

Pathways Endorsements rev.12/19

Students that are following any of the four Pathways and have completed an *Intent to Pursue* by the end of MP1 of their 9th grade year may choose to additionally pursue one of three recognitions:

1. High School Diploma with a transcript that demonstrates a focused and competitive course-load in a specific area of interest;
 - Have completed an *Intent to Pursue* by the end of MP1 of their 9th grade year;
 - Maintain the scheduled Pathways progression of courses;
 - Meet NJ Graduation Testing Requirements without need to utilize the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal in ELA or Mathematics.

2. High School Diploma with a **Standard Endorsement** in a Pathway:
 - Have completed an *Intent to Pursue* by the end of MP1 of their 9th grade year;
 - Maintain a yearly minimum GPA of 3.0. Students who fail to maintain a yearly minimum GPA of 3.0 will be placed on Academic Probation after the first instance and will become ineligible for Endorsement if a 3.0 is not achieved during the probation year;
 - Participate in at least two after-school seminars for their respective Pathway per school year;
 - Maintain the scheduled Pathways progression of courses without need to repeat courses or participate in credit recovery (either during the school year, virtually, or in summer school);
 - Meet NJ Graduation Testing Requirements without need to utilize the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal in ELA or Mathematics.

3. High School Diploma with an **Endorsement of Distinction** in a Pathway:
 - Have completed an *Intent to Pursue* by the end of MP1 of their 9th grade year;
 - Maintain a yearly minimum GPA of 3.0. Students who fail to maintain a yearly minimum GPA of 3.0 will be placed on Academic Probation after the first instance and will become ineligible for Endorsement if a 3.0 is not achieved during the probation year;
 - Graduate with a 3.3 Cumulative GPA;
 - Participate in at least three after-school seminars for their respective Pathway per school year;
 - Maintain the scheduled Pathways progression of courses without need to repeat courses or participate in credit recovery (either during the school year, virtually, or in summer school);
 - Meet NJ Graduation Testing Requirements without need to utilize the NJDOE Portfolio Appeal in ELA or Mathematics;
 - Take at least two advanced level courses (Honors or AP) in the following subject areas:
 - STEM – at least one in Science **and** one in Mathematics,
 - GLP³ – at least one in Social Studies **and** one in either World Language, ELA, or a GLP³ elective,
 - BAM – at least one in Social Studies or Mathematics **and** one in either World Language, Business, or a BAM elective,
 - VCAP – at least one in a Visual or Performing Arts **and** one in English, World Language, or a VCAP Elective,
 - Take at least one additional Advanced Placement (AP) course in any subject area.