

To: Parent/Guardian(s) of the Class of 2014
From: Eric Teague, Principal
Subject: New Ohio CORE Graduation Requirements

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Greetings,

Effective with the Class of 2014 (the current 8th graders), new graduation requirements have been established by the State of Ohio through Senate Bill 311, which are known as the Ohio CORE. Changes to the current graduation requirement are in **bold** print below. Under these provisions, students in the Class of 2014 and beyond are required to achieve the following requirements to graduate from Lucas High School as well as advance on to any four-year institute of higher learning in Ohio:

Graduation Requirements

English	4 credits consisting of English 9, English 10, English 11 and English 12
Math	4 credits including Algebra II or the equivalent
Science	3 inquiry-based credits including one unit of physical science, one credit of life science and one credit of advanced study (chemistry, physics, anatomy, etc.)
Social Studies	3 credits including one credit of American History, one credit of World History, one credit of American Government and integrated instruction in financial literacy
Health	½ credit
Phys. Ed.	½ credit which must include PE I and PE II
Electives	6 credits of any one or the combination of the following: foreign language, business, career-technical education, family and consumer sciences, technology, agricultural education, additional English language arts, math, science or social studies courses not otherwise required under the Ohio core, fine arts (two semesters in any grade 7-12 if taught by an instructor certified 9-12 and coursework meets High School curriculum); students in a career-technical pathway are exempt from the fine art provision
TOTAL	21 credits, plus passage of State required examinations, in whatever form they may take

Please keep an eye out for updates on the Ohio CORE over the new few months as we move toward scheduling for the 2010-2011 school year. Updates will be posted in the District newsletter, the LHS Course Description Book and scheduling information dispersed by the Guidance Office. Please be assured that Lucas High School will work to ensure that all students plan for appropriate coursework to meet the Ohio CORE requirements.

If you have any questions about these new requirements or the direction of your student's coursework over the coming years, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs. Mongold, LHS Guidance Counselor at extension 222.

Cordially,

Mr. Teague



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