

Participation in Graduation Exercises

The Board of Education believes that completion of requirements for a high school diploma is an achievement that merits honor and recognition. This comes in part through participation in commencement graduation exercises when graduating seniors are recognized by the district according to the tradition of pomp and circumstance.

Only those students who have completed the requirements of the State of Wisconsin and the Johnson Creek School District should be allowed to participate in graduation exercises. However, it is recognized that there may be extenuating circumstances, whereby completion of the course and credit requirements may be in doubt. Any matters related to extenuating circumstances shall be referred to and decided upon by the high school principal. Any decision by the principal may be appealed to the Board of Education. To provide for planning by the student and his/her parent(s) the following shall be the policy on participation in graduation exercises:

1. Any student not meeting graduation requirements at the end of the first semester of the senior year with little or no opportunity to complete those requirements by the end of the second semester of the senior year will be notified in writing that he/she may not participate in graduation exercises unless the requirements have been met. A copy of this notice will be sent to the student's parent(s) or guardian by registered or certified mail.
2. Any student who has not met graduation requirements by the end of his/her senior year and who has not been notified of deficiencies as specified in the preceding paragraph will be allowed to participate in the graduation exercises but will not receive a diploma unless and until all requirements have been met.
3. Information concerning the application of this policy to any student shall be held in the strictest of confidence to be shared only among the student, his/her parent(s) or guardian, and affected staff members.

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