

## Instruction

### Graduation Requirements

To graduate from high school, unless otherwise exempted, each student is responsible for:

1. Completing all District Graduation requirements that are in addition to the State requirements.
2. Completing all courses as provided in the School code, 105 ILCS 5/27-22.
3. Completing all minimum requirement for graduation as specified by Illinois State Board of Education rule, 23 Ill. Admin. Code 1.440.
4. Passing and examination on patriotism and principles of representative government, proper use of the flag, methods of voting, and the Pledge of Allegiance.
5. Participating in State assessments that are required for graduation by the School Code, 105 ILCS 5/2-3.64a-5(c).

A minimum of twenty-one (21) units of credit is required for graduation from Dunlap High School.

The following are state and school district requirements for all graduating classes:

3 Years of Mathematics

3 Years of Science

2 Years of Social Studies (must include U.S. History and Civics)

1 Year of either Foreign Language, Art, or Tech Prep (Agriculture, Business, Home Economics, or Industrial Arts)

1 Semester of Software Applications

1 Semester of Resource Management

8 semesters of Language Arts (must include 1 semester of Speech)

8 Semesters of P.E. (must include Driver Education classroom and Health)

Each semester a student must register for at least four (4) solid subjects (those with ½ credit per semester) unless exempted by a guidance counselor and/or the Administration. Students who have demonstrated academic proficiency may be allowed to take six (6) solid subjects with counselor and/or Administrative approval.

Algebra I is required as well as course work content of geometry. This must be one of the three courses of mathematics.

The Superintendent or designee is responsible for: (1) maintaining a description of all course offerings that comply with the above graduation requirements, (2) notifying students and their parents/guardians of graduation requirements, (3) developing the criteria for #4 above (4) complying with State law requirements for students who transfer during their senior year because their parent(s)/guardian(s) are on active military duty. This includes making reasonable adjustments to ensure graduation if possible, or efforts to ensure that the original (transferor) school district issues the student a diploma. (5) taking all other actions needed or necessary to implement this policy.

The Building Principal is responsible for notifying students and their parent(s)/guardian(s) of the District's graduation requirements.

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Early Graduation

The Superintendent or designees shall implement procedures for student to graduate early, provided they meet all graduation requirements.

Upon consultation with the high school Counseling Department and the Principal, a high school student may complete his/her high school work at the end of his/her sixth or seventh semester upon:

1. Accumulation of the required 21 credits as well as successful completion of all required courses for graduation.
2. Parent conference at the school if requested by the Principal.
3. Written declaration by the parent(s)/guardian(s) by the seventh day of the semester, stating that their child intends to graduate at the end of the year or first semester must be given to the Principal. If this declaration is not made, the student will be expected to attend for the entire year.
4. Class rank for mid-year graduates will be determined at the end of their seventh semester.

Certificate of Completion

A student with a disability who has an individualized education program prescribing special education, transition planning, transition services, or related services beyond the student's four years of high school, qualifies for a certificate of completion after the student has completed four years of high school. The student is encouraged to participate in the graduation ceremony of his or her high school graduation class. The Superintendent or designee shall provide timely written notice of this requirement to children with disabilities and their parents/guardians.

Veterans of World War II, the Korean Conflict, or the Vietnam Conflict

Upon application, an honorably discharged veteran of World War II, the Korean Conflict, or the Vietnam Conflict will be awarded a diploma, provided that he or she (1) resided within an area currently within the District at the time he or she left high school, (2) left high school before graduating in order to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces, and (3) has not received a high school Diploma.

LEGAL REF.:	105 ILCS 5/2-3.64a-5, 5/22-27, 5/27-3 5/27-22, and 5/27-22.10. 105 ILCS 70/, Educational Opportunity for Military Children Act. 23 Ill. Admin. Code § 1.440.
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