

MOUNT BAKER POLICY 2410 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

The board will establish requirements, which at a minimum satisfy those established by the State Board of Education. The board will approve additional graduation requirements as recommended by the superintendent or designee. Graduation requirements in effect when a student first enrolls in high school will remain in effect until that student graduates. The board will award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in the district who meets the requirements established by the district. Only one diploma will be awarded with no distinctions being made between the various programs of instruction that may be pursued.

I. Requirements for Graduating

Each student must meet the following requirements to graduate from high school: (1) complete the credit requirements specified in the procedure accompanying this policy; (2) demonstrate career and college readiness by completing a high school and beyond plan; and (3) meet the requirements of at least one graduation pathway option described in the procedure accompanying this policy.

II. Implementation

The superintendent or designee will develop procedures for implementing this policy according to applicable state law. Changes to procedures will be presented to the board prior to implementation.

Graduation Requirements					
Course Areas	4 A/B	2022	2023	2024	2025
English	4	4	4	4	4
Social Studies	3	3	3	3	3
Math	3	3	3	3	3
Science	3	3	3	3	3
Career & Technical Education	2	2	2	2	2
Physical Education	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Health	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Fine Arts**	2	2	2	Q2	2
World Language**	2	2	2	2	2
Other Courses	9	8.5	8	7.5	7
Washington State History	Taken in Junior High				
Total Credits Required	30	29.5	29	28.5	28

Cross Reference:

MB Policy 2418	Waiver of High School Graduation Requirements
MB Policy 3520	Student Fees, Fines, or Charges
MB Policy 3241	Classroom Management, Discipline and Corrective Action
MB Policy 3110	Qualification of Attendance and Placement

Legal References:

Laws of 2019, ch. 252, 201	Graduation pathway options for the graduating class of 2020 and subsequent classes
RCW 28A.155.045	Certificate of individual achievement
RCW 28A.230.090	High School graduation requirements or equivalencies – Reevaluation of graduation requirements – Review and authorization of proposed changes – Credit for courses taken before attending high school – Postsecondary credit equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.097	Career and technical high school course equivalencies
RCW 28A.230.120	High school diplomas – Issuance – Option to receive final transcripts - Notice
RCW 28A.230.122	International baccalaureate diplomas
RCW 28A.600.500	Graduation Ceremonies – Tribal Regalia
RCW 28A.600.300-400	Running Start Program – Definition
RCW 28A.635.060	Defacing or injuring school property – Liability of pupil, parent or guardian – Withholding grades, diploma, or transcripts – Suspension and restitution – Voluntary work program as alternative – Rights protected
WAC 180-51	High School Graduation Requirements
WAC 392-121-182	Alternative learning experience requirements
WAC 392-169	Special Service Programs – Running Start Program
WAC 392-348	Secondary Education
WAC 392-410	Courses of Study and Equivalencies
WAC 392-410-350	Seal of Biliteracy
WAC 392-415-070	Mandatory high school transcript contents

Management Resources:

Policy & Legal News, December 2020
Policy & Legal News, July 2019
Policy & Legal News, May 2018
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Policy News, August 2007 – Graduation Requirements Modified by Legislature
Policy News, October 2004 – Graduation Requirements: High School and Beyond Plans
Policy News, February 2004 – High School Graduation Requirements
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Policy News, April 1999 – Variations Complicate College Credit Equivalencies

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