

**DE SOTO AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT**

345.61-Rule

EARLY GRADUATION PROCEDURES

1. Eligibility

In order to be eligible for early graduation, students must have successfully completed, 26 credits of course work that includes state required credits with a 3.0 GPA, by the end of the student's sixth semester.

2. Application Procedures

Students who wish to graduate early must submit the following no later than October 1st of the seventh semester of his/her school career:

- A. A letter clearly explaining the reasons for the request.
- B. A statement of endorsement and the signatures of approval of the parent(s)/guardian.
- C. Have successfully completed by the end of the student's sixth semester: 26.00 credits for the class of 2013 of course work that includes state requirements with a 3.0 GPA, by the end of their sixth semester.
- D. Documented completion of 20 community service hours.

3. Approval

- A. A conference will be held with the alliance committee, the student, his/her parent(s)/guardian, and the guidance counselor in regard to the request.
- B. The alliance committee through the principal, shall recommend approval or disapproval to the District Administrator.
- C. The District Administrator shall make a recommendation to the Board for final approval or disapproval.

4. Conditions/Revocation

If early graduation is granted, the student must be enrolled in not less than six subjects during his/her seventh semester and continue to maintain the qualifying GPA. Failure on the part of the student to do this will result in revocation of the permission for early graduation.

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