

STUDENTS

Series 500

Policy Title Early Graduation

Code No. 505.06

Generally, students will be required to complete the necessary course work and graduate from high school at the end of grade twelve. Students may graduate prior to this time if they meet the minimum graduation requirements stated in board policy.

1. Must earn the required number of credits and pass all required classes.
2. Will not be permitted to participate in any extra-curricular activities after the conclusion of their final semester of attendance.
3. There will be no formal graduation ceremonies at mid-year. Students may participate, however, in regular graduation ceremonies held at the end of the school year.
4. Students may participate in prom activities but must understand and follow rules which apply to student enrolled.
5. Final class rank will be determined at the conclusion of the second semester of the year the student would normally graduate.
6. Parental approval is required and must be given by signing the "Early Graduation Request" application.
7. Students who fail to meet graduation requirements during the semester which they had sought to graduate early, must enroll as a full-time student the following semester while attempting to meet graduation requirements.
8. The physical education requirement may be waived.

A student who graduates early will no longer be considered a student and will become an alumnus of the school district. However, the student who graduates early may participate in commencement exercises.

NOTE: *This is a mandatory policy. School districts do not have the authority to limit when a student may graduate early. Students can graduate early whenever they meet the school district's graduation requirements. It is recommended that when a student graduates early, the student either gets the diploma or a notice from the school district that the student has graduated. The board should determine in policy how an early graduate will be treated after the student graduates. The board should determine whether the early graduate will be allowed to participate in activities and, if so, which activities.*

Legal Reference:

Iowa Code §§ 279.8; 280.3
281 I.A.C. 12.2; .5.

Cross Reference:

505.00 Student Scholastic Achievement

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George-Little Rock Board of Education
Board Policy 505.06
Early Graduation Request Application

Student name_____

State reason for request to graduate early_____

State date graduation is planned_____

I have read the attached policy 505.6 and I will meet the requirements set forth therein.

Yes ☐ No ☐

Student signature_____

I support my son/daughter's request to graduate early. I have read the attached policy.

Parent signature_____

Guidance Counselor signature _____

High School Principal signature _____

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☐ Approved on _____

☐ Denied
Reason for denial_____

Signature

Date