

# Marion County Board of Education

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## **Graduation Requirements**

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To meet the requirements for graduation, a student shall have attained an approved attendance, conduct and subject matter record which covers a planned program of education, and this record shall be kept on file in the high school.

The program of studies shall include areas and content in these areas within State Board of Education Regulations and shall be flexible enough to facilitate progress from one stage of development to another, thus providing for more effective student adjustment.

The pattern of courses which shall be required of all students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) shall be in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the State Board of Education and the Board of Education.

### **DIPLOMAS**

- Regular Diploma
- Certificate of Attendance
- Special Education Diploma
- Tennessee Honors Diploma
- Occupational Diploma
- Alternate Academic Diploma

### **CREDITS**

Students must have minimum of 26 credits to graduate from a Marion County School. Under certain circumstances students may graduate with the state credit requirement of 22 credits.

### **REPEATING COURSES**

Any student may repeat a course if space permits. The first grade in the course is the one which will be recognized; the exception will be if a student is repeating due to failure in which case the passing grade will be the one recognized. For special situations (NCAA, Dual Enrollment, or college entrance examinations) a course may be repeated and credit awarded for the repeated class. The first grade will be used for averaging class rank. Double credits will not be awarded.

### **HOPE SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY GRADE POINT AVERAGE CALCULATIONS**

A student may repeat any failed course and the failing grade for the first attempt will not be considered in the HOPE Scholarship Grade Point Average calculation. The grade of all repeats of the course shall be counted as part of the HOPE GPA. All attempts of courses shall remain on transcript, but will not be calculated in HOPE GPA calculations. LEAs may allow students to replace failed course grades through credit recovery or similar programs without HOPE GPA penalty and it is not considered a repeat. The GPA used to determine eligibility

for the HOPE Scholarship shall be reported on the student's transcript as the "HOPE Scholarship GPA" per SBE Policy 3.301.

### **STUDENT LOAD**

All students in grades nine (9) through twelve (12) shall be enrolled each nine-week grading period in subjects. Hardship or gifted cases may be appealed by the student to the director of schools with further appeal to the Board<sup>3</sup> at the September Board meeting.

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Legal References: Cross References:

1. TCA 49-6-6001; TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06 Basic Curriculum Program 4.201
2. TRR/MS 0520-1-3-.06(1)(d) Class Ranking 4.602