

REQUIREMENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY

Background

All High Prairie School Division (HPSD) grade 12 students who wish to participate in a HPSD graduation ceremony must meet certain minimal requirements.

Definitions

Graduation Ceremonies - the event where students are recognized for completing their high school education which may include a formal ceremony and/or dinner and/or dance.

Procedures

1. Participation Requirements

To take part in the graduation ceremonies, the student must be enrolled and have a satisfactory level of achievement in the courses necessary to satisfy the requirements for an Alberta Education High School Diploma or Certificate of Achievement.

- 1.1. By February 1 of the student's graduating year, students must have a minimum of
 - 1.1.1. Eighty (80) credits if working towards a Diploma or sixty-five (65) credits if working towards a Certificate of Achievement, and
 - 1.1.2. By March 1, be registered in any other courses necessary for graduation.
 - 1.1.3. If a student presents with fewer than the required credits by the February 1 deadline, principals may allow the student to continue planning on participation, provided that the student has a realistic and attainable plan to meet all other deadlines and requirements.
- 1.2. Students enrolled in distance learning courses, Work Experience, RAP, special projects or CTS courses must have 70% of year-long courses and 50% of second semester courses completed by the end of March (confirmation of the course work completed is the responsibility of the student).
- 1.3. Four weeks prior to the graduation ceremony, students must have a minimum of 50% in each class in which they are currently enrolled.
- 1.4. Students must be in overall good standing with the school on the date of the graduation ceremony.
- 1.5. Students may participate in only one (1) graduation ceremony in the Division.

2. Fees

- 2.1. All students are expected to pay a graduation fee for the costs to host a graduation ceremony. These costs will follow the HPSD fee schedule. Students have opportunities throughout the year to fundraise or seek donations to help offset any graduation costs.