

# Bath County High School

## Graduation Requirements

### **Requirements for Graduation:**

All graduation requirements must be met before a student can participate in graduation exercises. All financial obligations must be met, any athletic uniforms returned, all library books returned, all textbooks returned, as well as any other items belonging to the school. All students entering Bath County High School must acquire the appropriate number of credits for their graduating class in order to graduate. Students must also participate in the school sponsored graduation practices prior to being allowed to walk through graduation line.

#### **Credits Required By Each Class to Graduate**

<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2014</u>
28	27	26	25



### **Homeroom (Advisor/Advisee) Assignments:**

Students are classified and placed in homerooms based on the number of credits they have earned in their high school career. Once a student is placed in a homeroom, the student **MUST** remain in that classification for the remainder of that semester. Homeroom assignments are only made at the beginning of each school year and after first semester (must be initiated by student request through the counselor's office). Students are classified in homerooms as follows:

<b><u>Homeroom Assignments</u></b>			
<b><u>Credits Needed by Class</u></b>	<b><u>Sophomore (Grade 10)</u></b>	<b><u>Junior (Grade 11)</u></b>	<b><u>Senior (Grade 12)</u></b>
Class of 2014	6	12	18
Class of 2013	7	13	19
Class of 2012	14	14	20
Class of 2011	21	21	21

### **Valedictorian and Salutatorian:**

The valedictorian(s) of each graduating class of Bath County High School will be the fulltime student(s) who has (have) attended Bath County High School for at least their entire senior year and who has (have) the highest non-weighted grade point average. Only fulltime students who will have earned a College Bound Diploma or Commonwealth Diploma will be eligible to be valedictorian. In the event of a tie, then all those students who tied will be recognized as co-valedictorians and a salutatorian will still be recognized. The salutatorian(s) of each graduating class of Bath County High School will be the fulltime student(s) who has (have) attended Bath County High School for at least their entire senior year and who has (have) the next highest non-weighted grade point average below the valedictorian(s). Only fulltime students who will have earned a College Bound Diploma or Commonwealth Diploma will be eligible to be salutatorian. In the event of a tie, then all those students who tied will be recognized as co-salutatorians.

## **College Bound Students:**

Students who plan to attend college must meet the General Diploma requirements set forth by the SBDM council, Kentucky Department of Education, and the Bath County Board of Education. Furthermore, college bound students must meet the requirements outlined by the Council on Post Secondary Education - college bound students must complete a more rigorous track of courses. Bath County High School requires all college bound students must achieve satisfactory performance\* in at least twelve (12) total accelerated courses beyond the minimum requirements of the Pre-College Curriculum and meet either of the following two (2) criteria:

- a) achieve satisfactory performance\* in at least two (2) AP courses of the student's choice offered through Bath County High School (the AP course can be in math, science, social studies, English, or in a foreign language) or
- b) achieve satisfactory performance\* in one (1) AP course of the student's choice and satisfactorily complete at least two (2) college classes offered by a local university and approved by the principal.

\* satisfactory performance means a "C" average or higher as a final grade in the course.

## **Commonwealth Diploma:**

Bath County High School offers a Commonwealth Diploma option. This is an extremely rigorous program developed by the Kentucky Department of Education. In order for a student to receive the prestigious "Commonwealth Diploma" upon graduation, the student must meet all state and school requirements for receiving the diploma. Students must meet all of the following requirements in order to receive the "Commonwealth Diploma":

1. Successful completion off all state, local board, and SBDM requirements for graduation.
2. Successful completion of all requirements for the College Bound Diploma
3. Successful completion (receiving a "C" grade or better) of Spanish – AP and at least three (3) other Advanced Placement courses which must include English IV – AP and Biology - AP, as well as a fourth AP course to be selected by the student from those that are offered at Bath County High School which include World History - AP or US History – AP
4. Take at least three (3) AP exams through any local college or any testing organization recognized by the Council on Post Secondary Education. Students do not have to attain any certain grade on the AP exams, but they must take at least three (3) exams.

## **Kentucky Scholars Diploma:**

Bath County High School offers the Kentucky Scholars diploma option. The Kentucky Scholars Program charts a course of study throughout high school that will help students meet today's workplace and education expectations and help ensure student's success transitioning into the workforce or college. Students completing this program will receive a diploma with a Kentucky Scholars seal and special recognition at graduation. Students must meet the following requirements to complete the Kentucky Scholars program:

- English I
- English II
- English III
- English IV
- Algebra I
- Geometry

- Algebra II
- Introduction to College Algebra, College Algebra, or Pre-Calculus
- Integrated Science I
- Integrated Science II
- Chemistry I

- Physics I
- Global Issues
- World Civilization
- US History
- Spanish I
- Spanish II

### **General Diploma Requirements (Class of 2014):**

The recently amended 704 KAR 3:305, HB 380, the Bath County Board of Education and the Bath County High School SBDM Council collectively require all students to complete specific courses and meet certain requirements to be eligible to graduate and receive a diploma from Bath County High School. Below are the minimum required credits that a student must earn to graduate.

