



## Career and College Readiness for Life Beyond High School

Students are more than just the number they earn on a standardized test. Our OPS Strategic Plan of Action strives to provide students with rigorous academic programs, personalized and career-specific learning experiences and social and emotional skills that prepare them to be global citizens in an ever-changing world. The scores on standardized tests are one of many potential indicators that demonstrate readiness for life beyond high school. Career Center students learn in a variety of ways and therefore demonstrate readiness in a variety of ways. Career Center looks beyond standardized test scores and use multiple measures to assess and demonstrate that our students are ready to succeed in life beyond high school.

### Vision

To be the destination for “Learning by Doing” in career education.

### Mission

To connect students with tomorrow’s careers through relevant, real world education that engages students, community, and industry.

### Shared Values

Knowledgeable – Passionate – Flexible – Driven - Positive

## Career Ready

Students are **Career Ready** if they have identified a career interest via completion of a **Student Career Plan** and meet **two** or more of the benchmarks listed below.

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- Attendance
- Career Pathway Completer
- Workplace Learning Experience
- Industry Credential completion
- Dual Credit Career Pathway Course completion
- CTSO Co-Curricular activity (Skills USA) participation

**Strive for 95** – 95% Attendance for all OPS students

## College Ready

Students are **College Ready** if they meet either the academic indicators **OR** standardized testing benchmarks listed below.

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### Academic Indicators

- GPA 2.0 out of 4.0
- Dual Credit Core Academic Course completion

### Standardized Testing Benchmarks (minimum score)

- ACT Exam: Composite (19)
- College Readiness Placement Assessment (determined by post-secondary institution)

### Additional Factors that Contribute to College Success

Earning As, Bs, Cs; FAFSA Completion; Enrollment in career pathway course sequence; College Academic Advising; Participation in College Bound Bridge Programs like MCC Career Academies; Senior year Modular Math class; Completion of a math class after Algebra II.

## Life Ready

OPS has developed the OPS Portrait of a Graduate that defines the skills every student should be able to know and do upon high school graduation. **Collaborator, Communicator, Critical Thinker, Innovator, Civic & Global Contributor, & Resilient Achiever.** See Portrait of a Graduate for definitions of the six skills in the OPS website.