

## Instruction

The School Board determines high school graduation requirements that will provide each student ample opportunity to achieve the purpose for which the School District exists and that meet the minimum graduation requirements contained in State law. Unless otherwise exempted, each student must successfully accomplish the following in order to graduate from high school.

1. Complete the following courses:
 

English	4 units of credit (4 years)
Science	2 units of credit (2 years)
Mathematics	3* units of credit (2 years)
	Beginning with graduating class of 2010
U.S. History	1 unit of credit (1 year)
Resource Management or Economics	½ unit of credit (1 semester)
American Government	½ unit of credit (1 semester)
Social Studies - Elective	1 unit of credit (1 year)
Physical Education (includes Driver Ed. And Health Ed.)	2 units of credit (4 years)
Music or Art or Foreign Language or Career & Technology or Applied Technology	½ to 1 unit of credit (1 year)
2. Complete all courses as provided in The School Code, 105ILCS 5/27-22, according to the year in which a student entered the 9<sup>th</sup> grade.
3. Take the Prairie State Achievement Examination unless the students is exempt according to 105 ILCS 5/2-3.64.
4. Pass an examination on patriotism and principles of representative government, proper use of the flag, methods of voting and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Superintendent or designee is responsible for: (1) maintaining a description of all course offerings that comply with the above graduation requirements, (2) notifying students and their parents/guardians of graduation requirements; (3) developing the criteria for determining when a student accomplishes these graduation requirements, as well as a method for recording that fact in the student's school record, and (4) taking all other actions to implement this policy.

### Early Graduation

The Superintendent or designee shall implement procedures for students to graduate early, provided they meet all graduation requirements.

### Veterans of World War II or the Korean Conflict

Upon application, an honorably discharged veteran of World War II or the Korean Conflict will be awarded a diploma, provided that he or she: (1) resided within an area currently within the District at the time he or she left high school, (2) left high school before graduating in order to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces, and (3) has not received a high school diploma or GED (high school equivalency).

LEGAL REF.: 105 ILCS 5/22-27, 5/27-3, and 5/27-22.  
23 Ill. Admin. Code § 1.440.

CROSS REF.: 6:30 (Organization of Instruction), 6:300-E (Application for a Diploma for Veterans of WW II or the Korean Conflict), 6:320 (Credit for Proficiency), 7:50 (School Admissions and Student Transfers to and from Non-District Schools)

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