

South Carolina Academic Achievement Honors Award

For a student to receive a South Carolina Academic Achievement Honors Award, the student must meet the following criteria:

- complete twenty-four units of credit as prescribed;
- meet the standard on all subtests of the Exit Examination;
- receive a minimum grade of “B” for each semester course in grades 9–12 through the seventh semester; and
- achieve either a score of 710 or higher on the SAT verbal, a score of 690 or higher on the SAT mathematics, a score of 30 or higher on the ACT English, or a score of 33 or higher on the ACT mathematics;

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- each student shall have completed twenty-four units of high school credit;
- be eligible for graduation with a state high school diploma; and
- have a combined score of 1400 on the SAT verbal and math sections, or an ACT composite score of 31.

Of the twenty-four units earned, **eighteen units** must be **college preparatory coursework**, four units in additional electives, and two units in one or more of the following: English, science, social studies, or mathematics.

College preparatory coursework includes the following:

- English (English I or above), four units;
- mathematics (Algebra I or above), four units;
- laboratory science, three units;
- social studies (United States/South Carolina studies, economics/ government and one unit of global studies/world history, global studies/ world geography or western civilization), three units;
- computer science, one unit;
- physical education, one unit; and
- foreign language, two units.