

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must successfully complete the courses required by the board and the Nebraska Department of Education in order to graduate.

It shall be the responsibility of the superintendent to ensure that students complete grades one through twelve and that high school students complete 230 credits prior to graduation. The following credits will be required:

Language Arts	40 credit hours
Science	30 credit hours
Computer Applications	5 credit hours
Mathematics	30 credit hours
Social Studies	30 credit hours
Speech	5 credit hours
Health	5 credit hours
Physical Education	10 credit hours
Fine Arts	5 credit hours

Total Required Hours for Graduation 230 credit hours

The required courses of study will be reviewed by the board annually.

Course Credit For Nine Weeks Grading Period

Students who receive credit from Heartland High School, or accredited institutions, for course work completed during a nine weeks grading period, will be given credit at one half of the full credits given for the semester. The credits given for the nine weeks may be allowed to meet the requirements for high school level courses and recorded on the student's transcript. Final determination will be made by the school administration.

Special Education Students

Graduation requirements for special education students will be in accordance with the prescribed course of study as described in their Individualized Education Program (IEP). Each student's IEP will include a statement of the projected date of graduation at least 18 months in advance of the projected date and the criteria to be used in determining whether graduation will occur. Prior to the special education student's graduation, the IEP team shall determine whether the graduation criteria have been met.

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