

**SUBJECT: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS**

**ORIGINATING OFFICE:** ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT,  
CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

**EFFECTIVE:** May 17, 1979

**REVISED:** January 15, 1980  
February 28, 1982  
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September 20, 2005  
December 4, 2007  
October 21, 2008  
**November 17, 2009**

Beginning with the graduating class of 1987, the following requirements shall be met to graduate from one of the high schools in the Roseville Joint Union High School District:

- I. Complete 220 semester units of credit (5 semester units are equivalent to 5 periods of instructional time per week for a semester.)

Beginning with the class of 2009, students will complete 260 semester units in order to graduate. Beginning with the class of 2010 students graduating from alternative high schools of Adelante, Independence or Roseville Adult School will complete 220 semester units in order to graduate.

If a student transfers in from a comprehensive school with a traditional 6 period schedule, he/she will be expected to complete the following credits:

Transfer in after 1-3 semesters 260 units  
Transfer in after 4-5 semesters 240 units  
Transfer in after 6-7 semesters 220 units

If a student transfers in from a comprehensive school with a seven period schedule, he/she will be expected to complete the following credits:

Transfer in after 1-4 semesters 260 units  
Transfer in after 5-6 semesters 240 units

Transfer in after 7 semesters 230 units

II. Successful completion of the following subject matter requirements:

A. English..... 40 units

Beginning with the class of 2009, all students, except students in our English Learner program and those with IEPs, will fulfill the 40 units of English by completing English courses that meet the UC/CSU “b” requirement.

B. Mathematics.....20 units (for the class of 2004 through students entering the RJUHSD as part of the class of 2009, the 20 units must include successful completion of either Algebra I/Integrated I or the Algebra/Integrated 1a/1b course sequence)

Beginning with the class of 2010, all students, except students with IEPs, will fulfill the 20-unit math graduation requirement while in high school by completing math courses at or above the Algebra 1/Algebra 1B and Integrated 1/Integrated 1B levels. Students with IEPs must meet the state graduation requirement of meeting the Algebra 1 standards and must earn 20 credits of math that are agreed to in the student’s IEP.

C. Social Science..... 30 units

- U.S. History.....10 units
- Government .....5 units
- World Studies .....10 units
- Economics .....5 units

D. Science.....20 units

Beginning with the class of 2009, all students, except students with IEPs and students graduating from Adelante High School, will fulfill the 20 unit science graduation requirement by completing 10 units of life science and 10 units of physical science that meet the UC/CSU “d” or “g” requirements. Students at Adelante High School will fulfill the 20 units by completing science courses offered at the school.

- E. Physical Education.....20 units
- F. Health..... 10 units\*
- G. Fine Arts or Foreign Language.....10 units

TOTAL 150 units

\*Students enrolling in district schools for the first time at grade 10 or above are exempt from this requirement.

- III. Students must successfully pass the California High School Exit Examination in order to receive a diploma of graduation.
- IV. All schools will honor subject area credit earned by students transferring in from alternative education and continuation schools, and accredited secondary schools outside the district and will review middle school records for credit.
- V. Meet district requirements in reading, writing, mathematics and other Essential Knowledge and Skills requirements.
- VI. Maintain satisfactory citizenship and attendance as certified by the school principal and approved by the Board of Trustees.
- VII. In consideration for meeting the district's graduation requirements as listed above, a waiver of elective credits required for graduation may be given in order for students to meet credit requirements for the UC/CSU "a-g" requirements or Program of Study career preparation, as determined by the Superintendent or designee on an individual student basis.

Program of Study career preparation is defined as:

- Incorporating secondary education and postsecondary education elements;
- Including coherent and rigorous academic and career and technical content in a coordinated, non-duplicative progression of courses; and
- Leading to an industry-recognized credential or certificate at the postsecondary level, or an associate or bachelor's degree.