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Kansas Scholars Curriculum & State Scholar Quick Facts

Completion of the Kansas Scholars Curriculum is one of the requirements Kansas residents must meet in order to receive State Scholar designation. This occurs during the senior year of high school.

What are the other requirements to become a State Scholar?

- Students must have taken the ACT between April of the sophomore year and December of the senior year.
- Students must be a Kansas resident.
- Students must have their curriculum and 7th semester GPA certified on the official roster by the high school counselor, registrar, or similar official.

KANSAS SCHOLARS CURRICULUM

English - 4 years

One unit to be taken each year. Must include substantial recurrent practice in writing extensive and structured papers, extensive reading of significant literature, and significant experience in speaking and listening.

Mathematics - 4 years

Algebra I, Algebra II, Geometry, and one unit of advanced mathematics-- suggested courses include: Analytic Geometry, Trigonometry, Advanced Algebra, Probability and Statistics, Functions or Calculus. Completion of Algebra I in 8th grade is acceptable for the Kansas Scholars Curriculum. Completion of Algebra I in 7th grade and Algebra II in 8th grade is acceptable for the Kansas Scholars Curriculum.

Science - 3 years

One year each in Biology, Chemistry, and Physics, each of which include an average of one laboratory period a week. Applied/technical courses may not substitute for a unit of natural science credit.

Social Studies - 3 years

One unit of U.S. History; minimum of one-half unit of U.S. Government and minimum of one-half unit selected from: World History, World Geography or International Relations; and one unit selected from: Psychology, Economics, U.S. Government, U.S. History, Current Social Issues, Sociology, Anthropology, and Race and Ethnic Group Relations. Half unit courses may be combined to make this a whole unit.

Foreign Language - 2 years

Two years of one language. Latin and Sign Language are accepted.

What is the benefit of completing the Kansas Scholars Curriculum?

Students who complete this curriculum and meet the other requirements may be designated as State Scholars, making them eligible to receive the Kansas State Scholarship as provided by the Kansas Legislature. The academic profile of recent designated scholars include an average ACT of 30 and an average GPA of 3.90. State Scholars may receive up to \$1,000 annually for up to four undergraduate years (five if enrolled in a designated five-year program), based on financial need and the availability of State funds. Financial need is measured by federal methodology using data submitted on the FAFSA.

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