

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

General

The intent of this policy is to define the requirements that must be met by a student to receive a Jay High School diploma. The policy also outlines the possible alternatives that are available for an eligible student to meet his/her high school graduation requirements through other than the traditional four year sequence.

It is our belief that each student should be prepared academically, vocationally and socially upon graduation from high school to make his/her place in our society.

It is not the intent of this policy, however, to encourage early high school graduation.

Specific Graduation Requirements for Jay High School Students

- A. A student at Jay High School is generally expected to take four years to graduate.
- B. The prospective graduate must earn at least twenty (20) credits. (20 credits beginning with the class of 1999).
- C. A minimum of twelve (12) semester courses or six (6) academic credits must be taken each year, except in cases where scheduling such is not possible or other extenuating circumstances.
- D. Required credits for all classes:

Course Credits Area Totals

English

Must pass 4 years of English 4 credits 4 credits

Science

- A. Must pass a semester of Health 1/2 credit
- B. Must pass a physical science 1 credit
- C. Must pass a biological science 1 credit 2 1/2 credits

	<u>Course Credits</u>	<u>Area Totals</u>
<u>Social Studies</u>		
A. Must pass one semester of world geography	1/2 credit	
B. Must pass one semester of American Government	1/2 credit	
C. Must pass one year of U.S. History	1 credit	
D. All seniors must pass one semester of social studies	1/2 credit	2 1/2 credits

Mathematics

Must earn three high school credits beginning with class of 1999) 2 credits 2 credits (3 (3

Physical Education

Must earn one high school credit 1 credit

Fine Arts

Must earn one credit in Fine Arts (Band, Chorus, Art) 1 credit

Computer Literacy

Must successfully pass a computer literacy test

- E. A student must be a resident of the Town of Jay or a tuition student at Jay High School to be awarded a Jay High school diploma and to be eligible to participate in the graduation exercises.
- F. A student may be awarded a Jay High School diploma and be eligible to participate in the graduation exercises provided he/she has attended Jay High School for three and one-half years and through family need has moved to another town to complete his day school education.
- G. A student may earn up to four of the academic credits required for graduation through out-of-school educational endeavors with prior approval of the principal. No more than two of these credits may be through correspondence courses. Costs incurred in pursuing this means of earning credits will be borne by the student.

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