



MEMORANDUM

FROM: Stephen Buchs, Director of Curriculum 6-12 and College Partnerships

TO: Board of Education & Dr. Tim Kilrea and Dr. Kyle Schumacher, Interim
-Superintendents

CC: Brett Binding, Anthony Meier

DATE: January 15, 2026

RE: Graduation Requirements

In compliance with ISBE's graduation requirements outlined for classes graduating in 2032, I recommend that Central Community School District 301 proactively adjust the graduation requirements for the Class of 2031 to successfully transition to the additional course requirement. Currently, on average, 70% of graduating classes at CHS already meet this mandate. This change would allow all future graduates to better plan course selection when they enter high school and will address the 2 year mandate written into law. The total number of required graduation credits will move from 20.5 credit hours to 22.5 beginning with the graduating Class of 2031.