

Liberty Union High School District

Board Policy

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Subject: Graduation Requirements
La Paloma High School

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The following list represents a reasonable requirement considering the nature of La Paloma students and the time frame of their attendance. Classes will be broken down into three (3) categories because of special situations or requirements.

Students must pass the Liberty Union High School District Minimum Proficiency Exam in reading, language, writing, and mathematics.

	Category 1	Category 2	Category 3
Course or Subject Area	Required Units	Required Units	Required Units
Mathematics	30		
Social Sciences	30		
World History	(10)		
U.S. History	(10)		
American Government	(5)		
Economics	(5)		
Science	20		
Biological Science	(10)		
Physical Science	(10)		
Health/Decision-Making	5		
English I – IV* *Approved English class may be substituted for English IV	40		
Foreign Language or Fine Arts	10		
Total	135		
Physical Education No credit for P.E. allowed beyond 20 units. P.E. not allowed for elective		20	
Elective			35
Total requirements for graduation			190

Category 1:

Students will meet the same core academic graduation requirements as in other schools within the District. The only difference is that courses will be broken down into nine-week segments.

Category 2:

Requirements will establish objectives built on state guidelines for continuation schools and consideration of limited facilities and trained staff.

Category 3:

Course will establish objectives based on:

1. Objectives written for similar classes in the District.
2. Objectives mandated by the state for continuation schools, i.e. the provision for guidance, placement, and follow-up services regarding Work Experience.
3. Objectives based on the particular needs of continuation students, i.e. values clarification, pre- and post-natal care for children, parenting, supervised study, survival skills, etc.
4. Objectives based on the stated needs of students.

All category three requirements will be developed as nine-week mini-courses and approved by the Liberty Union High School District Board of Trustees.

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Standards and Benchmarks

The Standards and Assessment Program provides a clear definition of the knowledge and skills that students must demonstrate in all subject areas in order to graduate from high school. Students are expected to achieve the identified standards within the coursework required for graduation.

Each student completing grade 12 shall successfully pass the state exit examinations in language arts and mathematics as a condition of high school graduation. Students shall take the exit examination in grade 10 and may take the examination during each subsequent administration until each section of the examination has been passed.

Supplemental instruction shall be offered to any student who does not demonstrate "sufficient progress" toward passing the exit examination.

Pupils who have not passed one or both parts of California High School Exit Exam by the end of grade 12 are entitled to receive intensive instruction and service for up to two consecutive academic years after completion of grade 12 or until they pass both parts of the California High School Exit Exam.

For purposes of determining eligibility for supplemental instruction, "sufficient progress" shall be determined by students' grades and other indicators of academic achievement designated by the district.

Residency Requirement:

Students must complete at least ten units in residence at La Paloma High School in order to graduate at that school.

Fourth Year Limitation:

Students may earn no more than 90 units from all sources in the calendar year prior to their graduation (September-June). Appeals for exception to this policy may be approved by the site principal under special circumstances.

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE

35186 Williams Uniform complaint procedure

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