

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The board will establish graduation requirements which, at a minimum, satisfy those established by the State Board of Education. The board will approve additional graduation requirements as recommended by the superintendent, or designee. Graduation requirements in effect when a student first enrolls in high school will remain in effect until that student graduates. The board will award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in the district who meets the requirements established by the district. Only one diploma will be awarded with no distinctions being made between the various programs of instruction that may be pursued.

I. REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATING

Each student must meet the following requirements to graduate from high school: (1) complete the credit requirements specified in the procedure accompanying this policy; (2) demonstrate career and college readiness by completing a high school and beyond plan; and (3) meet the requirements of at least one graduation pathway option described in the procedure accompanying this policy.

II. IMPLEMENTATION

The superintendent or designee will develop procedures for implementing this policy according to applicable state law.

Cross References:

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| Board Policy 2418 | Waiver of High School Graduation Credits |
| Board Policy 3110 | Qualifications of Attendance and Placement |
| Board Policy 3241 | Student Discipline |
| Board Policy 3520 | Student Fees, Fines and Charges |

Legal References: Laws of 2019, ch. 252, & 201 Graduation pathway options for the graduating class of 2020 and subsequent classes
RCW 28A.155.045 Certificate of individual achievement
RCW 28A.230.090 High school graduation requirements or equivalencies — High school and beyond plans-Career and college ready graduation requirements and waivers. Reevaluation of graduation requirements — Language requirements -Credit for courses taken before attending high school — Postsecondary credit equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.093 Social studies course credits – Civics coursework
RCW 28A.230.097 Career and technical high school course equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.120 High school diplomas — Issuance — Option to receive final transcripts — Notice
RCW 28A.230.122 International baccalaureate diplomas
RCW 28A.600.300-400 Running start program - Definition
RCW 28A.635.060 Defacing or injuring school property — Liability of pupil, parent or guardian — Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts —

Suspension and restitution — Voluntary work program as alternative —
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RCW 28A.655.061- High school assessment system-Certificate of
academic achievement- Exemptions-Options to retake high school
assessment- Objective alternative assessment- Student learning plans

WAC 180-51 High School Graduation Requirements

WAC 392-121-182 Alternative learning experience requirements

WAC 392-169 Special Service Programs - Running Start Program

WAC 392-348 Secondary Education

WAC 392-410 Courses of Study and Equivalencies

WAC 392-410-350 Seal of Biliteracy

WAC 392-415-070 Mandatory high school transcript contents –Items-
Timelines

Management Resources:

Policy and Legal News, July 2019

Policy and Legal News, May 2018

Policy and Legal News, October 2017

Policy and Legal News, October 2015

Policy and Legal News, December 2014

Policy and Legal News, September 2013

One health class required for graduation must now
include instruction in CPR and use of AED

Policy News, April 2012

State Board of Education Raises Credit
Requirements for Graduation

Policy News, October 2011

Policy Manual Revisions

Policy News, June 2010

High School Proficiency Examination

Policy News, April 2009

High School Graduation Requirements (Class of
2009)

Policy News, February 2009

High School Graduation Requirements

Policy News, August 2007

Graduation Requirements Modified by Legislature

Policy News, October 2004

Graduation Requirements: High School and Beyond
Plans

Policy News, February 2004

High School Graduation Requirements

Policy News, December 2000

2004 High School Graduation Requirements

Adopted

Policy News, April 1999

Variations complicate college credit equivalencies

Adoption Date: May 16, 2005

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2015; January 4, 2017; September 5, 2018, December 18, 2019, February 13, 2023**