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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF CAMERON

EARLY GRADUATION POLICY

The Board of Education believes that with rare exception the benefits of a high school education cannot be fully realized in less than four years. Only in unusual or extenuating circumstances should students forego the many opportunities available to them during the entire eighth semester.

However, for those students who have special needs or goals and who would benefit from early graduation the following policy is established:

REQUIREMENTS:

The candidate must have:

- 1. Completed seven semesters of high school attendance.
- 2. Met all other graduation requirements.
- 3. A grade point average of at least 3.0.
- 4. Submitted a written request by May of the 6th semester.
- 5. Shown evidence of plans for full time involvement in further education, employment or other special goals.
- 6. Recommendation of the principal and superintendent.
- 7. Family emergencies shall receive special consideration.

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE WILL BE USED

- 1. The student must file a written request with the counselor by October 1.
- 2. The written approval of the parents or legal guardian with signatures must be submitted.
- 3. The reason for the request must be clearly stated.
- 4. The matter will be reviewed by the student and counselor.
- 5. A conference involving the student, parents, counselor and principal will be held.
- 6. The request, along with the principal's recommendation, is forwarded to the superintendent.
- 7. The final decision will be made by the Board of Education following a conference with the student and parents.