

1 **Livingston School District**

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3 **INSTRUCTION**

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5 High School Graduation Requirements

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7 Publication of Graduation Requirements

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9 Prior to registering in high school, each student will be provided with a copy of the current
10 graduation requirements. Graduation requirements shall also be included in the student
11 handbook.

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13 Credits

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15 Students shall be expected to earn a total of 23 units and 40 community service hours (or
16 prorated by years of school attendance) in order to complete graduation requirements. Special
17 education students who have successfully completed their IEP leading toward high school
18 completion or HiSET students, who have completed the requirements of the Montana HiSET
19 Option Program, will be awarded a diploma.

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21 Waiver of Requirement

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23 Graduation requirements generally will not be waived under any circumstances. However, in
24 rare and unique hardship circumstances, the principal may recommend and the Superintendent
25 approve minor deviation from the graduation requirements.

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27 Alternative Programs

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29 Credit toward graduation requirements may be granted for planned learning experiences from
30 accredited programs, such as summer school, university courses, and correspondence courses.
31 Credit for work experience may be offered when the work program is a part of and supervised by
32 the school.

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34 All classes attempted at Park High School and all acceptable transfer credits shall be recorded on
35 the transcript. All grades earned, including failures and retakes, shall be recorded as such and
36 utilized in the calculation of Grade Point Average and class rank. Credit shall be awarded only
37 once regardless of repetition of the course.

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39 Dual Credit

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41 Dual credit allows high schools students to simultaneously earn credit toward both a high school
42 diploma and college coursework that can lead to a postsecondary degree or certificate, or toward
43 transfer to another college. The primary purpose of offering dual credit courses is to deliver high
44 quality, introductory, college level courses to high-performing high school students. The
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Livingston School District has dual credit partnerships within Montana post-secondary institutions. Students interested in dual credit opportunities must meet with their building administration to determine available options.

Students should be aware of Montana High School Association on-campus attendance eligibility requirements for activity participation.

Honor Roll

A student must have a minimum grade-point average of 3.00 to be placed on the regular honor roll. Specific information regarding honors at graduation are included in the student handbook.

Class Rank (Grade Point Average)

Class Rank is compiled from semester grades. Courses not eligible for GPA are designated with an asterisk on the report card.

Early Graduation

In accordance with provisions of § 20-9-313, MCA, the ANB of a school may be increased when a high school district provides early graduation for a student who completes graduation requirements in less than eight semesters or the equivalent amount of secondary school enrollment.

The Board hereby authorizes the high school principal to grant permission to students who have completed the minimum requirements for graduation in less than eight semesters.

Legal Reference: § 20-9-313, MCA Circumstances under which regular average number belonging may be increased

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