

Assignment, Classification of Students,
and Graduation Requirements

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All students in the elementary grades, K-6, having satisfactorily completed the course of instruction for the elementary grades and recommended by their classroom teacher, shall be promoted into junior-senior high school.

When a student has satisfactorily completed grades K-12 and accumulated the prescribed credits, he or she shall be awarded a high school diploma. Students who have attended grades nine through twelve a minimum of eight semesters, but who lack sufficient credits to receive a high school diploma may receive a certificate of attendance. Students who do not meet the academic requirements for graduation and wish to participate in the commencement program will receive a certificate of attendance.

Junior High Promotion Requirements.

For a student attending Gage County School District No. 34 to be promoted to grade nine (high school) from junior high school (grades seven and eight), he or she must successfully complete four semesters of English and four semesters of mathematics. He or she must also successfully complete a minimum of three semesters each year in science and social studies. A student may not fail two semester of the same subject.

High School Promotion Requirements.

Students who have satisfactorily completed the eighth grade shall be classified as freshmen. Students must have received passing grades and accumulated the credit hours to be classified as listed:

Sophomore	58 Credit Hours
Junior	115 Credit Hours
Senior	172 Credit Hours

High school students will not be retained at any grade level, however, any student who does not receive a passing grade in any subject will be given the opportunity to retake that subject (or an equivalent subject) the following year.

Students who have an Individual Education Program must meet standards established by that program for classification and graduation.

Graduation Requirements.

Graduation will be made upon the recommendations of the secondary principal and superintendent of schools. Students must have attended Daniel Freeman High School his or her senior year and passed all subjects required for graduation, and completed 230 hours of credit; 200 hours must be in the academic field. Any exceptions to this policy must be brought before the board of education for special consideration. Following is a list of specific course requirements which each student must pass to meet graduation requirements:

English	35 Credits. (Includes 5 credits of speech.
Social Studies	30 Credits. (World Cultures, American History, and American Government).
Mathematics	20 Credits.
Science	20 Credits. (Earth Science and Biology Required).
Mathematics and Science. .	10 Credits. (Students must select a third year in either academic area).
Practical Arts	10 Credits. (Business, industrial arts, or agriculture).
Computers	10 Credits.
Fine Arts	10 Credits. (Art, vocal music, or instrumental music).
Physical Education	10 Credits.
Required	155 Credits.
Electives	75 Credits.
Total Credits	230 Credits.

The above requirements will become effective with the graduating class of 2004. World cultures requirement will become effective with the graduating class of 2005.

Students should be enrolled in school full time unless they are dual-enrolled in classes at institutions of higher

