# Cultural Academy For the Arts \& Sciences 



# Student Handbook 

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## Requirements for Graduation*

To achieve a high school diploma a student must complete 44 credits in required courses, pass the standardized tests, and eight terms of physical education.

| Subjects | Local \& Regents Diploma | Advanced Regents Diploma |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| English | 8 credits | 8 credits |
| Social Studies: | 8 credits | 8 credits |
| Global Studies | 4 credits | 4 credits |
| US History | 2 credits | 2 credits |
| Economics | 1 credit | 1 credit |
| Participation In Government | 1 credit | 1 credits |
| Mathematics | 6 credits | 6 credits |
| Science | 6 credits | 6 credits |
| Language | 2 credits | 6 credits |
| Art | 1 credit | 1 credit |
| Music | 1 credit | 1 credit |
| Health | 1 credit | 1 credit |
| Physical Ed. | 8 credits | 8 credits |
| Electives | 7 credits | 7 credits |
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## TYPES OF DIPLOMAS

## REGENTS DIPLOMA

In addition to the noted subject area requirements, diplomas may be granted with a Regents endorsement to students who receive a passing score (65) in the following 5 Regents examinations:

- English Language Arts Regent
- Global Studies Regent or US History and Government Regent
- Mathematics Regent
- Science Regent
- One other Regent


## ADVANCED REGENTS DIPLOMA

In addition to the noted subject area requirements, diplomas may be granted with a Regents endorsement to students who receive a passing score (65) in the following 8 Regents examinations:

- English Language Arts
- Global Studies
- US History and Government
- Second Language (Spanish, French)
- Mathematics (2 Regents examinations, Integrated Algebra, Geometry, and/or Trigonometry)
- Science (2 Regents examinations, Living Environment, Chemistry, Earth Science and/or Physics)


## English Language Learners:

Students with limited English proficiency entering school in this country in grade 9 or later may take required Regents examinations, other than the English Language Arts Regents examination, in their native language where available (Spanish, Haitian-Creole, Russian, Korean or Chinese) if the examination is taken within three years of entering this country. Test accommodations will be available to them if such accommodations are documented.

## Special Education Students:

Special Education students will continue to be required to meet the same standards for graduation as all other students. Test accommodations/modifications will be available to them if such modifications are documented on their IEP. Diplomas will be granted to eligible students.

