



## High School Frequently Asked Questions

**Q:** *Can my student graduate from Streams of Hope Christian Academy with a high school diploma?*

**A:** Yes! While Streams of Hope is a non-accredited private school, we still provide students with a path to graduation. Upon the completion of their high school education, our students receive a diploma, a cap and gown, and are able to walk at our very own graduation ceremony. Additionally, we provide our graduates with a high school transcript to be used for college admissions.

**Q:** *What does a typical high school path look like at Streams of Hope?*

**A:** While not required by the State of Indiana, we try to follow the Indiana Core 40 graduation path as closely as possible. Due to the individualized way we approach education, we are able to customize the curriculum and high school path to meet each student's academic ability and need. We are able to provide equivalent diplomas to the Indiana General Education Diploma, the Core 40 Diploma, the Academic Honors Diploma, and the Career Pathways Diploma. We are also able to work with students and their families to issue diplomas that focus on being ready to go into a trade.

**Q:** *Can my student graduate in less than 4 years?*

**A:** Yes! We often have students who graduate in less than 4 years. We can accelerate a student's education to meet their academic and career goals.

**Q:** *My student is a struggling learner. Can they take longer than 4 years to graduate?*

**A:** Yes! We can slow down the curriculum to ensure that your student's needs are being met! Students who take longer than 4 years to graduate can still receive a diploma and transcript in addition to walking in graduation.

**Q:** *Do you offer high school electives?*

**A:** Yes and No. While Streams of Hope provides all core classes in Language Arts, Writing, Math, Science, and History, we can't always provide elective classes for high school credit. However, we do our best to provide at least one afternoon class per year that can count as high school credit. We can also connect your student with local community resources to gain the elective credits needed. Finally, because of our ability to customize curriculum, we are able to work with students to find creative solutions to meet high school elective requirements.



**Q:** *What is a credit and how many does my student need?*

**A:** A credit is a point value given to high school classes. In the state of Indiana, 1 full year class is worth 2 credits and 1 semester class is worth 1 credit. Students need to have at least 40 credits to graduate high school with a specific number of credits required in each subject.

**Q:** *How do I know what classes my student needs to graduate?*

**A:** Our teachers will work with you and your student to create a graduation pathway. We will take into account your students needs, abilities, and goals.

**Q:** *Do colleges and universities accept Streams of Hope transcripts even though it's not accredited?*

**A:** Yes! Our students have been accepted to many colleges across the country. If a university needs more information about classes taken through Streams of Hope, we can provide them with class descriptions and other pertinent information.

**Q:** *What if we complete a few years of high school at Streams of Hope and decide we want to put our child back in public school or private school?*

**A:** This is a tricky question. Because we are a private, non-accredited school, public schools and other private schools are not required to accept our credits for transfer. This means that there is potential for all of the work your student has done at Streams of Hope to not count as credits in other schools. If this happens, your student will need to retake the credits that are not accepted which can result in a longer time spent in high school. With that being said, we have had our credits accepted in some local public school districts, however, we cannot guarantee that our credits will be accepted.

**Q:** *Can my student transfer to Streams of Hope from a public school, private school, or homeschool in the middle of their high school years?*

**A:** Yes! We accept most credits from public, private, and homeschools. Simply submit their current transcripts or records and we will determine the next steps with you.