>• Knowledge and Employability (K &amp; E) or IOP Occupational Courses</li> <li>• Registered Apprenticeship Program</li> </ul>
10 CREDITS IN ANY 30-LEVEL COURSES (IN ADDITION TO 30-LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS AND A 30-LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES COURSE AS SPECIFIED ABOVE). These courses may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 35-Level Locally developed/acquired and locally authorized courses</li> <li>• 3000 Series: Advanced Level in Career and Technology Studies courses</li> <li>• 35-Level Registered Apprenticeship Program</li> </ul>

**PLEASE NOTE:** All students must complete three courses in Religious Studies in order to take part in the SACHS Cap and Gown Commencement ceremonies.