

SECTION: PUPILS

TITLE: GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

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Greenwood School District

217. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Purpose

SC 1613

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.

2. Authority

SC 1611

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.

The requirement for graduation shall be the completion of work and studies representing the instructional program assigned to grades 9 through 12.

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.

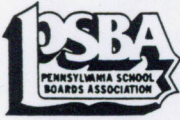
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Sec. 5.202

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.

The Board requires that each candidate for graduation shall have earned twenty-three (23) credits.

Graduation requirements for students who graduate from Greenwood High School are listed below. These requirements include those required by the Pennsylvania State Board of Education, under Chapter 5, Curriculum Regulations.

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English - 4 units
 Social Studies - 4 units
 Mathematics - 4 units
 Science - 3 units
 Arts or Humanities or Both - 2 units
 Health Education - 0.5 units

Physical Education - 2 units
 18.5 units

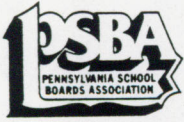
Electives 4.5 units

23.0 total credits

Seniors who have an incomplete grade at the end of any course taken during their senior year may not participate in commencement exercises or graduation-related activities. Students who experience a medical problem or extenuating circumstances may appeal to administration and the faculty committee for review. Guidelines for senior grade policy are:

- A. A letter will be sent home each Friday notifying the parent of the incomplete. Failures are also noted on this letter.
- B. The policy of sending unsatisfactory reports home to the parents midway through the semester will continue to be in effect.
- C. During the final three (3) weeks of each semester, the high school administration will notify the parents by phone of the incomplete grade and schedule a parent-teacher conference, if necessary.
- D. Senior classes and final exams are always completed a minimum of two (2) days before the date of graduation.

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.



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3. Delegation
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The Superintendent shall develop procedures for implementing this policy which include the careful recording of the student's learning outcomes as determined by the Board and State regulations and shall:

counsel students to know what is expected of them for completion of their schooling;

issue periodic warnings to students in danger of not fulfilling graduation requirements;

prepare and submit to the Board for its approval of a list of all candidates for the award of a diploma;

prepare suitable diplomas for graduating students; and

plan and execute graduation ceremonies which fittingly mark this important achievement.

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4. Guidelines

A Greenwood High School diploma will be given only if the work toward graduation is completed under direct supervision of its faculty and all accounts are current.

The successful completion of the test for a General Education Diploma will be noted on the permanent record of an individual if s/he so desires, but a Greenwood High School diploma will not be granted.

Military personnel shall be granted a Greenwood High School diploma if they complete the courses required for graduation by the School District through U.S.A.F.I. or similarly approved military correspondence courses. Students must be eighteen (18) years of age for GED testing.

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