

Education Program

Series 600

Policy Title: Graduation Requirements

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Students must successfully complete the courses required by the board and Iowa Department of Education in order to graduate.

It is the responsibility of the superintendent to ensure that students complete grades one through twelve and that high school students complete 22 credits prior to graduation. The following credits will be required for graduation:

Graduation requirements: Total Carnegie Units required: 22 Credits at MHS assigned on an equivalent basis to Carnegie Units (.5 Units = 1 Semester).

Courses required:

English Language Arts (4 credits)

English 9	1
English 10	1
English 11 or AP English	1
English Electives	1

Social Science (3 credits)

World History (beginning with Class of 2022 {Moving to 5 credit for Class of 2023})	1
American History II	1
American Government	.5
Financial Literacy (new beginning with Class of 2020)	.5
Behavioral Science (new beginning with Class of 2023)	.5
(deleted beginning 2019-2020)	

Science (3 credits)

Physical Science (beginning with the Class of 2020)	1
Biology	1
Chemistry Elective	1

Math (3 credits)

Algebra 1	1
Math Electives	2

Physical Education(2 credits)

Passed each semester enrolled.	2
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Electives

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TOTAL	22
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The required courses of study will be reviewed by the board annually.

Graduation requirements for special education students will be in accordance with the prescribed course of study as described in their Individualized Education Program (IEP).

Transfer Students:

The amount of credit transferred from a previous school will be translated into our credit system and awarded on a comparative basis depending on time spent in class. If the student has not previously attended an accredited school, the principal shall determine the amount of credits to be transferred.

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279.8, 280.3, .14 (2013)

670 Iowa Admin. Code 3.2, 3.3 (12). 281

I.A.C. 12.2, .5; 12.3(5).

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603.1 Basic Instruction Program

603.3 Special Education