

## Graduation Exercises

All students who meet or are enrolled in High School courses, that satisfy all state and district requirements for a diploma (modified or extended) or alternate certificate and have successfully completed these before graduation, may participate in the district's graduation ceremony. Valid evidence of "satisfactory completion" shall include transcripts, grade reports, and/or documentation by the instructor on official letterhead from the educational institution. However, the district reserves the right to preclude a student from those ceremonies for disciplinary reasons

All students who qualify for a diploma or alternate certificate should receive public recognition for their educational efforts. It is the district's wish to provide a public ceremony for their graduation or promotion exercises. However, situations may arise where a student's behavior violates the discipline policy of the district and the most appropriate alternative for discipline is the district's refusal to allow a student to participate in these exercises.

All valedictorian(s) and salutatorian(s) are eligible to try out to be the student speaker at the graduation ceremony. The building principal or designee shall determine who will speak at graduation. All speeches will be reviewed and approved in advance by the building principal or designee.

All graduation requirements must be satisfactorily completed before a diploma will be issued or a student may participate in the graduation ceremony.

END OF POLICY

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### Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 329.451](#)  
[ORS 332.105](#)  
[ORS 332.107](#)  
[ORS 332.114](#)  
[ORS 339.115](#)

[ORS 339.505](#)  
[ORS 343.295](#)  
[OAR 581-021-0071](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1130](#)

[OAR 581-022-1133](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1134](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1135](#)  
[OAR 581-022-1350](#)

31 OR. ATTY. GEN. OP. 428 (1964)

Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, 20 U.S.C. §§ 1681-1683 (2006); Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Sex in Education Programs or Activities Receiving Federal Financial Assistance, 34 C.F.R. Part 106 (2006).

Kay v. David Douglas Sch. Dist. No. 40, 1987); *cert. den.*, 484 U.S. 1032 (1988).

Doe v. Madison Sch. Dist. No. 321, 177 F.3d 789 (9th Cir. 1999).

Lee v. Weisman, 505 U.S. 577 (1992).