

District: Yazoo County School District
 Section: I - Instructional Program
 Policy Code: IHF - Graduation Requirements

Graduation Requirements

Students in this School District shall graduate from this district utilizing one of the following graduation options listed on the following page and by meeting all other requirements as defined by the Mississippi Department of Education. The superintendent or designee shall establish procedures to support this policy. Please refer to the student handbook for specific information regarding graduation.

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The State Department of Education shall establish goals for the performance of children with disabilities that will promote the purpose of IDEA and are consistent, to the maximum extent appropriate, with other goals and standards for children established by the State Department of Education. Performance indicators used to assess progress toward achieving those goals that, at a minimum, address the performance of children with disabilities on assessments, drop-out rates, and graduation rates shall be developed. Every two (2) years, the progress toward meeting the established performance goals shall be reported to the public. 37023-133 and 37-23-1 (1999)

For information on the awarding of a special diploma or an occupational diploma, please refer to MS Code 37-16-11.

NOTES:

1. Please refer to Appendix A of the Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards for a complete listing of course requirements for graduating seniors.
 2. According to a 1998 Attorney General Opinion, automatic fail provision of an absences policy may not apply against legal, excused absences. Such absences policies may not be applied against absences resulting from disciplinary suspensions if absences policies are applied to truant children who are otherwise passing, the district must afford the child procedural due process. (Attorney General Opinion, Carter, 1-9-98) (#183) (97-0817)
- The Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards for this policy are standards 14 and 21.

LEGAL REF.: MS CODE as cited

Mississippi Public School Accountability Standards

GROSS REF.: Policies IB Instructional Goals

IH Student Achievement Improvement Act of 1999

Yazoo County School District Graduation Options

| Standard 24 Credits Minimum (A-2) | | District Option 21 Credits*** (A-1) | | Career Pathway Option 21 Credits Minimum (A-3) | |
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| Graduation Requirements | Required Course | Graduation Requirements | Required Courses | Graduation Requirements | Required Course |
| 4 Credits of English | English I, English II | 4 Credits of English | English I, English II | 4 Credits of English | English I, English II |
| 4 Credits of Math | Algebra I or Integrated Math I | 4 Credits of Math | Algebra I or Integrated Math I | 3 Credits of Math | Algebra I or Integrated Math I |
| 3 Credits of Science | Biology I | 3 Credits of Science | Biology I | 3 Credits of Science | Biology I |
| 3 Credits of Social Studies | 1 World History 1 U.S. History | 3 Credits of Social Studies | 1 U.S. History 1 World History | 3 Credits of Social Studies | 1 U.S. History |
| 1 Credit of Health & Physical Education | ½ Geography ½ U.S. Government ½ Economics ½ Mississippi Studies | 3 Credits of Social Studies | ½ U.S. Government ½ Mississippi Studies | ½ Credit of Health Physical Education | 0.5 U.S. Government 0.5 Mississippi Studies ½ Contemporary Health Or ½ Physical Education |
| 1 Business & Technology | ½ Contemporary Health and ½ Physical Education | ½ Health | ½ Contemporary Health | 4 Credits Career & Technical | (Selected from Student's Program of Study) |
| 1 Credit of Art | 1 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) II or I Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) or 1 Technology Foundations or ½ Keyboarding and ½ Computer Applications | 1 Business & Technology | 1 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) II or I Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) or 1 Technology Foundations or ½ Keyboarding and ½ Computer Applications | 1 Credit of Business & Technology | 1 Information and Communication Technology (ICT) II or I Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) or 1 Technology Foundations and ½ Computer Applications |
| 5 Credits of Electives | Any approved 500,000 course | 1 Credit of Art | Any approved 500,000 course | 2 ½ Credits of Electives | Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) or 1 Technology Foundations or ½ Keyboarding and ½ Computer Applications |

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