

South Spencer High School Diploma Requirements

	General Diploma	Core 40 Diploma	Core 40 w/Academic Honors
English/Language Arts	8 credits	8 credits	8 credits
	___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 (2 crs. each course)	___9 ___10 ___11 ___12 H (2 crs. for each course)	___9 ___10 ___11 or 11H ___12H or AP Eng (2 crs. for each course)
Mathematics	4 credits	6 credits *6 credits in grades 9-12	8 credits *6 credits in grades 9-12
	Must include 2 credits in Algebra I ___Additional 2 credits from any math class	___Algebra I.....2 cr. ___Geometry....2 cr. ___Algebra II....2 cr.	___Algebra I.....2 cr. ___Geometry....2 cr. ___Algebra II....2 cr. ___Pre Calculus...2 cr. ___AP Calculus...2 cr.
Science	4 credits	6 credits	6 credits
	___Biology I.....2 cr. ___Earth & Space ...2cr. - or - any of the three Ag Sci. Classes: Plant & Soil Sci, Animal Sci, or Horticulture Sci.	___Biology I2 cr. - or - ___Biology I Honors...2 cr. ___Chemistry.....2 cr. ___2 crs. from any other science course	___Biology I.....2 cr. - or - ___Biology I Honors...2 cr. ___Chemistry.....2 cr. ___Adv. Science course...2 cr. (Anatomy,Physics,AP Bio, AP Chemistry)
Social Studies	6 credits	6 credits	6 credits
	___World History....2 cr. ___U.S. History.....2 cr. ___Government...1 cr. ___Economics.....1 cr.	___World History or AP ...2 cr. ___U.S. History or AP.....2 cr. ___Government.....1 cr. ___Economics.....1 cr.	___World History or AP...2 cr. ___U.S. History or AP.....2 cr. ___Government.....1 cr. ___Economics.....1 cr.
Other subjects			
World Languages	encouraged	encouraged	6 credits Spanish ___I ___II ___III
Fine Arts	encouraged	encouraged	2 credits Art, Band, Chorus, or App Music
Health / Safety	___1 credit	___1 credit	___1 credit
Physical Education	___2 credits	___2 credits	___2 credits
Prep for College & Career	___1 credit	___1 credit	___1 credit
Directed Electives: 5 credits <i>Student's are REQUIRED to choose ONE class from the Directed Electives list in Grade 9, ONE in Grade 10, and ONE in Grades 11 or 12 TOTAL Directed Electives for Graduation MUST equal at least 5 credits</i>	Agriculture: Intro to Ag, Ag Power, Ag Structure, Animal Sci, Horticulture Sci, Natural Resources, Plant and Soil Sci, Career Intern Business: Intro to Business, Accounting, Bus. Law, Comp. Sci, Web, Personal Finance Resp, Princ. Bus. Mgt, Preparing for College & Career Cooperative Education: ICE Coop Family and Consumer Science: Adv Foods and Nutrition, Adv Child Dev.,Textiles and Fashion I, Textiles and Fashion II, Interpersonal Relationships, Human Dev., Housing and Interior Design Technology Education: Intro to Manufacturing, Intro to Construction, Intro to Communication, Intro to Transportation, Intro to Design Processes, Intro to Advance Manufacturing I Fine Arts: Painting, Intro to 2-D Art, Intro to 3-D Art, Adv 2-D Art, Adv 3-D Art, Ceramics, Applied Music, Beginning Chorus, Adv Chorus, Concert Band Foreign Language: Spanish I, Spanish II, Spanish III		
Electives	enough to reach 40 credits	enough to reach 40 credits	enough to reach 47 credits
TOTAL	40 credits	40 credits	47 credits

For the Core 40 with Academic Honors Diploma, student's must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- Earn 2 additional Core 40 math credits.
- Earn 6-8 Core 40 world language credits
(6 credits in one language or 4 credits each in two languages).
- Earn 2 Core 40 fine arts credits.
- Earn a grade of a "C" or better in courses that will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a "B" or better.
- Complete one of the following:
 - A. Earn 4 credits in 2 or more AP courses and take corresponding AP exams
 - B. Earn 6 verifiable transcribed college credits in dual credit courses from the approved dual credit list
 - C. Earn both of the following:
 1. A minimum of 3 verifiable transcribed college credits from the approved dual credit list,
 2. 2 credits in AP courses and corresponding AP exams.
 - D. Earn a combined score of 1750 or higher on the SAT critical reading, mathematics and writing sections and a minimum score of 530 on each
 - E. Earn an ACT composite score of 26 or higher and complete written section

For the Core 40 with Technical Honors Diploma, student's must:

- Complete all requirements for Core 40.
- 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 credential, 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 will count toward the diploma.
- Have a grade point average of a 3.0 or better.
- Complete one of the following,
 - A. Any one of the options (A - C) of the Core 40 with Academic Honors
 - B. Earn the following min. scores on WorkKeys; Reading for Information–Level 6, Applied Mathematics–Level 6, and Locating Information–Level 5.