



Central Islip Union Free School District

Board of Education & School District Policy Book

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4771	Early Graduation	

Students may be eligible for early graduation following the completion of all requirements for graduation. However, a student shall not be required to continue enrollment for the sole purpose of completing physical education requirements. The district, upon request from the student/s parent/guardian, may choose to grant the student a high school diploma prior to his/her completion of the eighth semester.

In considering the individual requests, attention shall be given to the student's grades, performance in school, what his/her plans are for the future, and what benefits would accrue to the student if the request for early graduation were to be approved.

The final decision on whether to grant permission will be made by the High School Principal, after consultation with the individual student's counselor, the English department chairperson, student and parent(s).

In keeping with decisions of the Commissioner of Education, a student shall not be denied an exact class rank if he/she wishes to complete the usual four-year course of studies in three years. Early graduates will also be eligible for all graduation honors and awards.

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Reference:

Appeal of Sperry, 37 EDR 660 (1998) (early graduates must be ranked with the graduating senior class, and must be eligible for all graduation honors and awards)

Appeal of Chesbrough, 32 EDR 647 (1993) (early graduates can be included in class ranking with graduating senior class, and can be eligible for graduation honors and awards)

Matter of Roberts, 15 EDR 269 (1976) (accelerated students should not be discriminated against in the assignment of an exact class rank)