Policy Title: Graduation Requirements

General Graduation Requirements

To be eligible for graduation from Monticello High School, students must meet all of the following credit requirements:

English/Language Arts	<i>Eight (8) Credits: (4 Years Required)</i> English I and English II (or Advanced English I/II); English III, English electives (AP English, English IV, KCC Composition, or Western World Literature)
Mathematics	Six (6) Credits: (3 Years Required) Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II required (beginning with class of 2020)
Science	Six (6) Credits: (3 Years Required) Science 9, Biology, and Chemistry required
Social Studies	<i>Six (6) Credits: (3 Years Required)</i> World History, American History, Economics (Meets the Financial Literacy graduation requirements beginning with the class of 2021), and American Government required
Physical Education & Health	<i>Five (5) Credits</i> One credit of Physical Education each school year (4 credits) and Health 1 and Health 2 in 9 th grade (1 credit)
Electives	Twenty-three (23) Credits
Total Credits	Fifty-four (54) Total Credits

Students must be in full-time attendance for eight (8) semesters. Full-time attendance is defined as enrollment in at least eight (8) courses in grades nine (9), ten (10) and eleven (11) and at least seven (7) courses in grade twelve (12).

A maximum of six (6) credits may be accepted toward graduation from approved correspondence high schools and/or approved programs designed for high school completion.

Students attending an approved alternative high school program may transfer more than six (6) credits.

Students not meeting graduation requirements are not allowed to participate in commencement exercises or other graduation ceremonies.

Special Education Graduation Requirements

Beginning with the class of 2022, graduation requirements for special education students will include successful completion of four years of English, three years of math, three years of social studies, and three years of science.

Early Graduation Requirements

Students may graduate early if they meet all of the requirements in a plan approved by the Monticello High School Principal. Such a plan must be submitted to the high school principal prior to the beginning of the semester in which the student plans to graduate. Alternative educational programming for graduation may be approved by the high school principal.

Students who graduate early under an approved plan may participate in the regular spring commencement exercises and Prom.

Students who complete a regular session in the Legislative Page Program of the general assembly at the state capitol will be credited a half (.5) credit of social studies.

Students enrolled in a junior officers' training corp will receive 1/8th physical education credit for each semester the student is enrolled in the program.

NOTE: This is a mandatory policy.

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