



*Center Area
School District*

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: GRADUATION
REQUIREMENTS

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217. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
<p>1. Purpose SC 1613</p>	<p>It shall be the policy of the Board to acknowledge each student's successful completion of the instructional program appropriate to the student's interests and needs by the award of a diploma or certificate at fitting graduation ceremonies.</p>
<p>2. Authority SC 1611</p>	<p>The Board shall award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in this district who meets the requirements of graduation established by this Board and published in the District Curriculum Guide The requirement for graduation shall be the completion of work and studies representing the instructional program assigned to grades nine through twelve.</p> <p>The Board shall identify the planned courses which are required for graduation. These written plans shall be on file in the district and shall be made available upon request for review by the designated representatives of the Department of Education.</p>
<p>Title 22 5.202</p>	<p>In order to graduate from high school, a student shall demonstrate achievement of the student learning outcomes as outlined in the district strategic plan and in accordance with Policy 102 Educational Goals.</p> <p>No student who has completed the requirements for graduation shall be denied a diploma as a disciplinary measure but s/he may be denied participation in the ceremony of graduation when personal conduct so warrants. Such exclusion shall be regarded as a school suspension.</p>
<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p>	<p>The Superintendent shall develop procedures for implementing this policy which include the recording of student achievement of State Standards as determined by the Board and State Regulations and shall:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">counsel students to know what is expected of them for completion of their schooling;</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">issue periodic warnings to students in danger of not fulfilling graduation requirements;</p>

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<p>SC 1611, 1613</p> <p>SC 1504(c)</p>	<p>prepare and submit to the Board for its approval a list of all candidates for the award of a diploma and a list of all graduating students for the information of the Board and release to the public;</p> <p>prepare suitable diplomas for graduating students; and</p> <p>plan and execute graduation ceremonies which fittingly mark this important achievement.</p> <p><u>Graduation Exercises</u></p> <p>Participation in the baccalaureate exercises in the high school is encouraged but not compulsory. Participation in commencement exercises is encouraged. Since these exercises require planning and rehearsal and the rehearsals are held during school hours on legal school days, it is expected that students who are to participate in the exercises be present at the rehearsals. Failure to do so, except for legitimate reasons of absence, may be cause for excluding students from participating in the exercises.</p> <p>Students participating in commencement exercises must have successfully completed requirements for graduation.</p> <p>Seniors who have academic deficiencies may meet the requirements for graduation during the following summer session. They will receive a signed diploma when proper proof has been presented to the principal at the end of the summer school session that all deficiencies have been removed.</p> <p>The only award to be presented at the commencement exercises will be the School Board Awards to outstanding seniors.</p> <p>Other awards to graduating seniors will be presented at the final awards assembly.</p>
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