

<p><b>Timberlane Regional School District</b></p>	<p><b>Policy Code: IKFA</b></p>
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## EARLY GRADUATION

The Board supports early graduation as a means to earn a high school diploma. Parental involvement for students under the age of 18 is required. The ~~building high school~~ principal *or designee* shall approve such requests if he/she determines that all state and local graduation requirements will be met and that early graduation is related to career and/or educational plans of the student making the request. ~~Upon approval by the high school principal, the minimum 4-unit requirement per year for enrolled students shall be waived and the student shall be awarded a high school diploma.~~

A high school student may complete the requirements for graduation at the end of the Junior year or mid-way through the Senior year.

~~In order to qualify for early graduation, a student must meet all course and credit requirements for graduation.~~

~~It is absolutely necessary that a student and parents do the necessary long-range planning for early graduation.~~

~~According to School Board policy, It should be noted that early graduation in three (3) or three and a half (3-1/2) years at Timberlane Regional High School is a privilege and not a right. Therefore, students *Students* who wish to graduate early must strictly adhere to the following procedures in order to be considered for early graduation follow the *Early Graduation procedures as listed in the TRHS student handbook, as determined by the administration of Timberlane Regional High School.*~~

- ~~1) The student will first meet with his/her *the* assistant principal of student services to discuss the possibility of graduating early. He/she will follow the proper procedures listed below (items 2 through 5).~~
- ~~2) The student will arrange a conference with his/her guidance counselor to determine his/her credit status. The student must show evidence of a plan to complete a program of studies that satisfies graduation requirements. Then the student will need written verification from the counselor that he/she will be able to gain the required number of credits in time for early graduation.~~
- ~~3) The student must prepare a composition indicating how early graduation is in his/her best interest. Strong emphasis should be~~

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~~placed on the student's immediate and long-term educational or career plans beyond Timberlane.~~

- ~~4) The student's parent(s) or guardian(s) must also prepare a written composition indicating support for the student's early graduation plans.~~
- ~~5) The students must obtain written recommendations from two (2) faculty members who have taught the student in an academic course.who can speak to the student's academic achievement.~~
- ~~6) The student must then arrange a conference with his/her the assistant principal of student services and parent(s)/guardian(s) to review the early graduation request.and receive approval.~~

~~For students planning to graduate a semester early, the procedures listed above must be completed by July 1<sup>st</sup> of the student's third year of high school. For those planning to graduate a year early, the procedures listed above must be completed by July 1<sup>st</sup> after the student's second year of high school.~~

~~The school-building principal or designee will carry approved applications to the Superintendent of Schools and the School Board for final approval.~~

~~The school-building principal and/or designee will assume full responsibility to see that the conditions of final approval are carried out.~~

**Legal Reference:**

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.27(s), Early Graduation*