HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS BP 6146.1(a)

Note: Transfer students who have earned 13 unit credits in another district may, at the district's discretion, be excused from the district's subject area units-of-credit requirements. 4 AAC 06.075.

Note: The following sample policy reflects the minimum graduation requirements specified in 4 AAC 06.075 and should be revised to reflect district philosophy and needs. Unless otherwise stated in a student's IEP, the district shall require all students in grade 11, and all students in grade 12 who have not previously done so, to take a college and career readiness assessment described in 4 AAC 06.717. However, failure to take one of these assessments shall not be grounds for withholding a diploma from an otherwise qualified student. At the request of a student, the district shall retroactively issue a high school diploma to a student who did not receive one because of failure to pass all or a portion of the previously required High School Graduation Qualifying Exam and instead received a certificate of achievement, provided the person takes a college and career readiness assessment. AS 14.03.075. A person may satisfy the assessment pursuant to the regulations in 4 AAC 06.718. The district is to mail a notice of this option to each such student who qualifies for a diploma to the student's last known address.

The School Board intends that all District students graduate high school ready for college or a career. The Superintendent or designee shall prepare for School Board approval a plan consisting of district graduation requirements. Students shall receive diplomas of graduation from high school only after meeting the following district graduation requirements, as well as taking a college and career readiness assessment or receiving a waiver from the School Board.

Subject	Units of Credit	
Language Arts	4	
Social Studies	3*	
Mathematics	2	- For students graduating from high school **on or before June 30, 2017**.
Mathematics	3	- For students graduating from high school **on or after July 1, 2017**
Science	2	
Health/Physical Education	1	
Electives	9	

*Note: The three units of credit in social studies must include one-half unit of credit in Alaska history or demonstration that the student meets the Alaska history performance standards. This requirement will not apply to a student who (1) transfers into your school after the student's second year of high school; or (2) has already successfully completed a high school state history course in another state. 4 AAC 06.075.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS (continued) BP 6146.1(b)

(cf. 5127 - Graduation Ceremonies and Activities)
(cf. 6164.2 - Guidance and Counseling Services)
(cf. 6146.3 - Competency Testing)
(cf. 6184 - Virtual/Online Courses)

Legal Reference

ALASKA STATUTES

14.03.075 College and career readiness assessment; retroactive issuance of diploma

ALASKA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
4 AAC 06.075 High school graduation requirements
4 AAC 06.717 College and career readiness assessments
4 AAC 06.718 College and career readiness assessment after student received a certificate of achievement
4 AAC 06.721 College and career readiness assessment waivers
4 AAC 06.755-790 State wide assessment program for students with disabilities

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