

ANGOLA HIGH SCHOOL FOUR-YEAR PLANNING GUIDE



**A program to help students
develop a career plan for
high school**

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Presentation

A high school four-year plan...

- is a sequence of courses taken during high school.
- will enable a student to earn the desired diploma.
- is flexible and may change as a student's future goals change.



Step 1

Ask yourself what you might like to do after high school. If you are not sure of an occupation, think of a general area, such as business or the health career area. If you are still uncertain, ask yourself how much education you would like to pursue after high school. Here are some websites that can help you with this decision:

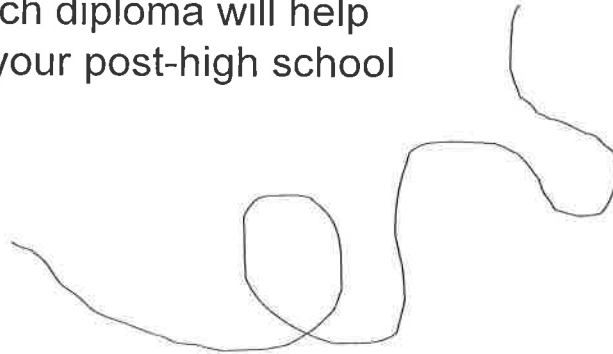


- [Career Clusters and Pathways](#)
(click on Registration Info)
- [LearnMoreIndiana](#)

Write this goal or Career and College Pathway at the top of your Angola High School Four-Year Plan

Step 2

Decide which diploma will help you reach your post-high school goal.



Types of Diplomas

(Click on diploma name to see requirements)



- **General Diploma** – completes the minimum requirements necessary for a diploma by the state of Indiana; marginal preparation for entering the workforce after high school and may only allow a student entry to a vocational college (not an option without a Core 40 Diploma Opt-Out meeting)
- **Core 40 Diploma** – generic, minimum preparation for students who wish to attend a 2-4 year college or university; (students must choose this diploma or one of the honors diplomas unless they meet with a parent and the student's guidance counselor after the 10th grade year)
- **Core 40 Diploma w/ Academic Honors** – same requirements as Core 40 except for math, foreign language, and fine arts (more needed); requires AP or dual credit courses; also demands good grades
- **Core 40 Diploma w/ Technical Honors** – same requirements as Core 40. In addition, student must complete 6 credits in the college and career preparation courses and either 6 dual credits from the list of priority courses or an industry-based certification; also demands good grades

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General Diploma Requirements

- 8 credits in English 9, 10, 11, and 12
- 4 credits in math including 2 credits in Algebra I
- 4 credits in science including 2 credits in Biology I
- 2 credits in U.S. History
- 1 credit in Government
- 1 credit in Economics
- 1 credit in Health
- 2 credits in Physical Education
- 6 credits in a College and Career Pathway
- 5 flex credits (add'l career-academic sequence credits; add'l credits in lang arts, math, science, soc studies, world languages, or fine arts; courses involving workplace learning; adv career-technical ed, college credit)
- 42 total credits
- Pass the Algebra I and English 10 End-of-Course Assessments
- A general diploma can only be selected after a parent meeting with a student's guidance counselor

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Core 40 Diploma Requirements

- 8 credits in English 9, 10, 11, and 12
- 6 credits in math (Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II); Must take math or quantitative reasoning course every year. Must earn 6 math credits in high school.
- 6 credits in science (2 credits in Biology; 2 credits in Integr Chem/Phys, Chemistry or Physics; 2 credits in another Core 40 science course)
- 2 credits in U.S. History
- 1 credit in Government
- 1 credit in Economics
- 2 credits in World History
- 5 credits in directed electives (world languages, art, music, career-technical area)
- 1 credit in Health and Wellness
- 2 credits in Physical Education
- 42 total credits

Must pass the Algebra I and English 10 End-of-Course Assessments



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Core 40 w/ Academic Honors Requirements

- 8 credits in English 9, 10, 11, and 12
- 8 credits in math (Algebra I, Geometry, Algebra II, and Pre-Calc/Trig)
- 6 credits in science (2 credits in Biology; 2 credits in Integr Chem/Phys, Chemistry or Physics; 2 credits in another Core 40 science course)
- 2 credits in U.S. History
- 1 credit in Government
- 1 credit in Economics
- 2 credits in World History
- 6-8 world language credits (6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages)
- 2 credits in fine arts (art and/or music)
- 1 credit in Health
- 2 credits in Physical Education
- 47 total credits
- no AHD credit can have a grade below C- and the overall GPA must be 7.0 or above

Must pass the Algebra I and English 10 End-of-Course Assessments

Core 40 w/ Academic Honors

Core 40 w/ Academic Honors (add'l requirements)

Complete one of the following:

1. Two Advanced Placement courses and AP exams
2. Transferrable dual high school / college courses resulting in 6 college credits (ACP and Trine courses)
3. One Advanced Placement course and exam and one academic transferable dual high school / college course resulting in 3 college credits
4. Earn a combined score of 1750 on the SAT (critical reading, math, and writing) with no single score less than 530
5. Score a 26 composite on the ACT; must take the writing test

*Core 40 w/ Academic
Honors*

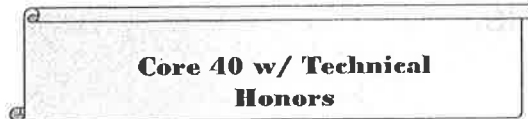
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Core 40 w/ Technical Honors Requirements

Complete all of the Core 40 requirements and...

