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EARLY GRADUATION

A student who wishes to graduate from high school in less time than the ordinary eight (8) semester, grade 9-12 sequence, may request permission to complete graduation requirements on an alternate schedule.

The student and parents/guardians will consult with high school guidance personnel to develop a graduation plan. The student's intention to accomplish this shall be stated in writing to the principal. The student's parent or legal guardian must submit a letter in support of the student's request for early graduation, and such letter is to accompany the student's written request. The request letters to the principal are to be submitted no later than six months prior to the anticipated completion of the required high school program.

A student who graduates early must complete all graduation requirements established by the board. The student who chooses early graduation will be allowed to participate in the spring graduation ceremonies. In all other school activities the early-out graduate will be treated as a graduate student.

It is recommended that when a student graduates early, the student either gets the diploma or a notice from the school district that the student has graduated. The board should determine in policy how an early graduate will be treated after the student graduates. The board should determine whether the early graduate will be allowed to participate in activities and, if so, which activities.