<b><u>Content Area</u></b>	<b><u>Credits Required</u></b>	<b><u>Specific Course Names</u></b>
Language Arts	4	English I ( 1 ), English II ( 1 ), English III ( 1 ), and English IV ( 1 )
Social Studies	3	Global Issues ( 1 ), World Civilization ( 1 ), and U.S. History ( 1 )
Mathematics	4	Four credits from the following: Pre-Algebra (1), Algebra I (1), Geometry (1), Algebra II (1), Selected Topics (1), and one more credit taken during the senior year by the student from those offered at Bath County High School at the senior level.
Science	3	Integrated Science I ( 1 ), Integrated Science II ( 1 ), and Integrated Science III ( 1 )
Health & Physical Education	1	Health ( ½ ) and Physical Education ( ½ )
History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts	1	One ( 1 ) HAVPA credit or specialization in an art or music program at BCHS (specialization means three years)
<b>Required Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Students must still earn the total credits needed to graduate (25) by taking nine (9) electives.</b>

### **General Diploma Requirements (Class of 2013):**

The recently amended 704 KAR 3:305, HB 380, the Bath County Board of Education and the Bath County High School SBDM Council collectively require all students to complete specific courses and meet certain requirements to be eligible to graduate and receive a diploma from Bath County High School. Below are the minimum required credits that a student must earn to graduate.

<b><u>Content Area</u></b>	<b><u>Credits Required</u></b>	<b><u>Specific Course Names</u></b>
Language Arts	4	English I ( 1 ), English II ( 1 ), English III ( 1 ), and English IV ( 1 )
Social Studies	3	Global Issues ( 1 ), World Civilization ( 1 ), and U.S. History ( 1 )
Mathematics	4	Four credits from the following: Pre-Algebra (1), Algebra I (1), Geometry (1), Algebra II (1), Selected Topics (1), and one more credit taken during the senior year by the student from those offered at Bath County High School at the senior level.
Science	3	Integrated Science I ( 1 ), Integrated Science II ( 1 ), and Integrated Science III ( 1 )
Health & Physical Education	1	Health ( ½ ) and Physical Education ( ½ )
History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts	1	One ( 1 ) HAVPA credit or specialization in an art or music program at BCHS (specialization means three years)
<b>Required Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Students must still earn the total credits needed to graduate (26) by taking ten (10) electives.</b>

### **General Diploma Requirements (Class of 2012):**

The recently amended 704 KAR 3:305, HB 380, the Bath County Board of Education and the Bath County High School SBDM Council collectively require all students to complete specific courses and meet certain requirements to be eligible to graduate and receive a diploma from Bath County High School. Below are the minimum required credits that a student must earn to graduate.

<b><u>Content Area</u></b>	<b><u>Credits Required</u></b>	<b><u>Specific Course Names</u></b>
Language Arts	4	English I ( 1 ), English II ( 1 ), English III ( 1 ), and English IV ( 1 )
Social Studies	3	Global Issues ( 1 ), World Civilization ( 1 ), and U.S. History ( 1 )
Mathematics	4	Four credits from the following: Pre-Algebra (1), Algebra I (1), Geometry (1), Algebra II (1), Selected Topics (1), and one more credit taken during the senior year by the student from those offered at Bath County High School at the senior level.
Science	3	Integrated Science I ( 1 ), Integrated Science II ( 1 ), and Integrated Science III ( 1 )
Health & Physical Education	1	Health ( ½ ) and Physical Education ( ½ )
History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts	1	One ( 1 ) HAVPA credit or specialization in an art or music program at BCHS (specialization means three years)
<b>Required Credits</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>Students must still earn the total credits needed to graduate (27) by taking eleven (11) electives.</b>

### **General Diploma Requirements (Class of 2011):**

The recently amended 704 KAR 3:305, HB 380, the Bath County Board of Education and the Bath County High School SBDM Council collectively require all students to complete specific courses and meet certain requirements to be eligible to graduate and receive a diploma from Bath County High School. Below are the minimum required credits that a student must earn to graduate.

<b><u>Content Area</u></b>	<b><u>Credits Required</u></b>	<b><u>Specific Course Names</u></b>
Language Arts	4	English I ( 1 ), English II ( 1 ), English III ( 1 ), and English IV ( 1 )
Social Studies	3	Global Issues ( 1 ), World Civilization ( 1 ), and U.S. History ( 1 )
Mathematics	4	Four credits from the following: Pre-Algebra (1), Algebra I (1), Geometry (1), Algebra II (1), Selected Topics (1), and one more credit taken during the senior year by the student from those offered at Bath County High School at the senior level.
Science	3	Integrated Science I ( 1 ), Integrated Science II ( 1 ), and Integrated Science III ( 1 )
Health & Physical Education	2	Health ( 1 ) and Physical Education Course (1)
History and Appreciation of Visual and Performing Arts	1	Any one ( 1 ) credit from art, music, or any other approved humanities credit offered at BCHS
<b>Required Credits</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Students must still earn the total credits needed to graduate (28) by taking eleven (11) electives.</b>