

GRADUATION CEREMONIES AND ACTIVITIES

High school graduation ceremonies shall be held to recognize those students who have successfully completed the district graduation requirements and earned the right to receive a diploma.

(cf. 6146.1 - High School Graduation Requirements)

Craig City School District graduation ceremonies are conducted once annually. Anyone meeting graduation requirements during that academic year may participate in the graduation ceremony.

In accordance with school-site rules, the principal may deny a student the privilege of participating in graduation or promotion activities because of misconduct.

(cf. 5144 - Discipline)

A valedictorian and salutatorian shall be named, determined by the highest and second highest cumulative grade point averages at the end of the seventh semester prior to graduation. If two or more students have earned the exact GPA, all will be recognized as the valedictorian or salutatorian as it applies. To be eligible to be named valedictorian or salutatorian, a student must have attended the two semesters preceding graduation with Craig City School District. Students meeting the minimum requirements for graduation prior to completing eight semesters of high school are encouraged to remain in school for the eight semesters; in order to take full advantage of educational opportunities afforded all students.

School-sponsored invocations and/or benedictions shall not be included in graduation ceremonies.

Legal Reference:

ALASKA STATUTES

14.03.075 College and career readiness assessment

14.03.090 Sectarian or denominational doctrines prohibited

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Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 20 U.S.C. § 9524, as amended by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, P.L. 107-110

Santa Fe Indep. Sch. Dist. v. Doe, 530 U.S. 290 (2000)

Lee v. Weisman, 505 U.S. 577 (1992)

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