	Descriptor Code GDAA	1 st Reading 03/11/20
CRITERIA FOR APPROVING AND DENYING	Adopted 03/11/20	Revised
EARLY GRADUATION		

EARLY GRADUATION

- 1. Students must have a 3.0 or higher-grade point average in order to be eligible for early graduation. Students must also meet the graduation requirements for Valley City Public Schools.
- 2. Early graduates must complete a petition for early graduation and submit that form nine weeks before their intended exit date to either the counselor or principal. The petition must be signed by the student and a parent.

Prior to the petition being submitted, the student will meet with the counselor and/or Administration to review the student's academic record.

- 3. All students who petition for early graduation must complete a written explanation of the reasons for their early graduation request, a written explanation of vocational and/or educational plans following their early graduation, and a written explanation of how early graduation helps them to fulfill those plans.
- 4. The petition and written explanation will be evaluated by the administration and counselor.
- 5. The request for early graduation will be approved/denied by the Administration.
- 6. The student may take part in the graduation ceremony.