

Graduation Requirements and Certificates

High School Graduation Requirements

The board will establish graduation requirements which, at a minimum, satisfy those established by the State Board of Education. The board will approve additional graduation requirements as recommended by the superintendent or designee. Graduation requirements in effect when a student first enrolls in high school will be in effect until that student graduates. The board will award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in the district who meets the requirements established by the district. Only one diploma will be awarded with no distinctions being made between the various programs of instruction that may be pursued.

REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATING

Each student must meet the following requirements to graduate from high school: (1) complete the credit requirements specified in the procedure accompanying this policy; (2) demonstrate career and college readiness by completing a high school and beyond plan; and (3) meet the requirements of at least one graduation pathway option described in the procedure accompanying this policy.

The superintendent or designee will develop procedures for implementing this policy according to applicable state law.

Cross References:

Policy 3110 Qualifications of Attendance and Placement

Policy 3240 Student Behavior, Rules of Conduct, Restorative Practices and Discipline

Policy 3520 Student Fees, Fines and Charges

Legal References:

Laws of 2019, ch. 252, § 201 Graduation pathway options for the graduating class of 2020 and subsequent classes

RCW 28A.155.045 Certificate of individual achievement

RCW 28A.230.090 High school graduation requirements or equivalencies — High school and beyond plans – Career and college ready graduation requirements and waivers -Reevaluation of graduation requirements —Language requirements — Credit for courses taken before attending high school — Postsecondary credit equivalencies

RCW 28A.230.097 Career and technical high school course equivalencies

RCW 28A.230.120 High school diplomas — Issuance — Option to receive final transcripts – Notice

RCW 28A.230.122 International baccalaureate diplomas

RCW 28A.600.300-400 Running Start Program - Definition

RCW 28A.635.060 Defacing or injuring school property — Liability of pupil, parent or guardian — Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts — Suspension and restitution - Voluntary work program as alternative — Rights protected

WAC180-51 High School Graduation Requirements

WAC 392-121-182 Alternative Learning Experience Requirements

WAC 392-169 Special service programs Running Start Program

WAC 392-348 Secondary Education

WAC 392-410 Courses of Studies and Equivalencies

WAC 392-410-350 Seal of Biliteracy

WAC 392-415-070 Mandatory high school transcript contents – Items – Timelines

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