

**WEST LINN-WILSONVILLE SCHOOL DISTRICT
SCHOOL BOARD POLICY**

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Graduation Requirements Beginning Class of 2012

The Oregon Administrative Rules provide that school districts shall award a diploma to students upon fulfillment of all state and local district credit, demonstrate proficiency in essential skills and meet the personalized learning requirements. The Board will establish graduation requirements that meet or exceed state standards. Those requirements will be published yearly for students and their parents. The standards also allow the granting of an alternative document identifying acquired minimum competencies to students having met some, but not all graduation requirements.

All members of a graduation class, whether they receive a standard, modified, or extended diploma or an alternative certificate may be allowed to participate in commencement exercises and receive the appropriate document in that ceremony.

Standard Diploma

A standard diploma will be awarded to each student who meets the minimum requirements of credits, competencies, and attendance. IDEA eligible students may receive a standard diploma by meeting graduation requirements and passing courses with accommodations that do not alter the curriculum content and competency requirement of those courses.

The graduation requirements for a standard diploma require each student to earn 24 credits that include at least:

- 4 credits of Language Arts
- 3 credits of Mathematics (Algebra I or above)
- 3 credits of Science (at least 2 credits of Lab)
- 3 credits of Social Studies
- 1 credits of Health Education
- 1 credits of Physical Education
- 3 credits of Second Language, The Arts, or Career & Technical Education
- 6 credits of Electives

Modified Diploma

A modified diploma will be awarded to an eligible student who has demonstrated the inability to meet the full set of academic content standards for a standard diploma even with reasonable modifications and accommodations. An eligible student has a documented history of an inability to maintain grade level achievement due to significant learning and instructional barriers or a medical condition that creates a barrier to achievement.

The graduation requirements for a modified diploma require each student to earn 24 credits that include at least:

- 3 credits of Language Arts
- 2 credits of Mathematics

- 2 credits of Science
- 2 credits of Social Studies
- 1 credit of Health Education
- 1 credit of Physical Education
- 1 credit of Second Language, The Arts, or Career & Technical Education
- 12 credits of Electives

Extended Diploma

An extended diploma will be awarded to an eligible student under IDEA.

The graduation requirements for an extended diploma require each student to earn 12 credits, of which no more than 6 of these 12 in a self-contained classroom, which include at least:

- 2 credits of Language Arts
- 2 credits of Mathematics
- 2 credits of Science
- 3 credits of Social Studies
- 1 credit of Health Education
- 1 credit of Physical Education
- 1 credit of The Arts or Second Language

Vocational Education Certificate

A vocational education certificate will be awarded to students eligible under the IDEA who take an alternative course schedule that better meets their educational needs. These students receive an education that is not based on the general curriculum with most courses not aligned with state curriculum benchmarks.

Certificate of Attainment

A certificate of attainment will be awarded to students eligible under the IDEA whose functional skill level requires all of their instruction, even in special education classes, be individualized. Most of these students will remain under the guardianship of their parents or the State of Oregon.

The school district administration will establish administrative procedures for enacting this policy.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

- ORS 326.051
- ORS 329.045
- ORS 329.451
- ORS 339.115
- ORS 339.280
- ORS 343.295
- OAR 581-021-0071
- OAR 581-022-1110
- OAR 581-015-2050
- OAR 581-022-1130
- OAR 581-022-1133
- OAR 581-022-1134

- OAR 581-022-1135
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- OAR 581-022-0615