

Have you achieved College and Career Readiness (CCR) and plan to go to college?



POST-CCR
PATHWAYS

Ask your counselor about

College Preparatory Diploma Pathways

The Blueprint for Maryland's Future requires that all high school students enroll in a diploma pathway. The College Preparatory Pathway is for academically competitive students who wish to enroll in top universities or study abroad. There are four possible diploma options on the College Preparatory Diploma Pathway.

Benefits of earning an Advanced Placement (AP) or International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma:

- Earn college credit for course exams
- Improve your college admission and scholarship prospects
- Develop critical thinking and college readiness skills
- Reduce tuition costs
- Gain an internationally recognized credential
- Take steps toward a double major or early graduation
- Develop deep foundational knowledge
- Earn a weighted GPA



Which Post-CCR College Preparatory Diploma Pathway is right for you?

1. International Baccalaureate (IB)
2. AP Capstone
3. AP International Diploma
4. Maryland AP Option



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1. International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

The IB Diploma requires students to complete coursework in 6 subject areas and

- Theory of Knowledge
- Extended Essay and
- Creativity, Activity, and Service
- Minimum Score of 24 on IB Assessments

Learn more about how to earn the prestigious [IB Diploma](#)

2. Advanced Placement (AP) Capstone Diploma

The AP Capstone requires students to complete 6 courses

- AP Seminar
- AP Research
- 4 Additional AP Courses
- Score 3 or higher on all exams

Learn more about how to earn the prestigious [AP Capstone Diploma](#)

3. Advanced Placement International Diploma (APID)

The APID is designed for students who may be interested in studying abroad. It requires students to complete 5 courses

- 2 AP Language Courses (must be across different areas)
- 1 Global Perspectives Course
- 1 Science or Math/Computer Science course
- 1 Additional Course (cannot be an AP language course)
- Score 3 or higher on all 5 exams

Learn more about how to earn the prestigious [AP International Diploma](#)

4. Maryland Advanced Placement (AP) Option

Students earn a scholar's award

The Maryland AP Option requires students to complete 5 courses

- 2 Courses in the same Content Area
- 2 Content Areas Included
- 3 or better on at least 3 AP exams
- A score of C or better in all courses

For more information about the Maryland AP Option, see your counselor