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Board Policy Document

# EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

## *Series 600*

## Policy Title: Graduation Requirements

## Code Number: 605.4

In order to receive a Sioux City Community School District diploma, students must have successfully completed the courses required by the Board for graduation. Students must successfully complete each grade level, grade one through grade twelve, and complete all required courses of study prior to graduation as determined by the State Department of Education and the Sioux City Community School District Board of Directors. Students may graduate prior to the completion of grade twelve if the course work required for graduation has been fulfilled.

Graduation requirements for special education students will be in accordance with the prescribed course of study as described in their Individual Education Program (IEP).

Any high school student transferring into the Sioux City Community School District shall present an official transcript from his/her previous school unless exempted by a state law. This transcript must come directly from the accredited school issuing the credits. This policy shall apply to home schooled students who have enrolled, or re-enrolled in the Sioux City Community School District, and who wish to earn a high school diploma from any of the District's high schools.

It shall be the responsibility of the Superintendent through the Principals to ensure that students complete grades one through twelve and that high school students complete 44 credits prior to graduation. See AR605.4.

The top-ranking five percent of the graduating class at the end of the eighth semester will be honored at Commencement Exercises. Students will be ranked in their class based on their cumulative quality grade points.

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