

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION
FORT DODGE SENIOR HIGH

Graduation from High School shall be according to the regulations of the Department of Education. The regulations shall be the minimum requirements. The requirements may only be raised or adjusted by Board action supported by recommendations(s) of the Superintendent. The Board shall review the requirements annually.

The Superintendent shall plan and execute graduation proceedings for those students who successfully complete the requirements.

To graduate, a student must successfully earn fifty-two (52) credits. The following number of credits in each subject area shall be required:

English – 8 Sem/Credits

- Humanities *
- [(Integrated Course (1.5 Cr)]
- American Studies ** [(Integrated Course (1.5 Cr)]
- 1 Sem. of Speech/Communications
- 1 Sem. of Literature
- 1 Sem. of Composition
- 2 Sem. Additional English Electives

Social Sciences – 6 Sem/Credits

- Humanities * [(Integrated Course (1.5 Cr)]
- American Studies ** [(Integrated Course (1.5 Cr)]
- US Government or Equivalent
- Understanding Social Systems or Civics
- 1 Sem. Social Science Elective

Science – 6 Sem/Credits

- Integrated Science 3 Sem.
- Biology 2 Sem.
- 1 Sem. Science Elective
- **1 Credit of Health 1 or Equivalent**
- **4 Credits of Physical Education**
- **1 Credit Developing Financial Literacy or demonstration of proficiency via Assessment or other coursework**
- **Additional Electives to Reach 52 Credits**

Mathematics – 6 Sem/Credits

- Alg. I or Equivalent
- Conceptual Math or Equivalent
- Informal Geometry or Equivalent
- Additional Mathematics Credits to fulfill 6 Sem. Requirement

* Successful completion of three (3) terms of Humanities equates to 1.5 credits of English and 1.5 credits of Social Science.

** Successful completion of three (3) terms of American Studies equates to 1.5 credits of English and 1.5 credits of Social Science.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Iowa Code, §256.11, 279.8, 280.3, .14 (1989)
670 Iowa Adm. Code, §3.2, 3.3(12)
281 Iowa Adm. Code, §12.2, 4.3(7), 4.5

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