

## ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

### OUR MISSION

We are dedicated to the academic success of all our students by fostering an inclusive atmosphere that empowers them to engage in critical thinking through a standards-based, forward-thinking educational experience.

### OUR VISION

We are leaders in virtual education empowering all students to learn, grow, and shape the future.

### OUR PROGRAM

Indiana Connections Academy includes a four-year comprehensive high school program with an enrollment of up to 6,000 students in grades K-12.

- Indiana Connections Academy is accredited by the North Central Association Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement (NCA CASI), an accrediting division of Cognia.
- Indiana Connections Academy has over 180 certified/licensed professional staff. School is in session 180 days between the months of August and June.
- Indiana Connections Academy opened in 2010.
- Students can earn up to 12 credits during the school year.
- All students in grades 3-11 must take part in the Indiana Statewide Testing.
- All testing is mandated by the State of Indiana.

## ADVANCED COURSE OPTIONS

**Dual Credit courses include:** English, Math, Life Science, Social Science, Business and Social Studies

## DUAL ENROLLMENT

- 109 students took dual credit courses, 243 total classes taken
- 609 college credits earned
- Unweighted average GPA for dual credit courses taken: 3.48

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION

### EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

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## TOP ELITE SCHOOLS TO WHICH STUDENTS WERE ACCEPTED:

Notre Dame University, Indiana University, Purdue University, Ball State University, Butler University, and University of Nebraska

## ACCREDITATIONS



# GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Indiana Connections Academy operates on a semester system utilizing 1 credit per course per semester. Students who have taken high school level courses while in middle school may have been granted high school credit. The typical course load is six credits per semester.



The path to graduation is not one-size-fits-all. Indiana provides many pathways for students to earn a high school diploma.

**OVERVIEW**

Students starting with the Class of 2023 must meet all of the following:

- 1 Credits**
- 2 Learn & Demonstrate Employability Skills**
- 3 Postsecondary-Ready Competencies**

**DIPLOMA REQUIREMENTS**

- 1 Credits**  
Earn credits toward a diploma with designation.
  - Core 40 - minimum 40 credits
  - Academic Honors - minimum 47 credits
  - Technical Honors - minimum 47 credits
  - General
- 2 Learn & Demonstrate Employability Skills**  
Produce defined outcome(s) based on experience.  
Defined Outcome Options:
  - Videos
  - Essays
  - Resume
  - Dual Credit
  - Certifications
  - Portfolio
  - Projects
  - SlideShows
  - Presentation
  - Five Year Goal Plan
  - Reflection of Experience
  - Letters of Recommendation
  - Letter of Employment Verification
  - Postsecondary-related Experiences
  - Co-Curricular Participation
  - Extra-Curricular Participation
  - Locally Defined Outcome
- 3 Postsecondary-Ready Competencies**  
Meet at least one of these competencies.
  - **Honors Capstone**  
academic or technical
  - **SAT**  
reading/writing + 480; math = 530
  - **ACT**  
english = 18; reading = 22; math = 22; science = 22 (2 out of 4 needed with at least one in English/Reading and one in Math/Science)
  - **AP/IB**  
minimum of 31
  - **Industry Certification**  
certification from approved DWD list
  - **Apprenticeship**  
federally recognized
  - **CTE Concentration**  
C average or higher in at least 2 advanced HS courses in a state-approved CTE Pathway
  - **AP/IB (Dual Credit)**  
C average or higher in 3 courses (1 of the 3 courses must be in core content area or all three must be part of a CTE pathway)
  - **Locally Created Pathway**  
approved by SBDC
  - **Waiver**  
see listed web link

**TRACKING**

- 1 Transcript with Completed Courses**  
Project-Based Experience  
Allows students to gain knowledge and skills by working for an extended period of time to investigate and respond to an authentic, engaging and complex question.
- 2 Work Toward Completion of One of the Experiences Below**
  - **Service-Based Experience**  
Integrates academic study with service experience, reflects larger social, economic, and societal issues, and collaborative efforts between students, schools, and community partners.
  - **Work-Based Experience**  
Activities that occur in a workplace and developing the student's skills, knowledge, and readiness for work.
- 3 Course Selection, Graduation Plan, & Testing Opportunities**

Area/Subjects	#Credits for Graduation
Language Arts	8
Math	6
Science	6
Social Studies	6
Health	1
Physical Education	2
Career Directed Electives	5
Other Electives	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>40</b>

# GRADE SCALE

Student transcripts reflect weighted grades if the student took Honors or Advanced Placement courses. The numerical grading scale is as follows:

Grade	Numerical Percentage	Non-Weighted	Weighted (Honors)	Weighted (AP)
A+	98-100	4.00	4.50	5.00
A	92-97	4.00	4.50	5.00
A-	90-91	3.67	4.17	4.67
B+	88-89	3.33	3.83	4.33
B	82-87	3.00	3.50	4.00
B-	80-81	2.67	3.17	3.67
C+	78-79	2.33	2.83	3.33
C	72-77	2.00	2.50	3.00
C-	70-71	1.67	2.17	2.67
D+	68-69	1.33	1.83	2.33
D	62-67	1.00	1.50	2.00
D-	60-61	.67	1.17	1.67
F	0-59	0.00	0.00	0.00