

# SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION: STUDENTS

TITLE: GRADUATION  
REQUIREMENTS

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217. GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS	
1. Purpose	The Board of School Directors (“Board”) of Springfield School District (“District”) shall acknowledge each student’s successful completion of the instructional program appropriate to the student’s interests and needs by awarding diplomas and certificates at graduation ceremonies.
2. Authority Title 22 Sec. 4.24, 4.52	The Board shall adopt the graduation requirements students must achieve, which shall include course completion and grades, completion of a culminating project, and demonstrated proficiency on all required District and/or state assessments aligned with academic standards.
SC 1611, 1613 Title 22 Sec. 4.13, 4.24	The Board shall award a regular high school diploma to every student enrolled in this District who meets the requirements of graduation established by this Board.
SC 1614 Title 22 Sec. 11.27 Pol. 113	The Board shall permit a student with a disability who has attended four (4) years of high school, to participate in commencement ceremonies with his/her graduating class and receive a certificate of attendance, even if the student’s Individualized Education Program (IEP) prescribes continued educational services. Students with IEPs may receive a high school diploma upon completion of Individualized Education Program (IEP) goals as determined by the IEP team.
SC 1613 Pol. 102, 127	A requirement for graduation shall be the completion of required assessments, work, and studies representing the instructional program assigned to grades 9 through 12, which are aligned to established academic standards.
Title 22 Sec. 11.4, 11.8	The fourth year of high school shall not be required for graduation if a student has completed all requirements for graduation and attends a postsecondary institution as a full-time student.
Title 22 Sec. 11.5, 11.8	A student may qualify for graduation by attending a District school part time when officially enrolled part time in a postsecondary institution.

<p>3. Delegation of Responsibility</p> <p>Pol. 213, 216</p> <p>Pol. 212</p>	<p>The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible for planning and executing graduation ceremonies that appropriately recognize this important achievement.</p> <p>Accurate recording of each student's achievement of established academic standards shall be maintained, as required by law and state regulations.</p> <p>Students and parents/guardians shall be informed of graduation requirements students are required to complete.</p> <p>Periodic warnings shall be issued to students in danger of not fulfilling graduation requirements.</p> <p>A student who has completed the requirements for graduation shall not be denied a diploma as a disciplinary measure, but the student may be denied participation in the graduation ceremony when personal conduct so warrants. Such exclusion shall be regarded as a school suspension.</p> <p><b><u>DISCLAIMERS:</u></b></p> <p><b><i>This policy is superseded by all current federal and state laws and mandates.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>This online posting is an electronic copy from Springfield School District's manual of currently adopted policies. The policies on this site are for informational purposes only and do not reflect updating activities in progress. It may be used for information and reference purposes only regarding issues of concern. Certified date-stamped copies are available from the District Open Records Officer and are valid for issues of concern within two (2) weeks of the stamped date.</i></b></p>
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