- Earn 6 credits in the college and career preparation courses in a state-approved college & career pathway and one of the following:
 1. Pathway designated industry-based certification, or
 2. Pathway dual credits from the lists of priority courses resulting in 6 transcribed college credits.
- Earn a grade of C- or better in courses that count for the diploma
- Have a grade point average of B- (7.0) or better

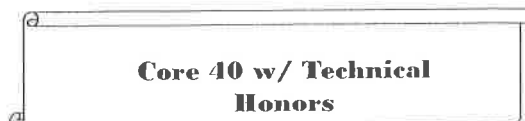
Pass the Algebra I and English 10 End-of-Course Assessments



Core 40 w/ Technical Honors Requirements (continued)

Complete one of the following:

1. Any one of the additional requirements (1-5) for the Core 40 w/ Academic Honors diploma
2. Earn WorkKeys scores of:
 - Reading for Info-6, Applied Math-6, Locating Info-5
3. Earn the following minimum scores on Accuplacer:
 - Writing-80, Reading-90, Math 75
4. Earn the following minimum scores on Compass:
 - Algebra-66, Writing-70, Reading-80



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Step 4

Continue adding courses, by subject area, until all requirements of diploma type are met.

- ✓ Math
- ✓ Science
- ✓ English
- ✓ Social Studies
- ✓ World Language
- ✓ Fine Arts



See the next page for an example. **Remember:** you want to strive for a consistently challenging schedule of courses for all four years

Example: Four-year plan with Core 40 w/ Academic Honors diploma courses

Angola High School Four-Year Plan										
Student name			College & Career Pathway							
Desired Diploma (circle one)			C40			C40 w/ TH			C40 w/ AH	
9th Grade					10th Grade					Diploma Requirements: C40 ___ Eng 9,10,11,12 ___ Alg. Comm, Alg II ___ C/P, Soc, Adult Sci ___ WMJ Hist, US Hist, Econ, Govt ___ Lab, PE ___ 5 Dr. Educ credits ___ Wld Lang, Fin Arts ___ CarTech each ___ Math/CR each yr C40 w/ Tech Honors ___ 6 credits ___ coll/career pathway ___ certification CR II ___ dual credits. In prior yrs ___ one of good AH ___ 10pts above CR ___ adequate tests scores (on Achievement) ___ 10th/11th Compas ___ Math/CR each yr ___ 47 credits C40 w/ Acad Honors ___ 6 credits ___ 6.6 WMJ Lang credits ___ 2 Fine Arts credits ___ 2 AP credits, 2 dual ___ credits or 1 of each of SAT of 1750 (550 min on each test) or ACT comp 26 ___ Math/CR each yr ___ 47 credits Notes:
Pro	Sem		Pro	Sem	Sem					
1	English 9, Pre-AP		1	English 10, Pre-AP						
2	Algebra I		2	Geometry						
3	Biology		3	Chemistry						
4	World History		4	Music 1	Fine Arts 2					
5	PE		5	Fine Arts 1						
6	Spanish		6							
7			7							
11th Grade					12th Grade					
Pro	Sem	Sem	Pro	Sem	Sem					
1	AP English Lang & Comp.		1	AP English Literature & Composition						
2	US History		2	Government	Economics					
3	Algebra II		3	Pre-Calculus						
4	Precalc-Calculus		4							
5	Spanish		5							
6			6							
7			7							

Step 5

Agriculture

Cons/Fam Science

Fill in elective courses to complete your four-year plan.

See the next page for an example.

Health/PE

Business

Tech

For Lang
Fine Arts

Example: Completed four-year plan with an emphasis on business and earning a Core 40 w/ Academic Honors diploma

Angola High School Four-Year Plan									
Student name			College & Career Pathway				Business		
Desired Diploma (circle one)			C&B	C&B w/ TH	C&B w/ AH				Diploma Requirements
9th Grade									
1st	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem
1	English 9, Pre-AP		1	English 10, Pre-AP		1	English 10, Pre-AP		
2	Algebra I		2	Geometry		2	Geometry		
3	Biology		3	Chemistry		3	Chemistry		
4	World History		4	Fine Arts 1		4	Fine Arts 2		
5	Elective		5	Introduction to Business		5	Introduction to Business		
6	Elective		6	Elective		6	Elective		
7	Elective		7	Elective		7	Elective		
11th Grade									
1st	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem
1	AP English Lang & Comp		1	AP English Literature & Composition		1	AP English Literature & Composition		
2	US History		2	Government		2	Government		
3	Algebra II		3	Pre-Calculus		3	Pre-Calculus		
4	Science course		4	Principles of Business Management		4	Principles of Business Management		
5	Elective		5	Elective		5	Elective		
6	Accounting		6	Elective		6	Elective		
7	Elective		7	Elective		7	Elective		
12th Grade									
1st	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem	1st	Sem	2nd	Sem
1	Elective		1	Elective		1	Elective		
2	Elective		2	Elective		2	Elective		
3	Elective		3	Elective		3	Elective		
4	Elective		4	Elective		4	Elective		
5	Elective		5	Elective		5	Elective		
6	Elective		6	Elective		6	Elective		
7	Elective		7	Elective		7	Elective		