

Board File: IKF-R (beginning with the Class of 2005)

DIPLOMA AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

In order to graduate from a Douglas County high school, a student must complete the following:

- Earn a minimum of 25.5 units of credit. This means a student:
 1. Shall successfully complete the sophomore reading/literature and writing course (or its equivalent) before taking additional language arts courses.
 2. Shall meet the mathematics requirement by successfully completing a minimum of Algebra 1 as one of the 3.0 credits.
 3. Shall meet the social studies requirement by successfully completing:

By the end of 10th grade:

- a. .5 credit in Government
- b. .5 credit in Geography (human, world, physical or political)
- c. .5 credit in US History (Civil War through WWII)
- d. .5 credit in World History (Prehistory through Fall of Rome)

By the end of 12th grade:

- a. .5 credit in US History (1945 to present)
- b. .5 credit in World History elective
- c. .5 credit in Economics
- d. .5 credit in an elective course

AP American History satisfies the following requirements:

<i>If a student has taken ...</i>	<i>AP American may be substituted for...</i>
No US History classes	1.0 US History credits
US History 1865-1945	.5 US History 1945-present .5 elective
US History 1865-1945 US History 1945-present	.5 elective credit .5 Economics credit
All required Social Studies courses	1.0 elective credits
AP Modern Europe	.5 elective credit .5 Economics credit

AP Modern Europe satisfies the following requirements:

<i>If a student has taken ...</i>	<i>AP Modern Europe may be substituted for...</i>
No World History classes	1.0 World History credits
Prehistory-Ancient Rome	.5 World History credits .5 elective credits
Prehistory-Ancient Rome World History elective	.5 elective credit .5 Economics credit
All required Social studies courses	1.0 elective credit
AP American History	.5 elective credit .5 Economics credit

AP Government satisfies the following requirements:

<i>If a student has taken ...</i>	<i>AP Government may be substituted for...</i>
No Government classes	.5 Government credits .5 elective credits
Government	.5 elective .5 economics
All required Social Studies courses	1.0 elective credit

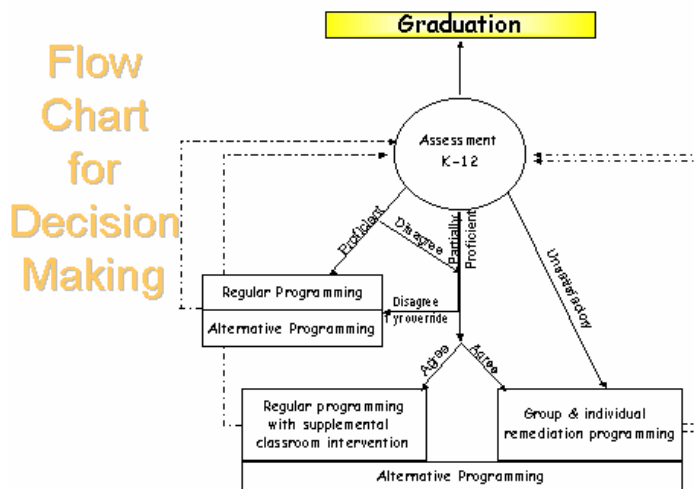
AP Psychology satisfies 1.0 elective credits

4. May meet the practical arts requirement by completing courses in home economics, business, industrial technology, computer, vocational education and/or a third-, fourth- or fifth-level foreign language course.
 5. May meet the fine arts requirement by completing courses in art, drama, music, dance, and/or a third-, fourth-, or fifth-level foreign language course;
 6. May meet up to .5 credit in health to meet half of the physical education requirement;
 7. May not use the same speech class to satisfy both the language arts and the speech communication requirement;
- Demonstrate proficiency on the Douglas County School district Content Standards. The identified District assessment will be used in conjunction with teacher judgment as defined on the decision-making flow chart to determine proficiency. A student who is not proficient will be required to participate in an appropriated remediation process or retesting process as defined in the district decision-making flow chart.

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Item	Class of 2005	Class of 2006	Class of 2007	Class of 2008	Class of 2009
Reading	CSAP	CSAP	CSAP	CSAP	CSAP
Writing	Pass Class	Pass Class	Anchor	Anchor	Anchor
Math - Algebra	Pass Class	EOC	EOC	EOC	EOC
Science	Lab	Lab	Lab	Lab	Lab
Social Studies	Pass Class	Pass Class	Pass Class	Pass Class	Anchor

Students who have completed the remediation process will be reassessed for proficiency using an appropriate assessment.



Students identified as disabled and having IEP's, the IEP team including the general education teacher determines which content standards or curriculum are modified or adapted due to the disability.

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Demonstrate proficiency on use of technology

There are three ways to meet the Technology Proficiency Requirement:

1. Pass “Information Processing I” course
2. Pass higher level technology course which is preapproved as meeting skills requirement
3. Pass district assessment.

This begins with the class of 2006.

Participation in Graduation Exercises

In order to participate in graduation exercises, a student must demonstrate behavior deemed by the building principal, to be compatible with the district’s behavioral expectations.

A student may be denied the privilege of participating in the high school’s formal graduation ceremony. If, during the semester prior to his/her graduation from a Douglas County high school, she/he has been suspended from school for conduct which:

1. Disrupts or threatens to disrupt the operation of a school;
2. Interferes in any way with the rights and privileges of other students or citizens; or,
3. Endangers the health, safety, or welfare of any person.

Adopted: July 16, 2002

LEGAL REFS.

C.R.S. 22-1-103 through 22-1-111

CROSS REF.:

IKE-R, Promotion and Retention of Students

IKFA, Early Graduation

JECBA, ADMISSION OF FOREIGN STUDENTS

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