



COLORADO
Department of Education

Capstone Projects & Graduation Guidelines

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Graduation Guidelines

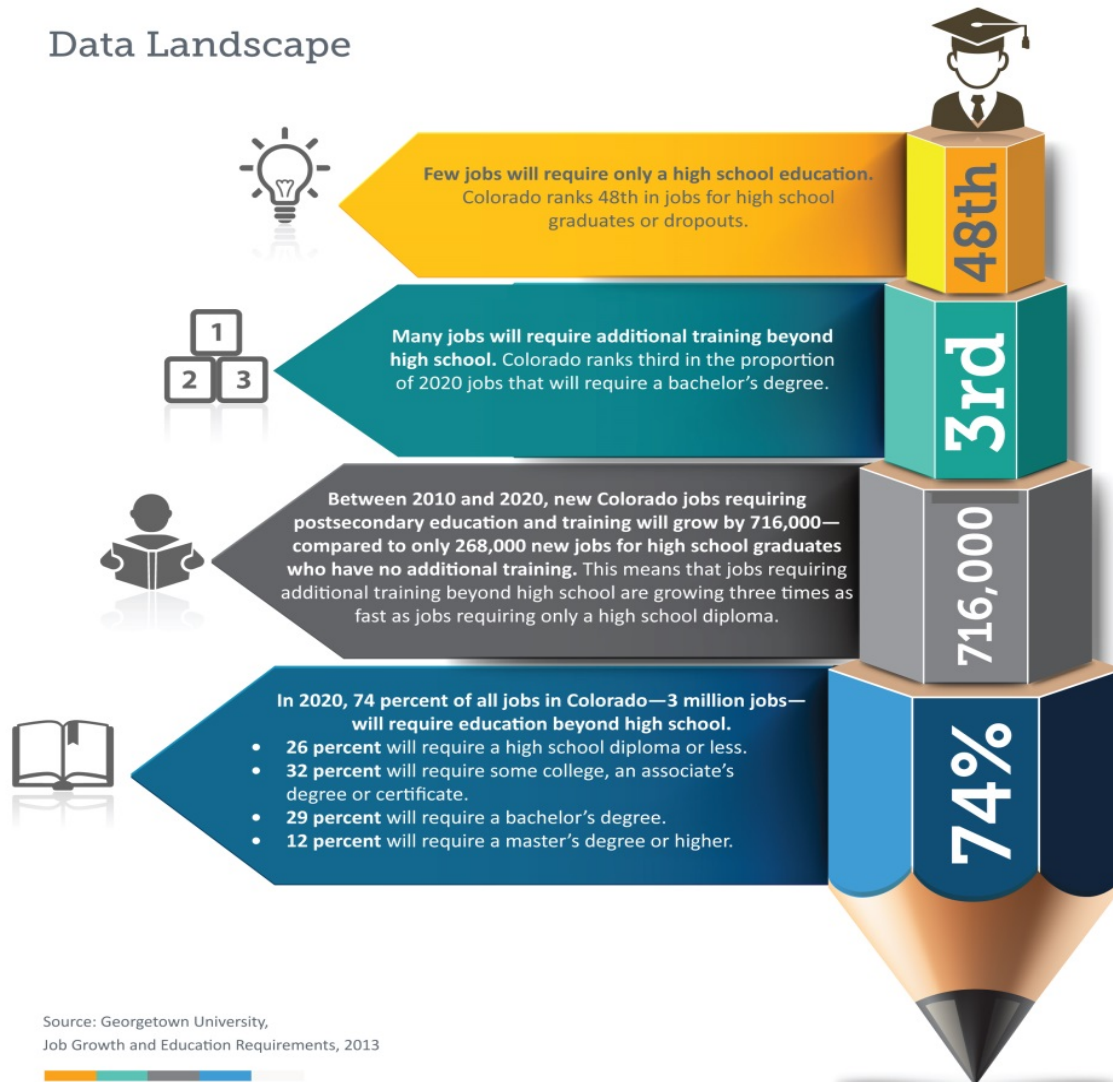


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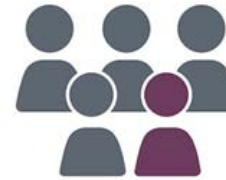
Data Landscape



Colorado by the Numbers



More than one-third of high school students participate in career and technical education courses (38 percent)



1 in 5 Colorado eleventh-graders and graduating seniors participate in dual enrollment, taking college courses in high school (22 percent)



More than one-third of high school students take an Advanced Placement exam

36.1 percent earned a score of 3 or higher (on a 1-to-5 scale)

NEW!
85 percent of students enrolled in dual enrollment classes enroll in college

Graduation Guidelines

- The Colorado Graduation Guidelines are a road map to help students and their families plan for success after high school.

