



Procedure Name: Proficiency-Based Graduation Requirements
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Academic Requirements for Graduation

English Language Arts/ Literacy - students must demonstrate proficiency of the English Language Arts / Literacy content and skills through enrollment in four English Language Arts/Literature courses (or equivalent learning) detailed in the program of studies.

- **Reading**
- **Writing**
- **Language**

Mathematical Content and Practices - students must demonstrate proficiency of the mathematical content and skills listed below through enrollment in three sequenced course offerings (or equivalent learning).

- **Number & Quantity**
- **Algebra**
- **Functions**
- **Geometry**
- **Statistics & Probability**

Scientific Inquiry - students must demonstrate proficiency of the scientific content and skills listed below through enrollment in a minimum of three science classes (or equivalent learning)

- **Systems**
- **Structure and Function**
- **Change Over Time**
- **Energy**
- **Matter**
- **Stewardship**

Global Citizenship - students must demonstrate proficiency of the content and skills listed below through enrollment in a minimum of three Global Citizenship classes (or equivalent learning)

- **Construct compelling questions.**
- **Determine helpful sources.**
- **Gather and evaluate sources.**
- **Develop claims by using evidence.**
- **Communicate and critique conclusions.**
- **Take informed action.**
- **Demonstrate content knowledge and skills.**

Physical Education and Health Education - Students must demonstrate proficiency of the content and concepts listed below through enrollment in 1.5 Physical Education and .5 Health Education Classes (or equivalent learning).

- **Motor skills and movement patterns**
- **Application of knowledge - related to movement & performance**
- **Physical activity and fitness**
- **Responsible personal and social behavior that respects self and others.**
- **Core Health Concepts**
- **Influences of Health**

Artistic expression (including visual, media and performing arts) - Students must demonstrate proficiency of the content and concepts listed below through enrollment of one year long or two semesters of a Visual or Performing arts classes (or equivalent learning)

- **Creating**
- **Performing**
- **Responding**
- **Connecting**

Transferable Learning Skills Students must demonstrate growth within each of the transferable learning skills as assessed through their coursework (or equivalent learning) and achieve proficiency when summarized over time.

- **Communication**
- **Collaboration**
- **Inquiry**
- **Self-Direction**
- **Technology**
- **Financial Literacy**
- *Habits of Work*

Legal Reference(s): 16 V.S.A. §261a(a)(1)

VT State Board of Education Manual of Rules & Practices: §2120.5, §2120.6 , §2120.7 & §2120.8