

Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements Beginning with the Class of 2015

Graduation from Lincoln Public Schools will require the accumulation of 245 credit hours in grades 9-12, subject to the following:

Within the 245 credit expectation for graduation from high school (grades 9-12), certain areas of study totaling 182.5 credit hours will be required of students. The credits listed are to be earned by taking courses.

Credit Area	Courses and Special Conditions	Points
Career and Technical Education	Business, family and consumer sciences, industrial technology and	20, at least 5 credits Fine Arts and 5 credits Career and Technical Education
Fine Arts	Dance, dramatic arts, music and visual arts	5
Educational and Career Planning/Personal Finance		5
Economics		5
English including Oral Communication		40
Human Behavior		5
Mathematics including Algebra and Geometry		30
Physical Education		10
Health		2.5
Science including 5 hours each of life, physical (physics and chemistry) and earth science		30
Social Studies	Civics	5
	Geography	5
	Government and Politics	5
	World History	5
	U.S. History	10
Technology		5

In addition to accumulating the required number of credit hours, students will also be required to demonstrate that they have necessary reading and writing skills. Demonstrations and standards for successful completion of these skill areas will be developed. Demonstrations may be completed in a particular class and/or independent of a class, depending upon how the demonstration is developed. Demonstrations will not grant credit.

Credit Area	Graduation Proficiencies
Reading	Demonstrate the ability to read and comprehend newspapers such as the Lincoln Journal Star and Omaha World-Herald .
Writing	Demonstrate the knowledge and skills necessary to write a narrative and an expository essay consistent with state standards.
