INSTRUCTION 2410

High School Graduation Requirements

The Board will award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in the District who meets graduation requirements established by the District. The official transcript will indicate the specific courses taken and level of achievement.

The Board will establish graduation requirements which, at a minimum, satisfy those established by the Board of Public Education (A.R.M. 10.55.904 and 905). Generally, any change in graduation requirements promulgated by the Board will become effective for the next class to enter ninth grade. Exceptions to this general rule may be made, when it is determined by the Board that proposed changes in graduation requirements will not have a negative effect on students already in grades nine (9) through twelve (12). The Board will approve graduation requirements as recommended by the Superintendent.

To graduate from Jefferson High School, a student must have satisfactorily completed the last quarter prior to graduation as a Jefferson High School student. Highly unusual exceptions may be considered by the principal, such as a student exchange program in a recognized school.

A student with a disabling condition will satisfy those competency requirements incorporated into the individualized education program (IEP). Satisfactory completion of the objectives incorporated in the IEP will serve as the basis for determining completion of a course.

A student may be denied participation in graduation ceremonies in accordance with § 20-5-201(3), MCA. In such instances the diploma will be awarded after the official ceremony has been held.

Legal Reference:	§ 20-5-201, MCA 10.55.904, ARM	Duties and sanctions Basic Education Program Offerings – High
School	,	
	10.55.905, ARM	Graduation Requirements
	10.55.906, ARM	High School Credit

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