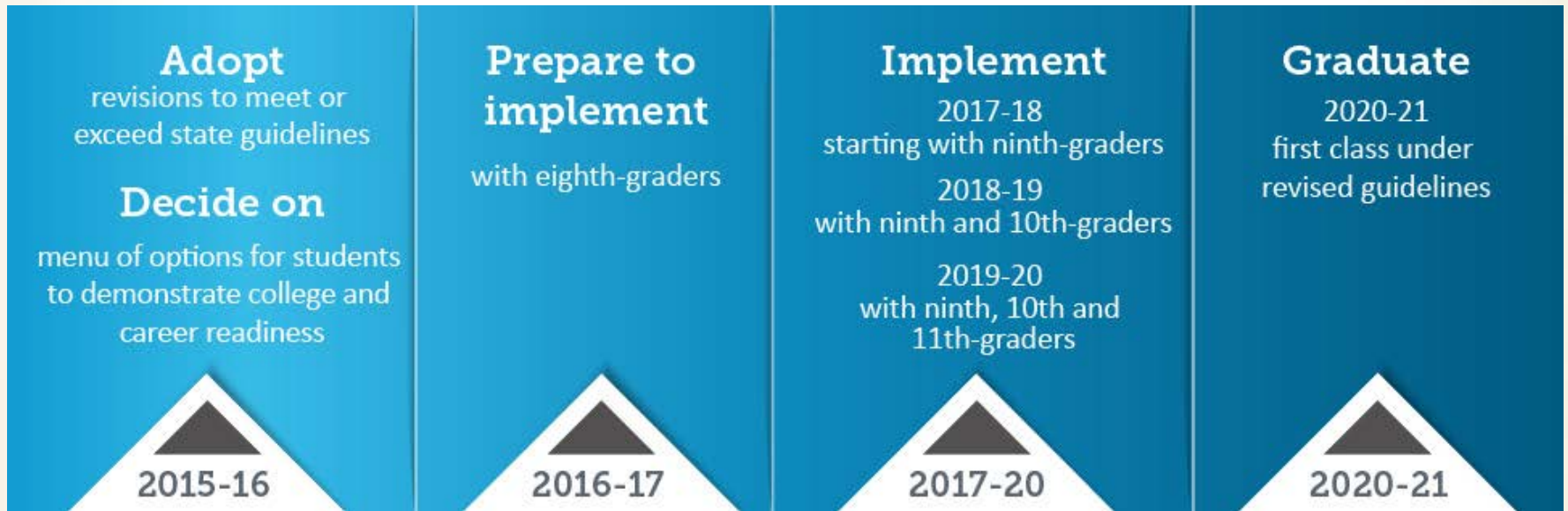


Menu of Options

STUDENTS demonstrate college or career readiness in English and math, based on at least one measure.

DEMONSTRATION of Readiness		DEMONSTRATION of Readiness	
<i>English</i>	<i>Math</i>	<i>English</i>	<i>Math</i>
ACCUPLACER		Concurrent Enrollment	
<i>62 Reading Comprehension</i>	<i>61 Elementary Algebra</i>	<i>Passing Grade</i>	<i>Passing Grade</i>
ACT		District Capstone	
<i>18 ACT English</i>	<i>19 ACT Math</i>	<i>Individualized</i>	<i>Individualized</i>
ACT Compass		Industry Certificate	
<i>79</i>	<i>63</i>	<i>Individualized</i>	<i>Individualized</i>
ACT WorkKeys		International Baccalaureate	
<i>Bronze or Higher</i>	<i>Bronze or Higher</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>4</i>
Advanced Placement		SAT	
<i>2</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>430</i>	<i>460</i>
ASVAB		Collaboratively-Developed, Standards-Based Performance Assessment	
<i>31</i>	<i>31</i>	<i>In development</i>	<i>In development</i>

Timeline



Capstone Projects

- A capstone is the culminating exhibition of a student's project or experience that demonstrates academic and intellectual learning.
- Capstone projects are individualized and district- determined, and they often include a portfolio of a student's best work.

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Resources

■ District or School Administrators

- Graduation Guidelines Teams
- Timeline
- Implementation Strategies

■ State-level Convenings:

- Capstone PLCs
- Sector Partnerships and Workforce Development

■ Online Resources and Promising Practices

- Fact Sheets and Engagement Toolkit
- Implementation Strategies
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