

DIPLOMA AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS – REGULATION – 1

Policy Number: Superintendent File: IKF-R-1

(Note: this regulation does not replace IKF-R Beginning with the Class of 2005)

In order to graduate from a Douglas County School District high school, a student must complete the following:

- Earn a minimum of 24.0 units of credit. This means a student:
 1. Shall successfully complete the sophomore reading/literature and writing course (or its equivalent) before taking additional language arts courses;
 2. Shall meet the mathematics requirement by successfully completing a minimum of Algebra 1 as one of the 3.0 credits;
 3. Shall meet the social studies requirement by successfully completing a minimum of 3.0 credits which must include 1.0 of US or World History and 0.5 of American Government;
 4. May meet the practical arts requirement by completing courses in computer, career and technical education and/or a third-, fourth-, fifth-level foreign language course;
 5. May meet the fine arts requirement by completing courses in art, drama, music, dance, and/or a third-, fourth-, or fifth-level foreign language course;
 6. May meet up to 0.5 credit in health to meet half of the physical education requirement;

Participation in Graduation Exercises

In order to participate in graduation exercises, a student must demonstrate behavior deemed by the building principal, to be compatible with the district's behavioral expectations.

A student may be denied the privilege of participating in the high school's formal graduation ceremony. If, during the semester prior to his/her graduation from a Douglas County School District high school, she/he has been suspended from school for conduct which:

1. Disrupts or threatens to disrupt the operation of a school;
2. Interferes in any way with the rights and privileges of other students or citizens; or,
3. Endangers the health, safety, or welfare of any person.

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LEGAL REFS:

C.R.S. 22-1-103 through 22-1-111

CROSS REFS:

IKF – Graduation Requirements

IKF-R-2 – MS HS Credit Policy

IKF-R-3 – Graduation Competencies (beginning with the Class of 2021)

IKE Promotion and Retention of Students

IKFA Early Graduation

JECBA Admission of Foreign Students