GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

It shall be the policy of the Board of Education to acknowledge each student's successful completion of the instructional program appropriate to the achievement of District goals and objectives, *those prescribed by State law*, as well as personal proficiency by the awarding of a diploma at fitting graduation ceremonies. Students may be denied participation in the graduation ceremonies at the discretion of the Board.

The Board shall award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in this District who meets the requirements of graduation established by this Board as provided by State law.

Special education students who properly complete the programs specified in their **Individualized education program** (I.E.P. **IEP**) and have received the recommendation of the I.E.P. **IEP** Committee may participate in graduation activities and may be awarded a diploma.

Special education students who have completed four (4) years of high school at the end of a school year may participate in the graduation ceremony of the student's high school graduating class and receive a certification of completion if the student's individualized education program ("IEP") IEP provides for special education, transition planning, transition services, or related services beyond the student's four (4) years of high school. The Superintendent will develop procedures to provide timely and meaningful written notice to children with disabilities and their parents/guardians of this policy and the procedures.

A high school student shall be granted credit in any foreign language providing s/he meets the competency criteria established by the Superintendent.

105 ILCS 5/10-22.43, 10-22.43a 105 ILCS 5/27-6 105 ILCS 5/27-22, 5/27-22.05, 5/27-22.1**0**, 5/22-27.2, 5/27-22.3 105 ILCS 5/14-16 23 Ill. Admin. Code 1.460, 215

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