

PORT EDWARDS PUBLIC SCHOOLS**Board of Education Policy**

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must attend high school for four years unless they are approved for early graduation under board policy. In order to receive a diploma, a student must have been enrolled in a class or participated in a school board-approved activity during each class period of each school day during the high school years. The following criteria shall be applied to any student wishing to obtain a John Edwards High School Diploma. To participate in commencement a student must meet the requirements for a diploma.

22 Required Credits

(earned with passing grades)

For a full diploma, each student must present 22 credits, including:

- 4 English
- 4 Social Studies
- 3 Science
- 3 Mathematics
- 1.5 Physical Education

NOTE: Wisconsin Statute also requires the completion of one semester (.5 credit) of Health sometime during grades 7-12

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.33 Wisconsin Statutes
121.02(1)(p)
PI 18, Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: 345.6 – Rule, Specific Graduation Requirements
461 – Academic Excellence Scholarship

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SPECIFIC GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Awarding Credit:

1. All students are required to enroll in and pass courses as follows:
 - a) 4 credits of English
 - b) 4 credits of specified Social Studies
 - c) 3 credits of mathematics which incorporate instruction in the properties, processes and symbols of arithmetic and elements of algebra, geometry and statistics
 - d) 3 credits of science which incorporate instruction in the biological sciences and physical sciences
2. Physical disability and unusual circumstances that might prevent a student from meeting the physical education requirements may be exempt from this provision subject to administrative and board of education review. The opportunity to make up the exempted credit must be exercised as long as the possibility for make-up exists.
3. Approved correspondence courses may be used to fulfill any of the above requirements, recommendation to be by the guidance counselor in consultation with the high school principal. Final approval will be by the district administrator.
4. According to district policy, credits earned elsewhere, including an approved Youth Options program, home-based study, foreign study abroad, and other educational experiences will be recorded on the student's official high school transcript.