

Graduation Requirements

- **Credits**

Students who remain at **North East High School** on a full time basis must successfully complete 27.0 credits in grades 9 – 12 as follows:

COURSE REQUIREMENTS	CREDITS
Mathematics	4.0
English	4.0
Social Studies	4.0
Science <i>biology is required</i>	4.0
Health	1.0
Electives*	10.0
Career Portfolio	Successful Completion
Total Credits	27.00

*Two credits of the required elective courses must be Arts and Humanities courses from any of the following departments: fine art, music, technology education, world language, family and consumer science, English and social studies. In addition students must take and pass Intro to Computers (0.5 credits).

Students who choose to attend the **Erie County Technical School** must successfully complete 24.0 credits in grades 9 – 12 as follows:

COURSE REQUIREMENTS	CREDITS
Mathematics	3.0
English	4.0
Social Studies	3.0
Science <i>biology is required</i>	3.0
Health	1.0
ECTS Lab Credits	9.0 lab credits for 3 year tech graduates 6.0 lab credits for 2 year tech graduates 3.0 lab credits for 1 year tech graduates
Electives*	Varies based on tech schedule
ECTS/Career Portfolio	Successful Completion
Total Credits	24.00

*Two credits of the required elective courses must be Arts and Humanities courses from any of the following departments: fine art, music, technology education, world language, family and consumer science, English and social studies. In addition students must take and pass Intro to Computers (0.5 credits).

- **Keystone Exam Proficiency**

Beginning with the graduating class of 2022, the Pennsylvania Department of Education will require demonstrated proficiency on the Algebra I, Biology, and Literature Keystone tests in order to graduate from a Pennsylvania public school. The Keystone tests will be administered two times per year in the winter and spring. Students who do not achieve proficiency on the exams will be given portions of the Keystone to try and attain proficiency, or meet another PDE criteria to earn a diploma at NEHS.

Career Cruising/Portfolio Requirements

- *Full time NEHS students* are required to complete all items listed unless otherwise noted.
- *New students to the HS* will begin their portfolio during the year of enrollment -- they are not required to make up work from a previous year, unless the work is necessary/meaningful for portfolio completion. For example, a new junior or senior will find it necessary to complete the matchmaker, may want to list activities and experiences from grade 9 to the present (in order to write a resume), and will need an ASVAB score. If the ASVAB is not available, the Career Cruising Ability Profiler can be utilized.
- *ECTS and Transition students* are required to complete all items with an *, and complete their ECTS portfolio. Throughout grades 10 - 12 participation is expected during in-class career/Career Cruising presentations, but the completed task may not be required for portfolio completion.
- *Cyber students* are required to complete the following prior to receiving a diploma: Matchmaker, My Skills, Learning Styles Inventory, My Activities and Experiences, Career Selector, Undergraduate or Technical School Selector, and Build My Resume -- career cruising login information will be provided.
- *Students in placement (CAEP/Sarah Reed)* will follow the requirements for Cyber students; however, any tasks completed prior to placement can be used to fulfill the requirement.

9th

Matchmaker*
Learning Styles (unless completed in 8th grade)*
Three Career Worksheets*
My Activities and Experiences (Extracurricular to Work Experiences)*
Goals*

11th

My Activities & Experiences*
Goals*
Five College Rep visits (due January of senior year)
ASVAB (test and worksheet)*
Resume and Cover letter*
Widget Budget Simulation (participation and worksheet)*
Career Portfolio Response Questions
ECTS Reflection Questions*

12th

My Activities and Experiences*
Goals*
Portfolio Presentation*

10th

Matchmaker
My Skills
Two Career Worksheets
My Activities and Experiences*
Employment/Soft Skills*
Goals*
Entrepreneurship TBD*

Promotion Requirements Grades 9 – 12

Promotion from one grade to the next depends upon credits earned. All full year courses are worth one credit; all semester courses are worth one-half credit. Students are expected to make yearly progress in their major academic subjects to ensure graduating in a timely fashion. Typically, students should follow these guidelines:

- From grade 9 to 10: A student must pass at least three of the four major subjects and earn at least 4.5 credits.
- From grade 10 to 11: A student must earn at least 11 credits.
- From grade 11 to 12: A student must earn at least 19 credits.

Students who fail to make yearly progress (as noted above) jeopardize the opportunity to graduate within four years.

Grading System

North East High School uses a letter grading system based upon the following percentages:

A = 93 – 100%	I = Incomplete
B = 85 – 92%	WP = Withdrawal while Passing
C = 77 – 84%	WF = Withdrawal while Failing
D = 69 – 76%	P = Passing
F = Below 69%	MX = Medical Excuse

The final grade in all full year courses is the average of all four academic quarters (at a value of 22.5% each quarter), and the final exam (which carries a weight of 10%) to equal 100% of the grade.

If a student withdraws from a course for any reason prior to its completion, a grade of WP or WF will be given based upon actual academic progress in the course at the time of withdrawal. This grade will be reflected on the transcript.

Quality Point Average and Rank

Quality Point Average (QPA) is computed on a weighted scale, using letter grades earned in all courses in the high school. Quality Point Average determines a student's rank in class, is cumulative from year to year and appears on a student's transcript. Courses are assigned levels for QPA purposes as follows:

- Level 1: Regular and Basic Courses
- Level 2: Honor Courses and Approved College courses
- Level 3: Advanced Placement

The following point scale is used to compute QPA:

Grade	Reg(Lev1)	Hon(Lev 2)	AP(Lev 3)	
A+	4	5	5.5	
A	4	5	5.5	
A-	3.67	4.67	5.17	
B+	3.33	4.33	4.83	
B	3	4	4.5	
B-	2.67	3.67	4.17	
C+	2.33	3.33	3.83	
C	2	3	3.5	
C-	1.67	2.33	2.67	
D+	1.33	1.67	1.83	
D	1	1	1	
D-	0.67	0.67	0.67	
F	0	0	0	