



RETHINKING HIGH SCHOOL: THE FUTURE OF THE INDIANA DIPLOMA

Stakeholders often say, “if” high school approached learning differently for students, “then” we could better connect them to what’s next.

To ensure every student’s K-12 experience adequately prepares them for their unique path ahead, **Indiana is the first state in the nation to significantly redesign diplomas.** Indiana’s redesigned diplomas will increase flexibility, personalization, and relevance, while maintaining rigorous standards for all.

The inspiration for these redesigned diplomas comes from the impactful work already underway at schools across Indiana. This is our opportunity to lead, and ultimately, lift all Hoosiers to better lives through education.



Grades 11-12: Flexible Academic & Experiential Learning Options

Aligned to Indiana GPS & Student’s Individual Future Goals

Grades 9-10: Foundational Knowledge & Skills

Foundational Courses & Competencies Aligned to Indiana GPS

Extensive feedback from educators, families, communities, and employers has consistently shown that there are a number **key characteristics essential to a student’s lifelong success.** Indiana’s Profile of a Graduate reflects these key characteristics, which include:

Academic Mastery

Career & Postsecondary Readiness: Credentials & Experiences

Communication & Collaboration

Work Ethic

Civic, Financial, & Digital Literacy

For the first time ever, Indiana’s diplomas will affirm that every student possesses these five characteristics upon graduation. This will be achieved through a set of foundational courses, as well as opportunities for students to demonstrate competency mastery, both within the school and beyond.



Indiana GPS Diploma

In addition to the foundational courses plus competencies for all students, those pursuing the Indiana GPS Diploma will also complete a minimum of 20 additional points, earned through a combination of courses and experiences, which students can personalize based on their unique graduation plan (a more flexible approach to the Core 40).



Indiana GPS Diploma Plus

In addition to the foundational courses plus competencies for all students, those pursuing the Indiana GPS Diploma Plus will complete additional coursework aligned to their chosen credential of value, as well as a high-quality work-based learning experience.