

Policy 2410

Instruction

High School Graduation Requirements

Each student who has successfully completed an instructional program appropriate to his/her interests and needs shall be awarded a diploma at graduation ceremonies. The Board of Trustees shall award a high school diploma to every student who meets graduation requirements from either McCall-Donnelly High School or Heartland Alternative High School.

Core Requirements

Content Area	<i>MDHS GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS</i>
Core of Instruction	42 credits (minimum)
Electives	12 credits (minimum)
Total Credits	54 credits (minimum) One credit is equal to one semester in class.
Language Arts	10 credits 8 – English 1 – Speech 1 – Reading
Mathematics	8 credits 2 – Algebra 2 – Geometry 4 – Math electives
Science	6 credits 2 – Physical Science 2 – Biology 2 – Science Elective
Social Studies	9 credits 2 – World History 2 – US History I 2 – US History II 2 – Government 1 – Economics
Humanities Can be taken 10 th , 11 th or 12 th	2 credits 1 – Of Idaho 1 – “Humanities” Class
Health	1 credit
Physical Education	2 credits 1 – 9 th grade PE (Minimum) 1 – PE elective
Professional Technical / Humanities Area	2 credits

Computer Education	1 credit
Senior Project	1 credit

Additional information

One credit is equal to one semester in class.

Aide Credit Options: Aide credits are classified as an elective credit. A student may not receive more than four Aide credits pass/fail. Students may only have one (1) Aide position per semester. Freshmen are not allowed to be in an Aide position. Students must fill out an application and be approved by the supervising teacher.

External credits must come from an (Advance Ed.) accredited member.

Driver Education is not a credit course and does not apply toward graduation.

The Board of Trustees may change graduation requirements for any graduating class.

Other Conditions Covering Graduation

1. Transfer Students

Transfer students shall be expected to comply with McCall-Donnelly High School graduation requirements. When a student transfers from another 9-12 accredited institution, the student may graduate with a different number of credits, provided the minimum state requirements are satisfied and the student successfully passes a full schedule of classes during his/her senior year. Any variation must be approved by the principal or his/her designee.

2. Students entitled to services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

Students entitled to services under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act shall satisfy those competency requirements incorporated into their Individual Education Program (I.E.P.). Students may be granted a waiver from requirements by the I.E.P. team. Satisfactory completion of the goals in the I.E.P. shall serve as the basis for graduation.

3. All students shall meet state of Idaho testing requirements.

Graduation Activities

To be eligible to participate in graduation activities:

- A student must be enrolled in MDHS courses as a full-time student during his/her senior year.
- A student must have completed all McCall-Donnelly Jt. School District graduation requirements prior to the date of the first activity.
- All courses not completed and graded at the end of senior finals week, or failure to complete all requirements will prohibit a student's participation in graduation activities.
- All graduating seniors planning to participate in commencement ceremonies must have purchased or rented the approved cap and gown.
- Graduates will wear appropriate school clothes to graduation.
- Students may be denied participation in the graduation ceremonies as a result of disciplinary action or violation of school rules.
- All fines and fees must be paid to the school prior to commencement.

It is the responsibility of the principal, teachers, and the counselor to monitor all students in their progress toward graduation and to inform students and parents whenever it appears that a student may be in danger of failing to meet graduation requirements.

Students who do not participate in graduation ceremonies because of a lack of credits may receive a diploma for that school year if credits are completed by September 1 of that calendar year.

Diplomas: Students will be issued diplomas after completing graduation requirements and after commencement exercises. A student's diploma may be withheld until the student pays for any school property that has been lost or damaged until the principal determines that restitution or compensation has been completed.

Policy History

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Exhibit 2410

MDHS Recommended Instructional Program

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>9th Grade</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Math [Algebra or above] 2. English [English I] 3. Science [Physical Science] 4. Social Studies [World History] 5. Business Computer Applications/ PE 9 6. Elective 7. Elective 8. Elective <p style="text-align: center;">Required Enrollment of 8 Courses per semester</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>10th Grade</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Math [Geometry or above] 2. English [English II] 3. Science [Biology] 4. Social Studies [US History I] 5. Health / Reading 6. Elective 7. Elective 8. Elective <p style="text-align: center;">Required Enrollment of 8 Courses per semester</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>11th Grade</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Math 2. English 3. Science 4. Social Studies [US History II] 5. Speech / Elective 6. Elective 7. Elective 8. Elective <p style="text-align: center;">Required Enrollment of 8 Courses per semester</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>12th Grade</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Math 2. English 3. Social Studies [Government] 4. Economics 5. Senior Project 6. Humanities* 7. Elective 8. Elective <p style="text-align: center;">Required Minimum Enrollment of 6 Courses, 3 courses each day per semester</p>

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