

Graduation Diploma Seals

AP Scholar Seal: Awarded to students who complete three (3) Advanced Placement courses in any area and earn a final course grade of 80 or higher **each** semester in **each** AP course.

AP Scholar with Distinction Seal: Awarded to students who complete four (4) Advanced Placement courses (one each in Mathematics, English, Science and Social Studies) and earn a final course grade of 90 or higher **each** semester in **each** AP course, or a student can earn this seal by completing five (5) AP courses in any subject area(s) and earn a final course average of 90 or higher **each** semester in **each** AP course.

Biliteracy Seal: Awarded to students who earn at least a 3.0 GPA in their English/Language Arts courses and score a 4 or higher on an AP Foreign Language exam. The available AP Foreign Language exams include Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, and Spanish.

**** See reverse side for information on Career Ready Diploma Seals ****

The Career Ready Diploma Seal is awarded to graduating high school students who complete a series of accomplishments as outlined and engage in activities, courses, and experiences that foster career readiness. The diploma seal is a signal to employers that a student is prepared to participate in the workforce.

Employability/Soft Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete a state-recognized soft skills program approved by the local system and their business partners

Distinguished Employability/Soft Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete the requirements above
- AND**
- Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated pathway area

Pathway Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete a Career, Technical and Agricultural Education (CTAE) pathway in one of Georgia's 17 Career Clusters

AND ONE OF THE FOLLOWING

- Pass an End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA)/Industry Recognized Credentialing exam (if it applies)
- Complete a pathway in an industry-certified program
- Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated pathway area
- Complete all components of the Career-Related Capstone Project in the concentrated pathway area, as outlined by the Ga DOE

OR

- Via dual enrollment complete two Technical Certificates of Credit (TCC) in one pathway, earning a Technical College Diploma, or earning an Associate's Degree (Senate Bill 2 requirements)



Distinguished Pathway Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Complete the requirements above
- AND 2 OF THE FOLLOWING**
- Pass an End of Pathway Assessment (EOPA)/Industry Recognized Credentialing exam (if it applies)
 - Complete a pathway in an industry-certified program
 - Earn at least one unit in a state-approved Work-Based Learning program in the concentrated pathway area
 - Complete all components of the Career-Related Capstone Project in the concentrated pathway area, as outlined by the Ga DOE

Leadership Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Held memberships in a state-recognized Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) during high school
 - Prepare a portfolio to include a cover letter, resume, and three letters of recommendation
- AND ANY 3 OF THE FOLLOWING**
- Connect with local businesses to secure support for the student's local CTSO project (i.e. through sponsorship, judging at conferences, and/or in-kind donations, etc.)
 - Advocate for local CTSOs by presenting to civic organizations, legislators, and/or local, state, or national board of education members
 - Receive a regional, state, or national honor and/or recognition
 - Participate in at least 40 hours of documented community service, and/or community service campaigns (i.e. March of Dimes)

Distinguished Leadership Skills Seal

Awarded to high school graduates who:

- Held a leadership office at the regional, state or national level in state-recognized CTSO during high school
- AND**
- Participate in at least 80 hours of documented community service, and/or community service campaigns (i.e. March of Dimes)

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