

Student Personnel  
500 Series

Code No. 505.5

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must successfully complete the courses required by the board and Iowa Department of Education in order to graduate.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to ensure that students complete grades one through twelve and that high school students complete 54 credits prior to graduation, beginning with the class of 2005. The following credits will be required:

- Language Arts	8 credits
- Science	6 credits
- Mathematics	6 credits
- Social Studies	6 credits
- Citizenship	(included in Social Studies) 1 credit
- Physical Education	4 credits
- Health	1 credit
- Speech	1 credit
- Parenting	1 credit
- Electives	21 credits

The required courses of study will be reviewed by the board annually.

Graduation requirements for special education students will be in accordance with the prescribed course of study as described in their Individualized Education Program (IEP). Each student's IEP will include a statement of the projected date of graduation at least 18 months in advance of the projected date and the criteria to be used in determining whether graduation will occur. Prior to the special education student's graduation, the IEP team shall determine whether the graduation criteria have been met.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 256.11, .11A; 279.8; 280.3, .14 (1997).  
281 I.A.C. 12.2; .3(7); .5; 41.12(6)(e); 67 (8).

Cross Reference: 505 Student Scholastic Achievement  
603.3 Special Education

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