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Charter Arts Keystone Exam Graduation Pathways based on Act 158

Act 158 Graduation Requirements

Updated 20-21 based on Act 136

- Applies to graduating class of 2023 and after.
- Students are required to take Keystone Exams for purposes of federal accountability.
- Best Keystone proficiency level will be reported on official transcripts for Biology, Algebra I, and Literature.
- Students will attempt proficiency through each pathway in ascending order.
- Students must meet all other graduation requirements that are outlined in our Course Catalog.

PATHWAY #1: Keystone Proficiency Pathway

- Proficient on all 3 Keystones
- Non proficient students continue to participate in remediation and retest.

PATHWAY #2: Keystone Composite Pathway

- Composite score of 4452 on all 3 keystones AND
- Proficient on at least 1 Keystone and at least basic on other 2 Keystones

PATHWAY #3: Evidence Based Pathway

- End of course passing grade of at least 65% in Algebra 1, Biology, and English 10 AND
- 3 of the following:
 - Proficient on at least one Keystone
 - Meet college readiness benchmark on PSAT, SAT, or ACT as determined annually by College Board/ACT
 - Complete and pass the Performance Based Assessment (PBA)
 - Complete an approved internship program
 - Acceptance to an accredited 2 or 4-year institution of higher education
 - Letter guaranteeing full time employment
 - Enlistment into a branch of military service
 - Recommendation letter from Artistic Director or Department Chair