

StudentsGraduation

To participate in commencement exercises or receive an Arlington Public Schools diploma a student must fully complete all requirements for graduation prior to the official commencement exercises, and complete other administrative requirements or conditions.

It shall be the policy of Arlington Public Schools that to be eligible for graduation from Arlington High School, the candidate must have earned a minimum of 260 semester hours credit in grades 9 through 12 inclusive.

Further eligibility for graduation shall require the candidate to present a minimum of 40 earned semester hours credit during the school year in which he/she intends to graduate. Credit hours will be computed in accordance with the Nebraska Department of Education. All students must be enrolled as a full-time student at the time of their graduation.

Satisfactory completion of the following courses must be presented in the candidate's record:

<u>Language Arts</u> – 45 credit hours		
English 9	10	
English 10	10	
English 11	10	
<del>Effective Communications</del> Beginning Speech		5
English 12	10	
<u>Social Studies</u> – 35 credit hours		
World Geography	10	
World History	10	
American History-20 <sup>th</sup> Century	10	
American Government	5	
<u>Mathematics</u> – 30 credit hours		
Algebra I*	10	
Geometry	10	
Math Elective	10	
* Students who passed Algebra I as an 8 <sup>th</sup> Grader will meet the 30 credit hour requirement with additional math electives.		
<u>Science</u> – 30 credit hours		
<del>Science Inter</del> /Physical Science	10	
Biology	10	
Science Elective	10	

Practical Arts – 20 credit hours~~Introductory Computers~~ **Information Technology I** 5~~Computer Applications~~ **Information Technology II** 5**Personal Finance and Business Economics OR****Wealth Building Fundamentals and Personal Finance** 5

Remaining credits can be obtained from Business, and/or Consumer/  
 Family Science, and/or Industrial Education, and/or additional computer  
 classes. 10

Physical Education – 20 credit hours

Physical Education I/Health 10

P.E. Electives 10

Fine Arts – 10 credit hours

\*These credits can be earned in the areas of Instrumental (10), Vocal  
 Music (10), Art (10) or a combination Of Art (5) and Music (5)

Electives – 70 credit hours

Exceptions to these requirements may be made by the Board of Education upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, who will support the recommendation with justifiable reasons. A complete record of the recommendation and of the action taken upon it by the Board shall be included in the minutes. The candidates for graduation shall be presented to the Board of Education for approval.

A student who has not met the requirements for graduation but who has attended school regularly may, with the recommendation of the Superintendent, be granted a Certificate of Attendance. Students receiving a Certificate of Attendance shall not be eligible to participate in graduation exercises.

Written notification will be made to parents of students who are in danger of not earning an academic diploma. It shall be required that the candidate have eight (8) semesters experience in grades 9-12.

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