

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students shall be awarded the diploma of Lawrence High School upon meeting both State of Maine and local requirements as follows:

The following minimum requirements of twenty credits will be successfully completed:

1. 4 units of English
2. 3 units of Social Studies(one unit must be US History and ½ unit Personal Finance)
3. 3 units of Math (4 units effective starting class of 2018)
4. 3 units of Science including at least one year of laboratory study
5. 1 unit of Fine Arts
6. 7 units of Electives (6 units effective starting class of 2018)
7. 1/2 unit of Health
8. 1 unit of Physical Education
9. 1/2 unit of Practical Life Skills

All students must enroll each semester in at least three full credit courses. A full credit of English must be taken each year.

For students in alternative programs, exceptions may be made with the principal's approval. However, all students in alternative programs who are enrolled at Lawrence High School should ideally carry at least three subjects.

No more than one quarter of the units required for graduation from Grade 12 may be earned through correspondence school courses, private tutoring, or other educational out-of-school experiences. The correspondence schools must be listed in "Directory of Accredited Private Home Study Schools" of the National Home Study Council, or approved by the Commissioner of Education. Tutoring must be by certified or licensed teachers. All of these programs must be approved in advance by the school principal, and carried on under his/her general supervision.

A student who has two or less credits required for completion, and who proceeds to a post-secondary situation of learning, either full or part time, may in this manner, with the approval of the high school principal, complete the requirements of graduation and be awarded a diploma with the following graduation exercises.

Every student shall have a transcript which shall include specific information for those who will assist the learner in his/her development in a post-secondary situation and list any occupational training for the benefit of prospective employers.

Students who have not met full requirements of the diploma shall not participate in graduation exercises.

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Graduation exercises shall be limited to the high school. Simple exercises are allowed in elementary schools, provided that they do not cause the purchase of anything by parents or students in order to participate.

Legal Reference: TITLE 20A MR.SA SEC. 4722

Cross Reference: IKFA - EARLY GRADUATION

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