

Bartlett City Board of Education		4029
Descriptor Term: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	Descriptor Code: INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	Issue Date: 05/22/2014
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1 To meet the requirements for graduation, a student shall have attained an approved attendance,
2 conduct and subject matter record which covers a planned program of education, and such record
3 shall be kept on file in Bartlett High School.

4 The program of studies shall include areas and content in these areas within State Board of
5 Education Regulations and shall be flexible enough to facilitate progress from one stage of
6 development to another, thus providing for more effective student adjustment.

7 The pattern of courses which shall be required of all students in grades nine (9) through twelve
8 (12) shall be in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Education and
9 the Board of Education.

10 Before graduation, every student shall (1) achieve the specified 22 units of credit; (2) take the
11 required end-of-course exams; (3) have satisfactory records of attendance and conduct, and (4)
12 take a series of three (3) examinations, administered each at the 9th, 10th and 11th grades.¹

13 The Board authorizes the awarding of high school diplomas or attendance certificates to those
14 students recommended by school staff, the principal, and approved by the Superintendent as
15 having met the requirements for graduation established by the Board and the Tennessee State
16 Board of Education. The types of diplomas or certificates that may be awarded to graduating
17 seniors include the regular diploma, the diploma with honors, the special education diploma, the
18 occupational diploma, and an attendance certificate, all according to state regulations and other
19 local requirements.

20 *Students Receiving Special Education Services²*

21 Students receiving special education services who successfully complete their Individualized
22 Educational Program (IEP) and complete graduation requirements shall be awarded a regular
23 diploma. A special education diploma shall be awarded to students who have satisfactorily
24 completed an IEP and who have satisfactory records of attendance and conduct, but who have
25 not met the proficiency testing requirements. An occupational diploma shall be awarded to
26 students who have satisfactorily completed an IEP and the occupational diploma Skills,
27 Knowledge, and Experience Mastery Assessment (SKEMA).

28 **STUDENT LOAD**

29 All full time students in grades 9-12 shall be enrolled each semester in subjects that produce a
30 minimum of five units of credit for graduation per year. Students with hardships and gifted students
31 may appeal this requirement to the superintendent and then to the Board.³

¹ TRR/MS 0520-01-03-.06(2); T.C.A. §49-6-6001

² T.C.A. §49-6-6005

³ TRR/MS 0520-01-03-.03(6)